

St. John's United Church Annual Report 2019



At St. John's United Church, we strive to make our Church a Spiritual Centre that welcomes people of all ages to grow in Faith and become Alive in Christ.

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**ST JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH
ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING MINUTES
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 24TH 2019**

After a lunch provided by the women of the church, Krista Belrose, chair, called the meeting to order at 11.40am. There were 51 adults in attendance.

Rev Meg opened with a prayer and a children's time.

It was moved by Liz McKnight and seconded by Susan Elliott "That adherents be granted voting privileges on Temporal (non-spiritual) matters only." Carried.

The Agenda with the addition of "the piano motion" under new business was moved by Ken French and seconded by Dick Marshall. Carried.

Marlene Tinney moved "that the minutes of the February 25th 2018 Congregational Meeting be approved as circulated or corrected" seconded by Sandy Coe. Carried.

In Memorial by Rev Meg.

Team Reports were reviewed. It was confirmed that the expenses in the Sunday School report, includes VBS expenses. Ross also confirmed that there is a loan of \$14000 from the General Fund outstanding on the Solar Project. The initial expense was roughly \$70,000. Moved by Debbie Laycock and seconded by Dick Marshall "that we approve the Team and Group Reports as presented in the 2018 Annual Report" Unanimously carried.

Moved by Kathleen Kenney and seconded by Linda Bye "that we approve the 2018 Financial Statements as presented". Unanimously carried.

Ross presented the budget. After clarification of staff salary reductions, custodian as no longer does snow removal and a new administrator, it was moved by Don Kennedy and seconded by Debbie Laycock "that we approve the 2019 budget recommendation as presented by the Property and Finance Team on behalf of the Council Executive" Unanimously carried.

New Business:

- a) Moved by Debbie Laycock and seconded by Sandy Coe "that we approve the 2019 M & S objective of \$9000." Unanimously carried.
- b) Nominations. Robyn Sawyer and Kari VanLaarhoven to the Outreach and Publicity Team, Sheila Jackson to Ministry and Personnel. Beth Truax as vice-coordinator of Council. Accepted and approved.
- c) No nominations from the floor.
- d) Karen Parnell gave a presentation about the purchase of a used grand piano. After a short discussion it was moved by Karen and seconded by Doreen Turner "to purchase a Yamaha GT2 Piano and issue an initial cheque of \$2000". Carried unanimously.

The next regularly scheduled Annual Congregational Meeting will be on February 23rd 2020.

Motion to adjourn at 12.30pm by Dick Marshall, seconded by Ken French.

St. John's United Church Annual Congregational Meeting Agenda

Sunday, February 23rd, 2020

1) Blessing and Lunch

2) Call to Order: Krista Belrose

3) Opening Prayer: Rev. Meg

4) Motion to grant voting privileges

Moved by _____ Seconded _____ "That the

Adherents be granted voting privileges on Temporal (non-spiritual) matters only." Carried.

5) Approval of Agenda

a) Additions/Changes/Deletions

Moved by _____ Seconded _____ "That the Agenda be approved as circulated or changed" Carried.

6) Approval of the Sunday February 24th, 2019 Annual Meeting Minutes

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ "that the Minutes of the December 9th , 2019 Council Meeting be approved as circulated or corrected" Carried

7) In memorial: Rev. Meg

8) Team Group Reports:

a) Accessibility Team	g) Ministry and Personnel
b) Board of Trustees	h) Mission and Service
c) Property and Finance	i) Outreach/Publicity
d) Education	j) Women's Group
e) Memorial	k) Worship
f) Men's Fellowship Group	

9) Consideration and Approval of the Team and Group Reports as presented in the 2019 Annual Report

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ "that we approve the Team and Group Reports as presented in the 2019 Annual Report" Carried

10) Presentation of the 2019 Financial Statements

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ "that we approve the 2019 Financial Statements as presented" Carried

11) Presentation of the 2020 Budget Recommendation

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ "that we approve the 2020 budget recommendation as presented/amended by the Property and Finance Team on behalf of the Council Executive" Carried

12) New Business

a) Approval of the 2019 M&S Objective as recommended by the Council Executive

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ "that we approve the 2020 M&S objective" Carried

b) Team nominations from the floor

13) Next Annual Meeting Date:

14) Closing Prayer

Minister's Report for 2019 Rev Meg Jordan

Worship and fellowship are at the heart of our life here at St. John's United Church. Our life of prayer, music, learning, celebrations of significant moments, care about those who suffer, and concern about seeking better ways to follow Jesus in our desperate world and finding deeper and more truthful ways to express our love for God is fundamental to who we are.. Our children are growing up in a world of constant movement where everything is changing including our images of God. As Christians we must work hard to find new ways to speak of God and worship God in this changing world. We all grew up with the idea that God never changes. Most of us make the mistake of thinking that means that what we were taught about God never changes. Nothing could be further from the truth and most of us come face to face with this when we suffer and when bad things happen. Often my pastoral care ministry away from the church building has to do with accompanying those whose lives have been or are being turned upside down by misfortune. At the end of this year my own life was turned upside down when I fell down some stairs and mercifully, only injured my left arm and hand. As I write this report I am very aware of being a wounded "leader" very much in need of healing and understanding.

The United Church across Canada has had to face the realities of our changing world. We have just gone through the first year of a new organizational plan. We have lost our presbyteries and now have only three levels of governance—communities of faith, regional councils, and a considerably reduced national Council. All of these changes were happening at a time when many important decisions were being made at St. John's including my own call to be your minister. Our allocation to the region of Western Ontario Waterways was unfortunately the last thing on our radar and we find ourselves in relationship with areas of the province with whom we share little. The reality is that most of our connections and relationships are with organizations and institutions in Barrie, Midland, and Orillia. After much discussion at council we requested to be reallocated to shining waters region. This request was denied and through conversations with colleagues I have been given to understand that we should wait until things settle before asking for such a change. In the meantime Audrey Archer and myself attended the meeting of the Shining Waters Region at the end of May which was held at the Georgian College in Barrie. I made a presentation on behalf of the North Simcoe Rural Cluster of which St John's has become an active member. Ironically, after all this, we have been working closely with WOW for most of the year due to the sale of the manse. Council will now have to decide whether we will pursue a change of regional membership or not.

I am your minister of worship, sacraments and pastoral care and work involved with this takes up most of my time. Highlights for me in 2019 have been the Good Friday service with the drama involving Greg Parnell as Barabbas and Kevin Cullen as Jesus, PA days as an outreach program for local families (many non-church), our first Health and Wellness Day with booths and speakers, the Canadian Foodgrains concert, monthly movie nights which have moved to the last Tuesday of the month and last but not least, ongoing work with the Accessibility Team. Beyond the walls of the church I have been very involved with issues concerning our local watershed, and the Simcoe County Honduras Monitor Group concerning justice for Edwin Espinal. At recent meetings of council I have expressed my concern about St. John's finances and the need for the development of a membership and stewardship team. You'll be hearing lots more about that in the year to come.

I remain very happy to be your minister. You are a wonderful community to serve. I enjoy and appreciate working with Bob and Karen. Please feel free to talk with me at any time about your concerns, and hopes and dreams. I know you have them.

Lovingly, Rev Meg

Co-Ordinator's Report 2019

In this, my last message to you as Co-Ordinator, I'd like to thank all of you for your support and willingness to go above and beyond for our church. It's truly amazing to serve a congregation so committed to its mission and community.

The last few weeks of my appointment have been busy following Rev. Meg's accident. I would not have been able to successfully navigate these last few weeks without our wonderful church council. I cannot say enough about this caring and dedicated group of volunteers.

Beth Truax will now be taking over as Co-Ordinator, and we are appreciative of her commitment and willingness to take on this role. Beth has done so much for our church in general, but especially in the last few weeks as she has worked diligently to find pulpit supply among other things. Thank you, Beth, for all of your hard work so far and may God bless your time as Co-Ordinator.

Thank you to Rev. Meg for her leadership this year. We learned through her absence how truly involved she is in our church family and I hope that, by the annual meeting we will have been able to welcome her back.

Thank you to Bob, the choir and the praise team for all the wonderful music over the last year. Thank you to those involved in the fundraising for, and purchase of the new piano. It sounds wonderful and we all enjoy hearing the piano and organ played together.

Thank you to Karen and Heather who do so much to keep our church functioning.

St. John's is a busy place and we have celebrated a lot in 2019, from the Blue Jays trip to our own welcome back ballgame. We continue to offer youth programming for our weekly Sunday School to our PA Days. We established a new Health and Wellness Fair to serve our community. We also published a new photo directory to update our congregational information. Thank you to all those who put in many hours to make these successful.

Our emerging team report was published and we now have a plan where we will focus energy over the next few years.

With so many exciting ventures, it is my hope that in 2020 we can, and will, continue to develop our team initiatives.

More details from last year's work are found in the attached team reports. It has been a privilege to serve the congregation as Council Co-Ordinator and I thank everyone for all of your support.

I am looking forward to the future of our church and the exciting opportunities ahead. Blessings and all the best for the year to come.

Allenwood Cemetery Board Report for 2019

This year has had the least activity since I became Secretary-Treasurer in 1990. Only two regular plots were sold and one niche. There has been only one regular interment and two cremation interments.

Financial Report

Receipts

Bank balance brought forward		\$21,011.29
Public Guardian and Trustee	\$908.10	
Rest of Solar certificates plus interest	\$8,320.00	
Monument permits	\$810.00	
Investments matured	\$96,314.06	
Interest of matured investment	\$945.00	
Bank interest	\$11.46	
Sale of regular plots	\$2,400.00	
Memorial collection	\$365.00	
Cremation interments	\$500.00	
Sale of niche	\$1,200.00	
Interment costs	\$1,100.00	
Permit, footing, dirt removal	\$802.58	
Total	\$113,676.20	
Total		\$134,687.49

Expenditures

Public Guardian and Trustee	\$984.00	
BAO	\$243.00	
Policing	\$240.00	
Purchased investment certificate	\$101,314.06	
Purchase of plot	\$350.00	
Advertising	\$19.78	
Minister Service	\$100.00	
Footing cost	\$452.58	
Regular interment	\$700.00	
Honorarium	\$400.00	
Maintenance	\$4,050.00	
Total		\$108,853.42
Bank balance December 31, 2019	\$25,834.07	

Chairman: Ross Langman Secretary-Treasurer: Elmer McFadden

Emerging Together Team Report 2019

The Emerging Team was very cohesive group. At no time was there a designated chair. All were united in a common goal---studying the report in order to design a complete report, which clearly identified the hopes, wishes, and needs of the Congregational family. The report was presented to Council and approved. Following that step, it was presented to the congregation at a Congregational meeting and approved.

The plan for the 2020 year was handed out with the Bulletins on January 19th.

If you wish a copy please speak to Karen in the office. In order to carry out the ideas and hopes, we will need further commitment from all members of the church. Please let Karen know if there is any area in which you would like to volunteer your time and talents.

Memorial Report

Opening Balance: \$11,427.62
Income: \$5,151.29
Bank Balance: \$16,578.91

Organ Fund

Opening Balance: \$3,653.92
Balance as of Dec 2019 \$3,653.92

In Memorial 2019

Cora Sweeney
Jeff Nesbitt
Doug Barnes
Jim Sommerville
Maverick McKnight
Brian Buker
Paul Bertram
Clarine Buchanan
Isabel Thompson
Clint Draper
Sheila Coffee
Judy Rowat
Lou Turner

Submitted by Liz McKnight

Men's Club 2019

The St. John's Men's Club had another very rewarding and successful year through our ongoing support of the activities of the Church.

We donated 10 Bed Kits to "For Sleeping Children" at a cost of \$ 350.00.

In March we had our meeting at the Shaw maple Sugar Bush and had a wonderful breakfast.

In April we picked up our rakes and cleaned up the leaves, while the ladies provided us with snacks.

In June we contributed \$ 100.00 to the Annual Golf Fundraiser.

In September we held our Men's Roast Beef dinner which was a wonderful success. Thanks for all the help from the Women of the Church.

We donated \$100.00 each in memory of both Jim Sommerville and Ron Frankcom to the Piano Fund.

We purchased a carpet steam cleaner for the church to help with cleaning up spots on the carpet.

We have had a motion to purchase 2 new 8 foot folding tables to replace some old wooden ones, this is still in process.

We have purchased an upright vacuum cleaner which we have shared the cost of with the Soul Sisters, (formally "Women of the Church) group.

We have also painted the walls in the Gathering Place and participated in the "Deep Clean" of the church just prior to our Advent Season.

Submitted by Allan Wright.

Ministry and Personnel Report

Team members are Sandy Coe Chair Allan Wright Rosemary Johnson and Sheila Jackson.

Not much happening this year pretty smooth we had four meetings one being our Annual Appreciation Christmas luncheon. Everyone enjoyed their lunch and social time. We showed appreciation by giving them a little Christmas gift.

Rosemary Johnson is due to go off M&P this year so we need someone to fill her role as spoke person for Karen Bryant.

Blessings Sandy Coe

Mission and Service Report for 2019

Once again we, were off to a good start, we had a soup luncheon on Jan.13.2019. with a take of \$340.00.

Valentine's Day we had loaves and grapes and cheese with a profit of \$135.00.

St Patrick's Day we had Irish Stew and Chili with bread and buns with a profit of \$347.00.

On camp Sunday we had hot dogs and some goodies and a profit of \$250.00 less attendance than other year's.

On Mother's Day we had cake and ice cream with a profit of \$ 140.00

June brought us around to Father's Day and we had the ever popular Sundae Sunday a profit of \$135.00.

July and August M&S take a well deserved holiday and return in Sept with some new ideas.

As September is a busy month we brought back ever popular Sundae Sunday with a profit \$135.00

In October cooler weather brought back our soup luncheon low turn out but we still made \$294.00.

November everybody is thinking about Christmas and we had another Sundae Sunday we took in \$111.00

As always we want to give back to the Congregation so on Dec.08. we had a free snack of loaves, cookies and squares along with a visit from Santa and goodie bags for the children.

We would like to Thank the Soul Sisters who donated
\$1500.00 to M&S.

On Nov.21 M&S cleaned the parlor from top to bottom well needed thanks Liz for your suggestion then a little later we helped deep cleaned the Church also needed.

We made our pledge this year of \$9000.00 with an amount of \$9225.00 sent in thanking all who contributed in any way.

Sandy Coe Chair

Debbie Laycock Secretary

Ross Langman Treasurer

Allan Wright Treasure of Miss Piggy

Marianne Tomlinson, Liz McKnight, and Janice Drinkill.

Way to go Team M&S.

Respectfully submitted Sandy Coe

2019 Music Director's Report

The biggest musical highlight in 2019 for St. John's would have to be the arrival of our 'new' Yamaha grand on Mon Mar 25. Since then, service music seems to sparkle a little brighter, particularly when Karen Parnell takes over on the piano and I am able to move to the organ. Special thanks regarding the speedy completion of the project should include Karen who partnered with me as an ad hoc "piano search" committee, Beth Truax and the Worship committee, Ross Langman and the Finance Committee, and Jerome.

Three other music events jump out as particularly notable from 2019: the two "You Asked for it" concerts on Mar 3 and Oct 6 and the Canadian Food Grain Cantata presented Nov 24. I think most would agree we should do those again. Regarding the "You Asked for It" concerts, it was so inspiring to see each having large attendances and wide ranges of performers. The Elmvale area not only has a lot of talent, St. John's in particular has a great emcee in Rick Mueller to bring it all together. As to the Canadian Food Grains cantata, the effort seemed worth it in multiple ways: attendance and offering was high, the music was surprising fun to learn and perform, and the feedback was very appreciative (e.g., "I would come back tomorrow and listen to that again").

Continued appreciation and thanks to the Praise Team for again providing music leadership at ten services in 2019. And similar appreciation and thanks to Karen Parnell, not only for playing piano on Sundays when she is there, but also for her music direction when requested (most particularly, her fine direction of Double Treble).

Below is a list of other special church music moments from 2019, ordered by date:

- After much rehearsal, the choir's initial performance of *Africa* on Jan 20 was polished and greatly appreciated (Thanks Will, for the steady beat!)
- Later that week, many St. John's choir members joined with St. Paul's Midland choir at the funeral for former music director Phyllis McCullough on Jan 25 in Midland. Karen Parnell was the soloist at the funeral.
- Rev. Meg, the Choir and Double Treble once again led a Vesper Service on Thu Feb 21 for the residents and staff of Sara Vista.
- As we enjoyably do every year, our choir joined with other Elmvale choristers to present the cantata *Hallelujah, What a Savior* on Palm Sunday evening Apr 14.
- With a lot of sadness, the choir (and Double Treble) performed at the Presbyterian farewell event for Rev. Paul Sakasov on Jul 13. (Rev. Paul appeared particularly touched that our choir performed an arrangement of his original piece *Abba Father*).
- Also now part of our yearly routine, the choir (and Double Treble) participated at Gospel in the Park the evening of Sun Jul 28.
- Meanwhile over the summer, special music for services typically was provided by guest musicians, including for the first time, Rev. Meg herself (thanks for that bit of multi-tasking, Rev. Meg).
- For the first time over the summer, Double Treble continued practicing regularly specifically to provide music leadership at the annual name-day mass at the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland (Sep 28). Service attendees seemed very appreciative and immediately talked about a DT return in Sep 2020. I was particularly honored on the occasion that DT performed my *Nunc Dimittis*.

- We in the choir was very excited in early Oct to learn *Night of the Father's Love* had been selected to do in Advent at the community cantata service... *Night* is definitely one of our favorites! Thus, rehearsals were a joyful end to Thursdays through much of the fall. Final performance took place Sun evening Dec 15 at the Presbyterian church and was very well received.
- With mixed emotions, our annual Christmas Lessons and Carol Service took place on Sun Dec 22. Sadly, we were missing Rev. Meg due to her fall earlier in that week. On the other hand, Rev. Meg had the service prepared well in advance and everyone came together to once again provide an extraordinary service of calm re-centering just before Christmas.

Looking forward to 2020, I am very excited simply for more of the same, but also inspired to expect our St. John's music team climbing ever higher in its support of our mission.

Bob Bruer St. John's Director of Music

Outreach/Publicity Team Report

2019 was a busy year for our team. We continue the mandate to inform via the website, Facebook, quarterly newsletter. Fern's team continues to live stream Sunday services and other special events.

Each Wednesday morning we organize coffee and goodies for the Spirit Café, which offers a safe, open discussion space to which all are welcome. The last Tuesday of the month is the evening café. Movies and discussion have now been incorporated into that evening.

Our PA day camps have become a popular, and obviously needed, community outreach. We are lucky to have such a dedicated team of volunteers to supervise the wonderful children.

The year started out with the making of the photo directory. It took many hours of work to organize sittings, update listings and then the layout of the directory itself.

In April we helped with the Health and Wellness Fair. For a first time, it was well attended with people enjoying the different speakers, booths and vendors. Mark your calendar for the 2nd Fair on April 4th 2020.

Once again, we headed out in the bus to the Blue Jays game for a fun, family day.

In September we held Sunday Funday. There was a great turnout for the friendly baseball game both players and their fans. All enjoyed goodies and sundaes.

The last event of the year was organizing the float for the Santa Claus Parade. Despite being a bone chilling day, a number of hardy people rode on the float.

We are always looking for new people to join our "fun" team. No special requirements as everyone has their own talents. So please come and join Fern, Karen Turner, Kari, Krista Belrose Robyn, Susie and Pam as we plan activities, inform and reach out.

Respectfully submitted by Pam Erskine, Chair.

Praise Team 2019

We have the pleasure of providing music to the St. John's congregation approximately once a month. We do a mix of contemporary Christian music, as well as throw in some good old gospel tunes. Our little group consists of many talents. Will, Greg, Sam and Cheryl provide the music with the playing of instruments (and some sing as well!), while Marianne and Beth do vocals. Unfortunately Don and Linda are no longer singing with us, and we miss their talents enormously.

We are always welcome to new song ideas as well as new members!

Good music and great fellowship is what happens when we come together to Share the Word of God.

Respectfully submitted

Beth Truax

Property and Finance 2019

It has been an interesting year, as we have moved forward into the next decade. To remain viable, we have made some hard, but fiscally necessary decisions. We have been very fortunate to have the support of the Church Council and the congregation. The Manse will be sold, and the proceeds will be invested. The interest, only, will be used to off-set the routine operating costs of the church.

As a church, we have been blessed with many volunteers, who pick up their hammers, and screw drivers and cheerfully work to maintain the church, in a timely manner. Thank you to everyone.

Respectfully submitted.

Rosemary Johnston

Sunday School Report for 2019

We continue to use the same curriculum, recycling past lessons. We have 8 teaching teams, two to a team. We welcomed Hannah Parnell and Kaitlyn Fitzgerald as teachers, replacing Sarah Parnell and Peggy McGee in September 2019. Thank you to Sarah and Peggy for all their past contributions.

Marianne Tomlinson visited the Sunday school class to talk about her trip to Uganda. A box was set up to collect notebooks, pencils and other school supplies to go with her to Uganda. On her return, Marianne shared her experiences with the children.

On June 2, 2019 – 17 children attended the firemen's breakfast. On June 9, 2019- the church picnic was held at Heritage Park with Hannah Parnell, Kaitlyn Fitzgerald and Naomi Hales graduating from Sunday school.

After summer break, Sunday school resumed September 8, 2019. A lot of planning went into this year's Christmas pageant. A final dress rehearsal was held on December 1, 2019 followed by a pizza party. The pageant "A Super Christmas" written by Vanessa Unti, was performed on December 8, 2019. We feel it was a great success. The play was chosen by Kari and directed by Melanie.

With God's guidance, we look forward to another great Sunday school year, resuming January 5, 2020.

Debbie Laycock and Debbie Langman on behalf of all the dedicated teaching teams.

Sunday School Financial Statement 2019

Bank Balance January 1, 2019		\$1,567.99
Income	\$1,191.06	
Expenses	\$303.49	
Bank Balance December 31, 2019		\$2,455.56

SON LIGHT SOLAR PROJECT

<u>Income for 2019</u>		<u>Expenses for 2019</u>	
<u>Date</u>	<u>Hydro One Income for electricity produced</u>		
Jan	275.09	Hydro One Charge	73.20
Feb	421.05	Bank Charge	9.75
Mar	463.56		82.95
April	941.55	2013 Solar Income =	\$10,977
May	873.38	2014 Solar Income =	\$10,100
June	946.36	2015 Solar Income =	\$11,248
July	1,124.40 ?	2016 Solar Income =	\$11,384
Aug	1,500.54	2017 Solar Income =	\$9,737
Sept	1,345.76	2018 Solar Income =	\$10,219
Oct	996.08	2019 Solar Income =	\$10,221
Nov	907.86	To date we have produced 98.5 MWh of electricity which is 75 Tons of Carbon Offset, 1,846 saved trees, 8.2 households usage for one year.	
Dec	425.86		
	10,221.49		

Sam Langman

Trustee's Report 2019

This year we were given direction from the Council to sell the manse. Action began. But first a severance was needed. An ad hoc committee was formed to tend to this. Members were Jan D., Ken F., Sam M. Allan W. and Ross L. from P and F. Permission from Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council was needed and granted and Springwater Council has granted permission. Ask Ross L. how easy this was! We discussed our duties in the Emerging Teams Work Schedule and felt we were up to date in our responsibilities. We decided to have 4 meetings a year- Jan., May, Sept., and Nov./Dec. or on demand as required. Doreen Turner Pres.

Soul Sisters 2019

The Women of the Church, took on a new name in Sept Soul Sisters of St Johns have had a busy year. Jan. has some members going to Sara Vista for a tea party and Birthday party. Our annual Strawberry Lunch was very successful and we were able to give back our profit to the church funds.

Our members make monthly visits to our senior members who are not able to come to church. Funeral lunches and birthday and anniversary parties keep us busy all year long. Dec. has us packing up Christmas baskets for 22 seniors , some our church members and others who live in Sara Vista. By the end of the year we were able to support the building fund for the new ELMVALE FOOD BANK .

Submitted by Marianne Tomlinson co Ordinator of Soul Sisters (Soul Sisters financials on page 17)

Worship Team Report

We are all unique, and different things touch different hearts. For some, it will be a heartfelt simple prayer that speaks to you at a difficult time in your life. For others, it may be the music that makes the hair on the back of your neck stand up, or for others it may be the sharing of Communion.

The Worship Team of St. John's work towards having various emotions at each service. Prayers are written, music is chosen, and messages are crafted in an acknowledgement that those present, in person, and online, are going to experience God in different ways each Sunday.

There are so many that contribute to shaping our Worship; musicians, scripture readers, greeters, tech booth operators. There are just so many people that add to each service, and to everyone I would like to thank you. Your help in any way is truly appreciated.

And as always, I am extremely grateful to the Worship Team. Our discussions, our prayers and our laughter make the meetings a joy to have.

As I welcome our new co-chairs of Worship, Cheryl McGinnis and Krista Haidner, I am excited to see what is in store for St. Johns services.

Respectfully submitted

Beth Truax

Soul Sister's Financial Report 2019

Balance Forward		\$5,138.94
Income		
Banquets	2907.97	
Funeral Lunches	2295.00	
Memorial Luncheon	250.00	
Offerings	439.00	
Strawberry Lunch	2018.25	
Interest	2.89	
Total	\$7913.11	\$13,052.05
Expenses		
Piano fundraiser	1000.00	
Food Bank Building	1000.00	
Camp Simpresca Campers	200.00	
Camp Simpresca	400.00	
Sunday School	325.00	
Mission and Service	1500.00	
St John's church	2050.00	
Kitchen Food	18.20	
Kitchen upkeep	139.72	
Vacuum cleaner	45.00	
Total	\$6,677.92	
Balance	\$6,374.13	
Minus funds held for accessibility	-\$ 2500.00	
Actual Balance		\$ 3,874.13

St. John's United Church 2019 Finance Statement

SPECIAL FUNDS HELD WITHIN ST. JOHN'S BANK ACCOUNT				
	FUND BALANCE	INCOME	EXPENSES	BALANCE
	Jan. 1 2019	2019	2019	Dec. 31 2019
Accessibility Fund		578.00		578.00
Building Repair Fund	5,183.88			5,183.88
Youth Group	936.53		158.20	778.33
Youth Ministry	2,984.36			2,984.36

GENERAL FUND

General fund Balance Jan 1, 2019		21,226.54
RECEIPTS		
Numbered Envelopes	66,659.13	
PAR (Pre Authorized Remittance)	30,760.00	
Loose Offering	1,751.00	
Church Use	4,030.00	
Manse Rent	10,250.00	
Women's Group	2,050.00	
Golf Tournament	6,327.53	
Fall Fair Meals	4,055.46	
Turkey Supper	4,934.37	
HST Rebate	4,588.54	
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR GENERAL FUND	135,406.03	
Minus total Church Expenses	138,523.23	
2019 Expenses over income		-3,117.20
GENERAL FUND Balance Dec 31,2019		18,109.34

St. John's United Church 2019 Expense Statement & 2020 Budget

	2019	Budget 2020
MINISTRY & PERSONNEL		
Salaries: Minister	57,396.00	57,536.00
Pension CPP EI	11,827.23	12,000.00
Auto Allowance	596.08	800.00
Continuing Ed. & Book Allowance	1,524.69	1,442.00
Telephone Allowance	480.00	480.00
Custodian	7,372.53	7,511.00
Church Administrator	7,662.00	7,740.00
EI CPP	415.78	425.00
Music Director	7,078.14	7,104.00
SUB TOTAL	94,352.45	95,038.00
FINANCE AND PROPERTY		
Church – Heat – Hydro – Water	10,206.71	11,000.00
Telephone & Internet	2,522.86	2,000.00
Repair & Maintenance – Church	3,530.40	4,000.00
Manse		1,000.00
Snow Removal	3,226.15	3,500.00
Insurance – Church – Manse	8,166.96	8,000.00
Property Taxes	3,742.81	2,000.00
UP – Keep SUB TOTAL	31,395.89	31,500.00
Presbytery Dues	4,523.00	4,523.00
Office Post, Paper, Sundry	3,293.31	4,000.00
Miscellaneous Items	1,135.00	3,000.00
EDUCATION TEAM		
Sunday School – Youth – Adult	130.81	1,500.00
OUTREACH & PUBLICITY TEAM	377.55	500.00
WORSHIP TEAM	3,315.22	3,500.00
TOTAL	138,523.23	143,561.00

2020 Ministry Team

Minister:	Rev. Meg Jordan
Director of Music:	Bob Bruer
Church Administrator:	Karen Bryant
Custodians:	Paul and Heather Toner
Women of the Church Representative	Marianne Tomlinson
Worship Team Chair	Cheryl McGinnis & Krista Haidner
Praise Team Leader	Sam Langman

2020 Council Executive

Coordinator	Beth Truax
Secretary	Pam Erskine
Board of Trustees Chair	Doreen Turner
Sunday School Representative	Debbie Laycock
Memorial Team Chair	Liz McKnight
Men's Fellowship Group	Allan Wright
Ministry & Personnel Team Chair	Sandy Coe
Mission & Service Team Chair	Sandy Coe
Outreach/Publicity Team Chair	Pam Erskine
Property & Finance Team Chair	Rosemary Johnston
Treasury Team Representative	Ross Langman

Proposed 2020 Group and Team Membership

Accessibility Team

Ken French
Rosemary Johnston
Pam Erskine
Susie Elliott
Krista Belrose
Kathleen Kenney
Meg Jordan
Carrie Nesbitt
Jim Miller
Linda Muller - chair

Allenwood Cemetery Board

Ross Langman

Board of Trustees

Doreen Turner - Chair
Jan Drinkill - Secretary
Dick Marshall
Sam McGee
Ken French
Rev Meg – exofficio

Education Team

Allison Parnell
Karen Parnell

Memorial Team

Ross Langman
Liz McKnight
Muriel Townes

Men's Fellowship Group

Allan Wright

Ministry & Personnel Team

Allan Wright
Rosemary Johnston
Sheila Jackson
Sandy Coe

Mission & Service

Sandy Coe
Jan Drinkill
Marianne Tomlinson
Debbie Laycock
Liz McKnight (volunteer)
Allan Wright (co-treasurer)
Ross Langman (co-treasurer)

Outreach/Publicity Team

Pam Erskine
Fern Bianconi
Krista Belrose
Susie Elliott
Karen Turner
Robyn Sawyer
Kari VanLaarhoven

Praise Team

Sam Langman
Marianne Tomlinson
Beth Truax
Don Kennedy
Greg Parnell
Will VanLaarhoven
Cheryl McGinnis

Property & Finance Team

Jan Drinkill
Rosemary Johnston
Ross Langman
John Parnell
Greg Parnell
Sam Langman
Dick Marshall
Ken French
Allan Wright

Women of the Church

Marriane Tomlinson

Worship Team

Krista Haidner
Rick Muller
Cheryl McGinnis
Carrie Nesbitt
Kathleen Kenney
Jan Drinkill (chancel steward)