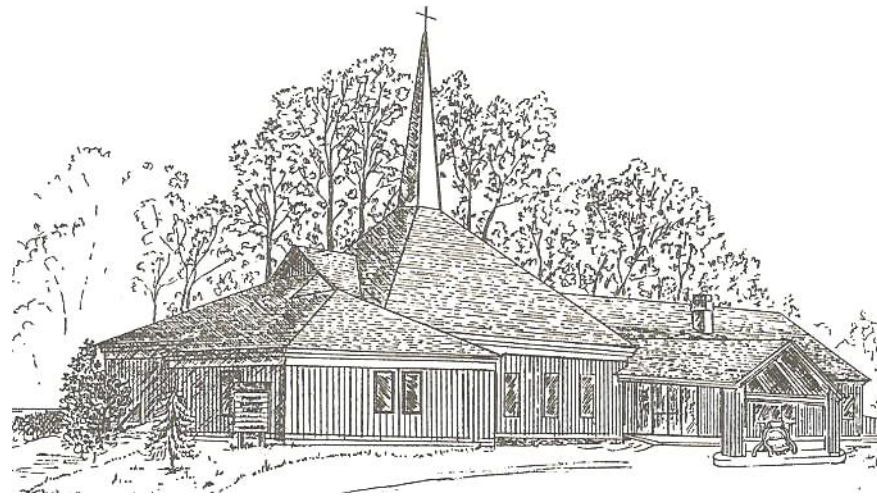


Phenix Baptist Church

WEST WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND

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2019 - 2020
YEARBOOK & DIRECTORY

Phenix Baptist Church Annual Meeting

Sunday, June 28, 2020

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ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

Sunday, June 28, 2020
Following Worship Service

Call to Order

Opening Prayer

Review of 2019 Annual Report Minutes

- *Discussion, corrections, vote to accept*

Review of Officer, Board and Committee Reports: For Information

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- Discussion

Closing Prayer

Move to Adjourn

PHENIX BAPTIST CHURCH
2019 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
Sunday, June 28, 2020

The Annual Meeting at Phenix Baptist Church was held on Sunday, May 19, 2019, with Cheryl Greene, President presiding.

An opening prayer was given by Pastor Leigh.
Committee and budget reports were handed out. Time was given to attendees to review the Annual Report.

The following items were missing from the report:

Linda- Baptisms should have been added to the Deacons' Report.

Janet – Regarding the Nominating Report – Steve Sacchetine's name is missing from the Finance Committee.

Linda – Regarding the Nominating Report – Sherry Hicks' name is missing from the Board of Deacons.

After presenting of the missing information, a motion was made to accept the corrected reports. Motion was seconded and so voted.

Old Business

Approval has been received to cut trees 10 feet away from the building.
The DEM has stated that if the river recedes, the lot adjacent owns that property.

The roof is sure to be prepared.

Quotes have been received for the paving of the parking lot. Waiting on two more quotes.

New Business

Repayment of loan for 2019 projects – Wray Endowment will be used to help; Yard sale July 13, 2019 to be held by the Board of Trustees to defray the cost of 2019 repairs/projects.

Ramp and railing were not completed as handicap accessible – will be addressed.

Easter Offering – will be decided at the Advisory Meeting.

Discussion about having bylaws reviewed and how they can be updated.

VBS theme July 2019 is Game On.

Community Picnic – August 17, 2019 – donations of food items would be appreciated.

Pastoral Relations – No discussion

President's Report – No questions

Clerk's Report – No questions

Ushering Report – Looking for people interested in ushering.

Flower Committee – Decorated church for Easter and Christmas. Handed out carnations to mothers on Mother's Day.

Deacon's Report – The Church Directory was completed. Asking for a free will offering to help defray cost.

Christian Ed – No questions

Music Committee – Anyone is welcome to join Music Ministry.

Women's Ministry – No questions

Nominating Committee – Officers, Board Members, and Ministries positions will remain the same.

Missions – RMMO offering and America for Christ offering – both goals \$300 each. Continue to support West Warwick Food Cupboard.

PASTOR'S REPORT 2019-2020

This year has brought us a number of challenges, not the least of which has been dealing with the covid-19 pandemic. I am grateful to the many people who have helped in keeping us going during this difficult time. We have been able to live-stream the worship service on both Youtube and Facebook, and have conducted meetings and the Tuesday evening Bible study online. We have also continued ministering to the community through ongoing support for the West Warwick Food Cupboard and Lunch on the Square.

Prior to the restrictions required by the pandemic we held a number of opportunities for fellowship. We had monthly movie nights, the Deacon's dinner with our own version of Family Feud, and the Church picnic.

We also continued a number of community outreach programs. These included the Vacation Bible School, the church yard sale, our third annual Cookout on the Square, our third annual Trunk or Treat, the Turkey Dinner in November, and the Christmas Bazaar.

Starting in January I began a sermon series on highlights of the New Testament, starting in Matthew and preaching on five or six important passages from each book. We have just finished Colossians as of the end of May. We had special services for Thanksgiving, during the Advent/Christmas season and also for Lent and Holy Week. I continue to the lead one of the Sunday morning adult Bible classes and a Tuesday evening Bible study. We are currently in the book of Revelation. I attended the ABCORI Annual Meeting in March.

I continue to work with the Deacons and the Advisory Board in overseeing the work and worship of the church. In the past year I have conducted funeral services for Dorothy Anderson, Ruth Yerrington, Helen Brown, and Roy Brown. There were no weddings or baptisms.

I am happy to report that we have seen several new people coming to worship with us.

Once again, I want to say thanks to all of you for the many ways we work together to carry out God's purpose for us here in Phenix.

Respectfully submitted,
Leigh M. Johnson
Pastor

PASTORAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

VERBAL REPORT

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

I want to thank Brian, Pastor Lee, Anne and Justin for their work in setting up on line services so members can attend church from home. I personally prefer being at church but we are in extraordinary time.

Thanks to the Trustees, the church roof will soon be replaced and the parking lot in front will be repaired. This is Gods house and we are stewards of his house.

The death of George Floyd has brought our country together during a pandemic that has separated us. I am in awe at the timing and how this terrible injustice has ignited a fire storm in the US and around the world. Two historic events have come together to separate us and unite us at the same time. We need prayers more than ever to bring us through these extraordinary times.

The fund raiser we were planning at Club Frontenac with a local comedian is on hold until social distancing rules are relaxed. We certainly can use a little humor in our lives right now.

Please all stay safe and look forward to when we can come together again,

I found a hymn in our church hymn book that is a poem by Vernon J. Charlesworth: Page 169.

A Shelter in the Time of Storm

The Lord's our Rock; in Him we hide, Secure whatever ill betide;
A shade by day, Defense by night, No fears alarm, no foes affright,
The raging storms may round us beat, We'll never leave our safe retreat,
O Rock divine, O refuge dear, Be Thou our Helper ever near.
O Jesus is a Rock in a weary land, A wear land, a weary land: O Jesus is a
Rock in a weary land-
A Shelter in the time of storm.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Greene-President

CLERK'S ANNUAL REPORT

The following is a listing of Church Membership and changes through June 25, 2020.

<u>Total Church Membership:</u>	123
Resident Active Members:	45
Resident Inactive Members:	65
Shut-In Inactive Members:	2
Out-Of-State Members:	11
Members lost by Transfer:	0
Members lost by Death: <i>Helen Brown, Roy Brown</i>	2
New Members received by Baptism:	0
New Members received by Transfer:	0
New Members received by Profession of Faith:	0

Respectfully submitted,
Sherry Hicks, Clerk

USHERING COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Worship Services Total Attendance: **1,640**

Average Weekly Attendance: **33***

***Average based on 50 services**

- Attendance numbers not recorded for **2/24, 6/30 and 12/30.**
- Does NOT Include midweek services, i.e., Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Thanksgiving Service. These numbers shown below:

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Special Emphasis: Christmas Eve Service:	32	55
Ash Wednesday	20	12
Palm Sunday:	32	30
Maundy Thursday Service:	24	14
Good Friday	14	13
Sunrise Service:	-	21
Easter Sunday:	47	35
Thanksgiving Service	8	10
Helen Brown Memorial Service		63

We are also always looking for people who would be willing to usher on a Sunday.

Respectfully submitted,
Pam Wilsey for Carolyn Lynch for Ushering Committee
(Figures obtained from Ushers Book)

MINISTRY OF FLOWERS ANNUAL REPORT

VERBAL REPORT

MINISTRY OF FINANCE ANNUAL REPORT

We met as needed throughout the year. In August we reviewed the budget and made plans for the stewardship campaign that was held in November. This has been a challenging year due to major repairs that needed to be done and changes in the financial status of some of the congregation. We continue to watch the finances and have applied for the government funds (still waiting for an answer) With the shutting down of the in person church services we have been fortunate that the congregation has continue to keep their pledges current.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Brown - Ministry of Finance Chair
(Janice Cook, Ann LeBelle and Janet Picard)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Normal upkeep and repairs

Current projects

Chimney has been rebuilt.
DiPietro will be removing and re-shingle roof this month.
Parking lot entrance repair will be done after roof is complete.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann LeBelle

BOARD OF DEACONS ANNUAL REPORT

Each Sunday we provide Worship Leaders and Greeters (prior to the Covid virus). On the first Sunday of each month communion is served and prior to the virus we shared communion and visited with the shut-ins. We now are serving gluten free bread so if anyone should have a gluten allergy can participate in communion. Secret place and the Daily Bread are made available in the narthex for those looking for a daily devotion.

The following events were sponsored by the Deacons:

- We started the new church year on August 17th with our Annual Picnic on the Square. We had a good turnout serving the community with hotdogs, chips, water and cookies.
- October 13th we organized Laity Sunday and on Oct 26th Trunk or Treat was enjoyed in the parking lot. Members of the congregation decorated their cars for the children to enjoy and to have a snack. Another opportunity to meet our community.
- November 2nd we invited families, friends and neighbors to enjoy a Turkey Dinner. Proceeds went to our Deacons Fund to provide for the congregation and the community for Thanksgiving and Christmas. We were able to help 13 families for Thanksgiving and Christmas.
- November 24th Pastor Leigh led us in a Thanksgiving Service.
- December 8th, we gathered everyone interested for a pizza party and a Christmas Sing along.
- December 21st our shut-ins and the residents of Riverview Nursing Home joined in as a group of Christmas Carolers from the church shared some Christmas cheer.
- December 24th, we prepared for the celebration of Christmas with our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service.
- February 26th which was Ash Wednesday the church was opened at 6:00 AM through 6:00 PM for a Prayer Vigil followed by the 7:00PM Ash Wednesday Service.
- All our plans for Easter, Spring Dinner were put on hold. Services were held by Pastor Leigh via Facebook and U-Tube due to the Covid 19.
- We provide Price Rite and gas cards monthly for emergency needs. We support the West Warwick Food Cupboard monthly financially to meet a broader need for food. We have put together a welcome bag for visitors when they come. This includes a bag for adults and children. Our prayer chain is available where we contact the congregation for specific prayer needs and to pass along information such as the changes in the worship service.

Please contact us with any needs you might have for prayer and other matters.

In His Service
Linda Marshall

MINISTRY OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ANNUAL REPORT

- Children's Day 2019 was second Sunday of June with church picnic following.
- During July we had VBS "Game On", a gearing up for life's big game.
- We had two Elementary classes continued with "Go" curriculum, the Preschool class learned about God with their Group curriculum, the Senior High Plus class learned to apply the Bible to everyday life. Pastor Leigh continued his Bible Study and Judy Brown ran the "Coffee An" group upstairs.
- In October we had yard/clothing/bake sale to help subsidize the cost to attend Camp Canonicus for our Sunday School children. We were unable to have one in May.
- November brought the all night event Reverb (formerly known as "Superbowl") where youth and chaperones attend a Providence Bruins game, had lunch and finished up at Teamworks.
- We continued the Happy Birthday Jesus tradition. We made crafts, played games, sang Happy Birthday to Jesus, enjoyed cake and Heifer Project.
- We had 3 Lenten Study classes this year. We studied the book "Simon Peter".
- We were unable to have a yard sale in May and no Children's Day.

Respectfully submitted,
The Ministry of Christian Ed

MINISTRY OF MUSIC REPORT

This is a difficult report to write but with God's help all things are possible. First, although the Ministry will never be the same without Leroy Brown, we thank God and are grateful for the many years... the many contributions Roy made. Second, although the Team must take a break because it would be difficult to perform an anthem while social-distancing, we did practice a total of 28 anthems and got to perform 26 of them before news of the virus interrupted our routine after the third week of March. I believe Alex, Brian, Cheryl, Dennis, Dwayne, Janice, Jim, Laurie, Linda, Lora, Martha, Pastor Leigh, Steve, and Shyanne have contributed to Special Music since last year's report. Shyanne's contributions as organist were acknowledged in December. Thanks to Cheryl for filling in while Shyanne was away. The group was happy to welcome a new voice when Dennis joined us and will rejoice if anyone else wants to join our Ministry when we (God willing) resume in September.

Gratefully submitted,
Laurie May Johnson, Coordinator

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES ANNUAL REPORT

VERBAL REPORT

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Nominations did not meet.

Annual Meeting Nominees

OFFICERS: President-Cheryl Greene
 Vice President-nomination from the floor
 Treasurer-Janice Cook
 Asst Treasurer-Janet Picard

BOARDS: Board of Trustees- Ann LeBelle

MINISTRIES:	Finance	Judith Brown
	Pastoral Relations	Peter Marshall, Donna Becker
	Christian Ed	Lois Wilk
	Missions	Jim Plummer
	Music	Laurie Johnson
	Ushering	Alex Lynch

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Greene
President

MISSION TEAM ANNUAL REPORT

- The Missions Committee met throughout the year on a need basis.
- Lunch on the Square is continuing as usual.
- We had a guest speaker come and to talk to about The Retired Ministers and Missionaries offering.
- We collected offerings for 1) World Missions, 2) America for Christ, we skipped One Great Hour of Sharing, due to all the disasters, and let people choose if they wanted to donate to a specific one.
- Continued support for The West Warwick Food Cupboard.
- Asked Sherry if she would like to go to the World Mission Conference, she said yes. This has been canceled and will be happening on- line.
- The next offering will be One Great Hour of Sharing.

BANK ACCOUNTS

BANK ACCOUNTS AS OF JUNE 25, 2019

ACCT #	TYPE	DESCRIPTION	INTEREST			MATURE DATE	COMMENTS
			RATE	EARNED	TOTAL		
10-41001975	SA	General Fund			\$0.00		<i>Acct Closed 10/16/14-Transferred to 5276</i>
XXXXX0501	SA	General Fund			\$91.32		Unrestricted.
XXXXX5276	SA	Repair Fund			\$995.17		Unrestricted.
					\$1,086.49		Total Unrestricted
70-00199660	SA	Pastor Housing			\$863.49		<i>Reserved for Pastoral Housing and (6/26/18-\$1,000 Gift to Chr Ed/Held in acct.)</i>
70-00172169	SA	Missions Acct.			\$785.17		Restricted Missions
XXXXX5949	SA	Shirley's Shelter			\$1,714.37		Restricted
XXXXX5930	SA	Youth Fund			\$3,798.52		Restricted
XXXXX3074	SA	Camperships			\$822.36		Restricted
XXXXX8871	MMDA	Roof			\$19,301.25		Restricted
					\$27,285.16		Total Restricted
					\$1,086.49		Total Unrestricted
					\$27,285.16		Total Restricted
					\$28,371.65		Total Accounts

INVESTMENTS

Investment	Date	# Shares	Rate per Share	Restricted/Unrestricted	Balance
ABF 1255	03/31/20	N/A		Restricted	\$33,326.15
ABF 1090	03/31/20	N/A		Restricted	\$5,130.76
ABCORI-ABCH 28	03/31/20	N/A		Unrestricted	\$8,541.73
Comcast 5924	06/24/20	266	\$38.54	Unrestricted	\$10,251.64
Comcast 4075	06/24/20	212	\$38.54	Unrestricted	\$8,170.48
AT&T	05/01/20	80.421858	\$29.52	Unrestricted	\$2,374.05
ABF 1091	03/31/20	N/A		Unrestricted	\$3,903.18
				Total Restricted	\$38,456.91
				Total Unrestricted	\$33,241.08
				Total Combined	\$71,697.99

NOTE: COMCAST & AT&T BALANCES ARE DETERMINED BY SHARE PRICE (online)AS OF June 24, 2020 TIMES NUMBER OF SHARES.

Revised June 24, 2020

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WHO'S WHO 2018 – 2020

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Vice President	UNFILLED	
Clerk	Sherry Hicks	2018-2020
Treasurer	Janice Cook	2018-2020
Asst. Treasurer	Janet Picard	2018-2020

LIFE DEACONS

Helen P. Brown
Walter R. Lawrence

BOARDS

Board of Deacons

Linda Marshall	2019
Lois Wilk	2019
Jim Plummer	2020
Martha Buxton	2019
Sherry Hicks	

Board of Trustees

Ann LeBelle	2018
Cheryl Greene	2018
Steve Sacchetine	2018

MINISTRIES

Finance - Ministry

Judith Brown	
Ann LeBelle	2018
Janice Cook	
Janet Picard	2018
Steve Sacchetine	

Pastoral Relations

Peter Marshall	2018
Donna Becker	2018
Janet Picard	
Lois Wilk	

Christian Education

Lois Wilk

Counting Team

Ann LeBelle
Judy Brown
Janice Cook
Janet Picard

Missions

Jim Plummer 2018

Flower

Pam Cox 2018

Music

Laurie Johnson

Nominating Team

Vice President
President
Deacons Chair
Trustees Chair
Janet Picard

Ushering

Alex Lynch - Coordinator

Social

Delegates ABCORI

(Pastor plus 2)
TBD

Advisory Committee = Church Officers +
Coordinator or Representative of all Boards, and
Organizations of the Church

06/24/2020