

Pilgrim Congregational Church

DULUTH, MINNESOTA

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND ORGANIZATIONS

PRESENTED AT

THE ANNUAL MEETING

JANUARY 19, 1966

OUR COVENANT

We are united in striving to know the will of God as taught in the Holy Scriptures, and in our purpose to walk in the ways of the Lord made known or to be made known to us. We therefore join and covenant with each other to worship, work and serve together as loyal disciples of Jesus, to live among our fellow men a life of righteousness and brotherly love, and to do all within our power to promote the reign of God's will in all human relations.

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REPORT OF THE CLERK

The reported membership of Pilgrim Church, January 1, 1965

1.

858

New members added during 1965:

On Confession of Faith	13
Transferred from other churches	23
Reaffirmation of Faith	2
Restored to the active roll	4
Total additions in 1965	<u>42</u>

42

Members lost during 1965:

Removed by death	8
Transferred to other churches	175
Transferred to inactive roll	<u>33*</u>
Total lost in 1965	<u>216</u>

216

Net loss in active membership during 1965

174

Total active membership as of January 1, 1966

684**

* By vote of the Board of Deacons May 25, 1965

**Of this total 70 are non-resident. The total active resident membership as of January 1, 1966 was 614.

During the year 12 births were recorded and 17 children and young people were baptized.

Members lost by death were:

Mrs. Oliver E. Sarff
Mr. Franklin S. Rice
Dr. Roland E. Nutting
Mrs. Wayne A. Clark

Dr. William R. Bagley
Mr. Charles W. Burdick
Mrs. Hilda Mänonen
Mrs. John E. Hoff

Letters of Transfer were issued to the following persons:

Mr. and Mrs. Norman A. Moberg and Robert to Christ Episcopal, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mr. and Mrs. John S. Donte and Ann to Fox Chapel Presbyterian, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mr. and Mrs. Byron Dempster to Emerson Avenue Congregational, Richfield, Minn.
Mr. John H. Syck to Pilgrim Congregational, Pomona, California
Dr. Oliver E. Sarff to the Roman Catholic Church
Mr. Harland Howard to First Methodist, Duluth
Mr. and Mrs. C. Tyler Williams to San Ramon Valley Methodist, Alamo, California
Mr. and Mrs. Harold O. Shively to First Methodist, Duluth
Mr. and Mrs. Morris V. Mielke to Westminster Presbyterian, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. Wendell O. Heldt (Barbara Turner) to Merriam Park Presbyterian, St. Paul
Mrs. Elizabeth Hommes to Hammond Avenue Presbyterian, Superior, Wisconsin
Mr. Harvey W. Edson to the Lutheran Church, Ithaca, N. Y.
Mr. and Mrs. Ronald M. Brown to Falcon Heights Congregational, St. Paul
Mr. and Mrs. William A. Newman to the church of their choice
Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Fox, Steven and Kathleen, to Plymouth Congregational, Fargo, North Dakota
Mrs. L. M. Anderson to the church of her choice

To the Duluth Congregational Church:

2.

Mrs. Royal D. Alworth
 Mr. and Mrs. John C. Andresen
 Mr. and Mrs. William J. Archer
 Mrs. William F. Arndt, Sr.
 Mr. and Mrs. William F. Arndt, Jr.
 Mrs. S. E. Atkins
 Dr. and Mrs. Charles M. Bagley,
 Charles, Jr., Frederick, Peter
 Mrs. K. S. Bagley
 Mrs. William R. Bagley
 Mr. and Mrs. Warner F. Baldwin
 Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Barnes
 Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Barney
 Mr. and Mrs. Norman Barsness
 Mrs. W. G. Bauman
 Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Beck
 Mrs. Norma R. Bellows
 Mr. and Mrs. Earl J. Bilger
 Mrs. Elmer F. Blu
 Mrs. R. H. Bonnell, Sr.
 Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Briglia and
 Sandra
 Robert L. Burrows
 Mr. and Mrs. Hubbell Carpenter
 and James
 Miss Catherine Combs
 Mr. and Mrs. Fred D. DeVaney
 Mrs. L. E. Doolittle
 Mr. and Mrs. William C. Dunbar
 Mrs. Helen F. Duncan
 Miss Mary I. Elwell
 Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Ensign
 Mrs. Paul F. Filippi
 George C. Finch
 Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Forsan
 Philip J. Frost
 Miss Mary V. Fulton
 Mrs. J. W. Galvin
 Donald R. Gessner
 Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Gibson
 Dr. and Mrs. M. G. Gillespie
 Mr. and Mrs. A. Laird Goodman
 Mr. and Mrs. John M. Harris
 Mrs. Guilford Hartley
 Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Hatch and
 Michael
 Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hemenway
 Miss Margaret Hemenway
 Mrs. R. W. Hotchkiss
 Mrs. R. F. Hunt
 Mrs. W. A. Hutchinson
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Jackson
 Mr. and Mrs. John D. Jensvold
 Mr. and Mrs. Amos A. Johnson
 Mr. and Mrs. Romaine R. Johnson
 Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Johnston
 Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Joppa
 Mrs. T. J. Joyce
 Mrs. Harry Klein
 Mrs. F. N. Knapp
 Mrs. C. L. Kohlhaas
 Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Linquest
 Mrs. Paula Lundquist
 Mrs. Dorothy F. MacLeod
 Dr. and Mrs. Gordon C. MacRae
 Mrs. B. H. Maier
 Mr. and Mrs. Floyd J. Mann
 Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Marsden
 Mrs. Robert L. Mayall, Sr.
 Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Mayall, Jr.
 Mrs. Jessie C. McCarthy
 Mrs. H. J. McClearn
 Mrs. Katherine Schlenk Miller
 Mr. and Mrs. James E. Montague
 Mrs. Helge H. Nelson
 Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Nordal
 Mrs. R. E. Nutting
 Peter H. Olsen
 Alonzo E. Parker
 Mr. and Mrs. Clyde M. Pearce
 Mrs. D. F. Pennie
 Mrs. Thomas Q. Quigley
 Mr. and Mrs. Hollis B. Rayn
 Miss Mabel E. Richards
 Mrs. D. N. Skillings
 Mr. and Mrs. Peter H. Sneve
 Mrs. Frank W. Spicer
 Miss Flora M. Staple
 Mr. and Mrs. Conrad L. Stephenson
 Dr. and Mrs. Carl G. Storberg
 Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Swanby
 Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Swanby, Jr.
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Swanson
 Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Syck and Margaret
 Lawrence J. Syck
 Mrs. Fred J. Voss
 Mrs. Marian Weaver Wahlgren
 Mrs. Voorhees Ward
 Miss Elizabeth Whipple

Respectfully submitted,

Robert F. Eaton, Clerk

NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED DURING 1965

3.

February 7

Mr. and Mrs. F. Robert Adams
3743 Crescent View Avenue

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald M. Brown
515 N. 34th Avenue East

Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Kienzle
4828 Otsego Street

Donald J. McLish
114 Chester Parkway

Michael B. McLish
114 Chester Parkway

April 15

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Cole
2706 East Superior Street

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Fox
5061 London Road

Kathleen Fox
5061 London Road

Steven Fox
5061 London Road

Mrs. William A. Rosenthal
2515 East Sixth Street

Mrs. E. C. Whiting
1801 East Second Street

Confirmation Class

Rebecca Appelquest	Carolyn Halliday
Samuel E. Atkins II	David Hieb
Timothy Brooker	Geoffrey Lee
Bruce Brownell	Elizabeth Rosenthal
George Fuller	Peter Wilkinson
Kathleen Grindy	

October 3

Mr. and Mrs. Gaill T. Keeble
121 Waverly Place

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce C. Kruger
1723 East Second Street

December 5

Mrs. Eva W. Danielson
Torrance Hall, UMD

Mr. and Mrs. H. Dean Klinger
1924 Hartley Road

Miss Helen Ramshaw
218 N. First Avenue West

Mrs. Ronald D. Smith
1912 East Third Street

Dr. and Mrs. William A. van Druten
2931 Greysolon Road

RECEIPTS

REPORT OF THE TREASURER - 1965

4.

Individual Contributions		\$63,135.19	
Loose Offerings		1,534.89	
Church School Offerings		283.22	
Women's Fellowship for General Fund		500.00	
Women's Fellowship for Benevolences		500.00	
Rentals		555.00	
Special Offerings			
Easter			
Thanksgiving	1,120.59		
Christmas	1,046.27		
State Conf. Capital Funds	732.59		
Special Projects	<u>3,923.50</u>	6,822.95	
Other Unbudgeted Income		3,103.47	
		<u>2,960.01</u>	79,394.73
DISBURSEMENTS			
Ministry			
Salary of the minister, annuity fund dues, car expense, minister's discretionary fund, guest speakers.		12,633.29	
Church Office			
Salaries of secretary, part-time Christian Education secretary, part-time financial secretary and stenographer, office supplies, postage and printing, and office equipment.		6,796.86	
Music			
Salaries of organist and choir director and youth choir director, sheet music, care of the organ, choir fees and miscellaneous.		5,296.42	
Christian Education			
Salary of the Director of Christian Education, director's car expense, conference expense, church school curriculum materials, church school supplies, audio-visual materials, equipment, Bibles for third graders, Pilgrim Fellowship expense, leadership training, and library books and supplies.		4,918.89	
Property Maintenance and Operating Expense			
Salary of the caretaker, caretaker's supplies, utilities, fuel, repairs, insurance, house-keeping expense.		20,060.08	
General Expense			
Printing bulletins, literature, publicity and advertising, contribution envelopes, delegates expenses, per capita dues, coffee hour and miscellaneous.		2,397.02	
Depreciation Fund			
To provide a fund to care for major repairs and replacements when such need arises.		2,000.00	

Contingency Fund

692.70

5.

Special Projects

4,892.32

Other unbudgeted disbursements

Minister's Education Expense 304.88
Minn. Conf. Capital Funds contrib. 3,923.50
Transfers from Memorial Fund 763.34
Carpeting for 3rd St. parsonage 1,400.00
Miscellaneous 502.49

6,894.21

Benevolences

Minnesota State Conference 3,350.00
Board for World Ministries 1,500.00
Board for Homeland Ministries 1,500.00
Pension Boards 350.00
Chicago Theological Seminary 500.00
United Campus Christian Fellowship 500.00
Union Gospel Mission 100.00
Duluth Council of Churches 20.00
Minnesota Council of Churches 50.00
National Council of Churches 50.00
World Council of Churches 50.00
Congregational Historical Society 25.00
Minn. Council of Churches Bldg. Fd. 800.00
Faith-in-Life Dialogue 100.00
World Service (Easter, Thanksgiv.) 1,666.86
Northland College (Easter) 500.00
Ministerial Relief (Christmas) 733.59

11,795.45

78,377.24

SUMMARY CASH STATEMENT

Balances January 1, 1965

General Fund
Special Projects Fund
Deacons Fund

166.84
2,154.51
103.24

2,424.59

Receipts in 1965

Advance payments on 1966 pledges
Total Cash

79,394.73
15,052.58
96,871.90

Disbursements in 1965

78,377.24

Balance December 31, 1965

18,494.66

Balances. December 31, 1965

General Fund
Special Projects Fund
Deacons Fund
Advance payments on 1966 pledges

2,973.18
365.66
103.24
15,052.58

18,494.66

SEGREGATED FUNDS

6.

The following funds are on deposit at First American National Bank in separate accounts (savings accounts or certificates of deposit).

Depreciation Fund

Balance January 1, 1965		
Receipts		3,754.66
Allocation for 1965		
Interest	2,000.00	
	<u>246.17</u>	
No disbursements		<u>2,246.17</u>
		6,000.83
Balance December 31, 1965		<u>6,000.83</u>

Church Vocations Scholarship Fund

Balance January 1, 1965		
Receipts		266.83
Interest from Salter Memorial	80.00	
Transfer from Special Projects	1,560.00	
Interest	<u>11.45</u>	
		<u>1,651.45</u>
Disbursements		<u>1,918.28</u>
Chicago Theological Seminary		
Balance December 31, 1965		<u>1,275.00</u>
		<u>643.28</u>

Salter Memorial Fund

Balance January 1, 1965		
		2,000.00
Receipts		
Interest		80.00
		<u>2,080.00</u>
Disbursements		
To Scholarship Fund		<u>80.00</u>
Balance December 31, 1965		<u>2,000.00</u>

Memorial Fund

Balance January 1, 1965

3,511.73

Receipts

Interest

69.05

Gifts in memory of

Alan Hedenberg

Mrs. O. E. Sarff

Franklin Rice

Rupert R. Asplund

J. G. Mickelsen

C. W. Burdick

Mrs. Wayne Clark

Mrs. John E. Hoff

789.00

858.05

4,369.78

Disbursements

Chancel pew for the Chapel
in memory of Mrs. Carroll Steele

Landscaping at the Hearing House
in memory of Mrs. O. E. Sarff

Church school equipment for Hearing
House in memory of Gordon Dunbar

763.34

Balance December 31, 1965

3,606.44

Memorial Fund

Salter Memorial

1,606.44

2,000.00

3,606.44

Russell Fund

Gift September, 1965

998.47

Receipts

Interest

9.98

Balance December 31, 1965

1,008.45

Special Projects Fund (segregated in checking account)

Balance January 1, 1965

2,154.51

Receipts

3,103.47

5,257.98

Disbursements

Transfer to Church Vocations Scholarship Fund

Hearing property, final payment

Back porch at Hearing property

New toe studs for organ

Music and extra musicians for Requiem

Taxes UCCF property

4,892.32

Balance December 31, 1965

365.66

Respectfully submitted,

Jesse D. Bradley, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

8.

Members of the Board of Trustees were: R. H. Neimeyer, Willis Wyard, Samuel G. Radford, Clifford H. Grindy, Mrs. G. A. W. Hedenberg, Werner J. Zentner, Edward T. Fridt, Jr., George H. Spencer, Jr., and Mrs. William P. Van Evera.

We can again report that Pilgrim Church is in good financial condition. We closed the year with all obligations paid, and a substantial balance in the General Fund. Because of the faithfulness and promptness of our members we had good balances all year, without having anxiety at any time about meeting our financial responsibilities.

During 1965 the Harding property was completely re-landscaped through a memorial gift in memory of Mrs. O. E. Sariff. In October the carpeting at the Third Street parsonage was replaced. The cost was paid for out of general funds, despite the fact this item had not been budgeted.

Our church property, including the church edifice, parsonage, the Tioga Street house and the Harding property, are in good repair. There is no indebtedness on any property owned by the church.

The Loyalty Day Campaign was very successful under the able leadership of Axel Herbert. Three hundred and twelve pledges were received for \$64,533. This amount combined with the anticipated income from loose offerings, Women's Fellowship, special offerings, etc. is completely adequate to underwrite the proposed budget for 1966.

The Trustees express their deep appreciation to Axel Herbert and those who assisted him in the Loyalty Day campaign for the way in which the campaign was conducted. Under his leadership for the second consecutive year nearly all of the pledges were on hand before the December meeting of the Board.

On the basis of the pledges and other anticipated income the Trustees recommend the adoption of the budget for 1966 as proposed at the time of the Loyalty Day Campaign.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. Zentner, Chairman

REPORT OF THE LOYALTY DAY COMMITTEE

The Loyalty Day Committee completed its work and was able to make a tentative report at the December 10 meeting of the Trustees at which time 286 pledges had been received and it seemed apparent we would reach our goal. At the January 14 meeting of the Trustees the final report was made on the basis of 312 pledges received.

As of January 14 we had received 312 pledges for a total of \$64,533. This amount added to the anticipated income from Loose Offerings, Church School, Women's Fellowship, service charges paid by organizations using the church facilities for community programs, etc. is sufficient to underwrite the proposed budget for 1966.

Of the 312 pledges received 23 were new pledges, totaling \$2,202 and 104 were increased over the 1965 pledges a total of \$5,682. This was a truly remarkable response on the part of our members, especially in view of the generous increases made by many members last year. Nearly all these pledges were received without any personal follow-up by the committee.

9.
Members of the Loyalty Day Committee were Bruce Buchanan, Jesse D. Bradley, John Dahl, Kenneth Duncan, John Dickerson, Robert F. Eaton, Edward T. Fride, Leonard Griffith, Douglas Walker and Werner Zentner. I wish to thank these men for their help and the members of the church for their prompt and loyal response.

Respectfully submitted,

Axel H. Herbert, Chairman
The Loyalty Day Committee

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN FOR 1965

On January 17, an organ recital was presented in the sanctuary by Mr. Donald H. Andrews, our organist and choir director.

On April 4, our church choir sang the "Requiem" by Gabriel Faure in the sanctuary. Special arrangements were made for orchestral instruments to supplement the organ. Mrs. William Crockott, organist at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, played the organ and Mr. Donald H. Andrews, organist and choir director of Pilgrim Church, directed.

On September 24-25, a Retreat for Men planned by the Executive Committee of the Men's Club was held at Lutsen Lodge. Instruction and discussion centered around "Our Christian Beliefs and the Role of the Church Today."

On October 31, Dr. Gerald J. Jud, General Secretary of the Division of Evangelism of the Board for Homeland Ministries of the United Church of Christ and member of the Faith-in-Life Dialogue team in Duluth, was our guest preacher.

On November 11, Dr. Alford Carleton, Executive Vice President of the United Church Board for World Ministries was guest speaker at the Loyalty Day Dinner.

In December Dr. Valworth R. Plumb was elected one of 225 members of the United Church of Christ Board for World Ministries with a special assignment to the Education Work Committee and Mr. Milton H. Prince was elected director of the Minnesota Conference of the United Church of Christ. The Conference serves 170 churches in Minnesota with headquarters in the Protestant Center in Minneapolis.

Pilgrim Church is approaching its 100th Anniversary (1971) and will welcome any information, written or oral, which anyone might have so that the 100th Anniversary history may be completely prepared.

The historical records of Pilgrim Church are carefully filed in one central location. There is a file of annual reports of the church and a complete file of bound church bulletins. There are records of previous anniversaries, pictures and newspaper clippings of church events in books and folders in the central historical file maintained in the church.

Respectfully submitted,

William G. Currier, Historian

PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Duluth, Minnesota

10.

Proposed 1966 Budget for Local Expenses

	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>
MINISTRY		
Salary of the minister, annuity fund dues, car expense, minister's discretionary fund, guest speakers.	\$12,715	\$13,841
CHURCH OFFICE		
Salaries of secretary, part-time financial secretary, part-time Christian Education secretary, office supplies, postage and printing, and office equipment.	7,342	8,154
MUSIC		
Salaries of organist and choir director and youth choir director, sheet music, care of the organ, choir fees, pension for Miss Rogers, and miscellaneous.	6,100	6,450
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION		
Church school curriculum materials, church school supplies, audio-visual materials, equipment, Bibles for the third graders, Pilgrim Fellowship expense, leadership training, Director of Christian Education.	7,003	7,179
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION		
Salary of the caretaker, caretaker's supplies, utilities, fuel, repairs, insurance, housekeeping expense, and parsonage utilities and services.	19,443	21,028
GENERAL EXPENSE		
Printing bulletins, literature, publicity and advertising, contribution envelopes, delegate expense, minister's edu- cation fund, and miscellaneous.	3,075	3,300
DEPRECIATION FUND		
To provide a fund to care for major repairs and replace- ments when such needs exceed current budgeted allocations for repairs.	2,000	2,000
CONTINGENCY FUND		
	<u>800</u>	<u>--</u>
Total for Local Expenses	\$58,478	\$61,952

PROPOSED 1966 BUDGET FOR BENEVOLENCES

	<u>Through Pledged Giving</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>
		\$ 6,700	\$ 9,000
OUR CHRISTIAN WORLD MISSION Our share in basic support of the missionary agencies of the United Church: the State Conference, Board for World Ministries, Board for Homeland Ministries, and Pension Boards.		500	500
CHICAGO THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY A contribution to the budget of our seminary in Chicago.		500	500
UNITED CAMPUS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP A campus ministry program which we sponsor jointly with other local churches, denominational and interdenominational bodies in Duluth and Superior.		100	100
UNION GOSPEL MISSION A program of evangelism and emergency assistance, Christian counsel and guidance in downtown Duluth.		970	970
INTERDENOMINATIONAL COOPERATION Contributions to the Duluth Council of Churches, Minnesota Council of Churches, National Council of Churches and World Council of Churches, and Minnesota Council of Churches Building Fund.		80	80
MISCELLANEOUS BENEVOLENCES Congregational Historical Society and special appeals.			
Total benevolences through pledged giving		\$ 8,850	\$11,150
	<u>Through Special Offerings</u>		
EASTER - Northland College, Ashland, Wisconsin		\$ 500	\$ 500
World Service - One Great Hour of Sharing		500	500
THANKSGIVING - World Service - Share Our Surplus - SOS		1,000	1,000
CHRISTMAS - Christmas Fund for Ministerial Relief		<u>750</u>	<u>750</u>
Total benevolences through special offerings		\$ 2,750	\$ 2,750
Total of all Benevolences		\$11,600	\$13,900
SUMMARY			
For Local Expenses		\$58,478	\$61,952
For Benevolences through pledged giving		8,850	11,150
For Benevolences through special offerings		<u>2,750</u>	<u>2,750</u>
Total Proposed Budget for 1966		\$70,078	\$75,852

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DEACONS

Members of the Board of Deacons for the year 1965 were: Mr. Bruce Buchanan, Mr. John Grandy, Mr. Leonard E. Griffith, Mr. Fred M. Harlow, Mr. George Holgate, Mr. Ralph Knowlton, Mr. John Z. Dahl, Mr. Percy G. Dunbar, Dr. M. M. Fifield, Mr. Axel H. Herbert, Mr. Milton H. Prince, Mr. Fred E. Stout, Jr., Mr. John T. Adams, Dr. Warren J. Brooker, Mr. John M. Dickerson, Mr. Robert H. Engstrom, Dr. Valworth R. Plumb and Mr. Robert B. Rhode.

The deacons retiring at the end of this year having completed the full tenure of duty are: Messrs. Buchanan, Knowlton and Harlow. Additional deacons that are leaving the Board are Mr. Fred E. Stout, Jr. who resigned and Mr. John Grandy who declined renomination for a second three-year term.

The Board held monthly meetings during the fall, winter and spring. All matters concerning the spiritual life of the church were thoroughly discussed at these meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Malcolm M. Fifield, Chairman

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH VOCATIONS

The purpose of this committee is twofold: to encourage young people to give serious consideration to the various church vocations, and to assist them in any way we can during the period of their training.

The committee follows a policy of making a \$300 grant annually to each young person who is attending college with the intention of entering a church vocation. This assistance is applicable to either undergraduate or postgraduate work. The money is provided by the Church Vocations Scholarship Fund, formerly known as the Hornby Scholarship Fund, which was set up in memory of Mr. Henry C. Hornby.

During the past year no financial help has been given through this committee, simply because none of the members of our church were eligible. It is the sincere hope of the committee that we may soon identify other young people who are interested in church vocations; and to this end we ask members of the church to be on the alert for promising candidates and to speak with us about them.

Funds this year did not permit us to support an entrance scholarship for a student at Chicago Theological Seminary. These stipends are in the amount of \$1,275 per student; and thought should be given to the possibility of our resuming such support.

The members of this committee are: Miss Dorothy Hornby, Samuel F. Atkins, Dr. E. I. Parson, and Valworth R. Plumb, Chairman.

Respectfully submitted,

Valworth R. Plumb, Chairman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

12.

The Board of Christian Education during the year 1965 consisted of Roy T. Osterland, Chairman, Mrs. Percy Dunbar, Secretary, Mr. David S. Bouschor, Mrs. F. C. Jacobson, Mrs. Malcolm Fifield, Mr. John D. Morrison, Dr. E. I. Parson, Miss Martha Wallace, and Mrs. C. L. Thomas.

During the year 1965 the Board continued its activities in relation to the Church School. Mrs. Stephen M. Pronko, Director of Christian Education, continued to administer the church school program and to direct the new curriculum which serves the purposes of Christian education so well. Mrs. Pronko kept the Board informed of the progress and problems of the church school in a very efficient manner even though personally handicapped during the beginning of the year.

It was a very active year for the Board and the church school with the activities of Youth Sunday with the curriculum display in Salter Hall during January; the Spring Family Dinner in April; the Church School Teacher Appreciation Dinner in May at which the 70 some volunteer teachers and assistants were honored for their contribution of themselves in our church school; Church School Day in June with the various classes participating and a display of their work in Salter Hall; Christian Education Sunday in September with a display of the curriculum materials in use by the teachers and children; Hearing House was used all during the year to its capacity on Sunday mornings; and the year was ended with the climactic Christmas Family Dinner which was enthusiastically attended by a capacity group of children and parents who sang carols and were entertained by the cantata sung by the Junior Choir with musical accompaniment and tableaux presented by the Junior Department.

There is still much that needs to be done in the area of the Youth Ministry at Pilgrim Church. The Board, with the counsel of Dr. Halfaker, discussed this problem, and has established a Youth Council and a Parents' Advisory Committee as a first step toward the strengthening of our Youth Ministry program. The Youth Council is composed of adults who are actively at work in the Youth Program and of young people representing the various age groups. The Youth Council will make recommendations to the Board about the structures, programs and activities of the Youth Ministry. Also established is a Parents Advisory Committee with parents from each of the age groups who will react to policies of the church and serve to stimulate support for the Youth Ministry of the church. These groups will make a very important contribution to the youth of our church in 1966.

Your Board has had a satisfying year and feels much has been accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

Roy T. Osterland, Chairman

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

It is certainly better to write an annual report from one's desk than from a hospital bed! From "there" to "here" was a long and tedious road. An excellent church school staff, an office at home, and a loyal "go-between" in Mrs. Val Plumb enabled me to keep in close touch and to carry on most facets of my work while convalescing. It was good to get back on my regular schedule in September, and I am grateful to have fully recovered. I shall always feel a great warmth for my Duluth friends who showed their concern for me in so many ways during that trying period. Among the treasures I shall keep are a number of pictures and get-well "cards" made for me by the church school children.

I can scarcely believe that my third year at Pilgrim Church is more than half over! As I look back, there are some goals we set up when I came that have been met, and a few others I set for myself that I still want to achieve in the coming months. 13.

The new United Church curriculum is firmly established in our church school. We still feel it to be the best one published to date. Our staff of teachers (those who have served as well as the current teachers) still find their coursebooks interesting, stimulating and effective; I continue to get good reports on pupil reaction to their books. The only complaint I hear is that the Sunday morning period is much too short! - and, believe it or not, there are many Sunday mornings when the pupils in various classes are so interested in their discussions, or projects, that they are not ready to leave when the church service is over!

We are now in the middle of the first repeat year of the curriculum, and teachers who taught these same courses two years ago find it interesting to compare the reaction and interests of their pupils this year to those of two years ago. We have our third Audio-Visual Packet providing additional resources for the teaching of the Year I courses. These continue to maintain the high standard of the first Packet. In the new Packet we have, among other things a sound filmstrip "The Festival of Passover" which I hope will be used by many groups in the church.

In the matter of making full use of this excellent curriculum, I regret the absence of groups to use the courses beyond the ninth grade on a weekly basis. There are courses provided through the adult level and we have copies of all these in our library. Anyone is welcome to check these books out and will find them stimulating reading. Another unused part of this curriculum is the material for family reading. There are two copies of "Growing Up in the Family" in our library; I would urge parents with children six to twelve years old to check these out.

Our church school is adequately staffed with about 30 teachers and assistants here Sunday mornings. Our teenagers continue to render a real service as helpers in Crib Room, Nursery, Kindergarten, Primary and third grade.

At the beginning of each semester, the new curriculum pieces have been displayed in Salter Hall on Sunday morning with one or more Christian Education Board members present to answer questions. Quite a few people have availed themselves of this opportunity. If you have not, two copies of each course book are kept in the library. We hope you will check these out and bring yourself up to date on the materials our children and young people are studying.

The Spring Family Dinner was held on April 25 with an attendance of 160. Special features were a hootenanny, a Disney film, "Bear Country", and a family book display.

On Sunday, May 9, the Festival of the Christian Home, during the worship service Dr. Halfaker presented Bibles to the thirteen children who were completing the third grade.

Last June 6 we observed Church School Day with what everyone seemed to feel was a very informative and effective program prepared and given by grades one through six. The children shared with the congregation some of the things they had learned during the year in studying United Church curriculum Year II courses. The themes for the fall and winter semesters were "Responding To God's Love" and "Belonging to the Christian Fellowship". An outstanding display of some of the work done by these classes during the year had been arranged in Salter Hall to supplement the program.

The church school participated as usual in two special offerings, Share Our Substance in the fall and One Great Hour of Sharing during Lent.

Our collection of Nativity pictures continues to grow, building upon the group I brought with me. This year again many of you enjoyed the display in Salter Hall during the Christmas season. 14.

The church school children placed a substantial number of packages under the tree this Christmas for distribution by the Holiday Bureau.

The largest crowd ever (more than 275) attended the Christmas dinner and program, and "a good time was had by all"! All enjoyed the carol sing and harp music in Salter Hall before dinner. For the first time this year, young people helped, not only by setting tables and helping in their decoration, but also by serving the food and providing child care service. The ninth grade took the major responsibility for the dining room service. The ninth grade took the major. Some of the latter kept "open house" in the nursery and toddler rooms. All told, 24 or 25 of our young people were on hand that evening. It was an inspiration to have them here, not only willing but anxious to help. They added greatly to the success of the occasion. I am sure we will want to ask their help again next year. For the program, the Junior Choir sang the cantata, "Lo, A Star", accompanied by special music and sound effects as the Junior department provided appropriate tableaux of the Nativity story. Even the youngest children were attentive and impressed during this program.

As the year goes on, I am hoping very much that time can be found in the busy lives of church school parents and teachers for greater participation in the educational program through such channels as parent-teacher meetings and/or workshops. For example, one of the excellent items in the new Audio-visual packet is an album of five small records. On one side of each is recorded a lively, unrehearsed discussion with third and fourth grade children around the theme, "Growing Up". As they look at the grown up world and wonder what they will be like when they grow up, some of their questions are: "I wonder what makes people mean?" "How does God help people?" "If God loves us why do sad things happen?" "Why are people bad?" On the reverse sides of the records we sit in on interviews with the children's skilled interviewer, Miss Helen Parkhurst. She shares some of her insights into the thinking of children of all ages gained through her many years of talking with children as friend, teacher and psychologist. Parents and teachers alike (and most of our teachers are parents also) will gain a great deal in listening together to these records, then discussing them in terms of the children they live with and teach.

In closing I wish to express my great appreciation to all the wonderful people with whom it has been my privilege to work this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Ludwoll B. Pronko

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

1965 has been another successful year for the Women's Fellowship. We now have seven groups which meet in homes or at the church on the second Wednesday of each month. Our general Fellowship meets the first Wednesday in Fellowship Hall. At both times we have planned programs besides our regular business meeting.

Our budget of \$3,205 is divided for use by the Friendly Service, Community Interests, and General Church use. 33% of our budget goes for benevolences, local and national.

Our Friendly Service Committee has a very dedicated group who make layettes and collect and pack good used clothing which is sent to Church World Service, Delmo, Missouri, the Indians in Dakota, East Harlem Protestant Parish in New York City, and Miss Jenny Pratt who works with immigrants. This year Group 8 had a special project at Christmas, sending clothing and toys to the Winnebago Children's Home, and a Christmas gift box was sent to Delmo. 15.

The Community Interests Committee operates locally and has helped with summer campships for Girl Scout and YWCA camps, the Duluth Round Table, USO, Duluth United Church Women, Northwood Children's Home, and the Union Gospel Mission.

Our Woman's Gift is not budgeted but is a voluntary item. The women collect in their own mite boxes over the year and each November we have a very beautiful thank offering service in the chapel when the boxes are brought in.

We augment our budget each year by a number of special projects. During the past year we served wedding receptions meals for a conference, the Matinee Musicale luncheon, and held a food fair in December where food of all kinds and kitchen accessories were sold.

We remember the church shut-ins at Christmas with a visit and Christmas cookies.

Our Hospitality Committee is busy all during the year keeping in touch with new members of the church and inviting them to join us in our various activities. They also take charge of church receptions such as Maundy Thursday and the reception for Mr. and Mrs. Andrews.

There is a close bond of friendship among the women as they meet and work together as part of our church family.

Respectfully submitted,

Hildah Hedenberg, President

REPORT OF THE PILGRIM MEN'S CLUB

Our Men's Club got off to a good start this year by sponsoring a Men's Retreat held at Lutsen in September. For those who attended, it was a particularly inspirational weekend. All felt we should attempt to make this a regular function of our Men's Club.

This year we total 56 members in all. Meetings were held in October and November and our next scheduled meeting is set for Tuesday, February the 8th. At that time, we will feature an especially fine dinner and program for our guests, our wives.

This year's good start is due in main to the executive committee consisting of Percy Dunbar, John Adams, Dr. Gordon Amundson, Jesse D. Bradley, Dr. Malcolm Fifield, Milton Prince, Bob Owens and Joe Saver, who also acted as our chairman for the Men's Retreat.

Respectfully submitted,

Keith H. Brownell, President

REPORT OF THE PILGRIM FELLOWSHIP

16.

In the months since September we in Pilgrim Fellowship have taken part in many new and varied activities, both fun and spiritually stimulating. The reaction to these activities has been encouraging and our weekly attendance is well up from last year.

The majority of our meetings are planned by a cabinet made up of the president, six other fellowship members, and our advisors. Much of the work of planning discussions, worship services, and dinners is shared equally by all Fellowship members who wish to take part however.

At the present time we have no regular advisors, but Dr. Halfaker and Lynn Zentner are giving us much appreciated help.

I feel we have been having a well-balanced program of meetings that is enjoyed by everyone. We have had two joint meetings this year with Glen Avon, Endion, and St. Paul's, one in our own church, and once we were the guests of Endion Methodist Church. Twice this year we have invited our parents to take part with us in our meetings. They were shown slides of Italy by Kathy Brooker. Recently we had a meeting featuring a film entitled "Teenagers' Parents" which was well received by both parents and teenagers. We have also been having plays and discussions as well as an exciting toboggan party.

As is noticeable, we have been very active this year in P.F. although the year is only half gone. In the remaining five months we hope to accomplish as much as we did in the first four. Still on the calendar for this year are more plays and films, another joint meeting, and a canoe trip, which proved very successful last year. We also will host the state Youth Ministry Convocation April 4 and 5. It is anticipated this will bring 150 to 200 youth and their leaders from all over the state to Duluth.

Thus, all of us concerned feel that Pilgrim Fellowship is enjoying another rewarding year that will be well remembered by all who are taking part in it.

Respectfully submitted,

Craft Dryer, President

REPORT OF THE UNITED CAMPUS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

The past year completes the first full year of operation of a metropolitan campus ministry in the Twin Ports. The label UCCF identifies this ministry in Duluth. In Superior it is a cooperative venture between UCCF and Wesley Fellowship. Out of the past year's experience articles have been adopted by The Advisory Board for United Campus Ministry, Duluth-Superior, to govern this ministry. Under the guidance of this board, composed of representatives from all of the participating churches, a united campus ministry program is conducted on college and university campuses in Duluth and Superior. In addition to regular weekly meetings at UMD and Superior State University this program includes attendance at conferences and retreats in Minnesota and Wisconsin, involvement in Summer Service projects, participation in ecumenical events, representation in the inter-religious councils in the universities, and a personal ministry of counseling and pastoral care provided through the campus pastor. In this ministry churches, students, faculty, administrators and pastors may join in their witness to the lordship of Jesus Christ in the academic world.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard E. Nelson, Campus Pastor

REPORT OF THE MUSIC COMMITTEE

17.

During the past year Pilgrim Congregational Church has been provided with inspirational and beautiful music by the Chancel Choir under the direction of Don Andrews, organist and choir director. Worthy of special mention are the following performances:

- January 17 Organ Recital
- April 4 Faure Requiem, 23 in choir, 23 in orchestra
- April 18 Easter: music from the "Messiah"
"Let All Angels of God Worship Him"
the "Hallelujah Chorus"
- May 16 Music Sunday
- November 26 Buxtehude Cantata: "Jesu, Meine Freude"
- December 24 Christmas Eve, 33 in choir
from the "Messiah": "For Unto Us a Child is Born"
"And the Glory of the Lord"
Old English and Swedish carols

Jean Livingston spent a great deal of time during her summer vacation and this fall cataloguing, cross-indexing (by composer and title), and filing the entire anthem library and also making necessary repairs to the music.

It is interesting to note that Don Andrews has been appointed Consultant for the new organ at Northland College.

We are grateful to the choir members and to our organist for their loyalty and enthusiasm in making such outstanding contributions to the music life of our church.

Mrs. Margaret McGillivray, Youth Choir Director, reports an average attendance of 29 in the Junior Choir which regularly sings on Family Sunday, the third Sunday of the month. The Junior Choir also participated in Music Sunday in May, sang a cantata for the Family Christmas Program, and provided the anthem for the 7:30 Family Service on Christmas Eve.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Kenneth Duncan, Chairman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF USHERS

Our thanks go to the entire Board of Ushers who give their time and attention to this most important service to God and His Church. Team captains during 1965 were Arthur B. Welch, Wilbur M. Fox, A. W. Taylor, Jr. and Edward B. Appelquest. Very special thanks go to John Dalton, assistant head usher, for his continuing and longtime loyal service.

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard E. Griffith, Head Usher

REPORT OF THE COMMUNION COMMITTEE

18.

The Communion Committee has worked efficiently this year, as in the past. The Saturday Committee is composed of:

Mrs. W. J. Brooker
Mrs. G. A. Dinham
Mrs. Wilbur Fox

Mrs. Leonard Griffith
Miss Edna Jenks
Mrs. Werner J. Zentner

These people prepare the Communion table.

The Sunday Committee includes:

Mrs. T. A. Brain
Mrs. Ruth P. Cavanaugh
Miss Mira Childs
Mrs. Axel Herbert

Mrs. Roy Howard
Mrs. Milton Prince
Mrs. C. T. Sponsel
Mrs. Gerald Wedlund

This group washes the service and polishes the silver on Sunday after church.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank these members for their faithful service.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. William C. Cochran, Chairman
Mrs. Robert M. Smith, Co-chairman

REPORT OF THE FLOWER COMMITTEE

It has been the pleasure of the Flower Committee to arrange for flowers to be on the Communion table each Sunday during the year except for Communion Sundays when no flowers are used, and to decorate the church for Palm Sunday, Easter and Christmas.

Flowers were given as memorial gifts on 34 Sundays and by the Women's Fellowship on 13 Sundays. There were 48 memorial plants on Easter Sunday. The large wreath, garlands and poinsettias for Christmas were provided by the Women's Fellowship.

The Flower Committee wishes to express its sincere appreciation to all those who have contributed to the beauty and worshipful atmosphere of our church and to Mr. Lloyd Peterson of Peterson-Anderson Flowers who is so helpful in the selection of flowers and generous in the amount given to us for the minimal charge of \$5.00.

There are dates available for 1966. If you would like to provide memorial flowers, please call the church office. The cost is \$5.00; the flowers will be selected and arranged by the Flower Committee and the bill will be mailed to the donor by the florist.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. A. Robb
Mrs. S. F. Atkins
Mrs. F. H. Magney
Beatrice Halfaker, Chairman

REPORT OF THE LOOKOUT COMMITTEE

19.

Members of the Lookout Committee each Sunday wrap and deliver the flowers from the vases on the Communion Table to shut-in or hospitalized members as directed by Dr. Halfaker. A card from the church and the current Sunday bulletin accompany each bouquet. Members of the committee serve for a month at a time and the whole committee helps on Easter.

The Lookout Committee during 1965 consisted of Mr. C. T. Williams who served as chairman until moving to California in March, Mrs. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Brain, Mr. and Mrs. William G. Currier, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur M. Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Ray G. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Tengquist, Mrs. Thomas J. Shefchik, Sr., and Mrs. G. H. Spencer. Mr. Ray Bonnell's assistance on Easter was greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. W. G. Currier, Chairman

REPORT OF THE SERVICE COMMITTEE

There has been no special project for the Service Committee this past year.

One of our members, Mrs. Keith Brownell, was chairman of the Planning Committee for the Community International dinner held at the UMD cafeteria. This affair was a complete sell-out and most successful. Foreign students from UMD and the College of St. Scholastica assisted in planning the menu of foods from their homelands and also furnished the most interesting program.

We also talked to Mr. Tom Genuenden of the Welfare Department concerning his work on Foster Boarding Homes for children in the area and as a result he attended one of our regular Women's Fellowship meetings and told us about the desperate needs for more foster homes here and asked for our help in interesting people in becoming foster parents.

We still continue our interest in the displaced families from Indonesia via Holland whom we helped settle here. The Winkelaar family in Hoyt Lakes report that their oldest son has now graduated from high school and is attending Junior College in Virginia. The next two boys and the 13-year-old daughter are all in high school. Yolande, the youngest, has not quite reached high school age yet.

The Koorenhof family sent Christmas cards from their home in the Hawaiian Islands where everything seems to be going well with them.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean M. Matter, Chairman

REPORT OF THE OFFICE HELP COMMITTEE

The Office Help Committee assists Miss Belt in folding and inserting material to be mailed to members such as Pilgrim News and special mailings and in assembling the annual reports. During 1965, 58 hours of help were provided with materials amounting to 19,373 pieces. The following people gave of their time in varying amounts as they were available and were called on: Mrs. W. D. Avery, Miss Myrtle Beane, Mrs. Ruth Cavanaugh, Miss Mira Childs, Mrs. W. L. Halfaker, Miss Avis Hollingsworth, Miss Edna Jenks, Mrs. R. B. McDonald, Miss Helen Seymour, Mrs. H. N. Sutherland, Mr. L. D. Stratton and Mr. Steele.

Respectfully submitted,

Carroll D. Steele, Chairman

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

20.

The Nominating Committee submits the following nominations for officers and committee memberships:

CLERK: Mrs. Harold O'Dell

TREASURER: Jesse D. Bradley

HISTORIAN: William G. Currier

BOARD OF DEACONS: (for three years) Robert F. Eaton, Leonard E. Griffith, George S. Holgate, Thomas S. Kohlbry, Robert M. Owens, Joseph L. Saver.
(for one year) David S. Bouschor.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES: (for three years) R. H. Bonnell, Jr., Walter W. Matzke, Samuel G. Radford.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: (for three years) Mrs. Percy G. Dunbar, Mrs. Robert H. Engstrom, Mrs. John I. Thomas.

LOOKOUT COMMITTEE: Mrs. W. G. Currier, Chairman; William G. Currier, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Brain, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur M. Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Matzke, Mr. and Mrs. Archie W. Rappana, Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Tengquist.

STANDING COMMITTEE: Mrs. Edward T. Fride, Jr., Mrs. Josiah Fuller, Mrs. A. William Hedenberg, Mrs. Robert L. Heller, Mrs. Arthur W. King, Mrs. Charles McKain.

MUSIC COMMITTEE: Mrs. Kenneth Duncan, Chairman; Robert E. Beverley, Mrs. F. H. Cash, Mrs. E. C. Congdon, C. Lindsley Edson, Dr. Keith R. Fawcett, Mrs. M. M. Fifield, Wilbur M. Fox, Mrs. Karl F. Honigman, Mrs. F. C. Jacobson, Mrs. W. B. Matter, Mrs. Kenneth C. Weyl.

Respectfully submitted,

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mrs. John T. Adams	John M. Glendenning, Jr.
R. H. Bonnell, Jr.	Clifford H. Grindy
T. A. Brain	Mrs. Walter W. Matzke
Bruce Buchanan	Valworth R. Plumb
Mrs. R. H. Engstrom	Mrs. C. L. Thomas
Samuel G. Radford, Chairman	