MEMBERSHIP AND GROWTH ANNUAL REPORT 2016

Your Membership and Growth Committee met monthly and worked throughout the year to achieve membership development and growth within our Church. Bridging generations, community outreach, and developing individual growth through volunteering and social interaction were the areas we tried to concentrate on.

Hosting the Fifth Sunday Potlucks four times this year is becoming a church tradition that we have received many positive comments and we want to continue with. Providing a relaxed atmosphere that promotes social interaction and just "plain old good food" reintroduces a nostalgic church memory from our childhood to our current church family. The goal is to use this to reach out to the community and welcome them to attend also.

Participating in the annual Columbus Day's events was a prime opportunity in community outreach for our Federated Church. Providing a diaper changing tent in Frankfort Square took many volunteers but was used by many grateful families and we learned the chamber of commerce also appreciates our involvement and keeps a spot for us.

With many church members pitching in, our Columbus Day's float was built with the theme, "Fuel your own Flame of Faith with Federated!". Church members who volunteered to march in the parade took this message and represented Federated very well before thousands of spectators along the streets of Columbus. We were rewarded with a first place trophy after our hard work.

Hosting and promoting a safe Trunk or Treat event was another community outreach program our committee continued to pursue. Bringing your front porch to the the Federated Church parking lot for trick or treat fun gave our member volunteers a chance to interact with many neighborhood youngsters and their parents in costumes. Many laughs and memories were created with this event, and plans to expand are in the works for next year,

Keeping pew supplies stocked, new visitor welcome bags, hosting Cafe LaFed, and Heritage Sunday celebration were other duties our committee took on. Please give a big thank you to committee members Dana Brandt, Karen Grabowski, Marcia Dewald, and Daryl Smith.

Co-Chairs

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