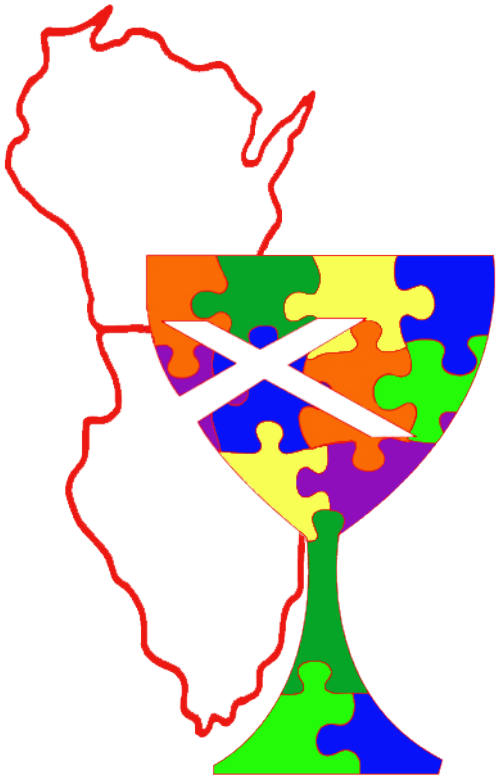
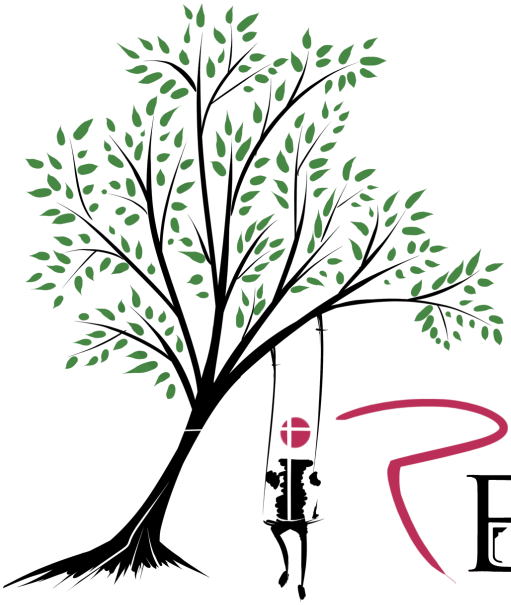
Annual Report

Christian Church in Illinois and Wisconsin



two-fold earth congregations receive ministry ends world-view purpose composed Wisconsin Partnering focused Christian regions people active relationships discipleship fully devoted Disciples worldwide establish filled among extend church reaching mission Mission Vision help doorsteps nurture followers Values pastoral vital whole Christ Design care social region interconnected vision witness first ministers Creative relating second Multicultural providing Church authentic mutual Statement Engaged Illinois healthy ministries structures members Meaningful Region Purpose service counsel



2014 REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

Christian Church
CCIW
Illinois & Wisconsin
Together Making Disciples of Christ

The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Illinois and Wisconsin

Purpose Statement

In the Design of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), the purpose of regions is two-fold: *first*, to extend the ministry of Christ in mission, witness and service among the people and social structures of the region; and, *second*, to establish, receive, and nurture congregations in the Region, providing help, counsel, and pastoral care to members, ministers and congregations in their mutual relationships, and relating them to the worldwide mission and witness of the whole church.

Vision Statement

Our vision is to be a region composed of healthy Disciples congregations, which are filled with fully devoted followers of Christ and active in vital ministries reaching from our doorsteps to the ends of the earth.

Mission Statement

Partnering with Disciples' congregations for healthy, vital ministry.

Values

- Engaged discipleship
- Meaningful authentic relationships
- Creative ministry
- Mission focused
- Multicultural and interconnected world-view

Continuing Priorities for 2011-2016

- Develop, implement and support a structure which includes regional elders.
- Engage ministry as coaches, consultants, brokers, pastors and prophets.
- Partner with Global Ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and United Church of Christ to develop and implement a Regional Global Church Partnership.
- Continue our work as pro-reconciling and anti-racist people. Our region seeks to be open and intentional about including all people at our local, regional and general gatherings, which reflect the diversity of God's true church, regardless of gender, race, age, size, ability, sexual orientation, income, or community.
- Encourage, provide training, and support the use of the best available contextually appropriate technology in regional and congregational ministries.

Reviewed and revised by the CCIW Long Range Planning and Visioning Committee, August 2013.

2014 Regional Assembly Schedule and Locations

Friday, Oct 10

Eureka Christian Church Clergy/Spouse/SO lunch

11:30 - gathering---Child Care provided

12:00 - Luncheon, hosts Wenois and New Hope Cluster

12:45 - Presentation by Rev. Dr. Frank Thomas

Five Points Washington

1:00 p.m. - Registration and Displays Open

2:00-5:00 p.m. - Two Workshops in the Banquet Center

Disciple Identity with Cherilyn Williams, VP for Communication Office of General Minister and President.

"One Region, One Book" discussion of "A Lesson Before Dying" by Ernest Gaines. Led by our Pro-Reconciliation/Anti-Racism Team

5:30 p.m. - Gathering Time

6:00 p.m. - Banquet, State of the Region, Election of Officers

7:30 p.m. - Worship in the Performing Arts Center, Rev. Dr. Frank Thomas preaching

9:00 p.m. - "Moth Hour" After Session.

Youth Lock In

Registration at 8:30 p.m. for late arrivals

9:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.

Saturday, Oct. 11

7:30 a.m. - **Youth schedule**: Depart for Sunnyland Christian Church, 2401 Washington Road, Washington, IL

Breakfast will be served at Sunnyland Christian Church

9-11:30 a.m. - Morning Devotion and Workshops

Lunch will be served at Sunnyland Christian Church

12:30 p.m. - Leave for Mission Opportunities in and around Washington

2:45 p.m. - Arrive at First Christian Church in Peoria, 6400 N University St, Peoria,

First Christian Church Peoria

9:00 a.m. - Biblical Story-teller simulcast from First Peoria.

9:30 a.m. - Break

9:45-11:45 a.m. - Workshops & Mission

12 noon - Lunch

1:15-2:45 p.m. - Workshops & Mission.

3:00 p.m. - Worship sat First Peoria



On the Eve of the 165th year of Ministry for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Illinois and Wisconsin

I have been pondering how the Christian/Disciple movement with our polar star of unity had its beginning in the midst of the time that led up to the American Civil War. It is a great paradox, but isn't that always God's way. More recently, I attended a 50th anniversary celebration for one of our churches. They, too, were lifting up Unity, Liberty, Love: "In essentials, Unity. In non-essentials, Liberty; In all things, Love."

The foundations of our faith movement call us to recognize that we can and will hold different opinions on many things, but that our unity---that Jesus prayed for ---was essential. Our founders believed that, "if we could find the one true biblical answer to the fundamental questions, we would come together around one Table in Jesus' name." They were believers. They were dreamers. They had vision. And, they were tired of brokenness in the church, and longing for love---the kind that creates a common bond.

It's the kind of dream that has the power to motivate people: to see Jesus in one another even when they disagree; to start churches across the landscape; to get a movement going to help foundling children; to inspire far-flung diverse people to gather together; to get them organizing mission societies/regions; that pushes them to be Pro-Reconciling/Anti-Racist. A Jesus dream---in the midst of a broken world---for wholeness expressed in a life abundant welcome Table of love.

So, what does that matter to us 165 years, or 50 years later? We are the inheritors of an essential dream: Together Making Disciples of Christ. The miracle of our gathering isn't that we agree on everything. It is that we believe that we are called by Jesus to his Table, and to go out in service in our communities and world. Our unity is in the loving welcome we humbly receive, and in the loving welcome we gratefully give.

Here are some of the highlights of our last two years in ministry together:

Deepening Discipleship:

CCIW Prayer Calendar, Regional Elders,

Meaningful & Authentic Relationships:

Clergy Clusters, The Journey, Reconciliation Grants, Camps, Youth MidWinter Retreat, Summit, Disciple Women events

Creative, Innovative Ministry:

Coach training, Use of technology for Connecting, Clergy Ethics Training, On line registration and giving, Interactive website.

Mission Focused:

Global Mission Region with Concejo Ecumenico Cristiano de Guatemala. Hosted Glenda Lopez in our camping program, Sent another mission group.

Administration: Finance and Personnel, RCC/MLT

Transitioned to Treasury Services, Living into new Constitution and Bylaws, Balanced budget for 2013, Generosity workshops, "Legacies"

2014 Regional Church Council

Hank Anderson
Central, Danville

Dwight Bailey
CC Arlington Heights

Brenda Culver
Barney's Prairie

Mike Dixon
First, Paris

Terry Foland
First, Rushville

David Geenen
First, Moline

Kathryn Graves
First, Carbondale

Rebecca Ingram
Centennial, Bloomington

Cheryl Jackson
Jackson Blvd, Chicago

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First, Bloomington

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Parkway Gardens, Chicago

Roberto Romero
Iglesia, Milwaukee

Beth Rupe
First, Moline

Martha Shine
Park Manor, Chicago

Pam Thomas
Central, Havanna

Evan Williams
Sunnyland, Washington

Andy Yum
Living Stone, Evanston

2014 Ministry Leadership Team

Linda Blakeman, Disciple Women's Cabinet

Jennie Churchman, Deepening Discipleship Task Group

Kris Culp, Disciple Divinity House

Brenda Culver, Regional Assembly Chair

Hannah Fitch, Young Adults Task Group

Bruce Fowlkes, Eureka College

David Geenen, Chair

Rebecca Ingram, New Church Establishment Committee

Rex Kibler, Outdoor Ministry Committee

Anna Pace, Regional Youth Council

Beth Rupe, Pro-Reconciliation/Anti-Racism

Marianne Stowers, Ecumenical Witness

Jean Wallace, Mission Task Group

2013 By the Numbers

Region Resources		Use of Resources	
Disciple Mission Fund	$ 262,161	Personnel	$ 324,303
Christmas Offering	42,842	Administrative	84,990
Camp & Programs	196,456	Camp & Programs	180,453
Interest & Endowment	120,207	Travel	23,719
Annual Fund	59,898	Committees & Boards	8,205
The Christian	2,025		
Honoraria & Other	18,550		
	$ **702,139**		**$ 621,670**

Resources Summary for 2013

The ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Illinois and Wisconsin are supported by gifts both past and present. The largest source of support for the region is Disciples Mission Fund, the common fund of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Gifts received to Disciples Mission Fund (DMF) support ministries across the shared life of the church and reach to partners around the globe. CCIW receives 41% of DMF funds received from churches and individuals in our region.

Special Day offerings allow Disciples to give with specific intention through the year. The Christmas Offering supports the work of the Regional Church and all funds raised through the Christmas Special Day Offering remain in the region where they are given.

CCIW received $ 305,003.00 from DMF and the Christmas Offering. We are also grateful to the individuals and churches who have contributed to endowments and the Annual Fund of the Christian Church in Illinois and Wisconsin. Your partnership in the ministries of the region is appreciated!

	2013	2012	Change
Disciples Mission Fund	$ 262,161	$ 247,587	+ 5.8 %
Christmas Offering	42,842	43,546	- 1.6 %
TOTAL	305,003	291,133	+ 4.7 %

Moderator's Message



It is a distinct privilege and pleasure to serve as your moderator of the Christian Church in Illinois and Wisconsin in this time and space. We have been living into our new constitution, actively working toward "Together Making Disciples of Christ " and continuing to be a "movement towards wholeness" in a broken world. We are indeed Disciples (disciples) of Christ.

Your Council has served the Christian Church in the Illinois and Wisconsin region with specialized expertise, diligence and passion. We have lived into our new "lean" model of a smaller council, embraced the use to technology, balanced the budget, and supported the ministries of well-established churches, transforming churches and churches in formation (i.e. new starts). Our regional staff has worked with excellence and compassion in the execution of their ministerial duties.

I am very thankful for the level of leadership represented in our region and thank each member for his or her commitment to the continued success of our region. I value your time, talent and treasure. Your commitment to the overall stewardship of the church is commendable!

We celebrate a rich history of celebrating our success as being co-laborers in Christ together. Can you imagine the accomplishments of approaching 165 years of ministry? Can you dare to dream of the potential of what will happen, if we all accepted the call of being fully engaging disciples of Christ? Can you envision the power of this movement in transforming lives? I am challenging you to embody discipleship in its fullness and richness. I am challenging you to envision the future in which Christian Unity comes to fruition through our personal and collective commitment. I am challenging you to plant for the future by continuing "Go Tell It" …Tell that there is room at the TABLE of Grace…Tell that there is a place for you to serve within the local congregation…the Regional Church…the General Church. Let us renew our vision of being a movement towards wholeness in a fragmented world! Let's SOAR into the future!

God's blessings and peace,

Rev. Cheryl P. Jackson



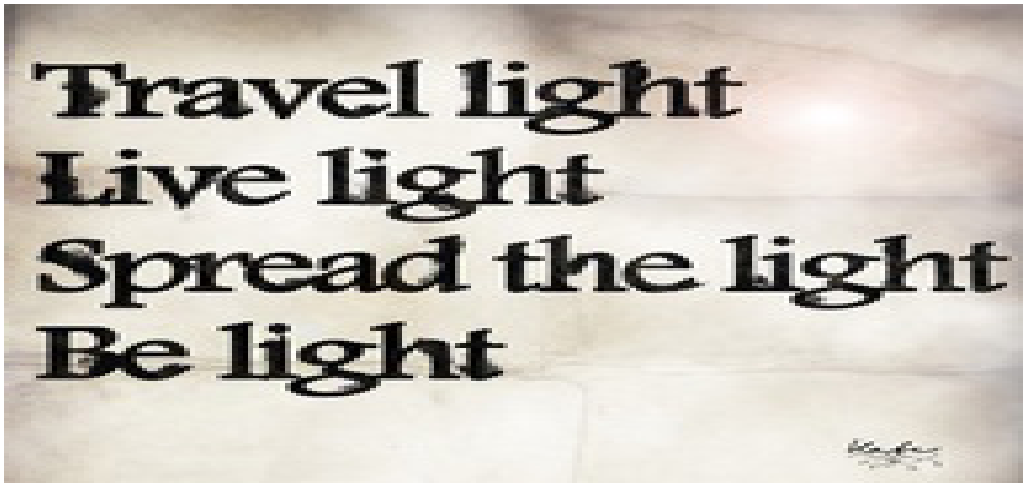
2013 Congregational Giving

Gifts listed here include support for Disciples Mission Fund, special day offerings, and designated offerings.

Church Name	City	2013	2012
Christian Church of Abingdon	Abingdon	$ 2,543.00	$ 4,266.59
First Christian Church	Albion	4,884.94	733.39
First Christian Church	Arcola	537.16	13,084.14
Christian Church of Arlington	Arlington Hts	3,168.95	9,250.64
Arrowsmith Christian Church	Arrowsmith	8,286.70	7,157.52
Vine Street Christian Church	Arthur	15,378.50	1,025.00
Atwater Christian Church	Virden	824.50	3,773.00
Bellflower Christian Church	Bellflower	3,688.00	3,028.00
First Christian Church	Benton	4,324.00	3,156.42
First Christian Church	Bethany	3,258.26	8,452.15
Centennial Christian Church	Bloomington	5,233.51	33,804.26
First Christian Church	Bloomington	46,176.53	8,921.06
First Christian Church	Blue Mound	11,572.00	3,275.33
Cameron Christian Church	Cameron	3,148.48	12,021.91
Coldbrook Christian Church	Cameron	12,451.25	24,766.06
First Christian Church	Canton	30,764.00	7,844.50
First Christian Church	Carbondale	6,411.00	6,387.00
Carlock Christian Church	Carlock	6,651.00	8,157.71
First Christian Church	Carthage	8,021.66	450.00
First Christian Church	Casey	1,064.00	3,765.93
First Christian Church	Centralia	4,456.32	10,684.45
University Place Christian Church	Champaign	15,029.00	842.00
Chandlerville Christian Church	Chandlerville	288.00	1,820.00
Chapin Christian Church	Chapin	1,488.01	2,585.00
Hometown Christian Church	Chicago	1,489.00	-
Jackson Blvd Christian Church	Chicago	-	653.00
Park Manor Christian Church	Chicago	6,873.16	-
Spanish Christian Church	Chicago	-	3,964.75
University Church (D of C)/UCC	Chicago	3,636.25	1,128.00
First Christian Church	Chicago Heights	2,256.00	345.00
Clayton Christian Church	Clayton	109.00	183.10
Colfax Christian Church	Colfax	232.00	14,177.10
United Christian Church	Country Club Hills	10,941.13	10,127.28
First Christian Church	Creve Coeur	7,992.33	448.00
Cuba Christian Church	Cuba	802.00	27,422.60
Central Christian Church	Danville	28,757.10	27,422.00
Central Christian Church	Decatur	85,614.60	102,035.88
Crestview Christian Church	Decatur	415.00	390.00
Prairie Avenue Christian Church	Decatur	1,971.65	2,538.57
Community Christian Church	Lincolnshire	16,072.00	14,345.00
First Christian Church	Dixon	2,138.21	2,063.39
First Christian Church	Downers Grove	4,165.00	2,865.11
First Christian Church	Du Quoin	6,345.00	1,807.00

First Christian Church	East Moline	1,081.00	770.46
Eureka Christian Church	Eureka	42,205.57	45,778.17
Flanagan Christian Church	Flanagan	30.00	106.00
Frederick Christian Church	Frederick	665.00	788.00
First Christian Church	Galesburg	15,926.36	13,910.61
Gerlaw Christian Church	Gerlaw	-	185.00
First Christian Church	Gibson City	29,328.36	19,551.48
First Christian Church	Girard	2,004.50	790.00
Sherburnville Christian Church	Grant Park	-	185.00
Harristown Christian Church	Harristown	1,915.00	-
Central Christian Church	Havana	418.00	950.00
First Christian Church	Henry	4,314.25	2,818.00
First Christian Church	Hillsboro	368.00	460.35
First Christian Church	Hoopeston	1,210.00	2,382.74
Christian Church of Illiopolis	Illiopolis	3,807.00	7,688.77
Ipava Christian Church	Ipava	687.04	630.83
Central Christian Church	Jacksonville	36,823.67	33,493.41
Lynnville Christian Church	Jacksonville	1,212.00	805.00
Central Christian Church	Bourbonnais	6,018.79	6,534.05
First Christian Church	Keithsburg	610.00	600.00
First Christian Church	Knoxville	-	1,291.75
First Christian Church	Lawrenceville	7,875.92	12,541.00
Illinois Street Christian Church	Lewiston	2,773.87	2,090.00
Church of Christ Uniting	Lexington	7,550.28	1,723.26
Union Avenue Christian Church	Litchfield	32,138.43	33,592.74
Lomax Christian Church	Lomax	9,690.00	8,998.00
Long Point Christian Church	Long Point	-	180.00
Mackinaw Christian Church	Mackinaw	15,181.80	14,322.68
First Christian Church	Macomb	19,884.77	21,811.87
First Christian Church	Marion	5,217.25	4,005.28
Marshall Avenue Christian	Mattoon	2,774.90	1,735.72
First Christian Church	Metropolis	4,535.55	8,968.44
First Christian Church	Moline	32,638.18	34,549.15
Barneys Prairie Christian Church	Mount Carmel	1,071.16	963.00
First Christian Church	Mount Carmel	26,094.00	24,424.62
First Christian Church	Mt Sterling	4,340.85	4,566.13
Niantic Christian Church	Niantic	4,168.59	9,771.96
First Christian Church	Olney	948.04	641.81
First Christian Church	Paris	26,806.47	32,108.97
First Christian Church	Pekin	30,664.71	30,690.59
First Christian Church	Peoria	26,643.15	22,996.06
Glen Oak Christian Church	Peoria	12,163.16	12,180.12
Memorial Christian Church	Peoria	2,407.56	1,676.23
First Christian Church	Petersburg	4,157.00	1,624.00
Pine Creek Christian Church	Polo	590.59	961.00
First Christian Church	Pontiac	2,025.00	2,288.69
First Christian Church	Princeton	8,174.96	13,382.99

First Christian Church	Quincy	8,329.75	7,003.60
Bethany Park Christian Church	Rantoul	794.00	855.00
First Christian Church	Robinson	1,205.00	2,017.00
First Christian Church	Rock Falls	1,435.00	1,425.00
Second Christian Church	Rockford	1,000.00	900.00
15th Avenue Christian Church	Rock Island	9,592.00	7,656.93
Memorial Christian Church	Rock Island	281.00	-
First Christian Church	Rushville	17,921.06	12,609.29
First Christian Church	Springfield	12,031.00	15,432.47
First Christian Church of Sterling	Sterling	8,855.80	10,338.12
First Christian Church	Sullivan	18,270.00	14,186.00
Tallula Christian Church	Tallula	3,353.00	3,865.00
Davis Memorial Christian Church	Taylorville	4,126.21	9,121.50
Timewell Christian Church	Mount Sterling	75.00	170.00
Ursa Christian Church	Ursa	13,829.04	7,425.55
First Christian Church	Vandalia	2,184.04	1,934.24
Christian Church of Villa Park	Villa Park	1,971.00	1,567.00
First Christian Church	Virden	1,190.43	2,242.53
First Christian Church	Walnut	4,390.00	4,900.50
Washburn Christian Church	Washburn	6,867.20	7,902.40
Sunnyland Christian Church	Washington	9,404.00	10,840.00
First Christian Church	Watseka	992.00	2,264.00
First Christian Church	Gurnee	2,470.20	2,014.47
First Christian Church	White Hall	625.00	463.00
First Christian Church	Winchester	-	311.97
Parkway Christian Church	Springfield	2,410.00	2,417.75
Disciples of Christ Community	Champaign	460.00	290.00
Livingstone Christian Church	Evanston	775.00	100.00
Grace Community Christian	Aurora	1,772.42	968.50
Old State Road Christian Church	Charleston	1,320.65	555.00
Network Christian Church	Bloomington	2,059.00	605.00
Big Life Community Church	Oswego	1,000.00	-
First Christian Church	Janesville	1,576.45	2,770.43
The Iglesia Cristiana	Milwaukee	8,833.00	7,119.00



Top 20 Disciples Mission Fund Giving 2013

Church Name	City	2013 DMF	2012 DMF
Central Christian Church	Decatur	$ 70,895.00	$ 79,897.00
Eureka Christian Church	Eureka	28,335.00	32,550.00
Central Christian Church	Danville	25,310.30	23,471.16
First Christian Church	Bloomington	24,897.62	18,642.38
First Christian Church	Canton	22,500.00	21,000.00
First Christian Church	Moline	21,985.98	22,504.88
First Christian Church	Pekin	21,500.00	21,500.00
First Christian Church	Gibson City	21,024.52	15,282.69
Central Christian Church	Jacksonville	19,787.90	20,354.24
First Christian Church	Paris	16,168.42	21,113.10
Union Avenue Christian Chu	Litchfield	16,010.34	14,591.74
First Christian Church	Mount Carmel	14,650.00	13,900.00
First Christian Church	Peoria	14,379.15	13,793.61
Mackinaw Christian Church	Mackinaw	3,276.80	11,623.89
First Christian Church	Rushville	12,357.00	10,263.00
First Christian Church	Macomb	10,550.00	11,160.00
Coldbrook Christian Church	Cameron	9,672.75	10,199.73
First Christian Church	Galesburg	9,632.12	10,737.72
First Christian Church	Springfield	9,483.00	10,200.00
United Christian Church	Country Club Hills	9,399.05	11,872.35

Top 20 Per Capita

Church Name	City	Average Worship Attendance	per Worship attendance to all Disciples Outreach
First Christian Church	Gibson City	83	$ 353.35
Eureka Christian Church	Eureka	143	295.14
Central Christian Church	Decatur	296	289.24
Washburn Christian Church	Washburn	26	264.12
Central Christian Church	Jacksonville	149	247.14
First Christian Church	Pekin	129	237.71
First Christian Church	Canton	132	233.06
First Christian Church	Moline	145	225.09
Lomax Christian Church	Lomax	45	215.33
Arrowsmith Christian Church	Arrowsmith	39	212.48
First Christian Church	Mount Carmel	123	212.15
First Christian Church	Peoria	128	208.15
First Christian Church	Macomb	96	207.13
Christian Church of Arlington	Arlington Hts	73	180.40
First Christian Church	Rushville	102	175.70
Community Christian Church	Lincolnshire	94	170.98
First Christian Church	Bloomington	276	167.31
Central Christian Church	Danville	172	167.19
University Place Christian Church	Champaign	92	163.36
Vine Street Christian Church	Arthur	97	158.54

Top 20 Special Day Offerings

Central Christian Church	Jacksonville	$ 7,264.86	$ 8,083.50
First Christian Church	Moline	6,830.40	1,410.00
First Christian Church	Peoria	6,522.00	5,148.00
Central Christian Church	Decatur	5,767.60	10,824.02
First Christian Church	Sullivan	4,414.00	4,168.00
First Christian Church	Paris	4,317.85	7,863.17
First Christian Church	Bloomington	4,218.00	4,962.40
First Christian Church	Rushville	3,935.06	1,340.29
15th Avenue Christian Church	Rock Island	3,849.00	3,076.00
First Christian Church	Gibson City	3,686.27	2,219.00
First Christian Church	Mount Carmel	3,545.00	3,084.00
Union Avenue Christian Church	Litchfield	3,360.49	1,962.00
First Christian Church	Albion	2,943.00	2,496.59
First Christian Church of Sterling	Sterling	2,775.75	3,791.30
Eureka Christian Church	Eureka	2,598.00	3,083.00
First Christian Church	Macomb	2,593.00	3,873.50
First Christian Church	Creve Coeur	2,582.50	2,674.25
University Place Christian Church	Champaign	2,495.57	1,806.07
Central Christian Church	Danville	2,406.75	2,559.44
Bellflower Christian Church	Bellflower	2,287.00	2,663.00
First Christian Church	Benton	2,228.00	2,460.00

2013 Pro-Reconciliation/Anti-Racism Grants

Guidelines for Grants are available at cciwdisciples.org

Glen Oak Action Liason, Glen Oak Christian Church	$1500.00
Glen Oak Snack Packs, Glen Oak Christian Church	$1500.00
Common Place in Peoria, Promising Futures Program	$800.00
Karon Alexander for Woman to Woman Pilgrimage to Mexico	$400.00
Quad City Alliance for Immigration and Refugees	$500.00
Yakima Christian Mission	$500.00
PRAR Committee	$7500.00

Leadership Development Grants

Eleven congregations received grants to participate in HOPE Partnership process for transformation called the Journey. $16,500.00

We are training our own cadre of Coaches. 10 people participated in HOPE Partnership Coach training. $4,000.00

2013 Individual Donors to Annual Fund

Gifts of $1000 to $4,999

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Faith Russell
Paul Shaw
David & Dawn Ingram
Dennis A Steckley
Donna Dowd
Eugenia Griese
Henry & Linda Sur
Lisa & Jeffrey Brown
Mike Robinson
Montee & Audrey Akers
Patrick & Susan Larkin
Rex & Marcia Kibler, Jr
Ronald & Alice Lyons
Smonne J Elder Trust
Terri Grove
William & Willa Jewsbury
Clarence & Gladys Herzog
Randall & Jacqueline Richmond
Betty & Donald Tharp
Marilyn Moore
Susan K Combest

Gifts to Disciples Mission Fund

Out of 138 congregations in the Region, 70 % contributed to the mission of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) through Disciple Mission Fund in 2013. These gifts support a variety of ministries (72) in Illinois and Wisconsin and around the world. CCIW is receives 41% of each dollar given to DMF; 100 % of the Christmas Offering; 50 % each of Pentecost and Reconciliation Offerings. From planting new congregations in Illinois and Wisconsin, to providing disaster relief and supporting sustainable development, your congregation's gifts to DMF make a difference and are a witness to the ministry we share.

	2013	**2012**
Disciples Mission Fund		
Church Gifts to DMF	$599,353.84	$610,090.30
Blessing Boxes	$8,076.00	$8,537.00
Easter	$46,822.00	$50,688.00
Pentecost	$32,955.00	$30,817.00
Thanksgiving	$27,821.00	$31,509.00
Christmas	$42,841.54	$46,157.63
Mission Offerings		
Week of Compassion	$89,223.26	$80,725.05
Designated Week of Compassion	$50,379.79	$51.402.39
Reconciliation	$23,215.69	$25,444.44
Designated Reconciliation	$260.00	$519.00
Other Offerings		
Designated Operating	$96,926.71	$46,909.93
Designated Capital	$19,650.27	$2,555.23

Committee on Ministry

We celebrate that, in 2013, 3 persons were ordained to Christian ministry. In addition 9 seminary students are in care for Ordination and 34 other persons serve as Commissioned Ministers. All are under the care on our Ministry Committee. The Committee on Ministry continues to support 293 ministers who have standing with the Christian Church in Illinois and Wisconsin through programs such as Healthy Boundaries Workshops, Coaching, and Healthy Congregations training.

Support from Endowments

The work of the Region was enhanced by over 120,000 in support for specific ministries and operational needs from endowment and permanent funds. These funds represent ongoing support of the region and its ministries.

All Saints Fund, which includes Russell Hall, Edith Young, May Griffith, Albert Dulyea-Parker contributions.
Camp Walter Scott Endowment
Congregational Development Endowment Fund for new church
University Christian Church Trust for new church Bloomington/Normal
CCIW Endowment which supports operations

Dickinson Loan Fund

Urban Metro Redevelopment

Urban Metro New Church

Beneficiaries of:

Cora L. Wagoner & Family Fund

Ogden Christian Church

Irving Park Christian Church

Harvel Christian Church

Glen and Donna Rosborough Fund

Ivan and Helen Gobel Fund

Terry Foland Fund

Robert Deck Fund

The Legacy Continues

Reading through the list of endowments supporting the work of CCIW gives a glimpse into our history. Previous generations left a legacy that allows the church of today and tomorrow to continue to do our work. We may not know the names of the individuals or congregations, but we do know the purpose of their gifts.

The Christian Church in Illinois and Wisconsin is grateful for all the gifts received in 2013 as reflected in this year's Annual Report. We also give thanks for the legacy of those who gave of themselves in time, talent and treasure. Their legacy continues through the work of these funds.

Information on establishing permanent funds that will provide perpetual support to the ministries of the Region and your church can be obtained through the Christian Church Foundation. Learn more by contacting Rev. Dr. Darwin Collins at 1.800.668.8016.

Contributions to any of our four CCIW Endowments (All Saints Fund, Camp Walter Scott, Congregational Development, or CCIW) can be made through CCIW. Contact Rev. Scott Woolridge at 309.828.6293.

Nominations for 2014-2016 Regional Church Council Officers and Representatives

Moderator: Cheryl Jackson (AA, Commissioned, United Christian Church Country Club Hills, Olympia Fields)

Moderator Elect: Kelly Ingersoll (C, Ordained, Pastor at First Christian, Macomb)

Past Moderator: Terry Foland (C, Ordained, Interim Parkway Springfield, Astoria)

Treasurer: Marla McElroy (AA , Laity, First Christian, Bloomington)

Secretary: Brenda Culver (C, Laity, Barney's Prairie)

Long Range Vision and Planning Chair: Katherine Bryant Graves (C, Ordained, FCC Carbondale)

Regional Assembly Chair: Robin Spurling (C, Ordained, FCC Carthage)

At Large 2016: Roberto Romero (Hispanic, Commissioned, Iglesia Milwaukee)

At Large 2016: John Bender (C, Laity, Union Avenue Litchfield)

At Large 2018: Beth Rupe (C, Ordained, FCC Moline)

At Large 2018: Hyein Park (A, seminary student, YA, FCC Downers Grove)

At Large 2020: Jared Reno (C, seminary student, YA, FCC Jacksonville)

At Large 2020: Alejandra Romero (Hispanic, lay, YA, Iglesia Milwaukee)

Urban Metro Area Grants:

Grants are now available that meet these criteria: grants are to be given from the Urban Metro Fund to support ministry specific to a clear Vision and Intent to engage the community for the sake of transforming the congregation. (Not to support mortgage payments or staff.) For more information contact one of the Officers of the Region.

Regional Assembly Planning Committee

Brenda Culver, Chair
Rebecca Anderson
Robin Spurling
Colton Lott
Robert Bushey
Deirdre Jones

Regional Assembly Team

Teresa Owens
Hannah Fitch
Andrew Packman
Amy Johnson
Kris Light
Kathy Cobb
Karen Merrick
Randy Williams
Kevin Kieswetter
Dave Phillis

Staff

Connie Henderson
Terri Grove
Jeff Dulyea-Parker
Christal Williams
Scott Woolridge
Teresa Dulyea-Parker

Our Region Starts New Disciples Churches!

We work in the denomination's vision of 1,000 new church starts in 1,000 different ways by the year 2020. Bringing new believers to the faith is our goal, reaching neighborhoods, towns and cities we have not reached before.

Chicago IL – Our newest church, Root and Branch Church in the Logan Square area of Chicago is led by Andrew Packman, Neil Ellingson and Timothy Kim. The focus of Root and Branch is to get back to the basics of the first-century church. Their worship takes place - sometimes around a dinner table, sometimes in a theatre. This combination of experience offers the intimacy of a spiritual conversation and the excitement of great music and great preaching. Small group ministries also build the body of Christ.

Oswego IL – Speaking of Chicagoland, Big Life Community Church in Oswego continues to flourish under the leadership of Geoff and Marissa Mitchell. With the addition of a second worship service, they have already doubled their attendance. This worship time is called "Early Time" and not only does it start earlier than the "Current Worship" it also incorporates classic hymns done in a new way by their talented musicians. Relationships continue to evolve within leadership and within the people. Mission in the community is a key focus.

Bloomington IL – Network Christian Church, led by Dan and Amanda Jassman, continues to make an impact in the Bloomington area. This church has discovered that a small group focus reaches the people in their neighborhood. Most recently they are offering a small group for couples called "Love and Respect" as well as their on-going Financial Peace group. They have recently moved to a new worship setting that will offer more room for growth.

Around IL -- Conversations continue with several Korean pastors in the Chicagoland area. We are optimistically hopeful we will have more great news coming in the area of new churches within the CCIW! We are also working with a new congregation in the Quad Cities, hoping they will join us as a Disciples congregation.

Around the Campfire

News from Outdoor Ministries - Summer Camping Program





ALL THINGS NEW

Look What God is Doing!

"Look! I'm doing a new thing; now it sprouts up; don't you recognize it?" - Isaiah 43:19a (CEB). This scripture was the basis of a week learning what God is doing: A New Thing, New Creation, New Shape, New Expressions, New Understanding, New Life, and New Community. While participating in campfires, worship, bible studies, and recreational activities, campers from across the region grew closer to each other and grew closer to God.

Although a full list is too long to be included in this newsletter, I want to thank all of our directors, counselors, counselors-in-training, kitchen volunteers and CCIW Staff who made the multiple weeks of camp possible. In this edition of "Around the Campfire," you will learn about our Global Exchange, Camp Mission Work, Camp Walter Scott improvements, and the 2013 Summer Camping Program, by the numbers.

God Bless,

Eron

Eron Dupree
Program Director

Conocé Glenda Nineth López Ordoñez

Glenda nos viene de Guatemala, a pesar de nuestra asociación con el Consejo Ecuménico Cristiano de Guatemala. Glenda pasó el verano participando en nuestro programa de campamento de verano en tanto campo de Walter Scott y Pilgrim Park. Durante su tiempo con nosotros, participó en todas las actividades del campamento. Algunas de sus actividades favoritas incluyen fogata y adoración. Amaba los tiempos durante el culto en la que participamos en la comunión. Con la ayuda del Rev. Dr. Christal Williams y Rev. Deborah Owens, Glenda fue capaz de asistir a la Asamblea General en Orlando. En la Asamblea General y cada uno de nuestros campamentos, Glenda habló a los jóvenes sobre su camino de fe y de la labor del Consejo Ecuménico Cristiano de Guatemala. Tuvimos la suerte de tener Glenda y su traductor Vanessa Velázquez (Inglesia de Cristiana en Milwaukee, Wisconsin) con nosotros este verano.



Meet Glenda Nineth López Ordoñez

Glenda comes to us from Guatemala, though our partnership with the Christian Ecumenical Council of Guatemala. Glenda spent the summer participating in our summer camping program at both Camp Walter Scott and Pilgrim Park. During her time with us, she participated in all of the camp activities. Some of her favorite activities include campfire and worship. She loved the times during worship in which we participated in communion. With the help of Rev. Dr. Christal Williams and Rev. Deborah Owens, Glenda was able to attend the General Assembly in Orlando. At the General Assembly and each of our camps, Glenda spoke to the youth about her faith journey and the work of the Christian Ecumenical Council of Guatemala. We were blessed to have Glenda and her translator Vanessa Velazquez (Inglesia de Cristiana en Milwaukee, Wisconsin) with us this summer.





Summer Camp Mission Work

During camp, we like to give back to the camp that gives so much to us. Here is a list of all the mission projects completed at Camp Walter Scott (CWS) and Pilgrim Park (PP).

JYF (PP): Spread grass seed, two fleece blankets for Princeton shelter...CYF (PP): Clearing of brush and planting new grass...CYF (CWS): Replace bunk bed plywood, weed the volleyball court, paint the shower house...Post High (CWS): Paint the shower house floor.... JYF 2 (CWS): Weed the Retreat House flowerbed...

Our apologies if we have omitted any work on this list.

Camp Walter Scott Improvements

Through our partnership with The Rekindle Foundation, Illinois Valley Cluster, and various churches, Camp Walter Scott has some new features in 2013.

- Air Conditioned Dining Hall
- Dining Hall ramp for Accessibility
- New Mattresses for the Cabins

Thank you for the numerous snack & food donations throughout the summer for our campers!





2013 Summer Camp – By the Numbers

Total Number of Campers	**301**
Total Number of Directors	**24**
Total Number of Counselors	**44**
Camp Offering (through July 31)	**$904.65**

This is an unofficial, unaudited list.



2014 CCIW Disciple of Merit "**The Disciple of Merit** award is the highest honor given by the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Illinois and Wisconsin in recognition of outstanding service to the congregation, region and the general church. Retired clergy and lay leaders of any age are eligible. The Regional Board of Directors chooses the recipients."This year we recognize Rev. Nancy Stump and Rev. Burley and Martha Herrin.

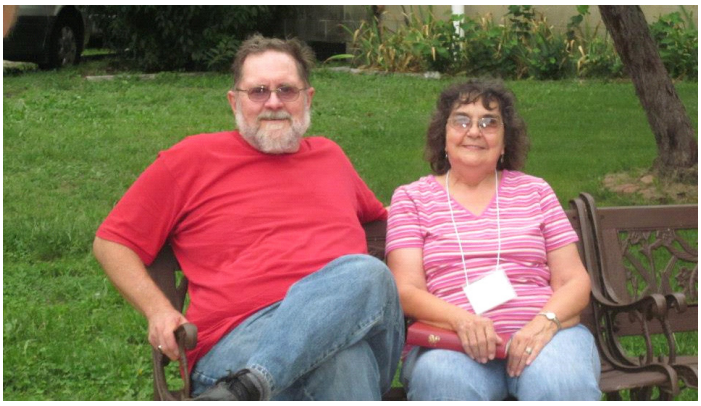


Nancy Stump has always found the most creative ways to serve local congregations and the Region of Illinois and Wisconsin, Disciples of Christ, and the NBA. In 1987, the administration of Barton W. Stone Christian Home in Jacksonville invited Nancy to volunteer at the National Benevolent Association facility as a chaplain. In an effort to be the very best volunteer possible, Nancy worked inside the structure of the Region and with Memorial Hospital in Springfield to receive both basic and advanced chaplaincy training. In 1988, Nancy's work was recognized and rewarded when she was invited to be the facility's full time chaplain.

During the twelve years of service at Barton Stone Home, Nancy worked with each home church to keep strong the bonds that had been built between resident and congregation. Nancy came to be seen as an extension of that continuing care as she would invite and encourage home churches to come and visit the campus and bring the Sunday afternoon chapel service. Also, to further lift up the sense of being a part of the Region, Nancy utilized the Home's location and resources to host CWF events and cluster minister gatherings.

Nancy was very much aware that the resident was not the only human factor in the Barton Stone equation. With the hiring of new or additional staff, Nancy was asked to help each employee to understand and relate to the aging process and the eventual passing of the resident. Many times, for young staff members, Nancy's words of insight, guided the actions of the caregivers; before and at the end of a saint's life.

Because of Nancy's compassion and love for the Home, she was invited by many congregations to fill the pulpit. She accepted each opportunity eagerly, traveling in all seasons to share and to hone her preaching skills.



One might think having a regional or retired minister in the congregation may be intimidating. This is far from the truth when the retired minister and spouse are Burley and Martha Herrin. A congregation and minister could ask for no greater support than what the Herrin's provide. Burley and Martha joined the Marshall Avenue Christian Church when they were at Camp Walter Scott and Burley was camp manager and an associate regional minister for the southern part of Illinois/ Wisconsin. They have volunteered in all areas of the church life from teaching Sunday school to helping with the back to school carnival, Burley was in charge of the Nose Picking game. Both have helped with pulpit supply when the minister has been on vacation or sabbatical. The church can always count on them to help with food and refreshments for special dinners or social hours. Martha participates in the Knitting and quilting circle and encourages us to read the anti- racism pro-reconciliation book each year. She is the church treasurer and on both the ministry team and the resource team. Burley is an Elder in the church and on the Pastor /Parish team. He often has sage advice for the congregation but generally offers only when asked. Any congregation would benefit from having a couple as devoted to the church and its life as Martha and Burley Herrin. Martha is a Core-Trainer for the General Church Pro-Reconciliation/Anti-Racism initiative, and works faithfully on our CCIW PRAR Team. Burley is a Coach for HOPE Partnership and for CCIW helping congregations and Pastors in the transformation process. They are a blessing.