

The Congregational Church of New Fairfield

United Church of Christ

ANNUAL REPORT

2006



Table of Contents

<u>Pastor's Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>Executive Council Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>Worship and Ministry Team Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>5</u>
<u>Trustee Team Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>6</u>
<u>Christian Education Team Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>7</u>
<u>Missions Team Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>8</u>
<u>Minister of Music Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>9</u>
<u>Women's Church Club Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>10</u>
<u>Investment Committee Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>11</u>
<u>Outdoor Ministries Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>12&13</u>
<u>ASP Work Trip Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>14</u>
<u>Stewardship Committee Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Compassionate Connections Ministry Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>16</u>
<u>Compassionate Connections Ministry Members 2007-2008</u>	<u>17</u>
<u>Summer Play Account Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>Children & Youth Ministries Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>Flower Committee Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>Scholarship Committee Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>21</u>
<u>Service Club Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>22 & 23</u>
<u>Hospitality Committee Annual Report 2006</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Nominating Slate for 2006-2007 Congregational Church of New Fairfield &</u>	
<u>UCC Delegate Annual Report</u>	<u>25 & 26</u>
<u>Church Records Baptisms 2006</u>	<u>27</u>
<u>Church Records Membership 2006</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Church Records Deaths 2006</u>	<u>29</u>
<u>Church Records Weddings 2006</u>	<u>30</u>
<u>Unified Fund</u>	<u>31 & 32</u>
<u>Report of the Financial Secretary</u>	<u>33</u>
<u>2007 Budget</u>	<u>34-38</u>
<u>CHURCH STAFF</u>	<u>39</u>

Pastor's Report 2006

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. . . Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.
Corinthians 12: 12-13, 27

This year, Paul's metaphor of the church working together as one body, the body of Christ took on new meaning at CCNF. With our restructure plan newly in place, we began the year living into a new way of being the church together. At the end of this first full year of trial and testing, we have discovered many benefits to our new design and have identified some areas that need some adjusting. As we hoped, cutting down the size of the official teams enabled the various teams to work much more efficiently by eliminating unnecessary meetings and freeing up time to get the work of the team done. The success of the restructure depends on involving a large number of people in the various ministries of the church. Opening a wide variety of ministry tasks to the entire congregation proved to be a blessing. For example, we now have a number of people taking part in worship as communion servers and scripture readers. We had people volunteer to assemble and deliver Easter and Christmas baskets, and others volunteered to help with a number of mission projects. However, getting people to commit to even small tasks remains one of the most difficult aspects of the new design. By focusing on the need for all our 'body parts' to work together, and seeking to match the ministry tasks with talents, I am hopeful that we will expand the involvement of the entire congregation. Another blessing is that our congregation continues to grow. In 2006, nineteen people chose to make a commitment to CCNF as new members.

This year the congregation experienced the loss of two people who had a great impact on our life together. Both lifelong member, Janet Novicky, and our church secretary, Margaret Ganjian will be greatly missed. In March, we welcomed Eileen Horgan, as our church secretary. Eileen quickly learned the "ins and outs" of the job, and is a wonderful asset to our church.

In June of 2006, Jim Kile, after serving the maximum 3 years as Church Moderator, passed on that top position to Andy Wells. Thanks go to Jim, for his able service and dedication to the church. Among the other changes in 2006, we leapt into the 21st century with an update of both computers and software. This update will make record keeping and accounting much easier and more accurate. In addition, this year we provided for electronic giving, which enables people to have their pledge sent automatically to the church.

2006 continued to be a difficult time for meeting our financial obligations. However, the Stewardship Team initiated a "Bridge the Gap" campaign over the summer months, which helped us to stay out of the 'red.' The team then created a very successful "Pray Hard, Dig Deep" stewardship campaign in the autumn. We continue to have to pinch pennies, but giving is beginning to come up to the level necessary to cover needed expenses. One of our many blessings continues to be the summer play. This summer "Fiddler on the Roof" provided not only an outreach ministry to the youth in our area, but it helped to fund our budget. Many thanks go Carl and Betsy Anderson and to all those who work so hard on the production each year.

October 1st was the beginning of our "Year of Spiritual Growth," which is my project for a Doctor of Ministry degree. More importantly, it is a way for the entire congregation to focus on our spiritual lives as individuals and as a congregation. Over fifty people covenanted with me and each other to make a commitment to a spiritual practice and/or to attend at least one spiritual growth event or activity. I am most grateful for the support of all who entered into the spiritual growth covenant. On Sunday, May 7, 2007 we will celebrate the completion of the project and our continuing spiritual journey together as many members of the one body of Christ.

Respectfully Submitted,
Reverend Patricia A. Nicholas

Executive Council Annual Report 2006

Some things never change, and yet, some things never stay the same. And, as it should be, this can also characterize the Congregational Church of New Fairfield in 2006. We continue to be a caring, welcoming congregation, and we're growing in numbers. Our traditions and seasons carry us through each year, but new names and faces appear to help lighten the load.

Technological advances promise higher productivity, yet sometimes require different ways of thinking. On behalf of the congregation, and as the primary governing body of the church with oversight responsibility for the various boards and committees, the Executive Council is pleased to report a sampling of the numerous activities, events and changes that were so successful this year.

- The reorganized structure for managing most aspects of CCNF survived its first full year of the proposed 2-year trial period. As expected, it required some adjusting and fine tuning, but overall it seemed to be delivering most of the benefits we set out to attain.
- In July, the youth program sent another group to do a little of God's work in West Virginia. This year's Appalachia Service Project's (ASP) trip included 3 work crews made up of 13 teenagers and 6 adult leaders.
- For the twelfth year, the church produced a wonderful summer all-youth theatrical production under the direction of Carl Anderson, Minister of Music. This year's play was "Fiddler on the Roof," and involved many children from the community.
- Two "task force" groups were formed to help build on strengths that were highlighted in results of the congregational survey taken in 2005. Recommendations from a welcoming committee were developed and implemented. And, a "church vision statement" project was started.
- The service club again hosted three traditional dinners for the community – Corned Beef and Cabbage in March, Chicken Barbeque in July, and a Ham Dinner & Holiday Bazaar in November.
- Our Sunday school and youth programs continued as a spiritual strength under the direction of Liz Yoho, director of Christian Education and Youth Ministries.
- Compassionate Connections, the Thrift Shop, as well as many other church programs and organizations continued to provide valuable services to our whole community.
- We were again fortunate to be able to open our church building to several outside organizations that, without this space to meet, might not be able to exist. These groups include, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownies, Alcoholics Anonymous, and others.

Though there never seems to be enough, we made it through 2006 in good shape, financially. This was in part thanks to a new and creative Stewardship committee and their "Bridge the Gap" campaign. We were also blessed with interest earned on some smart investments of permanent funds which we were able to use. This part of our church business is always a challenge for the Executive Committee, and we constantly pray for guidance, and ask for more money.

Respectfully,
Andrew Wells
Moderator

WORSHIP AND MINISTRY TEAM – ANNUAL REPORT 2006

2006 was a year of evolution. The Worship and Ministry Team downsized and began an outreach process to members of our congregation seeking assistance in the preparation and serving of communion, ushering, scripture reading and preparing and delivering holiday baskets.

I would like to thank all of the members of the Worship and Ministry Team for their dedication and service. Every time and talent contribution our members perform is important and adds to the beauty and solemnity of our worship service. We have two people in particular who have been instrumental in setting up the sanctuary prior to the service so I would like to send a special message of gratitude to them. I would like to personally thank Janice, Jerry, Laura, Liz, Ron, Bev and Ken for their continued support and hard work. I am blessed by a wonderful team.

We were pleased to receive into our important ministry several new members this year -Andrew and Laura Cerbone, Linda Heintz, Paul & Susan Aspesi, John & Pam Tompkins, Janet Bishop, Mayra Olafson, Karen Brooks, Todd & Lori Opsal. We also welcomed our new Confirmands – Leigh Scudder, Danielle Czudak, Brian Ifkovits, Brian Kalinka, Paige Rama, Jessica Hutchings, and Lydia Gibbs. We always welcome all interested congregants who would like to share in this important ministry and join our team.

In September, we presented Reverend Pat with cards, flowers and a plant from the congregation in grateful recognition for all she does in guiding us on our spiritual journey. We are truly blessed by her leadership and wanted to show our appreciation by honoring her.

Kathy Donaldson was honored in November when we presented her with a bouquet of flowers to thank her for her dedication and continued efforts with compassionate connections.

We coordinated special services in reverence and celebration for Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter – sunrise service by the confirmation class at 6:30, 8:30 & 10:30, Remembrance Sunday, Confirmation Sunday, Laity Sunday, the Longest Night service and Christmas Eve services 10am, 5:30 & 7:30. Outdoor services were held in the garden at 9:30 am again this summer with the pure beauty of God's creations surrounding us in his glory.

Easter and Christmas baskets were prepared and delivered along with plants to approximately 35 people.

Beginning in November we went thru our membership list and reached out to people who we hadn't seen in a while. It was great to speak with people and good to know that everyone was generally in good health, just very busy with their lives.

Remember: No task is ordinary when it is done for the Master! We openly welcome and will embrace new members. We also would like your feedback on what you especially liked about our preparations as well as ideas to make the services even more meaningful.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Chatterton Schalkham

Annual Report Year 2006-Worship & Ministry Team Treasurer's Report

Checking Account

Opening Balance January 1, 2006	\$2326.09
Checking Deposits	960.00
Checking Disbursements	2546.49
Ending Balance December 31, 2006	739.60

Savings Account

Opening Balance January 1, 2006	\$1436.54
Savings Deposits	4017.20
Savings Disbursements	0.00
Ending Balance December 31, 2006	5453.74

Respectfully Submitted,
Laura Baird

Trustee Team Annual Report 2006

Although the Trustee Team was not as cohesive as it should have been a number of improvements were accomplished. Most notably:

Two new computers and software to better manage records, membership lists, church school and soon to be implemented, church finances including payroll, which will make the treasurers task easier. All computers are networked and can be accessed from outside the Church. Of course, a password is needed. Here we owe a dept of gratitude to Jennifer Rogowski for her work as Treasurer. As of January 31st, we welcomed Jeremy Hutchings into that role. Jeremy has been putting in a lot of time setting up the financial program.

A new copier lease was entered into, with copier, printing, and fax capabilities. It is also tied into all the computers for printing.

We negotiated with a new agent for our insurance package, saving over \$5,000.00.

A new roof was installed on the Parsonage; the funds coming from our investments.

Our thanks to Andy Wells for all his efforts managing the rental and overseeing maintenance these past years, and now, we welcome Dale Baird in that capacity. Her help has been appreciated. Thank you Dale for taking that on.

As always we thank our Sextons, Russ Bass and Josi Taylor for their efforts keeping the building presentable.

Early this year our long time church secretary, Margaret Ganjian passed away leaving a void. Fortunately, we were able to hire Eileen Horgan for that position. She has been doing a fine job. We are blessed to have her.

The team was not always at full strength. We welcomed Laurie Czudak who is taking care of contacting vendors and Carl Koehler who is in charge of small repairs.

We thank Don Busse for his time with the Team, also for installing windows in office doors.

Last year it was reported that the Trustee Bank account was closed. It was subsequently decided to keep it active. Monies for maintenance and repair of the parsonage are kept there. Thanks to Pete Brenzel Trustee Treasurer.

There are many others to thank for work on the building and grounds, including our Youth Groups and Leaders.

With a full Team, responsibilities for the coming year will be spread out making things easier for all.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ken Taylor
Trustee

Christian Education Team Annual Report 2006

It is often said that the health of a church can be judged by the involvement of its youth. A church that is alive with the spirit of God is one that cares and provides for its young people from infancy to adulthood. On that basis, our church is indeed alive with the spirit of God.

Much of this is based on the Leadership provided our youth. An integral part of this Leadership is found in our Director of Children and Youth Ministries, Liz Yoho. Liz is one of those individuals who seems capable of assuming more and more responsibility and thriving on it. Church School this year has continued to use a four week rotation model that provides a variety of experiences for the children and allows the adult leaders to work with the children without committing to a full year of teaching. The children, enthusiastic about Church School, have also continued to support various missions, including Dorothy Day and the Heifer Project.

Our Middle School and Senior High Youth groups have also been very active. The Youth Groups have visited the Heifer Project headquarters, taken part in the CROP Walk, and have begun construction of a Prayer Labyrinth” in back of the church. As in previous years, many members of the Senior High Group took part in a seventh trip to Appalachia this year. Once again, this trip has provided a life altering experience for our youth and their adult chaperones.

As integral as Liz is to all these activities, most would not have been able to be accomplished without the support of adults in the church and community. Reverend Pat, whose children’s sermons are eagerly awaited for by the adults as well as the children, has set the tone for the youth of our church. Indeed, her working with the Confirmation Class, as well as assisting in so many different capacities, provides inspiration for all of those in the church.

How fortunate we are to have individuals such as Carl Anderson, Dot Bass, and so many others who so unselfishly devote so much time to the youth of our church and community. Yes, our church is indeed alive with the spirit of God. May He bless us all!

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Skidmore, Bob Fairchild
Co-chairpersons

Christian Education
Account Records

OPENING BALANCE:	\$728.06
CLOSING BALANCE:	\$584.92

Missions Team Annual Report 2006

Thanks to the generosity of our congregation, as well as the different boards and clubs from within the church, the Mission Team was able to provide assistance to many individuals, groups, and families in need.

In addition to our Basic Mission Support, we also donated to the Church World Service, One Great Hour of Sharing, Neighbors in Need, Housatonic Habitat for Humanity, "I Can" a Cancer Support Group, Dorothy Day Hospitality House, The Amos House, The Aids Project of Greater Danbury, Westconn Christian Ministry, also the New Fairfield Fuel Bank and the New Fairfield Volunteer Fire Department.

In addition to the above, we also provided Easter Food Baskets and Children's Easter Candy and Toy Baskets not only to Covenant to Care, but individual families in our own community. We also provided to the Department of Children and Families, backpacks filled with supplies for children in transition. Special requests for suppliers were also met.

Missions also sponsored a table at the Hospice Breakfast held at the Amber Room, where we helped raise money and community awareness for Hospice. "Dress for Success" is a service club program in New Fairfield as well as other towns, that we help to provide school age children with clothing and shoes, winter coats, and school supplies. We try to fulfill the children's request as to the type of clothing and colors they would like to wear when they go back to school in September.

Missions also donated water and volunteered at the water station in Danbury for the Crop Walk. "Good Friends" is a mentoring program that match's children to adults and helps to enhance both of their lives. Once again, we were able to donate to this program with proceeds from one of our bake sales.

Missions has been able to help a family that lost their home to a house fire, help a single parent family at the holidays, make the holidays happier for a family of three children split at Christmas time with new clothes and toys.

Speaking of children and the holidays, at Thanksgiving we were able to donate 10 huge laundry baskets filled with food. Also, we had two baskets given by the Brownie and Girl Scout troop. We were able to donate baskets to both Covenant to Care, as well as to the New Fairfield Social Services for families in need.

Missions also had a wonderful donation of home made ginger bread houses along with every thing to decorate them with. Social Services thought they were beautiful.

The list still goes on! We have been looking forward for almost a year now to be able to participate in a Habitat Home dedication on March 10, 2007, we will be supplying the food and beverage for just that.

In December, we sponsored our Holiday Party for children who are in foster care. This year right up to the day of the party, Covenant to Care was calling us with additional children. So 32 children had a fun-filled afternoon with a buffet of different foods, ice cream, cake, and cookies.

Vanilla Swirl, our balloon and magic art, along with our very own Santa, helped fulfill wishes and shared special moments with those wonderful children, lots of gifts, sleds for everyone, gift cards and special cards. Collections for the older children were given out, along with a gift for each foster mom. What an amazing day. There is nothing more wonderful than the gift of giving. Thank you everyone for all of your help and contributions for this wonderful Holiday Party.

Thanks to all of you we are able to continue giving food donations to the Dorothy Day House and our ongoing collection for the New Fairfield Food Pantry.

Missions Account Balance

January 1, 2006	\$ 1,775.43
Income	4,329.83
Disbursements	- 3,771.03
	\$ 2,334.23
Balance as of December 31, 2006	\$ 2,334.23

Respectively submitted,
Sue Webb
Chairperson

**Annual Report
2006
Minister of Music**

Over the past year, the music ministry has continued to provide music for worship services and special events. The Senior Choir has an average of 12 members each Sunday and the Junior Choir has been between 6-8 members with a increase over Christmas. In addition, the Children's Bell Choir has played for special events this year with the addition of Rev Pat Nicholas as one of the ex-officio members. Rev. Pat has added a lot of enthusiasm to the group and plays her bell well.

Many thanks to all the volunteers that make up the music ministry at our church. Your efforts are appreciated. Also, I would like to extend a special thanks to the Senior Choir and Dot Bass for directing the Junior Choir again this year. .

Special music programs of the year included Music Sunday and an Easter Cantata called "Majesty" on Palm Sunday. Once again, many members of the congregation took part in these programs making them a success.

Finally, over the summer, the Music Ministry again produced a successful youth musical, "Fiddler on The Roof," Many of our own youth, as well as community youth, participated in this musical with a cast of about 70. This production continues to not only serve as a substantial fundraiser, but as an effective outreach to community youth. Without the help of many, this production would not have been possible, and I would like to thank everyone who helped or supported the production.

We continue to need additional voices for our Senior and Junior Choirs. The Senior Choir is especially in need of male voices, no experience necessary!

We continue to look forward to another successful year and hope that you will come and share your talents as part of the music ministry.

Respectfully submitted,
Carl Anderson
Minister of Music

Women's Church Club Annual Report 2006

The first meeting of the year was held on Tuesday, April 11th with our annual luncheon in Pilgrim Hall. Subsequent meetings were held on the second Tuesday of each month in Pilgrim Hall at 1:00 p.m. preceded by coffee and dessert. Meetings are suspended during the winter months (January – February – March). Our activities for the year are as follows:

Managing the Thrift Shop year round and open the first Saturday of each month
 Annual picnic in JULY
 Holiday Bazaar in NOVEMBER
 Annual Christmas Party in DECEMBER
 Hosted Sunday Coffee Hour
 Donated clothing from the Thrift to family whose home was destroyed by fire.
 Donated 14 boxes of clothing to Claire Luks Clothing Drive.
 Donated 7 bags of clothing to Children's Cancer Fund.

Women's Church Club Cash Account:

Income from Thrift Shop	\$	883.00
Donations to the Church from the Thrift Shop		- 441.50
Donated to the Memory of Janet Novicky		-100.00
Donated to the Outdoor Ministries in Memory of Margaret Ganjian		-65.00
Ad for the Church Annual Play – "Fiddler on the Roof"		-50.00
Other Church Expenses		- 226.50
		-
Balance	\$	0.00

Women's Church Club Savings Account:

Balance as of January 1, 2006	\$	3,190.50
Deposits		1,067.91
Interest Income		15.56
Disbursements (Church Pledge)		- 1,000.00
		-
Balance as of December 31, 2005	\$	3,273.97

Respectfully Submitted,

Anita N. Parrillo
Treasurer

Investment Committee Annual Report 2006

Mass Mutual

Original Investment	\$ 174,680.00
Value as of December 31, 2005	184,559.64
Value as of December 31, 2006	179,040.61
Withdrawals 2006	11,800.00

American Funds

Original Investment	\$ 103,630.00
Value as of December 29, 2005	116,292.00
Value as of December 29, 2006	118,449.94
Withdrawals 2006	17,000.00

UCC Cornerstone Fund Acc't 08-03149001	3.75%
Value as of December 31, 2005	\$ 62,530.14
Value dated July 1, 2005	63,692.94
Withdrawal on July 1, 2005	2,322.94
Interest 7/1/05 – 12/31/05	1,161.33
Value as of December 31, 2006	\$ 62,531.33

UCC Cornerstone Fund Acc't 08-3149002	4.50%
Value as of December 31, 2005	\$ 17,096.41
Value as of July 1, 2006	17,477.91
Withdrawal on 7/6/06	477.91
Interest 12/31/06	385.93
Value as of December 31, 2006	\$ 17,385.93

Submitted for the Committee,

Ken Taylor

Outdoor Ministries Annual Report 2006

"It is not what I see but how I see it"

Summer Services set up:

Each Sunday 45-minutes before Summer Services began the following tasks were completed:

- Bring out piano and bench
- Set up amplifier/speaker system
- Wipe benches, umbrellas and stands, and small table

Thank you to the Members of this Ministry for all their help!

Due to the inclement weather this year both the chapel and other benches were not stained as previously planned. However, its definitely on the TO DO list for 2007.

On May 21, 2006, Valerie Tutson, a renowned speaker, gave a wonderful talk. Sixty-five people attended.

ODM gave \$500.00 to the Church to pay the fuel bill and \$100.00 to the Scholarship Fund.

A total of \$1,012.19 was collected on the months that had five Sundays. Everyone "dug deeper" and ODM appreciates your generosity. Thanks.

The additional Memorial Wall was completed by Kevin Williams. Total cost . . \$9,000.00. This provided an additional 44 new niches. He also repaired the original wall.

There were 2 interments this year. Our thanks to Vinnie Zackeo for opening and closing the wall. There were also 2 new niches sold.

The Nativity was refurbished and a cow and donkey were added this year.

Thank you to all youth and adults who joined us in making the Martha Fairchild Gardens a place of beauty and peace.

Respectively submitted,

Betty Swan, Chairperson

**Outdoor Ministries
Bank Account Record 2006**

Checking Account:

Balance, January 1, 2006	\$ 1,068.82
Transfer from savings and CDs	10,500.00
Income	2,349.19
Disbursements	11,292.59

Checking Balance December 2006 **\$ 2,625.42**

Savings Account:

Balance January 2006	\$ 8,839.37
Interest (\$30.59 on a 90-day CD)	17.84
Income	1,899.09
Transfer to checking account	10,500.00

Savings Balance December 2006 **\$ 256.30**

CDs	\$ 2,286.75
	3,082.37
	3,009.52
	1,876.96

CDs Balance December 2006 **\$ 10,255.60**

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Swan,
Co-Chair

ASP Work Trip Annual Report - 2006

Our work groups participated in our seventh trip to Appalachia this summer and were privileged to work on 3 homes in Logan County, WV. We had three crews consisting of 13 youth and 6 adults. We worked hard on each project. One crew spent the week teamed with another church and put on a new roof over an old one, ditch digging, sheet rocking the kitchen and foundation work. Another crew handled a major job of roofing and siding. Our third crew had the rare opportunity to start and finish a project. They built a 30' wheelchair ramp, as a new entrance to a home. We all had a great experience spending time with the families we served. Our crews spent an incredible amount of time together in preparation for this trip to plan, fundraise and learn. We had many training sessions including a bible study and sensitivity training. We focused on group building activities, as well as learning construction skills and safety. We know that the experience of working together on this project builds community between people and we all have a great time in the process.

We also had our first youth decide to take the plunge and apply for a staff position at ASP for the summer. Eric Baird went through all the ASP staff training and was in charge of supplies for the Buchanan Co, VA work center. We are all very proud of his willingness to serve. Unfortunately Eric's summer was cut short by a van accident while working there. Thankfully he was alright, despite a serious injury to his elbow. He is still working on regaining its full use, but is doing well. We're are grateful for God's protection and healing.

Our group is very thankful and blessed by the support of our congregation, our parents, extended families, friends and adult leaders. It takes many fundraising events to pay for this work trip. As always, we are very grateful to our congregation who continues to support us through sub sales, can collections, Easter candy sales, a car wash and the ever-profitable stock sale. Stockholders hold a very special place in our hearts. In September, we held our annual pasta dinner for stockholders. We use this time to share a little about our trip. Also, we would never be able to accomplish the trip without the dedication of our trip leaders. We are very grateful to those who committed themselves to the 2006 trip - Dale Baird, Jerry Gay, Pat Nicholas, Andy Wells, Bob Wells, Liz and Tracy Yoho.

This fall, we began fundraising for the summer 2007 work trip. We began with our annual homemade pie sales this fall. We will have 3 crews consisting of 11 youth, 3 youth leaders and 7 adults. We are thrilled to have new youth leaders this year. Four years of volunteering was not enough and they are coming back after a year in college to help lead the trip. We are all excited about heading down to Appalachia again this summer.

Peace,
Liz Yoho

ASP Account Record

Balance as of Jan 1, 2006	\$ 7114.32
Income	\$ 13860.08
Disbursements	\$ 15246.12 *
Balance as of Dec 31, 2006	\$ 5728.28

- includes \$2000 loan to the CCNF Unified Fund

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE
Donna Pierpont, Mary Bevan, Laura Kimble

The Stewardship Committee enthusiastically embraces our mission to express God’s abundance to us all through increased stewardship pledges to and financial support of our church.

In the recent past, pledge support had not kept pace with membership growth. Financial obligations were not met, and vital mission outreach and youth programs were precluded from expanding. This difficult financial period was made more perplexing as it coincided with a time of flourishing Christian faith, close-knit community, an abundance of blessings and a joyous congregation.

We first reached out with a mid-year “Bridge The Gap” campaign. People responded with over \$4,300 in gifts and pledges, enabling the church to meet immediate financial obligations. We also began publicizing the advantages of Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), either via bank account or charge card, so pledge collection would remain steady, despite fluctuating attendance. EFT pledges now number 18.

“Pray Hard, Dig Deep” was our call to action for the 2007 Annual Stewardship Campaign. We set our goal at \$150,000 and asked for prayerful consideration via mailings, testimony, church bulletins, www.nfcongregational.org, the local newspaper, Candlelight, and a phonathon. Stewardship Sunday was celebrated on November 12 and the results were outstanding with over \$100,000 pledged during the first week alone!

As of this writing pledges for 2007 are as follows:

Year	# of pledges	total pledged	avg. pledge(rounded)
2007	115, incl. 3 declines	\$124,311	\$1,110

Compared to year-end totals for the previous five years:

2006	113	\$103,929	\$ 920
2005	109	\$106,456	\$ 977
2004	115	\$ 99,393	\$ 864
2003	122	\$ 99,443	\$ 815
2002	110	\$ 88,974	\$ 809

THANK YOU ALL for your renewed commitment to support our church’s mission to put faith into action, to give a Christian education to our children, and to celebrate the love and abundance God has provided our close-knit community.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Pierpont

Compassionate Connections Ministry Annual Report 2006

I give you a new commandment that you love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples if you have love for one another.

John 13: 34-35

This ministry continues to reach out to many in the congregation throughout the year.

In May, we had a Hawaiian Luncheon for those we visit and other seniors in the church. Those who attended had a delightful time. In the fall another Gifts of Caring Offering was received and a Dedication of those caregivers took place in November.

Currently we have 7 visitors, 19 meal providers, 14 transportation providers, 4 minor home repair providers and 4 sewing repair or alteration providers.

We look forward in 2007 to bring God's light and love to all we care for.

In God's love,
Kathy Donaldson
Coordinator

Compassionate Connections Ministry Members 2007 - 2008

Visitors

Kathy Donaldson	746-4070	Betty Swan	746-2319
Carolee Harkins	746-5052	Ron and Sue Webb	730-1234
Jackie Hutchings	746-0268	Diane Williamson	798-6997

Meal Providers

Stancy Armstrong	797-8481	Shirley Retallick	746-9727
Paul & Susan Aspeci	746-9743	Jane Seaman	743-0931
Hazel Burger	746-2109	Betsy Schalkham	746-9424
Mary Carniero	312-0727	Linda Seiler	748-4500
Alfred Colo	746-2218	Marcia Semchyshen	746-2088
Nancy Eckert	746-2647	Jean Ann Strilowich	746-3601
Patty Gay	746-1140	Helga Schretzenmayer	746-6391
Loretta Lechner	746-3319	Agnes Trimpert	746-3189
Luella Raymond	746-1883	Linda Yannone	860-354-0265

Transportation Providers

Alfred Colo	746-2218	Bill & Agnes Trimpert	746-3189
Nancy Eckert	746-2647	Lynn Raymond	746-1883
Carolee Harkins	746-5052	Jean Ann Strilowich	746-3601
Gay Kraft	746-2316	Helga Schretzenmayer	746-6391
Marie Moore	746-2612	Ken & Ann Taylor	746-2064
Jackie Hutchings	746-0268	March Semchyshen	746-2088

Minor Home Repairs

Peter Brenzel	740-8709	Anthony Kimble	845-279-3051
Donald Busse	312-0622	Andy Wells	746-3374

Sewing Repairs and Adjustments

Dale Baird	860-210-1972	Jane Seaman	743-0931
Nancy Sasseen	746-0511	Gretchen Skidmore	845-289-7394

Summer Play Account Annual Report 2006

The summer of 2006 brought to Pilgrim Hall our eleventh annual summer production. This year's musical was "**Fiddler on the Roof**". We realized a profit of over \$10,000.00.

Balance as of January 1, 2006	\$ 5,000.08
Income	21,857.13
Disbursements	<u>- 21,491.25</u>
Balance as of December 31, 2006	\$ 5,365.96

Respectfully submitted,

Dot Bass

Director of Children & Youth Ministries Annual Report - 2006

Our Children's Ministry programs provide a place for our youth to learn about God, Jesus and living as a Christian. We use a rotation workshop model for children in grades 1st – 6th. This format seeks to teach children using a variety of learning methods including: Art, drama, video, puppets, cooking, science, games. Each week, a class participates in a different workshop. Our rotations have included: Who is Jesus?, the Good Samaritan, Journey to the Cross, Prince of Peace, Moses, the 10 Commandments, and Messengers of the Covenant for advent. Workshop leaders sign up to lead for 4 weeks, thus allowing more people the opportunity to share time with our children. Our PK/K class and 7th/8th grade class meet every week as well, but use a varied curriculum. Our PK/K class focuses on learning about God, Jesus and how we can follow Him. The 7th/8th grade class focuses on the Christian perspective of current events, bible basics and the life of Jesus. We are blessed and are extremely grateful to the many volunteers that have shared their gifts: Dale Baird, Gail Burger, Mary Carniero, Jerry Gay, Ann Gibbs, Heidi Finlay, Christine Haack, Carolee Harkins, Jeremy Hutchings, Jessica Hutchings, Cathy Irwin, Nancy Kile, Tony Kimble, Loretta Lechner, Lisa Lee, Dawna Lovejoy, Stacy Miller, Donna Pierpont, Pat Sacco, Irene Sahinovic, Susan Schenck, Pam Schretzenmayer, Gretchen Skidmore, Holly Smith, Susan Spaulding, Betty Swan, Jim Whiting, Linda Yannone and Tracy Yoho.

Our nursery is open every Sunday during worship, including the summer. It was staffed with 2 wonderful people, Lindsay Rodgers who volunteered through June and Caitlin Haack who now spends each week with our youngest children. We also began a summer children's program this year. It was well attended and we look forward to it again next year. Five youth attended Silver Lake this past summer. Special events and programs in the children's program included a Walk through Holy Week, Easter egg Hunt, Children's Sunday, Rally Day, Bible Sunday, and the Christmas Pageant. Also, new this year were a Mission Sunday in March dedicated to Heifer Project. We had several workshops about the animals that Heifer uses to change lives. We also had a special celebration for Earth Day in April, and Teacher Appreciation in May. Our Sunday school children participated in worship this fall, sharing what they learned about the 10 Commandments and Moses leading the people from Egypt.

The children's offering is designated for mission projects. We began the year with a focus on Heifer Project. We donated over \$750 to them with our weekly offering and a Lenten "Fill the Ark" campaign. We contributed to Church World Service and the Crop Walk. The PK/K class led us to collect about 60 new and used blankets for the Overflow shelter and Dorothy Day shelter in Danbury.

Our Youth Ministry was active this year. The Middle School Youth began the year by leading worship in January. We traveled to a Heifer Project farm in the May, where we experienced what it would be like to live in Thailand. We had a pancake supper to begin lent, participated in the Crop Walk, and made lunch for Dorothy Day this fall. We built frames in the spring for two new animals for the crèche and helped members of Outdoor Ministries to cover and paint them. The Senior High group began the 'Prayer Walk' project as part of Rev. Pat's DM in project. We have a design and a long term plan. This fall we began work outside. Most of the SHYG also participate in the ASP work trip. Both groups were busy with other activities including picnics, corn maze visit, lock-ins, serving at the Ham Dinner, movies and discussion nights. We enjoyed the Halloween Party and Christmas Caroling.

We look for opportunities to help our children and youth experience and know God. Together we can help them to learn about and understand their Christian faith, share what it means to follow Jesus and encourage their relationship and trust in God.

Peace, Liz Yoho

Flower Committee Annual Report 2006

The Flower Committee performs a service to the Congregation. The Chairperson puts a new Flower Calendar every year in Pilgrim Hall, so members and friends of the church will have an opportunity to donate memorial flowers and flowers for special occasions. The Chairperson keeps watch on the calendar and calls for the flower information: Type of flowers and message to be put in the bulletin. Many plants are ordered for Easter and Christmas.

Flower Committee Bank Account Record

Balance - January 2006	\$ 949.47
Income	1,217.50
Interest	5.35
Expenses	<u>- 835.35</u>
Balance – January 2007	\$ 1,336.97

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Zackeo
Chairman

Scholarship Committee Annual Report 2006

The Congregational Church of New Fairfield Scholarship Fund Committee is happy to report this fund is very healthy and growing, with additions to the fixed assets again this year.

The Scholarship committee was able to award its fourth Congregational Church of New Fairfield Scholarship this year. We had two award recipients:

Katie Gay, Studying to be a teacher of English or History
Nicholas Kalinka, Studying Finance

The committee members are Dot Bass, Mary Lou Wallace and Janice Zackeo.

Financial Statement

Beginning Balance	\$	27,624.03
Scholarship awards		- 600.00*
Additional donations:		
Margaret Ganjian's Memory		75.00
Dorothy Kramer's Memory		525.00
Janet Novicky's Memory		4,125.00
Elaine V. Zenoni's Memory		25.00
Carmine Longo's Memory		25.00
Interest Through December 31, 2006		1,320.26
Total	\$	33,119.29

*Awards from interest.

Summary of Accounts

Financial Investment Fund	\$	20,473.19
Savings Bank CD		12,045.76
Savings Pass book		600.34
Total	\$	33,119.29

*Interest Paid for 2005-2006 Scholarships \$600.00.

***This fund is set up to use only the interest. Fixed fund assets cannot be withdrawn.** Thank you to all for your donations. We welcome donations all year long.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice Zackeo
Chairman

SERVICE CLUB ANNUAL REPORT - 2006

The Service Club was formed in 1944 for the support of our Sunday School. Since then the Board of Christian Education was formed to oversee and fund the Sunday School with its yearly General Fund budget. Our fundraising efforts are now used to offset the many expenses of our church.

Our monthly meetings were held on the second Monday of the month beginning in February and running through December. Our meetings this year included an out-to-dinner, a picnic, craft meetings, and a fun-filled Christmas party. Our major fundraisers were a Corned Beef Dinner in March, a Chicken Barbecue in July, a Card Party in September and a Ham Dinner in November. The Bazaar in November and the Tag, Bag and Bake Sale in April were a joint effort of the Women's Church Club and the Service Club. We also donated our time and efforts to many other church activities throughout the year.

Our Profits for the Fundraisers were as follows:

Corned Beef Dinner	\$1,062.10
Tag and Bake Sale	\$ 935.17
Chicken Barbecue	\$ 891.44
Card Party	\$1,012.00
Candy	\$ 197.81
Raffles	\$ 241.00
Ham Dinner	\$1,620.27
Bazaar Crafts (Service Club & Women's Church Club)	\$1761.94

Our Donations for the year were as follows:

2006 Pledge to General Fund	\$2,200.00
General Fund Donation from Chicken Barbecue Profits	\$ 900.00
General Fund Donation from Bazaar Crafts Profit (Combined with Women's Church Club)	\$1,700.00
General Fund Donation to Bridge the Gap	\$ 400.00
Scholarship Fund Donations	\$ 50.00
Preserve New Fairfield Donation	\$1,000.00
Other Gifts and Donations	\$ 506.20
Donation for "Fiddler" Ad	\$ 50.00
Purchase of Stainless Steel Coffeepot (Reimbursed).	\$ 250.00

The Service Club would like to thank all our members who worked so hard to make this a successful year and all the people who supported our various activities.

We welcome new members to join us, as we serve our church with enjoyable, challenging and sometimes hard work. Most members attend when they are able, with no requirement to participate in all meetings and activities. We thank the Lord for all of our blessings and look forward to sharing those blessings and good fellowship with others.

Our officers for 2006 were as follows:

President - Betty Swan
Vice-President - Janet Novicky
Secretary – Pamela Dohan
Treasurer - Janice Zackeo

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela J. Dohan
Secretary

Service Club Financial Report 2006:

<u>Checking Account:</u>		<u>Savings Account:</u>	
Beginning Balance	\$ 2,844.47	Beginning Balance	\$5,221.07
Income	\$11,350.93	Interest	\$ 23.31
Paid Out	\$10,475.38		
Balance	\$ 3,720.02	Balance	\$5,244.38

Respectfully Submitted,
Janice Zackeo
Treasurer

Hospitality Committee Annual Report 2006

The Hospitality Committee was formed in July 2000 and established the following goals and objectives:

- A. Fellowship Hour
 - a. Encouraged members to sign up to host
 - b. Acknowledge “Fellowship Hour” hosts

- B. Decorate Pilgrim Hall for Christmas
 - a. Members of Hospitality and the Missions Team put together and decorated the tree in time for the Covenant to Care Christmas party
 - b. Tree was dismantled and put away – ready for next Christmas

We received approximately \$145.75 in donations for papers goods and approximately \$881.50 in donated supplies to offset Fellowship Hour expenses during 2006.

Respectively submitted,

Dotty Norman

Nominating Slate for 2006-2007
Congregational Church of New Fairfield

Officers

Moderator	Andy Wells
Vice Moderator	OPEN
Church Clerk	Laurie Busse
Financial Secretary	Sally Kile
Treasurer	Jeremy Hutchins
Historian	Sue Ann Newton

Executive Committee At Large

Betty Swan, Louise Stein, Tony Kimble

Worship & Ministries Team

Emeritus: Russell Bass, Ruth Hawley, Ken Bass, Barbara Coelho, Kirk Dupas		
<u>Through 2009</u>	<u>Through 2008</u>	<u>Through 2007*</u>
Laura Baird	Betsy Schalkham	Liz Yoho
Jerry Gay	Janice Donnelly	Lynn Raymond
		Beverly Longo
		Ronald Webb

Trustees Team

<u>Through 2009</u>	<u>Through 2008</u>	<u>Through 2007</u>
Carl Koehler	Peter Brenzel	Ken Taylor
Laurie Czudak		

Christian Education Team

<u>Through 2009</u>	<u>Through 2008</u>	<u>Through 2007</u>
Jeremy Hutchings	Gretchen Skidmore	Bob Fairchild

Missions Team

<u>Through 2009</u>	<u>Through 2008</u>	<u>Through 2007</u>
Carolee Harkins	Sue Webb	Marcia Semchysen

Stewardship Team

<u>Through 2009</u>	<u>Through 2007</u>
Donna Pierpont	Laura Kimble
	Mary Bevan

Hospitality Committee

<u>Through 2008</u>	<u>Through 2007</u>
Dot Norman	Cathy Scogno
	Jane Seaman

Scholarship Committee

<u>Through 2008</u>	<u>Through 2007</u>
Janice Zackeo	Mary Lou Wallace
	Dot Bass

Appointed Teams and Committees

Fairfield East/UCC Delegates

Through 2007

Linda Yannone

OPEN

Pastoral Relations Team

Through 2007

Ann Taylor

Jim Whiting

Teri Czudak

Respectfully Submitted,
CCNF Executive Council
Andy Wells, Moderator

UCC Delegate Annual Report 2006

“No Report”

Church Records Baptisms 2006

Child's Name	Parent's Name	Date Of Birth	Date Of Baptism	Minister
Aleksei, Roman Gentry	Teri Alene Lewis Gentry & Jerry Louis Gentry	07/31/04	01/01/06	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
Ashton, James Albert	Christine Bubenheimer Albert & Jamie Lee Albert	08/26/05	04/23/06	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
Drace, Natalie Labate	Nicole Labate Drace & Kenneth Peter Drace	01/09/06	05/21/06	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
Bishop, Christopher J.	Janet Lynn Morabito Bishop & Timothy John Bishop	05/09/06	06/25/06	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
Lovejoy, Evan Riley	Dawna Aileen Baird Lovejoy & Todd Allen Lovejoy	05/02/06	08/06/06	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
Darby, Elliott Chatterton	Jacqueline Lee Kraska & Matthew John Darby	10/24/05	12/17/06	Rev. Patricia Nicholas

Church Records Membership 2006

Date	Name	Category	Minister
05/01/06	Olafson, Mayra	New	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
05/01/06	Brooks, Karen	New	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
05/01/06	Opsal, Todd	New	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
05/01/06	Opsal, Lori	New	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
06/04/06	Scudder, Leigh W.	Confirmed	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
06/04/06	Czudak, Danielle Courtney	Confirmed	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
06/04/06	Ifkovits, Brian Joseph	Confirmed	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
06/04/06	Kalinka, Brian Edward	Confirmed	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
06/04/06	Rama, Paige Alexis	Confirmed	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
06/04/06	Hutchings, Jessica Lauren	Confirmed	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
06/04/06	Gibbs, Lydia Ann	Confirmed	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
06/25/06	Bishop, Janet	New	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
11/12/06	Aspesi, Paul	New	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
11/12/06	Aspesi, Susan	New	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
11/12/06	Cerbone, Andrew	New	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
11/12/06	Cerbone, Laura	New	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
11/12/06	Heintz, Linda	New	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
11/12/06	Tompkins, John	New	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
11/12/06	Tompkins, Pamela	New	Rev. Patricia Nicholas

Church Records Deaths 2006

Date of Death	Date of Service	Name	Service at	Minister
01/10/06	01/13/06	Zenoni, Elaine	CCNF; Burial – Mountain View	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
01/20/06	02/19/06	Horberg, Robert	CCNF; Interment - Cremation	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
01/24/06	01/27/06	Thayer, Howard E.	Green Funeral; St. Peter Cemetery, Danbury	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
03/28/06	04/04/06	Welsh, Grace	CCNF; Burial – Kensico Cemetery, Valhalla, NY	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
03/28/06	04/01/06	Novicky, Janet	CCNF; Burial – Mountain View	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
03/29/07	5/12/06	Jones, Robert E.	Cornell Funeral Home; Burial – Mountain View	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
04/27/06	05/01/06	Blackman, Howard	CCNF; Burial – Center Cemetery, Brookfield	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
10/04/06	10/20/06	Bates, Joseph R.	CCNF; Burial – Gerow Cemetery	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
10/07/06	10/22/06	Mortimer, Nancy	CCNF; Interment: Martha Fairchild Garden	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
11/13/06	11/15/06	Woodworth, Robert T.	Green Funeral Home; Interment: Wooster Cemetery	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
12/04/06	12/11/06	Truet, Gary Alan	CCNF; Interment: Mountainview	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
12/08/06	12/12/06	Snowdon, June M.	CCNF; Interment: Cremation	Rev. Patricia Nicholas
12/27/06	01/05/07	Jennings, Helen M.	Interment: Martha Fairchild Garden	Rev. Patricia Nicholas

**Church Records
Weddings 2006**

Bride's Name	Groom's Name	Date	Minister
Nicholas, Caroline Lee	Marquez, Roberto Noel	10/27/2006	Rev. Janet Stoddard

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF NEW FAIRFIELD
UNIFIED FUND - ANNUAL REPORT
JANUARY 1, 2006 - DECEMBER 31, 2006

BALANCE FORWARD 12/31/06	\$5,034.92
DEPOSITS RECEIVED 1/1/06 - 12/31/06	<u>\$192,067.15</u>
TOTAL	\$197,102.07

			<u>1/1/06 - 12/31/06</u>		<u>2006</u>
			<u>DISBURSEMENT</u>		<u>BUDGET</u>
		<u>2006</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>		<u>BALANCE</u>
A-1	Pastor's Salary	\$ 39,229.00	\$ 39,229.00	\$ -	
A-1A	Pastor's Housing Allowance	\$ 11,768.00	\$ 11,768.00	\$ -	
A-1B	Pastor's Salary S.S. Offset	\$ 3,901.00	\$ 3,901.00	\$ -	
A-2	Car Reimbursement	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	
A-2C	Continuing Education	\$ 700.00	\$ -	\$ 700.00	
A-2D	Books & Periodicals	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00	
A-4,5,6	Insurance/Pension Pastor's Telephone	\$ 7,140.00	\$ 7,528.75	\$ (388.75)	
A-8	Allowance	\$ 272.00	\$ 272.00	\$ -	
B-1	Organist Salary	\$ 12,523.00	\$ 11,085.16	\$ 1,437.84	
B-1A	Organist Education	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
B-1B	Relief Organist	\$ 600.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 150.00	
B-2	Parish Secretary	\$ 13,600.00	\$ 11,722.22	\$ 1,877.78	
B-3	Sextons	\$ 8,100.00	\$ 7,011.80	\$ 1,088.20	
B-4	Relief Pastors	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	
B-6	Child Care	\$ 800.00	\$ 920.00	\$ (120.00)	
B-7	Pastoral Sabbatical	\$ 1,250.00	\$ -	\$ 1,250.00	
B-10	Employee Payroll Taxes	\$ 3,880.00	\$ 3,678.20	\$ 201.80	
C-1	Insurance	\$ 8,510.00	\$ 9,944.53	\$ (1,434.53)	
C-2	Church Fuel	\$ 12,103.00	\$ 11,578.72	\$ 524.28	
C-3	Church Electric	\$ 5,580.00	\$ 6,125.45	\$ (545.45)	
C-3A	Parsonage Electric	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
C-4	Church Telephones	\$ 1,827.00	\$ 1,865.30	\$ (38.30)	
C-5	Office Expense	\$ -	\$ 3,866.34	\$ (3,866.34)	
C-5-1	Office Expense - Postage	\$ 1,430.00	\$ 1,102.30	\$ 327.70	
C-5-2	Office Expense - Copies	\$ 3,880.00	\$ 3,977.70	\$ (97.70)	
C-5A	Financial Secretary	\$ 750.00	\$ 49.09	\$ 700.91	
C-5B	Treasurer	\$ 200.00	\$ 125.52	\$ 74.48	
C-6	Janitorial Supplies	\$ 500.00	\$ 335.08	\$ 164.92	
C-7	Garbage Removal	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,279.41	\$ 220.59	
C-8	Snow Removal	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 875.00	\$ 2,125.00	
C-9	Lawn Maintenance	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 1,780.00	\$ (130.00)	
C-10	Parsonage Property Tax	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 4,009.85	\$ (1,009.85)	
C-12	Denomination Charge	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,290.00	\$ 110.00	
C-14-1	Curriculum	\$ 2,375.00	\$ 2,056.16	\$ 318.84	
C-14-2	Materials for Education	\$ -	\$ 207.81	\$ (207.81)	
C-14-3	Confirmation Materials	\$ 350.00	\$ 151.00	\$ 199.00	
C-14-4	Holiday Expenses & Gifts	\$ 350.00	\$ 103.71	\$ 246.29	
C-14-5	CE Breakfast/Gatherings	\$ 50.00	\$ 55.21	\$ (5.21)	
C-14-6	Cradle Roll	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 20.00	
C-14-7	Bibles	\$ 300.00	\$ 239.10	\$ 60.90	

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF NEW FAIRFIELD
UNIFIED FUND - ANNUAL REPORT
JANUARY 1, 2006 - DECEMBER 31, 2006

		<u>2005 BUDGET</u>	<u>1/1/06 - 12/31/06 DISBURSEMENT</u>	<u>2006 BUDGET BALANCE</u>
C-14-8	Adult Education	\$ 25.00	\$ -	\$ 25.00
C-14-9B	Senior/Junior Youth Ministry	\$ 650.00	\$ 374.51	\$ 275.49
C-14-10	Fellowship/Hospitality Com	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00
C-14-11	Leadership Training	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ 250.00
C-14-12	Newsletter	\$ 100.00	\$ 22.29	\$ 77.71
C-14-13	Teen Forum	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
C-14-14	Vacation Bible School	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
C-14-15	CE Office	\$ 200.00	\$ 193.38	\$ 6.62
C-14-17	Director of Youth Ministries	\$ 16,500.00	\$ 14,029.25	\$ 2,470.75
C-15-1	Dorothy Day Hosp. House	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
C-15-2	Associate of Religious Com.	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -
C-15-3	FISH	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
C-15-4	Amos House	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -
C-15-5	One Great Hour of Sharing	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00
C-15-6	Neighbors In Need	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
C-15-7	WestConn Ministries	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -
C-15-8	Other - Mission Board Fund	\$ 500.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 100.00
C-15-9	Basic Mission Support	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ -
C-15-10	Habitat for Humanity	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ -
C-15-11	New Fairfield Fuel Bank	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -
C-15-12	AIDS Project	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -
C-15-13	New Fairfield Vol. Fire Co.	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -
C-16-1	Music	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 194.34	\$ 805.66
C-16-1A	Music - Maintenance & Repairs	\$ 750.00	\$ -	\$ 750.00
C-16-2	Youth Choir & Director	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00
C-16-3	Flower Committee	\$ 25.00	\$ 21.20	\$ 3.80
C-16-4	Usher Committee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
C-16-5	Worship Services	\$ 300.00	\$ 39.37	\$ 260.63
C-16-6	Church Ad	\$ 1,150.00	\$ 1,288.75	\$ (138.75)
C-16-7	Upper Room	\$ 475.00	\$ 55.50	\$ 419.50
C-16-8	Copyright Licenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 215.00	\$ 35.00
C-16-9	Caregivers	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ 250.00
C-16-10	Deacon's Outreach	\$ 600.00	\$ 225.24	\$ 374.76
D-1	Building Maintenance & Repairs	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 4,552.19	\$ (1,552.19)
D-2	Parsonage maint. & Repairs	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 564.00	\$ 2,436.00
F-2	Christmas Gifts & Bonuses	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ 250.00
F-3	Conference Fees	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ 250.00
Misc.	Miscellaneous	\$ 500.00	\$ 7,348.14	\$ (6,848.14)
Exch.	Exchange	\$ -	\$ 546.12	\$ (546.12)
	Total Disbursements	\$ 193,143.00	\$ 187,432.69	\$ 5,710.31

UNIFIED BALANCE AS OF 12/31/06: \$9,669.38

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Rogowski, Treasurer

Report of the Financial Secretary

REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY 2006 UNIFIED ACCOUNT RECEIPTS

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
Pledges	\$8,169.00	\$8,611.00	\$9,619.00	\$9,919.00	\$10,480.00	\$7,250.00	\$8,477.00	\$7,022.00	\$9,260.00	\$11,136.00	\$9,558.00	\$12,147.00	\$111,648.00
2005 Pledges	\$354.00	\$446.00			\$430.00								\$1,230.00
2007 Pledges											\$3,577.00	\$130.00	\$3,707.00
Bridge The Gap 2006							\$2,400.00	\$1,150.00	\$677.00	\$450.00	\$75.00		\$4,752.00
Contributions	\$598.00	\$430.00	\$325.00	\$665.00	\$447.00	\$556.00	\$415.00	\$650.00	\$548.00	\$515.00	\$1,500.00	\$2,477.00	\$9,126.00
Loose Collections	\$112.00	\$69.00	\$87.00	\$672.00	\$187.00	\$358.45	\$143.25	\$139.00	\$125.00	\$344.00	\$330.00	\$1,301.23	\$3,867.93
Initial Offering Envelopes	\$211.00	\$37.00									\$10.00		\$258.00
Service Club Pledge	\$1,100.00	\$1,100.00								\$1,100.00			\$2,200.00
Women's Club Pledge				\$1,000.00		\$176.50				\$106.50		\$77.50	\$1,360.50
Bazaar Profits WCC&WSC	\$2,250.00								\$900.00			\$1,700.00	\$3,950.00
Chicken BBQ (Ser. Club)						\$25.00							\$900.00
Baptisms	\$100.00												\$125.00
Weddings													\$0.00
Parsonage Rent	\$1,950.00	\$3,961.20	\$2,150.00	\$2,150.00	\$2,585.00	\$2,150.00	\$2,150.00	\$1,880.00	\$2,210.00	\$2,120.00	\$1,830.00		\$25,116.20
Special Services			\$55.00	\$19.00									\$74.00
Coffee Hour	\$33.00				\$38.45		\$28.50			\$36.80	\$5.69		\$142.44
Copies													\$0.00
Reimbursements (below)		\$922.00	\$200.00			\$238.48		\$54.21					\$1,414.69
Transfers							\$2,800.85	\$2,000.00					\$4,800.85
Outdoor Ministries - Oil		\$500.00											\$500.00
Misc. 1	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$501.12	\$81.00	\$625.00	\$2,325.00	\$635.92	(\$23.36)	\$11,105.13	\$862.26	(\$60.17)	\$7,102.65	\$23,179.55
TOTAL INCOME:	\$13,777.00	\$16,101.20	\$12,937.12	\$14,506.00	\$14,772.45	\$13,079.43	\$17,050.52	\$12,871.85	\$24,825.13	\$16,670.56	\$16,825.52	\$24,935.38	\$198,352.16
CE Director Fund													\$0.00
Senior Youth Group ASP													\$0.00
Misc. 2				\$4,800.00									\$4,800.00
TOTAL DEPOSITS:	\$13,777.00	\$16,101.20	\$12,937.12	\$19,306.00	\$14,772.45	\$13,079.43	\$17,050.52	\$12,871.85	\$24,825.13	\$16,670.56	\$16,825.52	\$24,935.38	\$203,152.16

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
1st Sunday	\$1,350.00	\$4,416.00	\$5,602.12	\$2,272.00	\$4,405.45	\$4,863.93	\$1,636.50	\$3,934.70	\$2,754.77	\$3,220.07	\$5,298.77	\$10,226.57	\$49,980.88
2nd Sunday	\$5,058.00	Canc-Snow	\$2,225.00	\$4,707.00	\$4,707.00	\$4,876.00	\$2,297.00	\$4,278.21	\$4,195.27	\$2,767.68	\$4,824.27	\$2,617.27	\$42,552.70
3rd Sunday	\$5,088.00	\$5,088.00	\$2,475.00	\$3,250.00	\$2,886.00	\$1,804.50	\$5,727.85	\$787.00	\$4,416.02	\$4,794.77	\$4,978.71	\$3,430.27	\$39,648.12
4th Sunday	\$3,681.00	\$6,597.20	\$2,635.00	\$1,643.00	\$2,764.00	\$1,535.00	\$4,171.92	\$3,871.94	\$13,459.07	\$3,808.77	\$1,723.77	\$7,963.00	\$53,853.67
5th Sunday	\$3,688.00			\$2,634.00			\$3,217.25			\$2,079.27		\$698.27	\$12,316.79
Other													\$0.00
TOTAL:	\$13,777.00	\$16,101.20	\$12,937.12	\$14,506.00	\$14,772.45	\$13,079.43	\$17,050.52	\$12,871.85	\$24,825.13	\$16,670.56	\$16,825.52	\$24,935.38	\$198,352.16

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
Receipts	\$13,777	\$29,878	\$42,815	\$57,321	\$72,094	\$85,173	\$102,224	\$115,096	\$139,921	\$156,591	\$173,417	\$198,352	BUDGET
2006 Budget (to date)	\$16,095	\$32,191	\$48,286	\$64,381	\$80,477	\$96,572	\$112,667	\$128,763	\$144,858	\$160,953	\$177,049	\$193,144	\$193,144
Over or (Under) Budget	(\$2,318)	(\$2,312)	(\$5,471)	(\$7,060)	(\$8,383)	(\$11,399)	(\$10,444)	(\$13,667)	(\$4,937)	(\$4,362)	(\$3,632)	\$5,208	

Notes:

January: Parsonage Rent for December 2005 Bazaar Profits - Women's Church Club, Women's Service Club

February: Outdoor Ministries donated \$500 for oil; \$922.00 Insurance Reimbursement; Donation from Girl Scouts

March: \$55-Ash Wednesday Service; \$2011.20 Parsonage Rent Deposit; Reimbursement \$200 Final Payment Savin Copier, Misc. 1 Drumming Wkshp \$45.; Lenten Prog. \$10*

April: \$81 Thrift Shop Proceeds; Parsonage Rent; Special Service; Maundy Thursday; Misc 2: Computer Upgrade (Mass Mutual) \$4800-off budget.

May: Parsonage Rent \$2575-\$928 (Return&Chg)+\$918 Rodeposit; \$625 = Youth Group E-14-9B

June: Reimbursement - 941 Tax Refund 238.48, Loan from Ken Taylor = \$2300, Women's Church Club-Thrift Shop Proceeds April, May, June \$176.50

July: \$75.00 Rental (Mormer), \$50.00 Girl Scout Donation, Misc 1 - Prayer Shawl Ministry \$50 (reimbursement to Linda Yamone), \$375 Computer Support; Credit Cd Chgs.\$1.33, \$2800.85 Trustee Transfer

August: -\$23.36 = Electronic Contribution charges; \$54.21 reimbursement CL&P

September: -\$28.00 Electronic Contribution Charges; Summer Play Proceeds "Fidler On The Roof" \$10,108.58; Payroll (941) Refund \$1024.55

October: \$600 for Conant Funeral; \$200 - Bates Funeral (\$100 Reception, \$100 Rev. Pat); -\$28.65 for Electronic Contribution Charges; -\$49.09 for Deposit Slips; Confirmation Retreat \$140

November: -\$27.17 Electronic Contribution Charges; -\$33.00 Return Check & Charges

December: Misc. 1: \$7000 from Mass Mutual; \$100 for AIDS Project (Missions); -\$30.35 Electronic Transfer charges; \$33.00 reimbursement

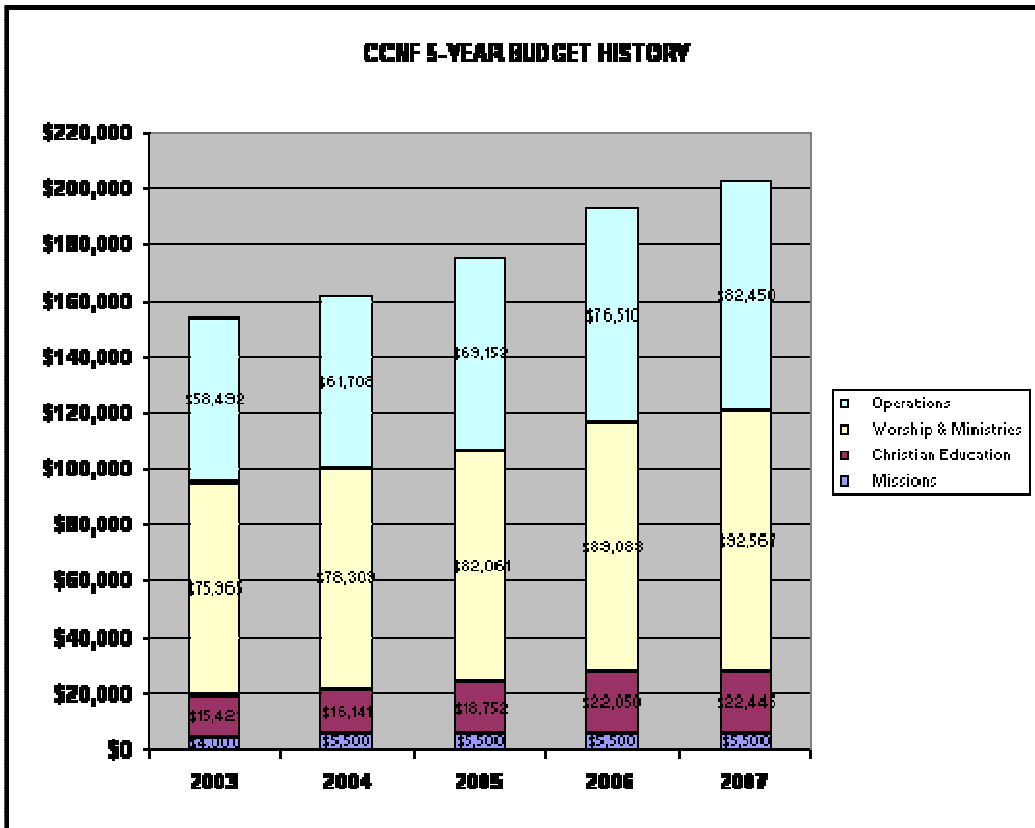
Respectfully submitted,
Sally Kile
Financial Secretary

* Reimbursement to Pat = \$55

2006 Budget

Congregational Church of New Fairfield Unified Budget Summary for 2007

	2006	2007	
	Budget	Budget	Change from Prior Budget \$ %
Operations Team	76,510	82,450	5,940 7.8%
Worship & Ministries Team	89,080	92,567	3,487 3.9%
Christian Education Team	22,050	22,445	395 1.8%
Missions Team	5,500	5,500	0 0.0%
Unified Budget Total	193,140	202,962	9,823 5.1%



**Congregational Church of New Fairfield
Budget - Missions Team**

Description	2006	2007		
	Current Year Budget	Next Year Budget	Change from prior year Budget	
			\$	%
Dorothy Day Hosp. House	0	0	0	*****
Assoc of Religious Com.	200	200	0	0.0%
FISH	100	100	0	0.0%
Amos House	100	100	0	0.0%
One Great Hour or Sharing	150	150	0	0.0%
Neighbors in Need	100	100	0	0.0%
WestConn Ministries	100	100	0	0.0%
Other	500	500	0	0.0%
Basic/Wider Mission Support	3,600	3,600	0	0.0%
Habitat for Humanity	150	150	0	0.0%
New Fairfield Fuel Bank	200	200	0	0.0%
AIDS Project	100	100	0	0.0%
New Fairfield Vol. Fire Co.	200	200	0	0.0%
Board Meeting Funds	0	0	0	*****
Board Fund	0	0	0	*****
Christmas Fund	0	0	0	*****
Strengthen the Church	0	0	0	*****
Total Missions Team	5,500	5,500	0	0.0%

**Congregational Church of New Fairfield
Budget - Worship & Ministries Team**

Description	2006	2007		
	Current Year Budget	Next Year Budget	Change from prior year Budget	
			\$	%
Employee Expenses				
Pastor's Salary	39,229	40,406	1,177	3.0%
Pastor's Housing Allowance	11,768	12,122	353	3.0%
Pastor's Salary SS Offset	3,923	4,041	118	3.0%
Car Reimbursement	2,500	2,500	0	0.0%
Continuing Education	700	700	0	0.0%
Books & Periodicals	500	500	0	0.0%
Insurance / Pension	7,140	7,354	214	3.0%
Pastor's Telephone Allowance	272	272	0	0.0%
Organist Salary	12,523	12,898	376	3.0%
Organist Education	0	0	0	*****
Relief Organist	600	600	0	0.0%
Relief Pastors	1,200	1,200	0	0.0%
Total Employee Expenses	80,355	82,592	2,237	2.8%
Other Expenses				
Denomination Charge	2,400	2,400	0	0.0%
Music	1,000	1,000	0	0.0%
Music - Maint & Repairs	750	750	0	0.0%
Youth Choir & Director	300	300	0	0.0%
Flower Committee	0	0	0	*****
Usher Committee	0	0	0	*****
Worship Services	300	300	0	0.0%
Church Ad	1,150	1,150	0	0.0%
Upper Room	475	475	0	0.0%
Copyright Licenses	250	250	0	0.0%
Compassionate Connections	250	250	0	0.0%
Deacon's Outreach	600	600	0	0.0%
Sabbatical Account	1,250	2,500	1,250	100.0%
Total Other Expenses	8,725	9,975	1,250	14.3%
Total Worship & Ministries	89,080	92,567	3,487	3.9%

**Congregational Church of New Fairfield
Budget - Christian Education Team**

Description	2006	2007	
	Current Year Budget	Next Year Budget	Change from prior year Budget \$ %
Employee Expenses			
Youth Minister	0	0	0 *****
Director of Children & Youth Ministries	16,500	16,995	495 3.0%
Total Employee Expenses	16,500	16,995	495 3.0%
Education Expenses			
Curriculum	2,375	2,000	(375) -15.8%
Materials for Education	0	0	0 *****
Confirmation Materials	350	350	0 0.0%
Bibles	300	300	0 0.0%
Adult Education	25	100	75 300.0%
Senior Youth Ministry	650	650	0 0.0%
Junior Youth Ministry	0	0	0 *****
Youth Group Mission Trip	0	0	0 *****
Teen Forum	0	0	0 *****
Vacation Bible School	0	0	0 *****
Total Education Expenses	3,700	3,400	(300) -8.1%
General and Administrative			
CE Office	200	200	0 0.0%
Total General and Admin	200	200	0 0.0%
Other Expenses			
Child Care	800	1,000	200 25.0%
Holiday Expenses and Gifts	350	300	(50) -14.3%
Breakfasts & Gatherings	50	50	0 0.0%
Cradle Roll	50	100	50 100.0%
Fellowship/Hospitality Cmte	50	50	0 0.0%
Leadership Training	250	250	0 0.0%
Newsletter	100	100	0 0.0%
Puppet Ministry	0	0	0 *****
Total Other Expenses	1,650	1,850	200 12.1%
Total CE	22,050	22,445	395 1.8%

Congregational Church of New Fairfield -- Budget - Operations Team

Description	2006	2007		
	Current Year Budget	Next Year Budget	Change from prior year Budget	
			\$	%
Employee Expenses				
Parish Secretary	13,600	14,008	408	3.0%
Sextons	8,100	8,100	0	0.0%
Payroll Tax - withheld	(1,660)	(1,691)		
Payroll Tax - paid to IRS	3,880	3,384	(496)	-12.8%
Total Employee Expenses	25,580	23,800	(1,780)	-7.0%
Building Expenses				
Insurance	8,510	7,000	(1,510)	-17.7%
Church Fuel Oil	12,103	15,000	2,897	23.9%
Church Fuel Propane	0	600	600	*****
Church Electric	5,580	5,500	(80)	-1.4%
Church Telephones	1,827	2,000	173	9.5%
Janitorial Supplies	500	500	0	0.0%
Garbage Removal	1,500	1,500	0	0.0%
Snow Removal	3,000	3,000	0	0.0%
Lawn Maintenance	1,650	1,650	0	0.0%
Building Maint & Repairs	3,000	3,000	0	0.0%
Total Building Expenses	37,670	39,750	2,080	5.5%
General and Administrative				
Office Expense - Misc.	0	1,200	1,200	*****
Office Expense - Postage	1,430	1,450	20	1.4%
Office Expense - Copier	3,880	4,500	620	16.0%
Office Expense - Computer Software & Tech. support		1,500	1,500	*****
Office Expense - Computer Hardware, Backup & Network support		1,800	1,800	*****
Total General and Admin	5,310	10,450	5,140	96.8%
Parsonage Expenses				
Parsonage Electric	0	0	0	*****
Parsonage Property Tax	3,000	3,000	0	0.0%
Parsonage Maint. & Repairs	3,000	3,000	0	0.0%
Total Parsonage Expenses	6,000	6,000	0	0.0%
Other Expenses				
Financial Secretary	750	750	0	0.0%
Treasurer	200	200	0	0.0%
Christmas Gifts	250	250	0	0.0%
Conference Fees	250	250	0	0.0%
Miscellaneous	500	1,000	500	100.0%
Total Other Expenses	1,950	2,450	500	25.6%
Total Operations Team	76,510	82,450	5,940	7.8%

**CHURCH STAFF
2006**

Pastor.....Rev. Patricia A. Nicholas
Minister of Music.....Carl Anderson
Junior Choir DirectorDorothy Bass
Director of Children and Youth Ministries....Liz Yoho
SecretaryEileen Horgan
SextonRussell Bass
.....Josie Taylor

**20 Gillotti Road
New Fairfield, CT 06812
Telephone Number: (203) 746-2865
Fax Number: (203) 746-6846
E-mail Address: ccnf@nfcongregational.org
Web site: www.nfcongregational.org**

