The church received two delightful communications from former members in May 2013.

When the church shipped a 1943 woodcarving of Jesus that had been left in the church office for safekeeping to its owner on the East Coast, she replied with a letter of gratitude, and a poetic response.

Thanks for sending the carving of Christ executed at the Rohwer Relocation Center. I’m so sorry the church struggles again. Good luck to the search committee. Although gone now, I love all of you.

Betty

Along with this note she included a check, and an original poem:

P. H. Christian

First came a house,
A dream and a prayer,
A church on a hill
And people who care.

They came for justice
And equal rights
A loved one choice
Well worth their fights,

An open mind
Willing to hear
Another's opinion yet
Have no fear

Of breaking schisms –
We’ll work together
As part of our history
We’ll love each other.

– Betty Hunter Sorensen Adams
member since age 1

(to pg. 2 “Messages”)
Another note dated 5-29-13 and received in early June also included a check, and these words:

So glad to see “Nolan Garden” in your newsletter! I will pass it on to other Nolan families.

Thank You
Dorothy M. Nolan
(Mrs. John)

Use money where needed!

Mrs. Nolan included her telephone number and address:
217 679-4645
2409 Glencoe Dr.
Springfield, IL 62704

We’re sure she would be glad to hear from you, even if you’ve never met her.

And if you’d like to contact Betty Adams by mail, we’re equally certain she’d like to get your messages. Her address is:
Ms. Betty Adams
600 So. Churton St. Apt. 126
Hillsborough, NC 27278

Thanks to these young ladies for their notes and contributions.

Also, in case you have never read the plaque out there, this is the Nolan Garden:

Blessings to you all,
PHCC

Weather postpones Work Day - Twice!

An outdoor Work Day scheduled for March 30 had to be postponed because of rain.

The idea was to move a pile of mulch onto the landscaped section of the church yard.

Only a small part got distributed in April, and the work still waits to be done. Only three people were available on April 6th, so another Work Day was scheduled, with plenty of notice. But on that Saturday, May 4th, the weather was unseasonably cold!

Pulpit Search Committee Develops Criteria

Robert Bacon resigned from the Committee after his brother’s death, and was replaced by our Music Minister, Stephen Cross.

The Pulpit Search Committee established these guidelines in May, for publication June 2, 2013:

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF PASTOR

1. Be a person called into Christian ministry
2. Possess a blend of formal training and ministry experience
3. Demonstrate a strong, working knowledge of Scripture
4. Have a strong commitment to social justice
5. Support the congregation being open and affirming
6. Be an equipper of the congregation
7. Be active in the community and reach out to bring people into the church
8. Possess the skills necessary to work well with people
9. Be healthy – personally and interpersonally
10. Be trustworthy and able to maintain confidentiality
11. Be organized and a self-starter
12. Have a strong work ethic and be willing to be accountable

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Why PHCC Needs an Active Building Committee

These photos show maintenance items around the church that no one is in charge of correcting. Simple peeling paint on the ceiling is one thing, and not necessarily structurally harmful. Other needed tasks might be more harmful if neglected for too long. Re-caulking or re-puttying and painting windows. Several points with rotten wood. A missing shutter. And there are many places with aesthetic problems from peeling paint. Look them over. If one or two people could make it their special charge to see that this work gets done one way or another, it would help preserve our building.

Nothing is falling down...yet.

Remember: visitors notice such things. Who knows how they interpret them?
**June 2013 at PHCC**

**Events in June 2013**

**Birthdays in June**
- 12 - Tanner Summerlin;
- 24 - Marge LaPointe;
- 25 - John W. Graves;

**Events of note**
- 11 - 6:00 pm Board Meeting
- 30 - 7:30 am Community Breakfast at Quapaw Quarter United Methodist Church; after Worship, Congregational Meeting.

**Sunday School Special Study 9:30 a.m.**
- June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

**July 2013 at PHCC**

**Events in July 2013**

**Birthdays in July**
- 5 - Jan Painton;
- 6 - Shelbi Summerlin;
- 9 - Susan Gordon, Robert Bacon;
- 15 - Paula Skarda;
- 17 - Angela Frazier;
- 19 - Jay Summerlin, Alex Summerlin;
- 23 - Greg Pendleton;
- 24 - Alex Perry (VC3);
- 27 - Jamie Myers;
- 31 - Betty Jo Thibault.

**Events of note**
- 4 - Independence Day 2013
- 9 - 6:00 pm Board Meeting
- 21 - Potluck! - Sign August birthday cards.

**Sunday School Special Study 9:30 a.m.**
- July 7, 14, 21, 28

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**May 2013 Stewardship Report**

- **May Budget Needs** – $6,550.56
- **May Offering** – $3,663.00
- **Other Income** – $1,395.00
- **Total May Actual Income** – $5,058.00

- **May Budgeted Expenses** – $10,540.50
- **May Actual Expenses** – $4,384.66
- **Net Result for May** – $ 673.34

- **Year-to-date through 05/31/13**
  - **Offering** – $25,126.83
  - **Other Income** – $15,006.45
  - **Total YTD Income** – $40,133.28
  - **Expenses YTD** – $47,557.56
  - **Net Loss YTD** – $ (7,424.28)

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**Please Continue Prayers for:**


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**New Banner**

Shown here on May 19, 2013 which was Pentecost Sunday, is our newest Sanctuary banner.

Julia Moore and her sister located the design, transferred it to canvas, and painted it.

The bright spectrum of colors liven up Worship, and go well with the liturgical colors for each church season.