

United Church of Christ Congregational – Wallace  
Executive Board Meeting  
December 15, 2025

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The meeting was called to order by Moderator Ben Crosby at 10:53 a.m. Gail Carlson, Ben Crosby, Katie Bauer, Rick Ehram, and Alice Ling were present.

Alice Ling led an opening prayer.

The agenda was approved, and the minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Supply pastor report: Alice contacted the Wallace Food Bank regarding their needs, but she has not heard back from them. She also contacted the Shoshone News Press regarding Christmas advertising, but she has not heard back from them either. Alice raised the question of “un-decorating” the church after Christmas, and the Board agreed to address that with calendar issues.

Treasurer’s report: The Treasurer’s report was received. There is no update on the grant proposal. The committee has communicated that they have received many applications. Available equity has kept even this month, primarily due to two gifts: \$1,000 from the Wallace Christmas Fund and \$400 from the Seventh Day Adventists. The church received \$185 for the November blanket campaign. The Board has received some pledge cards for 2026: \$8,080 for general fund, and \$710 for mission. Insurance for 2026 is increasing by \$872.

Old Business:

1. Adventists—Ben wrote an email, but he has not heard anything back about their plans.
2. Ben asked if the new church sign needs lighting. Rick said he will walk by at night and take a look.
3. Front door hinges—nothing new to report.
4. Hearing assist project is still in progress.
5. Rick is going to ask around about renting a lift for the chimney.
6. Church safety plan—no update.
7. Notice for the Annual Meeting will need to go out by January 11th. The Board reviewed the leadership roster, and we noted that we still have a vacancy (at-large position.) The Board voted affirmatively to propose the Bylaws changes at the Annual Meeting.

New Business:

1. Snow management plan—Rick is going to inquire at the daycare next door to see if we can arrange to use their snow removal service.
2. Ben pointed out that our furnace has not been serviced since it was installed. Trademark in Coeur d’Alene did the installation. Rick suggested that he could contact Flame in the Silver Valley to see if he would service a boiler.

Calendar:

December 19<sup>th</sup>: Winter Walk—we are providing coffee

Christmas Fund building use—December 20-21

Next Executive Board meeting: January 4<sup>th</sup> (take down decorations)

Annual meeting: January 25th

Alice Ling led a closing prayer.  
The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Katie Bauer, Clerk