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Section Financial Policies

Title Finance Officers

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The handling of all church financial matters shall be divided among the following individuals or groups:

- 1. The Tellers (elected annually) (items 1-5 adopted January 12, 2014)
  - A. Receive all sealed contribution envelopes and loose monies from the Sunday School class secretaries and from the offerings during worship services.
  - B. Open all individual contributions envelopes and verify name and amount of contribution for each envelope.
  - C. Count the weekly offerings.
  - D. Prepare separate totals for all contributions.
  - E. Bundle the individual offering envelopes for the Church Office Manager/Bookkeeper.
- 2. The Finance Committee
  - A. Members serve 3 year rotating terms.
- 3. The Church Office Manager/Bookkeeper shall be a paid staff member with the following duties and responsibilities.
  - A. Receive the empty offering envelopes after the money has been removed and counted by the Tellers.
  - B. From these envelopes, give each contributor individual credit as provided in the record system approved by the church.
  - C. Keep record of the receipts from envelopes, plate, or loose, and miscellaneous or special offerings.
  - D. Make the deposit of all church funds in the appropriate Bank or Financial Institution.
  - E. Enter all financial transactions in the accounting system.

- F. Procure the written approval of the properly authorized individual or church elected officer prior to submitting checks for signature.
- G. Write all checks for the payment of invoices, payroll, and all other disbursement of church funds,
- H. Prepare all records and reports elating to state and federal taxes.
- I. Reconcile all bank statements each month.
- J. Prepare periodic financial statements for the approval of the finance committee and for presentation to the church.
- K. Be responsible for preparing and mailing regular statements to all contributing members and non-members, as the church directs.
- 4. The Church Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer (elected annually)
  - A. The church treasurer shall verify that the church office manager/bookkeeper has procured the written approval of the individual or church officer authorized to request such disbursement of church funds for all budget expenditures and invoices.
  - B. Countersign all checks issued by the church.
  - C. Check and approve all bank deposits made by the church office manager/bookkeeper.
  - D. Check and approve the bank statements that have been reconciled by the church office manager/bookkeeper.
  - E. Serve as a resource to the Finance Committee as requested.
  - F. Serve as a member of the Church Council.
  - G. The Assistant Treasurer shall have all the duties, powers, and responsibilities of the Treasurer in the absence or incapacity of the Treasurer.
- 5. This policy may not be amended, rescinded, or repealed without a notice of at least two weeks to the membership of the church. Additionally, the minimum vote necessary to amend, rescind, or repeal this policy is 60% of those church members present and voting.