“A people being transformed by Christ to help transform the world.”
2016 ANNUAL REPORT

A look back at the people, stories, and ministries that transformed lives this year.
So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

– Ephesians 4:11-13

One piece of advice I received from an older pastor early in my ministry was this: As a pastor, if you’re doing it right, you should be working yourself out of your job. This past summer I finally took the sabbatical I’d found ways to not take for almost 20 years. As a result, I feel as healthy, rested and ready to serve and lead as I have for quite some time. For ¼ of 2016 I didn’t deliver one sermon to you all, attend one meeting, moderate Session, lead the staff, provide counsel or give advice. Your senior pastor disappeared for three months… and you were great. Ministry and mission continued, mutual edification, encouragement and pastoral care happened, you met, learned, studied, invited, went out and served in Christ’s name.

Being the church is never easy and adapting our old structures to keep up with what the Spirit is doing in our changing, 21st century world can be challenging, but Second has once again proven that our Reformed tenant, “the priesthood of all believers” is more than just a Presbyterian platitude. You all are amazing! And talented. And flexible. And faithful - and so kind. Thank you for letting me rest and thank you for letting me continue to be your pastor, even though you do just fine without me.

As we move into the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, let’s continue to be the faithful, curious, gifted, protesting prophets, apostles, evangelists, pastors and teachers Christ has called us to be as we serve and grow in faith, knowledge and unity in Christ.

With profound thankfulness and anticipation,

Paul

HEALTHY, RESTED AND READY

Rev. Paul Rock
While recently visiting with a long-time member, she remarked, "Second has always been my family, but now it feels like a family—there's a warmth. And people hug and greet one another. It's different and it's a good thing."

Ministry is about relationships. Church is about relationships. The Gospel, the Good News, is about relationships—how we forgive those who have hurt us. How we love those who get on our nerves. How we listen to those we disagree with. How we allow God and others to hold us, not only when we're at our best, but also at our most broken.

This past year, I've stood in awe as our church—all of you—have deepened relationships amongst our church family and in the community, reaching out to neighbors, friends, and strangers, including people of different religions, socioeconomic classes, and political views.

In November, just after the election, a group of 17 Muslim and Christian women gathered at Second to bake desserts, pray, and talk. During our conversation, one Muslim woman asked, "is this a church where I could come and be welcome, even on a Sunday?" Just as I was about to respond, multiple Second members answered at once, "absolutely." At the same time another Muslim woman said, "yes, this church has welcomed me here many times. It's a church where all are welcome."

Relationships based on love, justice, and grace are at the heart of the gospel, and our relationship with God and one another are deeply intertwined. Relationships take time, patience, humility, and intentionality; they don't just happen. It takes courage to be willing to invite someone in or to accept an invitation from someone else.

As we enter this new year, I'm grateful for the relationships that are here at Second and that speak of God's love, grace, and justice, not with words, but through actions. I look forward to seeing these relationships grow and bless our community and us, as together, we are transformed by Christ to help transform the world.

Grace, Courage, & Hope,

Kristin
faith in action
MISSION COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MISSION

The Mission Committee is grateful to the members and participants in our faith community for supporting our two-fold purpose: to serve as a guiding star directing volunteers to service opportunities that represent our voice as Christ in the community and the world; and to prayerfully direct budgeted and endowed funds to programs that support our transforming vision as a church.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

John Peryam (Chair), Tom Davis, Lydia Jeter, Johanna Nilsson, Kathleen West, and Phillip Zeeck. Staff support was provided by Jimmy McCarty.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

• Second volunteers served approximately 3,336 hours on projects such as Harvesters, Cross-Lines, and Be the Church Sunday.
• There were 219 participants in the annual Be The Church Sunday, serving at 23 locations across Kansas City. Additionally, this year’s event included two partner churches, Grandview Park Presbyterian and Covenant Presbyterian.
• Mission helped continue financial and relational support to our friends at the Maya Quiche Presbytery in Guatemala and the PEB in Pakistan. Veda Gill, Executive Director of the Presbyterian Education Board in Pakistan, visited and preached at Second on March 6. Leslie Vogel, PC(USA) Mission Coworker in Guatemala, preached at Second and shared stories from her ministry on April 10.
• Through the annual grant process, nine mission partners received a total of $61,000. In addition, mission endowment gifts provided $15,000 to The Open Table to support its emerging ministry, $15,000 to Covenant Presbyterian as start-up capital to launch a health and wellness center to serve community needs, as well as to make Covenant a central hub of the surrounding community. The new health and wellness center began seeing food pantry patrons on January 3, 2017. Covenant intends to minister to the neighborhood and offer services to anyone who walks in and will use this as an evangelism tool to bring people into the church and invite them to worship. The hope is to create the benchmark for the Kansas City area, and be an example to many other churches to promote self-management of care from a community setting rather than a traditional clinic.

HELPING COVENANT PRES. SERVE ITS COMMUNITY

The Committee granted a total of $15,000 (out of Second’s mission endowment funds) to Covenant Presbyterian Church in 2016 as the start-up capital needed to launch a health and wellness center to serve community needs, as well as to make Covenant a central hub of the surrounding community.

SUPPORTING SPIRITUAL LEADERS IN GUATEMALA

The Committee granted $10,000 in support of a partnership between the Heartland Presbytery and the Maya Quiche Presbytery to sponsor seminary scholarships for men and women in Guatemala. Currently, 35 Maya Quiche pastors are taking classes this year at various levels of seminary and secular education studies as a result of these scholarships. At a cost of $400 per student for tuition plus supplies and transportation, Second’s grant will provide educational opportunities for approximately 25 men and women to further their knowledge of the Bible and will continue to benefit the people of the Maya Quiche Presbytery for years to come.
LOCAL MISSION PARTNERS

In late 2015, the Mission Committee and Session approved ten non-profit organizations to work with us as mission partners in the coming year. Throughout 2016, Second supported these organizations not only with financial assistance, but with the time and energy of our volunteers. Each one of our partners has stories of lives changed daily through their efforts and we are excited to tell you a little more about what they do and are able to accomplish partially through our partnership.

Grace United Community Ministries
Grace United provides the Aim for Success Children’s Education and Teen Enrichment and Leadership Program, a year-round program including after-school and summer components for children and youth ages 5-18. The emphasis is on reading, math tutoring, pre- and post-test assessments and grade level/skill improvement. Volunteers are always welcome.

Grandview Park Presbyterian Church
Grandview Park was originally founded by Second, and our congregation has supported its efforts in various ways through the years. Currently they offer the La Paz Summer Kids Club, serving 60-80 children. The children in this program are primarily ELL (English Language Learners) and they are provided breakfast and lunch along with peer mentoring and activities guided by qualified staff. We were excited to have Grandview Park join Second in our annual Be the Church Sunday held October 30, 2016.

Reconciliation Services
Reconciliation Services provides emergency assistance including rent/utilities assistance, document assistance, emergency food, medicine and case management at their 31st and Troost location. Second’s funding supports the emergency services program. Volunteers are always welcome.

reStart
reStart provides adult emergency shelter with intensive housing counseling, workforce development, assistance applying for benefits, and short-term transition assistance to regular housing. This wonderful organization is a long-standing friend of Second.

Covenant Presbyterian Church
Covenant Presbyterian Church provides a food pantry that services their immediate neighborhood, from 47th St. to 63rd St. on the east side of Kansas City. They serve 150 people per month and they welcome volunteers. Pantry hours are 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Monday through Friday. This year, Covenant submitted a Visionary Proposal for the formation of a Health and Wellness Center. The Mission Committee, inspired by this idea, voted to financially support the launch of this great project in 2016 and in 2017.

Amethyst Place
Amethyst Place’s family self-sufficiency program provides employment and education support for low-income, at-risk, homeless mothers recovering from addiction. The program includes mentoring and tutoring and life-skills classes.

Community LINC
Community LINC provides interim and immediate housing programs, supportive services and after-care services for 150 homeless families each year. 93% of families who completed the programs in the last five years have not become homeless again. Second’s funding supports general operating expenses for these programs.

NewHouse
NewHouse’s mission is to break the cycle of domestic violence by providing the tools that allow women and their children to make positive choices and lead self-sufficient lives. NewHouse is an 88-bed facility for women and children that includes court advocacy, counseling, job preparation, financial and literacy classes.

Central Presbyterian Church
Central provides a food pantry and clothing closet that serves the 64109 zip code and surrounding neighborhoods. Second’s support allows for the purchase of new blankets, an annual Thanksgiving meat distribution, and food purchased from Aldi and Harvesters.

Shepherd’s Center
Shepherd’s Center provides a Meals on Wheels program which serves and delivers 800 meals per week to 168 individuals in the midtown area.

Cross-Lines
Cross Lines engages in social programs ranging from meals served, food pantry hours, gardening, education, clothing, and a variety of assistance programs made available to the public. Second has a loyal contingent of volunteers who prepare and serve a meal to visitors of the agency on a monthly basis.

Kansas City Interfaith Youth Alliance (KCIYA)
KCIYAs collaborative program mentors high school youth of all faiths and backgrounds, engaging them on two levels. The first is through youth mentoring and leadership training. The second is core leadership groups that engage a broader set of youth to attend service projects, discussions, and social events. The goal is to empower youth of all backgrounds and faiths to come together to create understanding and respect by serving their communities.
Three years ago, Second’s congregation developed “Be the Church Sunday” as a way to take worship beyond our walls, join hands with our neighbors, and transform the city one act of service at a time. In 2016, Be the Church Sunday expanded beyond Second and grew to include Covenant Presbyterian Church in Kansas City, Missouri and Grandview Park Presbyterian Church in Kansas City, Kansas. With the event occurring the day before Halloween, “Trunk or Treat” events were held at all three churches and provided great opportunities for outreach to the surrounding neighborhoods.

In addition to the Trunk or Treat events, approximately 200 Second members and friends also participated in the following service projects:

- serving meals to the homeless at reStart and Ronald McDonald House
- preparing meals, helping with yard work, sorting donations, and cleaning indoors and outdoors at Cherith Brook Catholic Worker
- providing a Halloween party for families in need at Amethyst Place
- raking leaves for elderly clients of The Shepherd’s Center
- cleaning up the campus, preparing crafts, and performing maintenance at The Children’s Place
- painting, cleaning, and performing campus maintenance at Grace United Community Ministries
- cleaning and organizing rooms at Linwood Area Ministry Place
- knitting baby caps for newborns at Truman Medical Center and Children’s Mercy Hospital
- writing letters and cards to members and friends of Second

On Be the Church Sunday, our congregation also filled out pledge cards (pictured below) which demonstrated our members’ commitments for how they plan to “be the church” in 2017.
SOPHIAL JUSTICE & PEACEMAKING COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MISSION

The mission of Social Justice and Peacemaking Committee is directed by the teaching of Jesus Christ and the hearts and souls of our members which seek to be transformed as we explore together.

Mission: As we continue to be transformed by Christ and compelled by the vision of God's peaceable kingdom, we will work together to further the cause of human rights, social justice, peace, and the preservation of the environment through education and contemplation, advocacy, and service.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Jim Wern (Chair), Kevin Burns, Denise Cochran, Terri Combs, Maddie Hierholzer, Sarah Madrid, Phil Miller, Beth Sperry, Kristin Stephen, Glenda Wern, and Miriam Zanders. Staff support was provided by Nick Pickrell.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

- SJP increased its presence at events sponsored by CCO (Communities Creating Opportunities) including The Moral Economy Summit in March, the “Now is the Time” Rally for Justice in September, and “Every Voice, Every Vote” actions leading up to the election in November.
- SJP members were more intentional about stepping outside the building and beyond their own comfort zones through attending social justice events hosted by community organizations. SJP maintained a calendar of events, and encouraged members to attend these events as part of small groups as their interest and time allowed.
- SJP became allies with the local Stand Up KC worker organization, and participation with this organization grew throughout the year in leading up to the November election. This organization is part of the national FightFor$15 movement, now in its fourth year, working for a fair living wage and rights to form unions. Members of SJP attended a rally and march in April. The Committee also supported educational events sponsored by Stand Up KC, including two films on iconic civil rights leaders Fannie Lou Hamer and Ella Baker. On the first two Sundays in October, SJP hosted special speakers in Witherspoon Class to share important information about these issues with Second members. In addition, SJP has played a leadership role in the creation of “Stand Up Presbyterians,” a group of Presbyterian allies from churches across the city.
- SJP hosted a two-part book study on Tanner Colby’s Some of My Best Friends Are Black. The book hit close to home as the author focused on the segregated city planning that led to racist real estate policies in Second’s immediate area.
- SJP provided a combination of food, social time and education with a movie night in October. Attendees enjoyed pizza, viewed Michael Moore’s documentary, Where to Invade Next and shared in conversation about U.S. policies in relation to other countries.

THE RAISING OF AMERICA

During the month of July, SJP hosted a four-part series in Witherspoon Class focusing on the need for better, more accessible programs for Early Childhood Education. The Committee framed the program around the documentary, The Raising of America. In the weeks preceding the program, SJP members watched the documentary, reached out to available networks to line up speakers and learned about what was happening in our local communities and beyond.

The Raising of America documentary explores the history of U.S. child and family policy over the past century and uncovers the increased risks faced by children growing up in today’s social and economic environment. Children require a nurturing support system to thrive. Factors such as early prenatal care, high-quality affordable childcare, social supports, and access to healthcare can improve the mortality and quality of life for American children. Limited resources make this a challenge for the average working family. Today, the overall wellbeing of American children is ranked 26 out of 29 developed countries.

Our choice for this issue was stirred, in part, out of our desire to support a possible ballot issue to create a new early childhood learning program for the Kansas City School District. We were disappointed to learn in May of 2016 that this ballot initiative stalled in the Missouri Legislature and did not reach the floor for a vote. The current hope is for this to appear on the ballot in August 2017. Mary Spence is the coordinator for Early Childhood and Families at CCO (Communities Creating Opportunities) and past director of the ECLC program here at Second. Mary was very helpful in our preparations for this series and fielded questions during the Sunday morning sessions in Witherspoon.

Our other two speakers were Jovanna Rohs and George Lopez. In her current role as the Director of Early Learning for the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC), Jovanna oversees the Metropolitan Council on Early Learning as well as Mid-America Head Start. In 2013, George was invited to serve on the blue-ribbon Kansas City Early Childhood Education Commission, which studied the feasibility of implementing a comprehensive universal early learning program for all 3 and 4-year olds within the KCPS district boundaries. As a result of that body's recommendations, George was named the Board President of the Early Learning Commission, the nonprofit entity which will administer the citywide program if voters approve a property tax levy increase in August 2017.

Stand Up KC
BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MISSION

Second Church is more than a place. Yet God has placed our facility, purposefully, in the heart of Kansas City. We invite others to utilize our building because we are transformed through connections with those outside Second’s family. We realize that our physical structure is an instrument for ministry for our congregation and the community, not a monument, memorial or museum.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Beth Dawson (Chair), Carol Bliss, David Branham, Winnie Davis, Doug Dirks, Jim Shull, Debbie Smith and Dave Zimmermann. Staff support was provided by Marsha Kirsch and Willie West.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

• An emergency procedures plan was developed for various emergency situations including weather and other threats. Ushers and staff were trained on the associated policies.
• A projector and audiovisual equipment were added in the Chapel.
• A gallery hanging system was installed in the Parlor to facilitate rotating artists’ exhibits.
• More diverse community groups were invited to utilize the church building.
• The Committee continued development of the Master Plan and continued work on the tower stabilization.

REVITALIZING EXISTING SPACES FOR WORSHIP, MISSION, AND HOSPITALITY

2016 was a year of looking back, studying the present, and looking forward. The year kicked off with an invitation extended to three local architecture firms to imagine what the facility possibilities could be for our congregation based on our congregation’s history and values, our facility’s development over time and our current congregational needs and programming. Unearthing building plans for the various construction periods during 1914, 1916, 1940s, and 1954, showed that the past 62 years have yielded the least facility change whereas during the first 40 years, all the congregation knew was change. Various spaces such as the transept which had an accordion wall between it and the Celtic Room, and Westminster which originally held Sunday School classrooms have all evolved over time to support our congregation as it has sought to serve Christ and our community.

A single firm, Strata Architecture + Preservation, was selected to help us deliberate what the possibilities could be. Additionally the tower was analyzed to determine what structure stabilizing actions are needed. The result was a list of immediate to-dos for the tower and the generation of two scenarios that addressed the congregational needs for a better presence on the Brookside façade, improved accessibility throughout the building and establishment of a central core. The summer was spent presenting the findings to the congregation through a series of meetings with congregation committees and public forums. The fall was spent on honing our options with the feedback received at the various presentations.

Our building has served as witness to all the varying stages of life for so many individuals and families over its 103 years. The ultimate goal of all this work is to arrive at a building that supports both the current and future ministries of our congregation and lets us serve as a partner within our greater community.
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STICKY NOTES AND CONVERSATIONS

During the fall of 2016, as the political rhetoric heated up in the midst of a particularly factious election season, Second’s Worship Committee organized our “Issues that Divide Families” series. After listening to the presidential primary debates, our church leadership surmised the divisiveness usually felt during an election cycle would be more deeply felt this year. How right they were! This sermon series was born to give us hope and strengthen our faith in God.

As the sermon series progressed, our congregation didn’t just listen – we participated. We talked back, and we wrote sentiments on sticky notes and stuck them on the lectern and pulpit. We sometimes squirmed in our seats. We examined our own thought processes. The conversations continued during coffee hour and beyond. On November 4, the series was reported on by the Kansas City Star.

“Issues that Divide Families” offered hope and transformation. Though times are uncertain we are armed with a strategy. As Paul said, “When we demonize our opponents, we become the demons.” It is important to listen to each other in order to move past what divides us.

This sermon series offered us a place to start, and offered a way to lessen the fear and anxiety brought on during this election year.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MISSION

The Worship Committee works with and supports the pastors and music staff to create an environment where a diverse community can give thanks to God as we contemplate and experience God’s transformative work in our lives; all are welcome. Since people connect with God in various ways, we try to engage all senses and learning styles so that young and old can worship through silence, song, prayer, scripture, sacraments, service and fellowship. Through these elements, we are empowered to continue to worship as we go out to participate in Christ’s transformative work in the world.

We try to represent a diverse segment of the congregation in the makeup of our committee. Ideally, we have around 6 regular members, with staff support and others to help with occasional services and activities. We listen to and seek the input of the congregation to inform our decisions. We also consider what those who are not yet a part of our congregation might be looking for in a worship experience.

We ensure that all worship services are well planned, welcoming, comfortable, and that visual or sacramental elements are prepared and ready.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Susan Vann (Chair), Tom Nelson, JB Orr, Jim Paulsen, and Kristie Sigler. Staff support was provided by Rev. Paul Rock and Nick Pickrell.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

- Worship gathered the community for the first Maundy Thursday dinner and communion service.
- Second shared our church building with the community by having the Chapel available during office hours for persons wanting a sacred place “to be” or pray.
- The Committee helped plan and offer thought-provoking, challenging, and at times uncomfortable sermon series topics including “Issues that Divide Families” (featured in the Kansas City Star), “Proclamation and Polarization,” “Dirty Prayers,” and “Religion and Science” that nurtured the worship life of our community.
- We discovered the strength and depth of our community during Rev. Paul Rock’s three-month sabbatical as we heard varied messages of hope and faith from invited speakers.
- The Committee helped enhance and expand our music program by using the musical talents in our congregation, instrumentalists, vocal solos, and extra voices in the choir (see the music section of this report for more information).
THE OPEN TABLE

COMMITTEE MISSION
The mission of The Open Table is to form and encourage our community to be a people devoted to peace and reconciliation in a city divided. Through shared meals, shared experiences, service projects and inclusive conversations, we hope to reach and transform 21st century-minded people looking for a different expression of substantive faith.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Ben Bartlett, Emily Bartlett, Garrett Brown, Kevin Burns, Elle Malmstrom, and Sarah Pickrell. Staff support was provided by Nick Pickrell, Rev. Paul Rock, and Wendie Brockhaus.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016
• The Open Table community held ongoing worship gatherings for meals, music, and conversations. These were hosted twice monthly or more, and included:
  a. two series, on politics and Matthew 25, which helped disciple people in ways to read the Bible with greater context.
  b. two storytelling gatherings, one on Easter and one in November, which allowed the The Open Table to share and build community.
  c. quarterly Taize services featuring music based on scripture, reflection, and space for beauty/rest.
• The Open Table established regular meetings, accountability, and facilitated a site visit with Pastor Rob Douglas, a coach from 1001 New Worshiping Communities. Nick also participated in an assessment for 1001 NWC leaders in Los Angeles in February 2016.
• The Open Table continued reaching out to and building relationships with community organizations including Showing Up for Racial Justice, Communities Creating Opportunity, the Heartland Presbytery Church Planting and Revitalization Committee, Center for Progressive Renewal, UMKC, StandUp KC, and more.
• The Open Table received grant funding from Heartland Presbytery and the Mission Committee to continue its mission. The Open Table also launched a fall fundraising drive which resulted in an 1,800% increase in giving.
• The Open Table added two new people to its leadership team, and has already benefited from their fresh perspectives and energy.

WELCOMING THE DISENFRANCHISED
Following the election, many in The Open Table’s network were expressing the desire to extend a wider welcome to those who were feeling disenfranchised. This was heightened after recent acts in our own community, including vandalism or hate speech at Muslim-owned restaurants in KC, and people hearing racist conversations happening around them or being directed at neighbors who are persons of color.

Nick had an idea for a way we could be a resource by offering some ‘Disrupting Racism’ workshops on nonviolent communication and creative responses to hate, and over the course of a few days consulted with various stakeholders to plan the event, which would be in lieu of what we had already planned for that evening. He was already participating in the group Showing up for Racial Justice (SURJ), so a few of their members helped lead the workshops alongside members from The Open Table. Hundreds of people (app. 800) expressed interest in the event on Facebook, and 150 were able to attend that night--people living in homes and people living on the street, people of color, people who identify as LGBTQ, Quakers and atheists, old and young.

We were worried about having enough food, but everyone brought so much food that we had to set up extra tables just to hold it all! Wendie spoke with one woman who had not set foot in a church in 15 years, and another who expressed excitement because she didn’t know anything like The Open Table was happening in KC. One of our leaders overheard two people say, “Can we do this every month?” and “Is this church? If this is, I’m in.”
MUSIC AT SECOND

In 2016, music enhanced our worship experience in many ways.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

• In the spring, we were blessed to have a brass quintet at the Easter Sunday service as well as a large choir filled with extra voices.
• This past fall, we were grateful to hear another beautiful piano piece by long-time member, 91 year-old Edythe McNown. We also heard wonderful violin music played by Cate and Maria Steinacker. It is a blessing that our congregation has such musical gifts to share.
• Our section leaders enjoyed sharing special music Sundays with vocal solos and interesting small-group pieces. We also did pieces of music featuring xylophones to celebrate Pentecost and World Communion.
• We finished the year with our annual choir concert during worship on Sunday, December 18. We were thrilled to get a chance to utilize the organ several times throughout this concert. Nine additional singers were hired and participated to make it a really special occasion.

As we begin 2017, Stacy Van Hoecke is working on utilizing our designated music funds to increase the variety of music with special musicians. This includes musicians such as the marimba player featured in early January as well as hiring extra voices for the choir to allow us to sing more difficult music. We also intend to hear more solo pieces from our talented section leaders as well as solo pieces from the organ played by Mark Langdon. It is a joy to create music in a church that values both quality and variety in the worship experience.
3 generosity & engagement
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MISSION

The Personnel Committee seeks to provide a positive, supportive, and nurturing environment for church staff by encouraging a culture of collegiality, cooperation and collaboration. We work with the Senior Pastor to ensure that staff are: compensated fairly and treated with dignity in accordance with our Christian faith, provided the training, feedback and resources necessary to do their job well, and given the capacity to grow and develop professionally and personally. Additionally, we seek to appropriately support programs and ministries with staff attention and skills necessary for success. In all of these ways, Second’s Personnel Committee strives to provide a culture and setting where both the staff and our congregation are transformed by God’s love as together we seek to transform the world.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Brian Myers (Chair), Tom Davis, Kat Norris, Rosemary Polk, and David Warm. Staff support was provided by Rev. Paul Rock.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

2016 was the first year since 2011 that Second has not had to fill multiple, full time ministry positions. The continuity in staff leadership has provided a helpful boost in supporting and building programs and relationships and ministries.

- Kristin Riegel, Emily Nelson Dixon and Jimmy McCarry now work together to coordinate and develop opportunities for children, youth, and adults to build relationships, learn and develop their faith.
- Marsha Kirsch works with Willie West and the custodial staff to keep our facilities clean, safe and welcoming to members and guests who use Second’s wonderful spaces all week long.
- Our Communications Director, Alex Treaster, is one semester closer to completing his Masters Degree in Integrated Marketing Communications; knowledge he’s already implemented to create very helpful marketing and communications plans for Second and The Open Table.
- Our senior pastor, Paul Rock, completed his first sabbatical in 20 years, contributed to another book published by Westminster John Knox Press on topical preaching and was asked to sit on the executive committee of McCormick Seminary’s Board of Trustees.
- Two new staff who have fit in wonderfully and brought immediate support and leadership this year are Marilyn McAlister (custodian) and Trish Jones, the new director of Second’s ECLC.
- The committee successfully completed a comprehensive 360 annual performance review of staff.
- The Committee, with Session approval, modified the church’s Personnel Policies to make them more clear, flexible and responsive.
FINANCE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MISSION
The Finance Committee stewards the financial blessings God entrusts to us, so that Second Presbyterian Church's resources are best used to transform lives in Christ.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Adam Pope (Chair), Mary Corneil, Bob Oliver, and Loren Epler. Staff support was provided by Johnnie Baker and Rev. Paul Rock.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016
Upon first glance, it is often hard to connect the work of the Finance Committee and how lives are touched or changed. Finance brings to mind visions of spreadsheets, calculators, and green visors. However, as a Committee, Finance believes in its mission to steward the financial blessings of the Church so that the resources can be best used to transform lives in Christ. Thanks to the generosity of Second's members and friends, the Committee was able to provide numerous programs and activities that touched people every single day of the year.

- Budget Workshop – In January of 2016, Finance Committee held the fourth annual half-day workshop with members of Session. Session was able to approve a balanced budget for 2016. The workshop format has been very successful, and was held again in January 2017.
- The Committee worked to update and clarify several of the Church’s policies in 2016. Updates were made to the Expense and Disbursement, Major Gift, Credit Card, and Endowment policies.
- Finance assisted staff in the transition to the new Community Church Builder Database. This included updates to the online giving portal that provides a user-friendly interface, and the launch of the Church’s mobile app that allows giving via phone or text.
- In October, Finance worked with staff and committees to produce the 2017 Visionary Budget, a document that included Second's hopes and dreams for the coming year.
- Finance worked with Session to clarify the Church’s relationship with the ECLC and helped with the transition to a new Director. In December, Finance worked with Mission Committee to approve a request to cover scholarship needs for three students that attend the ECLC.

FINANCE REPORTS
Please review the following reports on the following pages.

Balance Sheet Summary – Liquid Assets increased by $108,960. Investment gain was $288,255 and we received gifts designated for the Memorial Gifts fund of $5,500 (other increases in liquid assets were due to an increase in prepaid pledges of $22,000). Disbursements from cash included Angel Gift funds, the Operating Allocation and the Capital Allocation used to support the 2016 operating budget of $184,329 and $93,658 and $24,591 respectively. Other reductions in liquid assets were due to disbursements from the Mission reserve allocation ($31,000), Capital Reserve allocation ($37,000), Memorial Gifts ($4,600).

The Restricted Funds Section is divided into Donor Designated Funds which includes gifts that the donor has restricted but that are not endowed, including funds such as Memorial Gifts. The Donor Designated Endowments are such funds as the Daniels fund and Hage funds which provide for funds to be expended from the earnings on the fund, and the principal is not spent. All the endowed funds are governed by the Endowment Policy created in 2010 and revised in 2016.

Receipts and Disbursements – Our Operating results for 2016 are presented in comparison to our budget with year-to-date receipts and disbursements of $1,280,727. Year-to-date actual disbursements were 98% of the annual budget. The variance is primarily explained by our Personnel expenses for the year being less than the budgeted amount.

Direct Benevolences – reflects the direct payments made under the work of the Mission committee. In addition to the Operating Budget 2016 disbursements of $150,430, the congregation provided an additional $101,093, through both direct contributions, and also fund disbursements.
### Balance Sheet

#### Assets

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### Presbyterian National/International Mission
- One Great Hour of Sharing: $5,420
- Christmas Joy: $2,433
- Peacemaking: $697
- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance: $1,110
- Presbyterian Women's Giving:
  - Together in Service: $0
  - Least Coin Offering: $0
  - Birthday Offering: $3,952
  - Thank Offering: $1,245

**Total Presbyterian Benevolences:** $14,875

### Other Agencies and Funds
- Central Presbyterian Church Food Pantry: 120
- Presbyterian Camp Scholarships: 4,874
- Cross-lines: 2,000
- Christmas Eve Offering:
  - Hope Care Center: $2,844
- Presbyterian Education Board of Pakistan: 200
- Emergency Assistance: $5,055
- Westside CAN: 673
- Alternative Giving: 3,294

**Total Other Agencies:** $19,333

### Gifts to Support the Ministries of Second
- Memorial Gifts: $5,530

**Total Second Ministries Support:** $5,530

### Total Giving
- $39,738

### Special Mission Endowment Fund Disbursements
- Guatemala - MQ Seminary Scholarships: $10,000
- Guatemala building project: 300
- The Open Table: 15,000
- PCUSA Missionary Support: 1,000
- Covenant Presbyterian Church: 15,000
- Camp Scholarships for Covenant Presbyterian Church: 2,126
- Supplies and gifts for Costa Rica trip: 2,209
- Presbyterian Education Board (PEB): 10,000

**Total Special Mission Fund Disbursements:** $55,635

### Daniels Fund Disbursements
- $9,250

### Emergency Assistance
- Emergency Assistance Restricted Fund: 2,000

**Total Emergency Assistance:** 2,000

### Total Special Mission, Daniels & Emergency Assistance
- $66,885

### Summary
- Benevolence Giving: $39,738
- Fund Disbursements: 66,885
- **Total:** $106,623

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## 2017 Visionary Budget

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### Disbursements

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<td>10</td>
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<td>Staff Salaries (Part funded by AG)</td>
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<td>(592)</td>
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<td><strong>Salaries, etc.</strong></td>
<td>744,763</td>
<td>753,974</td>
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<td>Postage, Printing, Office Expense</td>
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<td>(230)</td>
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<td>Parking Lot Rent</td>
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<td>Repairs &amp; Services</td>
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<td><strong>Building Expense</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Total Disbursements</strong></td>
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<td>1,381,199</td>
<td>71,589</td>
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**Receipts over Disbursements**

| Item                                      | 0           | 0           | 0           | 0            |          |
STEWARDSHIP 2.0 COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MISSION
The Mission of the Stewardship 2.0 Committee is to help create, sustain and grow a culture of year-round, thankful generosity at Second. By helping the congregation understand and engage in the spiritual discipline of giving and putting God first in our lives, individual lives and families are transformed. By growing the generosity of our congregation, we ensure Second has the resources to pursue its mission of transforming the world through Jesus Christ.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
George Wolf (Chair), Mary Corneil, Steve Gorny, Larry Knehans, Jacque McGuire, and Janet Miller. Staff support was provided by Rev. Paul Rock, Johnnie Baker, and Alex Treaster.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016
• Stewardship 2.0 encouraged other committees to brainstorm and think about new and creative ways to raise additional revenue to support Second’s budget.
• Stewardship 2.0 continued hosting “Generous Giver” events in members’ homes to thank those who give generously of their time and money to Second.
• The Committee re-ran the “90 Day Giving Challenge” during the summer. This year, it included per capita giving.
• The new Second Pres app, introduced in the fall, allowed for pledging on mobile devices and tablets.
• Stewardship 2.0 hosted the second annual “Second Guess Trivia Night” as a fundraiser on Friday, April 22 (pictured below).

2017 PLEDGE CAMPAIGN
During the 2017 pledge campaign, we shared an update of the following chart each week with the congregation. As of late January 2017, we had received 220 pledges to support Second’s ministries and mission. The total amount pledged was $876,327. Encouragingly, this represented a 3.4% increase over the same pledges from the previous year.

2016 Pledges
2017 Pledges (as of 1/23/17)
ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MISSION
The Endowment Committee is dedicated to supporting current members and future generations of Second Presbyterian Church through offering legacy giving opportunities which provide long-term, stable funding to extend Second’s mission of transformation in Jesus Christ.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Mike Kelly (Chair), Jim Bernard, Marge Eckhardt, Barbara Gattermeir, and Howard Mick. Staff support was provided by Johnnie Baker and Rev. Paul Rock.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016
• The Committee ended the year with 85 members of the Legacy Circle (members who have included Second in their estate plans).
• In an effort to avoid large fluctuations in the disbursements from the endowment to the various committees, the percentage distributed was updated from a 2%-5% range to a 4%-5% range. The purpose of this is to avoid the possibility of cutting programs/staff due to a temporary downturn in the market.
• Current Endowment Assets have grown to approximately $4.3M through generous gifts and market appreciation.
• The Endowment Committee was due for a review of its purpose and policy in January 2017. Leading up to that, Session came to the conclusion that there was a significant overlap of responsibilities with the Finance and Stewardship Committees. Session voted in December 2016 to maintain the Endowment policy and function, but to split the responsibilities between the Finance and Stewardship Committees and to disband the Endowment Committee. The members of the 2016 Endowment committee are transitioning to ensure the history and purpose remains intact. The hope is that this will create a more efficient organization that will free up human capital to focus on other projects.

2016 INVESTMENT RESULTS
The 2016 investment results are shown in the next two tables. Table 1 summarizes the combined investment results for 2016. Table 2 gives a more detailed summary of the overall portfolio rate of return and the rates of return for the various asset classes included in the portfolio with comparisons to appropriate indices.

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<tr>
<td>Beginning Balance</td>
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<tr>
<td>Transfers In (^1)</td>
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<td>Transfers Out (^2)</td>
<td>(332,772)</td>
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<td>Stock &amp; Other (^3)</td>
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<td>Interest/Dividends (^4)</td>
<td>97,880</td>
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<td>Realized Gains/(Losses) (^5)</td>
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<td>Fees (^6)</td>
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<td>Unrealized Gains/(Losses) (^7)</td>
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<td>Ending Balance</td>
<td>$ 4,320,099</td>
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Table 1 Explanations
1 Transfers In represents temporary cash surplus invested until needed for operational purposes.
2 Transfers Out represents the movement of cash back to the church’s operational accounts for bill payment.
3 Stock & Other are member pledge payments through a gift of stock or wire transfer of cash. Generally, these are electronic transfers from the member brokerage account direct to our Commerce Trust account.
4 Interest and Dividends represent earnings on our investments as reported by Commerce Trust Co.
5 Realized Gains/(Losses) represent the difference between cost and market value of the investment at the time of sale.
6 Fees include the fees paid to Commerce Trust Co. to manage our investments.
7 Unrealized Gains/(Losses) represent the difference between cost and market value of the investment at the time of reporting.
The investment portfolio maintains the target allocations for the various asset classes as shown in Table 2; however, for management purposes, these assets are separated into four funds (the Operating Endowment Fund, the Capital Endowment Fund, the Designated Endowment Fund and the Special Mission Fund). As of December 31, 2016, the ending balance of the investment portfolio $3,982,462 included in Table 1 has been separated by Session into the four funds as follows in Table 3:

**Table 3**

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<th>Fund</th>
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<td>Operating Endowment Fund</td>
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<tr>
<td>Capital Endowment Fund</td>
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<td>Designated Endowment Fund</td>
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<td>Special Mission Fund</td>
<td>$1,128,273</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>$3,941,540</td>
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Disbursements from these funds are based on a formula involving the average rate of return for the preceding 12 quarters as of September 30. For 2017 the percentage allocation will be 4.4%.

And finally, Table 5 shows the portfolio management fees paid to the Commerce Trust Company in 2016.

**Table 5**

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<th>Period 1/1/2016 - 12/31/2016</th>
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<td>December</td>
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<td>Total</td>
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Fee structure: based on previous month-end market value, 0.75% on the first $2,000,000; 0.60% on the next $2,000,000; 0.45% on the next $2,000,000; 0.35% on the balance. 20% discount on the calculated fee.
MEMORIAL GIFTS COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MISSION
The Memorial Gifts Committee is responsible for receiving and implementing special gifts given in memory of loved ones to create a more beautiful and user friendly building and fund projects for the purposes of advancing Second’s ministries and mission. Requests come from committees and staff with ideas that need funding, but for which there is no available budget. Working with these requests and Memorial Gift’s resources, their idea can become realities.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Carol Bliss (Chair), Sondra Branham, Max Penner, Carole Roemer, Eric Sigler, and Dayna Wunderlich. Staff support was provided by Marsha Kirsch.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016
• Memorial Gifts made it possible this year for Family Ministries to purchase and install two computers, two printers, and two stands to allow for children attending Sunday School to be checked in and accounted for. The children now wear name tags (on various parts of their bodies), giving teachers and staff the ability to respond if an emergency should occur.
• The Memorial Gifts book was also updated to reflect gifts given for the Library, Parlor, and Parlor kitchen as well as undesignated gifts.

CHECK-IN SYSTEM AND CCB DATABASE
In 2016, Memorial Gifts approved a children’s check-in system that syncs seamlessly with our Church Community Builder (CCB) database. The system allows for easier tracking of attendance, communicating information about allergies, and recording notes and information about children and families. This addition, along with the CCB database, was part of a significant technology upgrade that now provides our staff and congregation with a more accessible, central place for information.

Throughout the first few months of 2016, Second’s staff received weekly training on the CCB database. Together, the staff learned about people profiles, online giving, building forms and event registration, mail merges, and a new calendar system. The staff worked with a CCB representative to also record and enter information on each of the many groups at Second.

In mid-September, the CCB database was launched to the congregation. Throughout the last few months of 2016, our congregation used the database and accompanying Second Pres app in various ways. Most people used the database to access the church directory and information on upcoming events. Others used it to give money or access their giving statements online. Many in leadership at Second used it for their work in planning events, scheduling classes and meetings, and communicating to classes and small groups.

Overall, these investments and improvements have helped us established a robust technology system that should benefit us for years to come.
ELDERS

MISSION
As there were in Old Testament times elders for the government of the people, so the New Testament church provided persons with particular gifts to share in discernment of God’s Spirit. Elders, together with pastors, exercise leadership, government, and spiritual discernment for the life of Second Presbyterian Church.

CLASS OF 2016  CLASS OF 2017  CLASS OF 2018
Trish Bertrong  Jim Bernard, Jr.  Kristin Amend
Carol Bliss  Beth Dawson  Mary Corneil
Jenny Erdman  Lydia Jeter  Tom Davis
Jeff Harms  Brian Myers  Sara Eshelbrenner
Mike Kelly  John Peryam  Adam Pope
Jim Shull  Jim Scott  Susan Vann
Shirley Wurth  Jim Werst  George Wolf

2016 OFFICER RETREAT
The 2016 Officer Retreat was held on January 22-23 at Heartland Presbyterian Center in Parkville, Missouri.
DEACONS

COMMITTEE MISSION

Deacons strive to live and serve intentionally, faithfully, and lovingly lift up those we are called to serve with a mindful and Christ-like presence.

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<th>CLASS OF 2016</th>
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<td>Phil Bachman</td>
<td>Sherri Bloch</td>
<td>Steve Moore</td>
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<td>Barbara Kaufman</td>
<td>Mike Cochran</td>
<td>Jim Paulsen</td>
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<td>Larry Knehans</td>
<td>Martha Fletcher</td>
<td>Julie Records</td>
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<td>Ellen Long</td>
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<td>Chad Schoenthaler</td>
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<td>Rosemary Polk</td>
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<td>Anita Wertz</td>
<td>Phillip Zeeck</td>
<td>Mary Warm</td>
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MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

- Deacons developed a new Faith and Grief Ministry that serves Second and community members.
- The "Meet Your Deacon" event was held in February.
- The group supported each other in their role as Deacons.
- Deacons visited, sent cards, and prayed for church members.
- They provided meals and support for people in times of transition.
- Continuing education was provided to all Deacons regarding pastoral care, as well as CCB Database training.
- Deacons assisted with the Longest Night Worship Service in December.

SUPPORT IN EVERY SEASON OF LIFE

Life is full of joyful surprises, unexpected twists and difficult transitions. The Deacons support Second’s members in these seasons of life and many more. Each month, the Deacons care for our church family by offering words of encouragement and support, caring hugs and high-fives, flowers, visits, meals, and prayers. The Deacons work collaboratively together, seeking to extend Jesus’ compassion and love to everyone who calls Second their church home.

In addition, on the first Tuesday of every month, the Deacons care for people from Second and the larger community who are experiencing grief. At each Faith and Grief gathering, people gather to grieve, share stories of their loved ones who have died, and find hope, comfort, and community. This grief ministry is a shared, collaborative effort between the Deacons at Second Presbyterian Church, Village Presbyterian, St. John’s UMC, St. Andrew’s Episcopal, and Country Club Christian Church.
NOMINATING COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MISSION
Nominating Committee reviews nominations by the congregation for Elders and Deacons, and then submits recommendations to be voted on.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Jim Bernard (Chair), Steve Baker, Joanne Broekhuizen, Carol Grimaldi, Fran Gunnels, Mark Hash, David Jeter, Larry Knehans, Katie Zeeck. Staff support was provided by Rev. Paul Rock.

OFFICER NOMINATIONS
The following individuals were nominated and submitted to the congregation for election at the congregational meeting on Sunday, October 2, 2016. The nominees were elected, and the new Deacons and Elders were ordained and installed on Sunday, January 8, 2017.

Deacons:
Class of 2019: Bill Carpenter, Gail Cunningham, Neal Johnson, Don Robb, David Roemer, and Nick Tramp.

Elders:

2017 Nominating Committee:
Bev Blair, Tom Borthwick, Jordan Johnson, Barbara Loos, Janet Miller, Christie Nesbitt, and Bob Oliver.

DEACON NOMINEES

ELDER NOMINEES

2017 NOMINATING COMMITTEE
4 radical hospitality
OUTREACH & HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MISSION
Outreach and Hospitality is committed to telling Second's story in creative and imaginative ways to share our mission of transformation in Jesus Christ. We push boundaries and comfort zones as we meet people where they are and extend radical hospitality. As a committee, we serve together with respect, ease, encouragement, acceptance, and laughter. We value our various perspectives as we listen, build upon, and develop new ideas for amplifying Second's voice and promoting its culture of invitation to the neighborhood.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Trish Berrong (Chair), Claire Brettell, Haley Dahl, Jill Hodge, Kat Norris, Martin Orr, and Darcie Tramp. Staff support was provided by Alex Treaster and Emily Nelson Dixon.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016
• Launched and supported the congregation’s successful 300 Invitations campaign, which encouraged Second members and friends to invite friends and neighbors to worship, classes, small groups, and other events.
• The Committee helped develop and launch the new Second Pres app for smartphones and tablets. The app was used throughout the second half of 2016, and enabled the congregation to register for events, watch and listen to sermons, find groups, easily access the Bible, give online, and access the new CCB directory.
• O&H also helped design and launch a new version of Second’s website. Designed with visitors’ experiences in mind, the new site provided enhanced navigation features and mobile optimization.
• The Committee worked with Alex Treaster to schedule and share boosted posts on Facebook to spread the word about special events and inform the public about Second’s ministries.
• In May, Alex Treaster worked with the Committee to develop a comprehensive marketing plan for the neighborhoods surrounding Second. The plan helped the Committee better understand the demographics of our ministry field, and informed the Committee’s marketing decisions throughout the rest of the year. The Committee will build on this work in 2017 as Second serves as a beta church for exploring MissionInsites, a new software program purchased by Heartland Presbytery.

300 INVITATIONS
In 2014, the Outreach and Hospitality Committee set a goal of starting “200 Conversations” with our friends and neighbors in order to learn more about our current context and what our community is looking for in a church. That campaign, which included in-person conversations and a survey, subsequently helped inform Second’s programming and outreach to the neighborhood.

In August 2016, O&H built on the success of that campaign by launching the “300 Invitations” initiative. The campaign was based on the belief that we want Second to be more than a “welcoming church.” Instead we want it to be an “inviting church,” which means that we are proactively taking our message of transformation to the larger community. The challenge issued by O&H was to have our congregation extend 300 or more invitations to friends, family and neighbors to connect in various ways with our Second family by Christmas.

By late December, our congregation had enthusiastically exceeded our goal with 312 invitations. Throughout the course of this campaign, there were many great stories about the ways that Second members and friends were extending these invitations, including:
• Kat Norris shared Second’s online sermons and app with a friend suffering from cancer.
• Barbara Loots mentioned and linked to Second’s events on her new website.
• Louise Davis delivered invitations and God’s Gifts books to needlepoint shops in town.
• Nicolette Zimmermann invited friends to attend worship.
• Kite Singleton and Barbara Stevenin sent personal invitations to 14 of their neighbors, inviting them to attend Second’s Block Party in September.
• Carol Bliss invited her massage therapist and his family to attend the Block Party.
• Bill Tammeus invited friends in-person and on Facebook to attend “Art on Oak” in October.
• Karen McKinney invited two friends to attend a Social Justice and Peacemaking movie night.
• Margie Singleton invited ten people to Journey to Bethlehem and the Longest Night service.
• The Garbison family invited four people to attend Second’s Christmas Concert in December.
• Mary Arney invited her family to attend Christmas Eve and Christmas day services.

These examples were just a few of the ways Second’s congregation stepped up and helped us reach our goal. In 2017, we look forward to finding new ways to promote Second’s inviting culture.
JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM

COORDINATING TEAM MEMBERS
Sharon Betzelberger, Marge Eckhardt, Jenny Erdman, Melissa Graybill, Pat Groshong, Lydia Jeter, Ardy Pearson, Kay Postma, David Shiveley, Janelle Sjue, and Barbara Stevenin.

BRINGING A CHRISTMAS TRADITION TO LIFE
Second presented its annual walk through nativity, “Journey to Bethlehem” on Friday, December 2 and Saturday, December 3, 2016. This past year, we were thrilled to have the involvement of both Journey veterans and newcomers leading the way as part of our coordinating team. Through this production, Second welcomed hundreds of our neighbors from the Kansas City area.

The Journey team thanked participants and crew members with the following message: “Whew! This weekend was a fabulous time of sharing God’s love for us through our ministry of Journey to Bethlehem. All the folks who erected sets, straightened costumes, baked cookies, begged, danced, guided travelers following the star, or offered a smile... we could not have done it without you! Thank you one and all for all the big and little parts that you played to bring this Christmas tradition to life. You are the light to the world!”
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CONGREGATIONAL LIFE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MISSION

Committee members
Lydia Jeter (Chair), Shirley Wurth, Tom Nelson, and Miriam Zanders. Staff support was provided by Emily Nelson Dixon.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

- Congregational Life launched a new program, “Just for Groups,” including groups that meet for home brewing, dinners, coffee, and watching documentaries.
- Nine Sunday Lunches were held on the second Sundays of the month in 2016.
- The Committee launched the 20s/30s/40s Group, which met for pizza and beer nights, a softball game, and a kickball game. This group looks forward to more gatherings throughout 2017.
- The Second Friends Group has continued to blossom through a Sunday supper and game night, a wonderful two-day trip to Tulsa, a trip to Arrow Rock for lunch, a play and dinner, and a tour of the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art.

ART ON OAK

On Friday, October 14 and Saturday, October 15, 2016, Congregational Life Committee hosted, “Art on Oak,” an art show featuring both Second members and artists from the community. From sculptures to jewelry to drawings and paintings, the exhibit displayed the inspiring works of 26 local artists. Both Friday and Saturday night were well attended, and guests were treated to wine, cheese and the sounds of a classical guitarist. Through this event, the Committee was pleased to rejuvenate our congregation’s love of art and plans to make this an annual event.
Presbyterian Women

Committee Mission
The mission of Presbyterian Women at Second is to nurture the faith of women through prayer and Bible study, to support the mission of the church worldwide, to work for justice and peace, and to create an inclusive community of women that strengthens not only the women of our own congregation and the Presbyterian Church (USA), but all people of the world.

Coordinating Team Members
Kathy West (Moderator), Suzy Pagels (Treasurer), Karen McKinney (Secretary), Gail Cunningham, Gwen Ervin, Rachel Lausch, Barbara Lee, and Betty Shouse.

Major Achievements in 2016
• PW helped plan and organize the Horizons Bible Study, “Come to the Waters.” This study was offered at Thursday Circle as well as Bishop Spencer Place.
• PW continued to collect special offerings including the Thank Offering and the spring Birthday Offering. These monies, collected nationwide, are distributed to local, national and international mission projects which address issues including domestic violence, economic injustice and women’s and children’s health issues.
• On the weekend of July 25-26, Guatemalan Consul representatives assisted hundreds of families with visas and work permits at the Tony Aguirre Center. Gwen Ervin volunteered both days with the children, and PW helped furnish snacks and coloring books. PW plans to participate more fully in 2017.
• Two members of PW served on the PW Presbytery Coordinating Team, and Gail Cunningham is active in the PW of Mid-America Synod. PW of Second was represented at the PWHP Spring Gathering at First Presbyterian of Independence. Gail Cunningham attended the Asian Presbyterian Women’s National Gathering in California in April. PWHP sponsored two workdays at Cherith Brook in October. Second PW members attended this event, and helped collect canned goods.
• PW continued to collect money for Fellowship of the Least Coin, a worldwide inter-denominational movement of prayer and offering that supports women, children and families in many countries.
• In 2016, PW continued to strengthen its relationship with Second’s Mission Committee. Rachel Lausch was a member of both the Mission Committee and PW. When she moved away, Gwen Ervin stepped in as interim liaison. For the coming year, Kathy West will serve as liaison with Karen McKinney as back-up.
• PW continued to support Second’s Knitting Group, which created another 700 baby caps this year.

Together in Service Brunch
Presbyterian Women hosted the annual “Together in Service Brunch” on Sunday, February 28, in Westminster Hall. This year’s beneficiary was Westside Community Action Network Center (Westside CAN). Matthew Tomasic, a KCPD officer assigned to the Westside CAN Center, spoke movingly at the event about how the Center and officials are fostering relationships with the day laborers. By viewing the day laborers as fellow human beings rather than simply “undocumented” workers, the Center has helped change perceptions in the neighborhood and has significantly reduced crime in the area. Officer Tomasic also mentioned the need for comprehensive immigration reform.

Overall, PW of Second helped to raise $643 for Westside CAN and donated many items including reusable water bottles, paper goods, coffee, cooking oil, canned goods and cleaning supplies.

Veda Gill Visit to PW Circle
In March, Veda Gill of the Presbyterian Education Board in Pakistan visited Thursday Circle. Veda spoke to the group about her organization’s efforts to provide high-quality education and opportunities to Pakistani children, as well as promoting the welfare and dignity of women in the country. Veda’s time with PW was a preview of her sermon later that week at Second, which was titled “Prayer that Can Rock the Church.” As a result of Veda’s visit, PW chose to sponsor a student in Pakistan as one of their mission projects for the year.
6 spiritual formation
FAMILY MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MISSION
The mission of the Children, Youth and Families Committee is to provide weekly programming and events for children, youth, and families that are creative, relational, personal, applicable and challenging.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Jeff Harms (Chair), Shannon Jeffries, Jennifer Kaveney, Maria Steinacker, and Susan Vann. Staff support was provided by Jimmy McCarty and Emily Nelson Dixon.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016
• Our Family Ministries program is growing! Every class continues to celebrate new invitations made, and new faces are showing up ready to join in community, learning, and fun.
• In February, 12 students completed confirmation and joined as members of Second Presbyterian Church.
• Mission trip participation doubled from 2015 to 2016! We had five high schoolers travel to Chinampas, Costa Rica, and 22 middle schoolers venture to the Quad Cities in Iowa.
• Second Kids Camp was full-to-bursting this past summer, and it was a great time. Many Second families and families from the larger community were involved.
• We started a Tweens program in 2016, and it is thriving. We have anywhere from 10-20 Tweens (4th-6th grade) that come once a month to take part in fellowship and service. They are a fun, spunky group of dedicated kids who love Second and each other.

TRIENNIUM
Thanks to the support of the Family Ministries committee and the gifts of many in the congregation, high school students were able to attend Triennium, the PCUSA’s every-third year youth conference held at Purdue University. Days were filled with Fischer Kirchhoff dancing in the aisles during energizers and singing in the choir, Wesley Porter plotting GPS coordinates for our Geocaching challenges, Nora Sjue and Hannah Harms making new friends and creating works of art on the plaza. It was a great event with fascinating speakers, great music, and whole lot of fun!

MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION TRIP
A student named Abbie joined our Middle Schoolers on our mission trip to the Quad Cities this past summer. She came at the invitation of our very own Sophia Nilsson Paul and had a fantastic, life-changing time serving with our students. Recently, Abbie's mother Rebecca reached out saying Abbie would be attending more events at Second because of the community she's been able to make, the friends she's been able to connect with, and the lessons she's been able to learn. We're excited to have Abbie as part of our 412 Student Ministries family!

INSPIRING YOUNG ADULTS
This past May, our own Leah Steinacker graduated from high school and began her college career in the fall. Leah has been an integral part of our church community and our family ministries programming. She remarked upon her graduation that her time at Second has inspired her to find Christian community in her new season of life and continue her personal growth and exploration into the world of international missions.

TWEENS GROUP
Our Tweens (4th-6th graders) made apple pies for some of our congregation members who needed a sweet pick-me-up. They were so appreciated by their recipients (and delicious!).

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT
In December, we were led in worship by our awesome children for the annual Children’s Christmas Pageant (pictured on the left).
FAITH DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MISSION

The Faith Development Committee provides opportunities for people to deepen their faith and grow as disciples of Christ, individually and as a community.

Objectives
• Next Step - to support and equip people to take the "next step" in their faith journey;
• Discipleship - to equip and empower people to be disciples of Christ;
• Build Relationships - to help people grow in their relationship with God (inward) as well as in their relationships with others at Second and in the larger community (outward)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Jim Scott (Chair), Rachel Epler, Jenny Erdman, Jay Hodge, Sue Storm, Tom Wertz, and Jon Willis. Staff support was provided by Rev. Kristin Riegel.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

• Faith Development offered the "Christian Responses to Homelessness" series in Witherspoon.
• The Committee planned and hosted the "Introducing the Qur’an to Christians" series, which was featured on Channel 41 News.
• An Interfaith Women's Cooking Exchange and a Fast-breaking meal in Ramadan were held with local Muslims.
• More than 75 people participated in the C3 small groups held during the season of Lent.
• A daily Advent devotional, written by Second members, was sent to the congregation each day in Advent.
• Faith Development hosted a Provocative Parables Bible Study and a "Faith Without Othering: I Am Because You Are" class.
• The Committee inventoried Sunday School classes about classroom needs and provided ongoing support.

CONNECTING WITH OUR MUSLIM NEIGHBORS

Hours after the tragic shooting in Orlando on June 12th, a crowd of nearly 60 Muslims and Christians gathered at Second for a Ramadan fast-breaking dinner organized by Second and the Dialogue Institute Southwest. Throughout the night, Second members connected with Muslim neighbors over homemade Turkish food, shared values, and conversation.

On November 12, just days after the election, Muslims and Christians gathered again at Second. This time, 17 Christian and Muslim women came together to bake desserts and learn from one another as part of an interfaith cooking exchange. Afterwards, they ate, prayed together and shared conversation that was full of heartache and grief as well as healing and hope.

At a time when our country and world seems increasingly divided, Second's Faith Development Committee continues to seek ways to break down cultural and religious barriers, foster dialogue, and create opportunities for people to build relationships with God and one another through classes, small groups, and events.
Appendix

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

Average Worship Attendance in 2016  283 - ? (CCB transition)
Membership as of January 1, 2016  581
Members received, Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2016  23
Confirmands  12
New Members  31
Members transferred from rolls, Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2016  43
Deaths  7
Letters of Transfer  1
Removed from Rolls  35
Membership as of January 1, 2017  561
Marriages  6
Births  2
Baptisms  12

BAPTISMS

Mabry Martinez  Benjamin Reed Godfrey
Declan Thomas Orr  John Patrick McClelland Kroh
Eloise Erin Dixon  James Harvey Bernard, IV
Fischer Thomas Kirchhoff  William James Stallbaumer
Tyler Jackson Kirchhoff  Woods Coltrane Carpenter
John Patrick McClelland Kroh  James Harvey Bernard, IV

BIRTHS

John Patrick McClelland Kroh  John Patrick McClelland Kroh
James Harvey Bernard, IV

DEATHS

Robert “Bob” St. Denis  Daniel Nolan Robb and Courtney Paige Wieberg
Ruth Bertle  Grant Searing Hamil and Chelsea Ann Shapland
Howard David Ege  David Neal Blackorby, Jr. and Elizabeth Anne Catherine Piontek
Sharon Hamil  Kyle Tucker and Rachel Mayfield
Dale Robert Eshelbenner*  Brian Lee Maness and Jessica Ann Graham
Beefs Wheeler  James Judd Derterick and Andreea Ann Kazanjian
Beverly Bradley  Mrs. Eugene L. Young, second DRE
Everet Leimer*  Mrs. Eugene L. Young, second DRE

CHRONOLOGY OF SECOND

1865  Second Presbyterian Church organized

1866  Building completed and dedicated at 809 Wyandotte;
     Sunday school organized with 15 teachers and 20 pupils

1867  Basement walk built first, first public school for Kansas
     City held here

1868  Rev. T.E. Jepp, Stated Supply

1869  Dr. Charles D. Nott, Minister

1870  Building enlarged, organ installed; Reunion Old and New
     Schools of the Presbyterian Church

1871  Dr. William M. Chetver, Minister, Membership: 100

1875  10th anniversary observed; Membership: 150

1879  Dr. Charles C. Kimball, Minister

1880  Dr. John H. Miller, Interim Pastor

1881  Dr. Charles L. Thompson, Minister; Moved to new
     building at 13th and Central

1885  20th anniversary observed; Membership: 507

1886  Dr. John H. Miller, Interim Pastor

1887  Dr. Charles L. Thompson, Minister; Moved to new
     building at 13th and Central

1892  Three of the sons of Dr. Hays entered the ministry

1893  Various supplies, among them, Dr. WP George;
     Westminster Congregational Church organized,
     Membership: 616

1896  Dr. H.D. Jenkins, Minister, Membership: 418

1900  Total loss of church and manse in fire; Membership: 525

1901  Services in Music Hall at 15th and Broadway

1903  Sunday School enrollment: 283, Membership: 186

1907  Dr. Reynolds organized Kansas City League of
     Presbyterian Churches

1910  Joined with Westport Pres. Church; Membership: 394

1912  Back to 15th and Broadway; Membership: 271
     Absorbed mission church at 51st and Main,
     Dr. Gerrit Snyder, Supply

1915  Occupying frame building south side of 55th
     Street; Membership: 188

1916  First unit of present building completed
     Dr. Henry Manure, Minister; Dedication of
     Sanctuary; Sunday School enrollment: 275,
     Membership: 192

1918  Memorial service for 23 in World War I
     Sunday School enrollment: 426; Membership: 488
     Frank C. King Bible Class organized; Mrs. J.L.
     Loose gave Dragon Chimes

1923  Alice Wolfe Edwards, first church secretary
     Dr. J.L. McKee, stated supply; Miss Georgia
     Amick, first DRE

1925  Mrs. Horace Paul, church secretary;
     Membership: 823

1926  Dr. S.W. McKelvey, Minister;
     Educational wing dedicated
     Bapstistion Font presented; Acousticans installed
     Rev. Kirkland West, Assistant Minister

1927  Dr. George P. Hays, Minister
     Membership: 642

1930  Membership: 1408;
     Sunday School enrollment: 1024

1934  Mrs. Eugene L. Young, second DRE
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1939  75th anniversary observed; Membership: 1763

1940  80th anniversary observed; Sunday School
     enrollment 594, Membership: 1813

1945  80th anniversary observed; Sunday School
     enrollment 594, Membership: 1813

1946  Richard J. Helms, first Minister of Music; Robert

NEW MEMBERS

Anna Martinez  Diana Garbison  Jake Woolfer
Anthony Martinez  Will Stapp  Douglas “Doug” Dirks
Pat Samms  Noah Nilsson Paul  Sara “Sally” Dirks
Nicolete Zimmermann  Sophia Nilsson Paul  Diana Hallerad
David Zimmermann  Wesley Porter  Eric Hallerad
Fischer Kirchhoff  Nora Sjoe  Christopher Dixon
Nathan Perkins Rock  Nicholas Cochran  Josephine Lugovskyy
Cate Steinacker  Caroline Willis

* non-member
**Appendix**

1983 Rev, Ilona J. Buzick, Associate Minister

- Banners for Sanctuary completed, and area renamed Calvin Center
- Membership: 1,395; Dining Room Kitchen remodeled; St. Andrew Chapel remodeled and dedicated
- Sanctuary needlepoint pew cushions completed, concluding a 9 year project

1987-89 Christ’s Second Challenge Fund Drive establishes Sustaining Fund for Mission and Capital
- Rev. Cecil R. Allhoffer, Minister; John Knox Parlor redecorated; New pew cushions and carpeting installed in the Sanctuary with wicker and chair cushions
- New restrooms remodeled becoming Meeting Rooms A, B, and C; Acquisition and installation of new computer

Major repair work completed on the Bell Tower
- Rev. Gloria Vazconcelos, Associate Minister (Christian Education); Completion of computerization of church records; Membership: 938

1990 Rev. Robert Rayburn, Associate Minister; Grace Sallbery ordained as first woman Elder, class of 1964

1991 Dorothy R. Dowgray retired after 18 years as Business Administrator; Construction was completed for an elevator that connects the ground floor with the second and third floors; Began the process of the Strategic Planning Committee to more clearly focus on what we are and where we are going as a community of God; Membership: 882; 125th Anniversary Celebration

- Bill Bliem, Minister of Music

1992 Congregation developed “A Servant People” as our vision and goals to focus on who we are and what we are doing. Dr. Cecil R. Allhoffer accepted a call from the First Presbyterian Church in Ridgeway, New Jersey. Protected the stained-glass windows of the church with a covering of Lexan Plastic; Membership: 835

- Rev. Barrie Gray, Associate Minister (Christian Education); Sanctuary Transcept ramp completed

1993 Rev. Arthur L. Miller, Associate Minister (vocation) and pastoral care

1994 Membership: 2,322

1995 Rev. Ray Thomison, Associate Minister (Christian Education); Offices remodeled

1996 Rev. James C. Kenney, Associate Minister; additional land acquired and north parking lot built

1997 Doug Lento, Director of Music; Dining Room redecorated and renamed Westminster Hall

1998 Annual Report: 1,840; All church classrooms painted by the Deacons

1999 Plaza flood, substantial damage to church basement and parking lot

2000 Fellowship Hall remodeling from flood damage completed and area renamed Calvin Center

2001 Leadership: 1,817

2002 Rev. Robert R. Koop, Minister; Witherspoon Parlor redecorated; Banners for Sanctuary completed, concluding a 10 year project

2003 Rev. Iona J. Buzick, Associate Minister (Christian Education); playground built; Doogan chimes renovated

2004 Rev. Rodney J. Bakken, Associate Minister (Youth Ministry)

2005 Dorothy R. Dowgray retired after 18 years as Business Administrator; Construction was completed for an elevator that connects the ground floor with the second and third floors; Began the process of the Strategic Planning Committee to more clearly focus on what we are and where we are going as a community of God; Membership: 882; 125th Anniversary Celebration

2006 Membership: 834; Four members of Second participated in Presbytery trip to Guatemala; Flood on October 4 - Calvin Center in basement completely raised - $50,000 damage.

2007 Membership: 844; Calvin Center reopens; Dr. Ronald T. Roberts, Associate Minister; (Youth, Witness and Service); Membership: 938

2008 Anniversary of Dr. Andrew L. Cullen called as Interim Associate Pastor; PDO renamed Early Childhood Learning Center (ECLC); ECLC receives National Accreditation; $50,000 damage.

2009 Membership: 929; Rev. Catherine Price resigns; Dr. Andrew L. Cullen called as Interim Associate Pastor; M. Dwayne Adams hired as Youth Director; Linda Haynes hired as Controller; Sandi St. Denis, Financial Administrator, accepts call to Pennsylvania; Mary Spencer hired as Director of PDO; Youth Mission trip to Guatemala

2010 Membership: 942; PDO renamed Early Childhood Learning Center (ECLC); ECLC receives National Accreditation; Full-scale renovation and building of Learning Center (ECLC); ECLC receives National Accreditation; Automated External Defibrillator purchased

2011 Membership: 844; Calvin Center reopens, Dr. Ronald T. Roberts called as Associate Pastor of Youth, Children, Youth, and Families; Celebration of the 135th Anniversary and sealing of the time capsule for the year 2015 (150th Birthday); All Church Retreat at Heartland Center; New carpeting and sound system in the Sanctuary; Host of Community Thanksgiving Service for seven neighboring congregations

2012 Membership: 895; Sunday, 5:30 p.m. Experimental Service of Restoration and Renewal from March 4 to December 30; Journey to Adulthood and Rite 1: Youth programs began; Youth Mission trip to Juarez, Mexico; Sue Ellen Breding retires as Director of PDO; Mary Spencer hired as Director of PDO

2013 Membership: 929; Rev. Catherine Price resigns; Dr. Andrew L. Cullen called as Interim Associate Pastor; M. Dwayne Adams hired as Youth Director; Linda Haynes hired as Controller; Sandi St. Denis, Financial Administrator, accepts call to Pennsylvania; Mary Spencer hired as Director of PDO; Youth Mission trip to Guatemala

2014 Membership: 950; PDO renamed Early Childhood Learning Center (ECLC); ECLC receives National Accreditation; $50,000 damage.

2015 Membership: 942; PDO renamed Early Childhood Learning Center (ECLC); ECLC receives National Accreditation; Full-scale renovation and building of Learning Center (ECLC); ECLC receives National Accreditation; Science Committee of the PC(USA), Rick Ufford-Chase; Music, continues as organist; All-Presbytery Conference and developed our renewed purpose

2016 Membership: 936; Youth Mission Trip to Dallas, TX; High School Mission Trip to Cedar Rapids, IA; High School Mission Trip to Denver, CO

2017 Membership: 882; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2018 Membership: 853; California State Mission trip to Guatemala; High School Mission Trip to Washington, D.C.

2019 Membership: 844; Calvin Center reopens, Dr. Ronald T. Roberts called as Associate Pastor of Youth, Children, Youth, and Families; Celebration of the 135th Anniversary and sealing of the time capsule for the year 2015 (150th Birthday); All Church Retreat at Heartland Center; New carpeting and sound system in the Sanctuary; Host of Community Thanksgiving Service for seven neighboring congregations

2020 Membership: 844; Calvin Center reopens, Dr. Ronald T. Roberts called as Associate Pastor of Youth, Children, Youth, and Families; Celebration of the 135th Anniversary and sealing of the time capsule for the year 2015 (150th Birthday); All Church Retreat at Heartland Center; New carpeting and sound system in the Sanctuary; Host of Community Thanksgiving Service for seven neighboring congregations

2021 Membership: 825; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2022 Membership: 780; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2023 Membership: 792; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2024 Membership: 749; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2025 Membership: 709; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2026 Membership: 653; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2027 Membership: 603; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2028 Membership: 553; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2029 Membership: 503; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2030 Membership: 453; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2031 Membership: 403; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2032 Membership: 353; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2033 Membership: 303; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2034 Membership: 253; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2035 Membership: 203; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2036 Membership: 153; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2037 Membership: 103; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2038 Membership: 53; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2039 Membership: 2; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded

2040 Membership: 0; GPS (God’s Plan for Second) website, www.secondpres.org, redesigned and expanded
of Communications, creating new positions of Business and Development Director, Leanna Hartaway; Director of Engagement and Missional Ministries, Tera Yared; and Church Operations Manager, Marsha Kirsch; Laura Larsen hired as Director of Youth Ministries and Sara Harms hired as Interim Director of Children’s Ministries; Cory Ganschow refuses and Bram Wayman hired as Minister of Music; energy efficient windows installed in educational wing of building; large, lighted logo sign installed on west side of building; Dracos create Transition Team to organize the smooth transfer of mission responsibilities to Session’s new Mission Committee and the Dracos’ assumption of pastoral responsibilities as outlined in the GSP Report; Connect Fest and Block Party draws extensive neighborhood participation; Mission Component of the 2008 Capital Campaign completed with gifts to Community LINC and The Children’s Place.

2013

Membership: 623; second year of GPS implementation with 64% of GPS goals completed by year’s end; Second becomes the first church in Kansas City, MO to install solar panels; energy efficient windows installed on north side of building; educational wing of building; Meg Swagerty hired as Director of Children’s Ministry; Tare Addis resigns as Organist, Mark Langdon hired as new Organist; Second’s website converted to WordPress site including addition of videos; new worship space technology installed including projectors, a video camera, flat-screen TVs, and a digital sound system; Renovations to Meeting Room A and Witherspoon; The new Mission Committee fully assumed mission responsibilities (including conducting a survey of the congregation) while the Dracos shifted to their new role in pastoral care; Second celebrated longtime members with a special celebration, “Sages of Second”; The Second-Crestwood Block Party was celebrated in its second year, and an Associate Pastor Nominating Committee formed following the announcement of Rev. Don Fisher’s retirement in 2014.

2014

Membership: 620; third year of GPS implementation; Next Steps Committee tasked by Session to look at GPS and help envision next era for Second; sermon series on Pope Francis generates widespread conversations and leads to accompanying book by Rev. Paul Rock and Bill Tammeus; Bram Wayman resigns as Minister of Music; Stacy Yan Honcke hired as Choir Director, Tera Yaked resigns as Director of Engagement and Missional Ministries; Meg Swagerty’s position expanded as Director of Children’s Ministries and Engagement; Rev. Andy Callen hired as Temporary Pastor for Pastoral Care, Nick Pickrell hired as Worship Leader; Rev. Don Fisher retires as Associate Pastor, Don Weeks (Building Manager) passes away; Laura Larsen resigns as Director of Youth Ministries, Jonny McCarty hired as Minister for Youth and Mission, Christi Paschang hired as Accounting Assistant, new welcome sign installed above entrance on west side of building, 200 conversions campaign yields great participation and feedback from our community. Second Kids Camp held in June with 115 children in attendance, third annual Second-Crestwood Block Party held in September. Second named “Volunteer Group of the Year” by Harvesters, first “Be the Church Sunday” held on November 9, second phase of sound system upgrades installed including line column speakers and new microphones, APNC continued its search for next Associate Pastor, new floors and stair treads installed. Sanctuary reward and reoriented with LED bulbs, third floor children’s and adult education areas redecorated, ECLC bathrooms and classrooms removed, computer server replaced, new hymnals purchased, new phone system installed. Next Steps produces report of recommendations and report approved by Session.

2015

Membership: 581; worship attendance increases from average of 279 to 301. Second celebrates its sesquicentennial with events throughout the year, Rev. Kristin Riegel called as Associate Pastor, Rev. Andy Callen end his term as Temporary Pastor for Pastoral Care, Meg Swagerty resigns as Director of Children’s Ministry and Engagement and her position is filled by Emily Nelson Dixon, Leanna Hartaway resigns as Director of Business and Development, Johntie Baker hired as Business Manager, The Open Table launches as a new expression of worship and draws an average of 30-40 people at each gathering, Second hosts “Black, Brown, and Blue: A Conversation about Race, Policing, and Incarceration,” The Facilities Master Plan team surveys the congregation and meets with architects to envision the next era for our building as a mission center, Second Kids Camp held in June with 150 children in attendance, fourth annual Second-Crestwood Block Party held in September, second annual “Be the Church Sunday” held on October 25, middle school mission trip to Oklahoma, high school/young adult mission trip to Thailand, new Visitor’s Kiosk introduced, new projection system installed in Westminster Hall, new audiovisual system installed in the Chapel, Parker and Hill Memorial Library renovations are completed and dedicated, Worship Committee surveys the congregation and adjusts services to include more time for reflection and person prayer.

2016

Membership: 561; Building Advisory Team continues working with Strata Architects and the congregation to discuss the future of our building, mission trip to Guatemala in January, Faith Development hosts several well-attended interfaith events with our Muslim neighbors including an “Introducing the Quran to Christians” class, Rev. Paul Rock takes summer sabbatical and Rev. Kristin Riegel serves temporarily as head of staff, high school mission trip to Costa Rica, middle school mission trip to the Quad Cities, Trish Jones takes summer sabbatical and Rev. Kristin Riegel serves temporarily as head of staff, high school mission trip to Costa Rica, middle school mission trip to the Quad Cities, Trish Jones takes summer sabbatical. Second-Crestwood Block Party held on September 25, “Art on Oak” event held on October 14-15, third annual “Be the Church Sunday” held on October 30 with Grandview Park and Covenant Presbyterian Churches participating, The Open Table hosted a “Disrupting Racism” event on November 27 with more than 150 people from the community in attendance.