Dear Friends in Christ,

The Holy Spirit is moving throughout the churches of the Minnesota Conference United Church of Christ! Each week in 2018, your stories of mission, extravagant welcome, and faithful ministry inspired us all. Stories like:

- Our UCC youth attending the March For Our Lives in Washington DC, and joining their voices together to end gun violence
- Groups of churches coming together to build houses for Habitat for Humanity
- Minnesota clergy and lay leaders gathering at the US/Mexico border to call for building bridges, not walls and detention centers
- Congregations engaging in the Crossroads church renewal program

- Members of multiple Minnesota Conference congregations serving at Back Bay Mission, our special mission partner in Biloxi, Mississippi
• Lay leaders engaging in our nationally-recognized Damascus Project, creating a new path to ministerial leadership
• … and so much more

The Holy Spirit is at work within the leadership of the Minnesota Conference, as we recognized the effects of the demographic and attitudinal shifts in religion. In 2018, we began a Strategic Discernment Process to determine:
• What is God up to in the life of the MN Conference UCC?
• What is the essential role of the Conference in the life of the church today? What can it offer to its constituents that no one else likely can or will?
• What strategic choices must Conference leadership make, considering input gathered, available and projected resources, and our best guesses about future trends?

The Holy Spirit bound us together, too, when a devastating fire destroyed our Dining Hall at Pilgrim Point Camp in July. We rejoiced when dedicated campers were willing to adapt and experience outdoor ministries in new settings and ways. And we asked for God’s guidance as this new element of uncertainty shaped and informed our strategic discernment about the future of outdoor ministries in the Conference.

The Holy Spirit abides – challenging us, nurturing us, and inspiring us to be Christ’s Church in ways that are faithful, fresh, and bold. We are grateful that you continue to hold your Minnesota Conference in your prayers, and thankful that you offer your financial gifts in support of this important ministry. This 2018 Annual Report is a testament to the Spirit’s unyielding work among us, and to your willingness to engage in it so generously. Please consider making a special gift to continue our shared ministry today. Thank you!

Reverend Shari Prestemon, Conference Minister
## Financials for Fiscal Year 2018:
### October 1, 2017 - September 30, 2018

### Support and Revenue - Unrestricted

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### Expenses

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### Other Non-Operating Activities

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<td><strong>Total Other Non-Operating Activities</strong></td>
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### Change in Net Assets - Unrestricted

- **$526,907**

### Restricted Net Asset Activities *

- **($40,051)**

### TOTAL Change in Net Assets

- **$486,856**

* Restricted Net Asset Activities Include:
- Contributions to Restricted Net Assets: $17,450
- Release from Temp Restricted Net Assets: $(496,169)
- Realized Gain on Investments: $121,550
- Other Investment Activity: $227,114
- **TOTAL Restricted Net Asset Activities**: $(40,051)

### Revenue Diagram

- OCWM: 44%
- Program Revenue: 17%
- Annual Fund & Gifts: 7%
- Per Capita: 9%
- Restricted Contributions Released: 23%

### Expenses Diagram

- Program: 64%
- Management & General: 16%
- OCWM National Payments: 13%
- Fundraising: 8%
Ministry Facts for Calendar Year 2018

Our Churches
- 129 Churches
- 1 Church Withdrawn
  - 23,363 Church Members

Our Ministers
- 13 Ordained Clergy with Standing Added
- 19 Authorized Ministers Added
- 20 Members in Discernment

Our Youth & Pilgrim Point
- 570 Campers & Volunteers at PPC
## Congregational Donors

Includes contributions made to support Our Church’s Wider Mission, Christmas Fund, Neighbors in Need, Strengthen the Church, One Great Hour of Sharing, Per Capita covenant dues, Annual Fund, and Pilgrim Point Camps & Retreats.

### $50,000 or more
- Mayflower Community Congregational, Minneapolis
- United Church of Christ, New Brighton
- First UCC, Northfield

### $25,000—$49,999
- Peace UCC, Duluth
- Zion UCC, LeSueur
- First Congregational UCC, Mankato
- Robbinsdale UCC, Robbinsdale
- St. Paul’s UCC, St. Paul
- Wayzata Community Church, Wayzata

### $10,000—$24,999
- First Congregational UCC, Anoka
- First Congregational UCC, Brainerd
- The Congregational Church of Detroit Lakes UCC, Detroit Lakes
- Chapel Hills UCC, Edina
- Union UCC, Elk River
- First Congregational UCC, Fairmont
- Falcon Heights Church UCC, Falcon Heights
- Mizpah UCC, Hopkins
- New Journey UCC, Hutchinson
- First Congregational Church of MN, Minneapolis
- Lyndhurst Congregational UCC, Minneapolis
- Plymouth Congregational Church, Minneapolis
- The Congregational UCC, Rochester

### $5,000—$9,999
- First Congregational UCC, Appleton
- First Congregational UCC, Austin
- St. Mark’s UCC, Bloomington
- Cottage Grove United Church of Christ, Cottage Grove
- Pilgrim Congregational, Duluth
- Edina Morningside Church, Edina
- St. John’s UCC, Fairmont
- United Church of Christ, Gaylord
- First Congregational UCC, Grand Marais
- Granite Falls UCC, Granite Falls
- Union Congregational Church UCC, Hackensack
- First Congregational UCC, Lake City
- St. Paul’s UCC/ELCA, Lewiston
- First United Church, Little Falls
- Living Table UCC, Minneapolis
- Lyndale Congregational UCC, Minneapolis
- The Federated Church, Morris
- The Associated Church, Owatonna
- St. Paul’s UCC, Plato
- Macalester Plymouth United Church, St. Paul

### $2,500—$4,999
- First Congregational UCC, Alexandria
- First Congregational UCC, Cannon Falls
- St. John’s UCC, Faribault
- First Congregational UCC, Glencoe
- Glenwood United Parish, Glenwood
- Faith UCC, International Falls
- St. Matthew’s UCC-Forest City, Litchfield
- Bethlehem UCC, Maple Lake
- The United Church, Mapleton
- Grace UCC, Millville
- Linden Hills Congregational UCC, Minneapolis
- Parkway UCC, Minneapolis
- First Congregational of Moorhead, Moorhead
- St. John’s UCC, New Ulm
- United Church of Christ, New Ulm
- Friedens UCC, Norwood Young America
- Peace UCC, Norwood Young America
- Cherokee Park United Church, St. Paul
- Peace UCC, Rochester
- Duluth United Church of Christ
- Welcome UCC, Zumbrota

### $1,000—$2,499
- St. James UCC, Barnsville
- First Congregational UCC, Baudette
- United Congregational UCC, Birchdale
- Community UCC, Big Swan
- St. Paul’s UCC, Delano
- Peace UCC, Eden Valley
- The Congregational Church, Excelsior
- Congregational Church of Faribault UCC, Faribault
- The Federated Church, Fergus Falls
- Glyndon Congregational UCC, Glyndon
- Prairie Community Church of Lester Prairie, Lester Prairie
- First UCC of Marietta, Marietta
- First Congregational UCC, New York Mills
- St. John’s UCC, Norwood Young America
- First Congregational UCC, Princeton
- Clark Memorial UCC, South St. Paul
- Zoar UCC, Waldorf
- First Congregational UCC, Winona

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- Faith United Church, Ada
- First Congregational UCC, Atkin
- United Faith Community, Buffalo
- First Congregational UCC, Dodge Center
- First Congregational UCC, Graceville
- The United Church of Grand Meadow, Grand Meadow
- First Congregational UCC, Pelican Rapids
- Scrambler Union UCC, Pelican Rapids
- First United Church UCC, Sauk Centre
- Faith UCC, Winthrop

### $500—$999
- First Congregational Church, Aldrich
- Pilgrim Congregational UCC, Benson
- Faith United Church of Christ, Bertha
- Zoar UCC, Chaska
- St. Paul’s UCC, Eyota
- Peace UCC, Glencoe
- First Congregational Church UCC, Hancock
- St. Paul’s UCC, Henderson
- Peace United Church, Long Prairie
- Mendota Heights United Church of Christ (Cong’t), Mendota Heights
- United Church of Christ, St. Charles
- Peace UCC, St. Cloud
- The United Protestant Church, Silver Bay
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