

## FCC YEAR END UPDATE 2022



# HARVEST FESTIVAL

Harvest Season is a time of celebration and recognition of God's blessings. In the recent past, many of us have experienced much uncertainty; but we are assured of God's faithfulness. First Covenant Church has been blessed with faithful financial stewards. The 2022 Harvest Offering is a special opportunity for us to support God's work locally, regionally and globally.

This year's offering is to be divided:

- 20%** -- Arrive Ministry in Willmar
- 25%** -- Devotional Diary Project (Columbia) partnership with Cathy Campobello
- 30%** -- Benevolence Contributions through FCC
- 25%** -- Internal project(s) at FCC

Our Harvest Offering goal for 2022 is \$30,000. We will be receiving the offering on Sunday morning, Nov. 13th. You may also donate through the APP, online or at the church office.

A Harvest Celebration Worship Service will be held Sun., Nov. 20th, at 9 am followed by a Pie & Coffee Fellowship in the lower level Fellowship Hall.

-Bill Cairns, Church Chairman

# GIVING

As the year is coming to a close, I would like to update you on some of the financials of our church.

## January to October 2022

Total Expenses: \$ 483,357.00

Total Contributions: \$ 440,352.00  
Unfortunately, that leaves us with a  
shortfall of: \$ 43,005.00

The new kitchen in the 801 is funded and construction is underway.

We still have two months to go before we close out the year so as you consider your year-end giving options, please consider a special gift to our church.

-Ron Buchanan,  
Finance Deacon

# FROM THE BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMISSION

As many of you know the church roof had hail damage from a storm this last summer. Fortunately, the cost for the shingles is covered by our insurance. While waiting for the shingling to be done John Chester did an inspection and found significant rot involving roof boards and at least one roof purlin beam (this is all on the northeast end of the sanctuary roof). As a result, the shingling project was put on hold until next spring.

The estimate to repair the rotted areas is as follows:

\$39,702.00 – Covers the removal of roof overhang and replace at the sloped soffit structure

\$5,711.00 – Cost to replace each rotted roof purlin, there is at least one that must be replaced.

The materials are not the biggest cost, but the labor and the equipment to do the construction work adds up.

The Council has decided to proceed with the needed repairs and the Finance Commission is looking into using undesignated estate funds to cover the cost.

This letter is written to keep you informed of the problems we are facing as our building ages.

-- Respectfully, The FCC Building & Grounds Commission