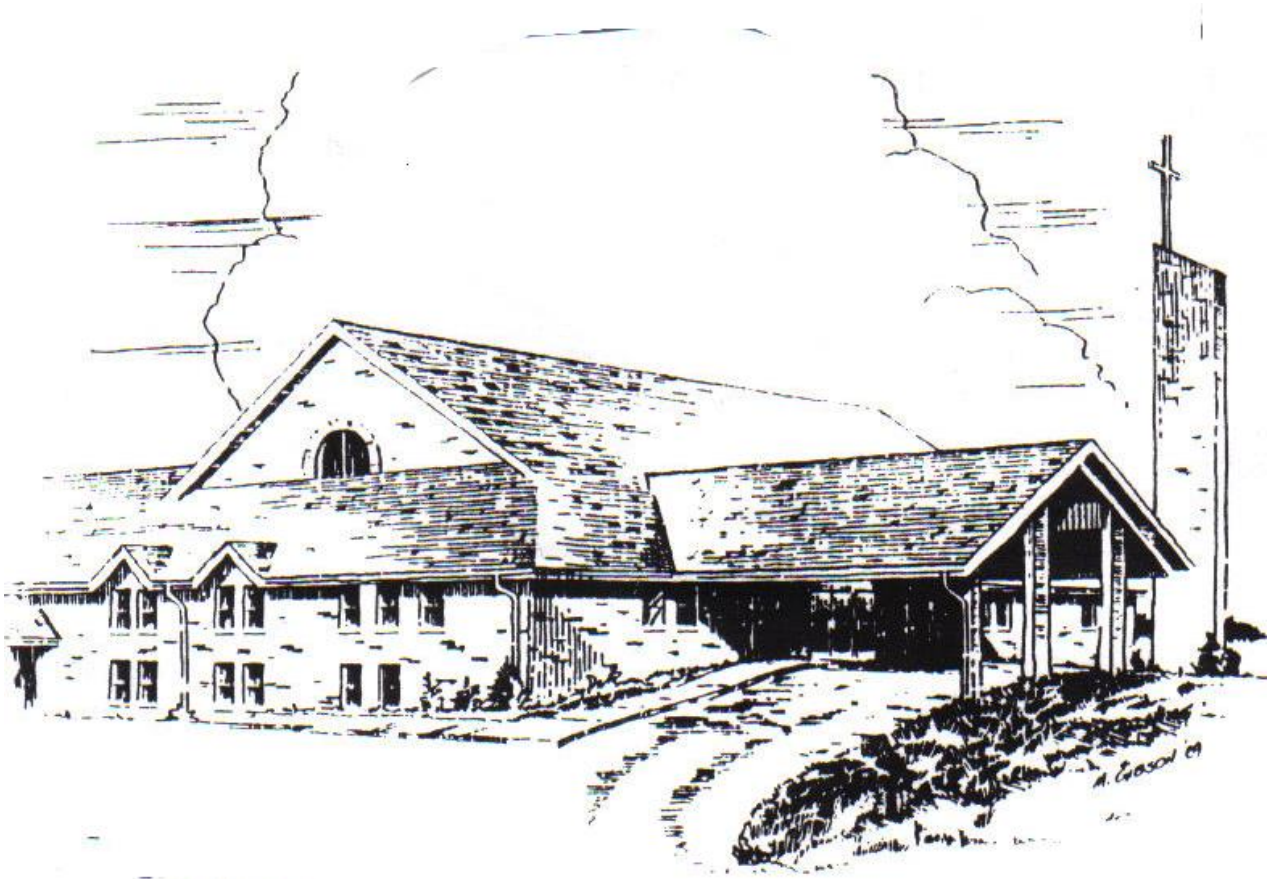


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AGENDA

Annual Congregational Meeting of Pickering Village United Church
Sunday, March 3, 2019

1. Welcome and Opening Devotions
2. Election of Chairperson and Secretary for Annual Meeting
3. Motion of approval for adherents to vote
4. Adoption of Agenda
5. Minutes from Previous Congregational Meeting – March 4 , 2018
6. Annual Report – The reports will be considered in the order they appear in the Annual Report (excluding 2019 Budget)
7. Auditors' Report for 2018
8. Year 2019 Budget Approval
9. Mission and Service Commitment for 2019
10. Report of the Nominations Committee
11. Other Business
12. Adjournment

MINISTERS' REPORTS

(Rev.) Dr. Steven Davis

When the word “church” gets used today, it’s usually in reference to a building. But that is far from what the Bible means when it speaks about the “church.” In the Bible, the word church is a translation of the Greek word “ekklesia.” An ekklesia is a gathering or an assembly of people. It can also be translated as “called out ones.” The church is the gathering of those people who have accepted the call to follow the way of Jesus Christ rather than the way of the world; the gathering of those who have accepted as their own a divinely inspired mission to reach society with the good news of God’s grace and love through Jesus Christ. So, really, the foundational meaning of “church” is people, rather than buildings. And yet, when you ask people about their church, they’ll usually respond with reference to a building - “I attend Pickering Village United Church.” That’s why, in any discussion about what we mean when we think of “church” I’m always drawn to Paul’s words in Romans 16:5: “Greet also the church in their house.” Paul understood that the church was not the house in which the assembly happened; it was the people who made up the assembly. For us, and perhaps it’s appropriate to be reminded of this in the Annual Report, our church is not Pickering Village United Church. Our church is the assembly of people who faithfully gather on Sundays and on other days to share their zeal for the work of Christ and the word of God through worship, through mission projects, through Christian Education programs, through community outreach and through so much more. It is these things that make the church a real church and that make the church far more than just the building inside which we gather.

In the pages of the Annual Report you read about the work of the church; the work done by our particular assembly of people of faith. We are a busy community of people, indeed, with a commitment to reaching out to an even wider community of people, both close by and far away. Through all of the different things we do that touch the lives of other people, we are living out the example of Jesus Christ and that is why it remains such a blessing to be a part of this PVUC community.

As I look back on 2018, I feel that we’ve come a long way. For some time now it seems as if every week, when I stand at the pulpit, I see new faces and new families – many of whom have chosen to join us on a regular basis. Congregations are living things that go through constant change (it’s been said that the only things that don’t change are things that are dead) and Pickering Village United Church today is a different place than the one I first entered almost four years ago. I think the changes have been positive. We are an open and welcoming community that closes its doors to no one. I’m excited by the possibilities that are stretching out before us. While all churches are facing challenges in today’s world, I truly believe that the future is bright for PVUC.

I want to express my thanks to all of you for making this particular assembly truly one that, in my mind, represents the way of Christ. We are blessed with lay people who share their talents in a multitude of ways and with a ministry staff (Karen, Ruth and Oksana) who are as devoted a group of people as I’ve ever had the privilege of working with. The road ahead isn’t always going to be an easy one. It never has been for the people of God. But united by our faith in God and by our love for one another, Pickering Village United Church will continue to move forward, touching and changing lives in the process.

Blessings to all.

Rev. Karen Smart

Dear Friends,

As I reflect back on 2018 and our work as God's people in Pickering Village there is much to give thanks for. It has been a year in which, first and foremost, God, Emmanuel, has been with us. "Emmanuel" means "God with us". God is with us always, forever, continually. If we take the time to pause and reflect, we feel God's presence filling us. Leading us, giving us comfort and encouragement. Emmanuel challenges us to new possibilities, and gives us the courage and strength we need to greet each day. Yes! We have known that God is with us during 2018!

It has been a year of many joys: dinners, lunches, concerts, reaching out to others and learning together. We shared many laughs and even shed a few tears. We supported each other. Not only do I feel supported by the PVUC family, but also by wonderful colleagues – Steven, Ruth and Oksana – you are wonderful to serve with. Our team works well together! Our Voluntary Associate Minister, The Rev. David Jones, is also there to support this team.

My primary responsibility is to support the Christian Education Programs. Faith formation is an important part of our journey of faith. We are blessed with a wonderful team. Special thanks to all of them, but especially to our Chair and Sunday School Superintendent, Brenda Plummer. The gourmet hot dog lunches feed our bodies and our souls. Our church school teachers – John Scott and Brenda Plummer - teach our children all year. A highlight of this year was the re-addition of our Youth Group, which is capably led by Sharon Hull and Jordan Plummer. Kat Murdoch runs our Nursery with love and lots and lots of patience and humour! The children, youth and young adults did a great job on Christmas Eve. We have received rave reviews from many of you. It was a story of great love told in a new way and with great enthusiasm– through the mission of God's Angelic Messengers. Our Church School enjoys baking and feeding the congregation their cookies and planting gardens and Mother's Day plants in the spring. The congregation also enjoyed other productions they presented which were directed by John Scott. Our children do a great job of sharing the Good News with us!

I also supported the fall study group as each participant took a turn leading the study based on the book *The Women of Christmas* by Liz Curtis Higgs. The discussions were lively and touched our hearts.

My secondary role is Pastoral Care for the PVUC family and beyond. The team reaches out regularly to our shut-ins while Steven and I focus on other pastoral care. The ministers also visit the shut-ins during the year. We have taken communion to Viva Retirement Home and to some of our shut-ins.

Other roles include: Worship leadership every 4 to 6 weeks and during the summer (allowing Steven time with our children, and time to have Study Leaves and Vacations) and attending meetings – especially Christian Education, Council, Presbytery, Worship, Visioning, etc. and Staff Meetings. I have also been the Staff Resource to the team looking at the AV needs for PVUC.

The Corn Roast was a wonderful day. Many new faces were welcomed to our Church and we enjoyed the music, the corn, the fries and the crafts.

As an ordained minister who serves among you in a half-time position, one of the most challenging things for me is that there is more work that could be done which does not fit into this time frame. The days and my heart are full.

God has richly blessed us! Emmanuel – God is with us! Thanks be to God!

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PICKERING VILLAGE UNITED CHURCH 2018

MINISTERS (Rev.) Dr. Steven Davis, B.A., M.Div., D.Min.
Rev. Karen Smart, B.A., M.Div.

CHURCH COUNCIL

Chairperson*	Chuck Hay
Vice-Chairperson /Nominations*	Pam Spence
Secretary*	Jennifer St. Aubyn
Treasurer*	Suzanne Jones
Christian Education	Brenda Plummer
Communications	Harcus Hennigar
Finance	Bill Fox/Sean Aune
Ministry & Personnel	John Scott
Mission & Service	Ruth Webster
Property	Douglas Brown
Stewardship	Carrie Green
Board of Trustees	Bill Fox
United Church Women	Carrie Green/Heather Laderman
Visioning & Growth	Bob Martindale
Wellness & Social Concerns	Pat Gottschalk
Worship	Doreen Hallé

(*Members of the Council Executive along with the ministers)

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS-AT-LARGE

Term Ending Annual Meeting 2018:

Sue Barron, Dianne Catchpole, Rosemary Nash

Youth Representatives: Vacant

Representative to Presbytery: Bob Martindale

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Bill Fox	Chair, Second term ending Annual Meeting 2020
Doug Dodge	Lifetime member
Douglas Brown	First Term ending Annual Meeting 2019
Chuck Hay	First Term ending Annual Meeting 2020
Frank Green	First Term ending Annual Meeting 2021

AUDITORS

Sean Aune, William Fox, Mark Scanlan

COMMITTEES OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL, 2018

The Minister (except for M&P) and the Church Council Chairperson are ex-officio members of all committees.

RENTALS & COMMUNITY USAGE

(a sub-committee of Executive)

Douglas Brown	Interim Chair
Ruth Fox	Church Office Coordinator

CHOIR

Bob Martindale	President
Phil Cox	Past President
Karen Bell	Sing & Rejoice
Marion Fraser	Social
Oksana Hahn	Music Director
Judy Hicks	Secretary & Hearts and Flowers
Fran Sancroft	Treasurer
Michele Kerkos	Librarian

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Brenda Plummer	Chair/Sunday School Coordinator
Steven Davis	Minister
Karen Smart	Minister
Sharon Hull	Youth
Rhonda Keys	
Rosemary Nash	Scouting
Shirley Whitely	Secretary

COMMUNICATIONS

Harcus Hennigar	Chair
Dianne Catchpole	VOICE Editor
Jan Dodge	
Doreen Hallé	UCW
Gloria Murkar	Secretary
Marg Taylor	

FINANCE

Bill Fox/Sean Aune	Chair of Finance
Bill Fox	Trustees Treasurer
Susan Hill	UCW Treasurers
Carrie Green	UCW Treasurers
Harcus Hennigar	M&S Treasurer
Suzanne Jones	PVUC Treasurer
Fran Sancroft	Choir Treasurer

GROWTH AND VISIONING

Bob Martindale	Chair
Sean Aune	
Chuck Hay	
Judy Hicks	
Sharon Hull	
Michele Kerkos	
Garth Mann	
Marcia Railer	
Rob Rick	
Pam Spence	

JEAN OUTHOUSE AWARD

Fran Sancroft	Chair
Oksana Hahn	Music Director
Judy Hicks	
Bob Martindale	
Ruth Webster	

MEN'S GROUP

Tom Smart	Chair
Garth Mann	Vice-Chair
David MacCutchan	Secretary
Bob Masters	Treasurer
Bob Martindale	Events Coordinator

MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL

John Scott	Chair
Dianne Catchpole	
Ruth Gartlan	
Gwen Smith	

MISSION AND SERVICE

Ruth Webster Chair
 Mary-Anne Pietrusiak
 Pat Anderson
 Barbara Catto
 Harcus Hennigar Treasurer
 Marion Luik
 Charles Railer
 Marcia Railer
 Janet Simmons
 Pam Spence

NOMINATIONS

Pam Spence Chair
 Doreen Hallé Past Chair
 Harcus Hennigar

PASTORAL CARE TEAM

Karen Bell
 Betty Jane Crump
 Steven Davis, minister
 Doug Hines
 Fran Sancroft
 Rev. Karen Smart
 Gwen Smith
 Marilyn Wilson (liaison)

PROPERTY

Douglas Brown Chair
 Paul Blouin Sound
 Bob Masters Security
 Lois Polak UCW
 Clint Sturgeon Exterior

STEWARDSHIP

Carrie Green Chair
 Linda Hearn
 Harcus Hennigar
 Lois Polak
 Audrey Pritchard
 Gwen Smith
 Jennifer Wells

UNITED CHURCH WOMEN – Officers

Carrie Green/Heather Laderman
 Penny Sadeek/Carolyn Webster
 Gwen Smith
 Gay Manley
 Nancy Fitzgerald
 Doreen Hallé
 Michele Kerkos
 Susan Hill
 Carrie Green/Marilyn Brewer/
 Ruth Webster/Sharon Hull
 Doreen Hallé
 Ruth Fox
 Carrie Green
 Chris MacCutchan
 Brenda Plummer
 Doreen Hallé
 Lois Polak
 Vacant
 Vacant
 Gay Manley
 Bev Silson

Co-Presidents
 Co-Vice-Presidents
 Secretary
 Treasurer
 Executive
 Executive
 Executive
 Sympathy Cards
 Funeral Teas
 Jack Frost
 Joy Bags
 Kitchen Convenor
 Supply & Service
 U.C.W. C. E. Rep
 U.C.W. Communications Rep
 U.C.W. Property Rep
 U.C.W. M&S Rep
 U.C.W. Nominations Rep
 U.C.W. Finance Rep
 U.C.W. Worship Rep

WELLNESS AND SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Pat Gottschalk Chair
 Karen Bell Secretary
 Rev. Steven Davis
 Betty Metcalf
 Ruth Webster
 Marilyn Wilson Volunteer Parish Nurse

WORSHIP

Doreen Hallé Chair
 Ruth Fox Secretary
 Steven Davis Minister
 Karen Smart Minister
 Oksana Hahn Director of Music
 Bob Martindale Choir
 Brenda Plummer CE Chair
 Bev Silson U.C.W. Rep.
 Sue Barron

NARRATIVE REPORTS

PASTORAL REPORT

Ruth Fox, Church Office Coordinator

I. WEDDINGS

In 2018, 9 couples were united in marriage by ministers of Pickering Village United Church. These weddings are recorded in the Church Marriage Register.

II. FUNERALS

The Ministers officiated at 39 funerals recorded in our Burial Register.

We take this moment to honour our many friends and relatives and members of the community who died during 2018:

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|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Ariss, Blaine | Kelly, Helen |
| *Bailey, Betty | Kennedy, Gary |
| Beda, Velda | Kettle, Doug |
| Bisnath, Charandai | Lockyer, Jean |
| *Bongard, Muriel | *Masters, Sue |
| Chambers, Chantal | McLean, Joyce |
| Chorley, Norma | Mearns, Norma |
| *Daniels, Freda | Moore, Eva |
| Docherty, Joseph | Mulholland, Helen |
| *Dutly, Albert | Oliver, Gloria |
| Ethier, Gerard | Persaud, Vickanand |
| Flint, George | Pietrusiak, Jerzy |
| Freeman, Scot | *Plant, Howard |
| Gilbert, Glenn | *Proctor, Al |
| Godfrey, Sheila | Rombough, Mary-Louise |
| Groundwater, Anita | *Ryan, Dave |
| *Guthrie, Grace | Tan, Siew |
| Harradine, Leona | *Tryon, Lois |
| Harrison, Robert | *Van Pelt, Mary |
| Headley, Bartel | Williams, Amanda |
| Hemmings, William | Wilson, James |
| Honingh, Jacob | Yarmie, Gary |

* adult PVUC member

“Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, that they may rest from their labours, for their deeds do follow.” Revelation 14:13

III. BAPTISMS

In 2018, there were 7 baptisms – 4 infants and 3 children who were received into the Church by the Sacrament of Baptism. Their names have been recorded into the Church Register for Baptisms, in the Sunday worship bulletins and the newsletter.

IV. NEW MEMBERS

In 2018, there were no new members received into the fellowship of the church.

V. MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

Total Membership January 1, 2018		591
Received by action of Church Council	0	
Received by Certificate of Transfer	0	
Received by Confirmation	0	
Total Received		0
Removed by Death	11	
Removed by Certificate of Transfer	5	
Removed without Certificate	0	
Total Removed		16
Total Membership, December 31, 2018		575

About 25 or 30 tickets for each of the Clothing Boutiques have been handed out to some of our Benevolent Fund clients and that has been very well received.

We thank the PVUC congregation for its continuing support and generosity.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Fox, Church Office Coordinator

CHURCH COUNCIL AND CONGREGATIONAL COMMITTEES

CHURCH COUNCIL

Church Hay, Chair

It has been a good year for PVUC, full of deeply satisfying events and bereft of staff changes! We can now celebrate a full year of consistency in all of our ministerial and staff positions, which is a great feeling. It is hard to believe that Steven is well into his fourth year of leading our flock and that he and Karen have been such a strong team for over two and a half years! Oksana has now completed her first full year with us and her time and talents have served us well. Again – what would we have done without Ruth’s steady hand over the last few years?

We have also completed our second year with the new governance structure at PVUC, and I extend a heartfelt thank you to our Council members who have made the new structure work. Between the work of Council and the incredible efforts of our committee chairs and members we have had a year of worship, outreach, ministry, fellowship, service and celebrations to remember.

You will read many of the details in the various committee reports but I simply have to mention the on-going ministry of the foot clinic, the never ending ministry pouring out of the kitchen, the clothing (and eating!) boutique, the Christmas concert, the fabulously successful community corn roast and the final crowning glory of the Christmas Eve pageant! Once again I am humbled and grateful for the skill and dedication of our congregation and our leaders. It has been a good year indeed. The spirit of God and His love are working in our congregation and we have every reason to believe that we will reach new heights in 2019.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

William Fox, Chair

The main role of the Trustees is to protect the people and property of the church. We accomplish this by working alongside other committees such as Property, Finance and the Executive. The Trustees ensure that the building and those who come here are properly insured.

The Trustees hold the capital funds of the church, the reserve that covers major expenses. Our building structure is now over twenty years old and the Trustees along with the Property Committee are constantly monitoring the building to ensure its ongoing viability. Due to the nature of the projects that come under the Trustees’ stewardship, the costs are usually substantial. We are therefore grateful for any financial support and fundraising efforts that can be directed towards the Trustees funds.

RENTALS AND COMMUNITY USAGE

Douglas Brown, Chair

We had another busy calendar this year.

Our revenue increased to just over \$31,000 for the year. This is a small increase over the past year. We had fewer funerals and weddings but more rentals including Pickleball and The Young Singers who are now here every week throughout the school year.

We also had two film crews renting our north parking lot to use as their base of operations.

It is of note that all users do not pay for the use of our facilities. Most are gratis, some make minimal donations in cash or to the Food Bank.

We generally only receive revenue from weddings, funerals, recitals and family events.

We are occasionally approached by parties that we cannot accommodate for reasons of space or for causes unacceptable to our mandate. We do our best to be open to all requests for space.

Weekly User Groups

Young Singers
1st Ajax Brownies
19th Ajax Guides
1st Ajax Rangers
Al-Anon (New Hope)
Alcoholics Anonymous
3rd Greenwood Sparks
Minds in Motion (Alzheimer
Exercise)

Weekly User Groups

Streetsmart Protection
Wado-Kai Karate
Little Kickers Soccer
Adult Exercise
Pickle Ball

Monthly User Groups

Amnesty Executive
Amnesty International
Alzheimer's Society
Gilwell Scouting Group

CHOIR

Oksana Hahn, Choir President

Started Music Director position on December 2, 2017.

Going through the busy season of Advent and Christmas was challenging at that time but choir members demonstrated great support and willingness to adjust to change and to learn new music successfully!

During the past 14 months of my employment at PVUC, the Choir took on an important spiritual leadership role in several community and fundraising events. Many of these undertakings had been initiated several years ago. Some remain to be an important part of our church life; some might need review and reassessment.

I suggest that on an occasion when the choir and/or music director participate in a fundraising event a portion of the profit should be allotted to the choir budget to cover extra expenses.

The Choir works with great enthusiasm to learn new repertoire and new styles of music. All members are dedicated and committed singers. Upgrading repertoire is the new goal for the choir. Over 40 titles of newly learned music have been already presented to the congregation during Sunday services, Christmas concert and other special events.

Most of the new music consists of SATB settings. Modern styles of music like Praise Songs are being gradually introduced into our morning services. I suggest we encourage congregational singing during the Music for Gathering and to display words on the screen.

In December 2018 we welcomed two new members to our choir.

Our goal in the 2019 season is to provide our congregation with fresh ideas and directions, to ensure that our choir is well known in the community of Ajax and has the ability to lead, to look into more ways of working together with other churches, choirs and music directors and to provide better support for local music/art programs, kids camps and parent workshops.

Due to the fact that my part-time employment contract is only 10 hours per week, time efficiently spent on communication (emails and meetings) and more time spent on preparation for worship (like practicing the organ and working on the repertoire) need to be recognized.

I am truly enjoying working with the PVUC choir to provide high quality music for the congregation and our Ajax community. I find it very rewarding.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Brenda Plummer, Chair

Our committee continues to benefit from the leadership of Rev. Karen Smart. Her vision, curriculum preparation and involvement with our Sunday School and Youth have been very beneficial. Despite small numbers, we remain a determined and motivated committee!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

This year has again seen consistent but low numbers in Sunday School/Youth. Recently there has been an increase noted! Staff included John Scott (Gr. 7-8), Heather Anderson (K-5), Kat Murdoch (Nursery), Rev. Smart and Brenda Plummer (coordinator/teacher K-5). Many thanks to our dedicated staff and volunteers who have helped when needed. The children participated in services at Easter, White Gift and Christmas Eve, and enjoyed hosting a bake sale where over \$400 was raised and divided among three child-chosen charities.

YOUTH

The youth class was combined with John Scott's senior Sunday School class until September when we were blessed to have the leadership of Jordan Plummer and Sharon Hull for our youth. Our Post- Secondary young adults were remembered with prayers, blessings and Tim Hortons cards during final exam preparations in the spring. Our graduating youth were presented with prayer shawls to surround them with our love and prayers as they continue on their post - secondary studies/activities.

STUDY PROGRAMMES

Our Lenten study was "The Women of Easter" by Liz Curtis Higgs. Our Advent study was "The Women of Christmas". These were facilitated by Rev. Karen Smart and the participants helped lead each session. They were enjoyed by all who attended.

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMMES

CE has continued to co-ordinate and host the very popular Fellowship lunches after church (about 8 times per year). They have averaged about 100 people staying to enjoy the simple lunch and fellowship time together. In February we hosted a traditional potluck which was enjoyed by all. CE could use the assistance of more volunteers for these lunches, especially in the areas of setup and cleanup.

CLOTHING BOUTIQUE

Jennifer St. Aubyn

PVUC recognizes the importance of social responsibility and giving back to the community. The Clothing Boutique is one of the many outreach programs that provides opportunities for members to give back to our community through the use of their gifts to those less fortunate.

It has been over a year since the first Clothing Boutique was launched by a team consisting of Lynn Davis, Jennifer St. Aubyn, Ruth Went and Sue Barron. With the help of many volunteers our first shopping expedition saw 75 shoppers come through our doors on Saturday, September 16, 2017 in the Church Gymnasium. For that Boutique, shoppers were invited from the St Paul's on the Hill Community Food Bank in Pickering. Margaret from the St Paul's Food Bank recommended the Christian Life and Southside food banks in Ajax. Since that time we have sponsored five Boutique expeditions but never matched the attendance of the first. However, donations increased tremendously from PVUC's generous congregation. Consequently, invitations have been extended to other food banks and churches that offer programs for people in need throughout the Durham Region.

Our current list of recipients to whom invitations have been extended is as follows: PVUC Benevolent Fund; Christian Life Centre, Ajax, ON; Faith Family Centre, Ajax, ON; Oshawa Refuge Centre, Oshawa, ON; Southside Worship, Ajax, ON; St Andrews Community Outreach, Whitby, ON; St Paul's On The Hill Food Bank, Pickering, ON; Joanne's House, Ajax, ON; Colours Group, Ajax, ON; All Saints Anglican Church, Whitby, ON; and Welcome House, Pickering, ON. The team maintains a list of the number of tickets distributed and follows up with those who received tickets and did not

attend to see if they are interested in receiving notification for future events.

At the last Boutique held on November 17, 2018, after expanding our outreach, 173 shoppers were the recipients of warm winter coats and clothing. The gratitude shown for the gifts received made us feel that our efforts were not in vain. It is also heart warming to hear the consideration from those who are cognizant of the needs of others by reminding the helpers of the need for them to leave for others.

The success of these events is dependent on the many volunteers who help with the sorting of clothing, the set up the day before the event, assisting on the day of the event and also to the church congregation for donations. The team would like to give a special thanks to Brenda Short, Judy Hicks, Marcia Railer, June Simon, June Foster and Val Jordon, who have been consistent in their support for this project. Another special thanks to the UCW for providing lunch for the shoppers. With these helping hands we will strive to improve the quality of life and enhance the vitality for others in the community.

It is better to give than to receive.

COMMUNICATIONS

Harcus Hennigar, Chair

The Communications Committee is responsible for the Annual Report, the Church Directory, *VOICE* newsletter, publicity of PVUC events and activities, Church libraries, the roadside sign and the PVUC website (www.pvuc.ca).

Thanks to Bob Martindale for keeping our roadside sign up-to-date and to members of the congregation who provide ideas for the sign.

The Church website provides information to members of the congregation and the community. *VOICE*, weekly bulletins, news about upcoming events and a calendar of Church events along with photos and other features are placed on the PVUC website.

The Committee use email to contact Church members about upcoming services and events. With the implementation of the Anti-Spam legislation several years ago, all church 'mass email' communications contain information required by the legislation for contacting the Church to request deletion from future Church emails. Thanks to Shirley Whitley who edits and distributes our weekly email updates to 190 email addresses.

We currently publish two versions of *VOICE*, one for print and the other for the website. The latter contains more photos and colour material. Thanks to the many people who contribute to *VOICE* as well as those who distribute it. Thanks to Dianne Catchpole who serves as co-editor and photographer for *VOICE*. Thanks also to Ruth Fox for her help producing the various publications which are the responsibility of the Committee.

Thanks to Phil Cox and Paul Blouin for creating and posting online DVD recordings of Church services.

Our Church libraries, located in the Lounge and in the Library, are self-operating. Thanks to those who donate books as well as those who return their borrowed books in a timely fashion.

Thanks to the members of the Communications Committee for their work this past year.

GROWTH AND VISIONING COMMITTEE

Bob Martindale, Chair

The Committee met seven times in 2018 in our quest to re-vitalize the spirit of the congregation in order to ensure a long-term future, in keeping with our mandate.

Highlights of our accomplishments included:

- Organizing our first annual corn roast/open house, held on Sept. 8, which provided an opportunity for the community to see what PVUC is all about, featuring displays by the various committees and the Sunday School, lively entertainment provided by Meredith Cutting, the “Singing Policeman”, and delicious refreshments;
- Producing two tri-fold brochures advertising our special events around Easter and Christmas;
- Advocating for a better sound system to assist in communicating our message;
- Promoting a return to regular coffee hours;
- Arranging for Kris Tavella from the United Church Edge Network to provide an overview on how congregations can make better use of their property, followed by discussions on how we can apply that to our situation.
- Sean Aune continued to provide rides to church for those unable to drive.

We concluded the year by realizing we need to involve the congregation more deeply in developing a vision for the future and, to that end, intend to distribute a survey aimed at exploring our strengths and opportunities, identifying the emerging needs of the community and suggesting ideas for using our physical plant more effectively. Stay tuned!

MEN’S GROUP

Tom Smart, Treasurer

Highlights of our activities during 2018 included the annual Shrove Tuesday pancake supper and the spaghetti dinner on May 11. In 2019 we plan an increased focus to return to our goal of promoting “spiritual and personal growth through fellowship and service to our church and wider community”.

MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL

John Scott, Chair

Our committee deals with the full time employees of Pickering Village United Church. This does not include those who we employ on contracts. As a result the focus of our activity is Reverends Steven Davis and Karen Smart and our church office coordinator Ruth Fox.

From our experience and from the feed back we have received, the M and P Committee feels that we have been well served by the efforts of the employees of PVUC. If you ever have any concerns with our leadership team please speak to one of the members of our committee. They are Gwen Smith, Dianne Catchpole, Ruth Gartlan and myself. Needless to say we also want to hear from you if you have positive comments to make.

Ruth Fox remains the very positive, understanding, first line of contact for our church community. She is informative, sympathetic and very knowledgeable relating to our church rules and more importantly our church participants. Her encouraging manner is very supportive for many. If you ever don’t know where anything is or what the process is Ruth inevitably knows.

Karen Smart brings with her a wealth of knowledge of Presbytery and United Church policy. That knowledge is a very real benefit to many of the committees that make up the PVUC Church Council. Far more importantly, in my view, is Karen’s works with the children and youth in our church. The Church school is growing and now has a youth group again. Karen is very empathetic with the members of our congregation and supportive of so many of our events.

Steven does most of the sermons for us. Though I’m usually downstairs with the Sunday school when the messages are provided, those I am present for are filled with self- effacing humour, spiritual take-aways and strong messages for the congregation. He is very approachable about any issues that impact on our members. Steven has a very strong ability to assist in discussions on any church issue and move people in the correct direction.

Again I reiterate that if you have any concerns about our staff, please bring them to our attention. We’re also happy to receive good news stories. If anyone would like to become a member of the M and P committee, please let me know and we’ll take steps to make that happen.

MISSION AND SERVICE

Ruth Webster, Chair

As we look back on 2018, we see continued strong support for the M & S Fund of The United Church of Canada. Each month through Minutes for Mission we learn about ways we, as The United Church, share God's love with global partners and, in Canada, work for justice, supporting hospital and university chaplaincies, small congregations and new ministers.

In February, our Choir joined your M&S committee to host a joint fundraiser Music Café. A big "Thank you" to all who performed and attended.

Dr. Paul and Pedrinah Thistle with their 3 boys visited us in June to share their experiences working at Karanda Mission Hospital. For months before that visit there was much preparatory work. Ladies were sewing dresses, shirts and shorts for orphans. You were checking the Karanda wish list and bringing in items and a team was sorting and packing them in boxes. After the Thistles' visit, another great team filled 3 vehicles and delivered everything to a storage site.

In November we welcomed Robert Berglez, Executive Director, who shared the work of Cornerstone, Oshawa to assist the homeless. Thank you for the many items you donated to help those folk get through a cold winter.

Again in 2018 we were able to contribute \$1,500 from the Dorothy Westney bequest to Los Quinchos School for Child Vendors in Managua, Nicaragua via the Extra Measures program of The United Church.

Special mention should be made of the ongoing support of our UCW. The offering from the June meeting went to support Karanda Hospital. An annual contribution is made to the M&S Fund. Thank you, ladies!

Also, a thank you to the Sunday school children who collected coins for M&S through Advent in boxes they made and presented on Christmas Eve.

How often do we get a chance to change the world? Daily through Mission & Service we bring hope, healing and justice to people who need our support. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to this important work we do together through M&S, that none of us could do alone.

NOMINATIONS

Pam Spence, Chair

The Nominations Committee met to discuss the needs of our church in terms of Council members and committee chairs. The needs are ongoing and there are always vacancies to be filled. If you are approached by a member of the Nominations Committee, it is because your gifts have been recognized. Please give prayerful consideration to this volunteer request. Our church can only survive and thrive when we share our gifts and talents.

PROPERTY

Douglas Brown, Chair

We finally had some action on our cell tower this fall. The compound has been re-worked with fence re-location and existing Freedom Mobile structures being removed at the north end of the compound. Bell has completed the repair and updating of their equipment on the tower. Freedom Mobile will be installing their equipment on the tower in the spring of 2019. Freedom's addition to the tower also includes expansion of the compound by the size of approximately one parking space at the south end. The fence will be added to as required. There will be additional landscaping done at the base of the tower as well. This work is being done at Bell's expense, no cost to PVUC.

We still have ongoing problems with student drop-off and pick-up using our property. The school is sympathetic to our concerns and has communicated with the parents about the problem. It is better, but still a problem.

We have had electrical and roofing issues over the past year that were taken care of, with thanks to the Trustees.

We had the large trees on the property pruned and basically cleaned up for the first time in my memory. One tree at the south end was dead and threatening the tree next to it, so it was removed. This was a cost paid by the Trustees.

Yearly, I must give my extreme thanks to all who volunteer to make PVUC a physical presence within our Community. You know who you are, and I thank you endlessly for your help.

UNITED CHURCH WOMEN

Carrie Green and Heather Laderman, Co-Presidents

This year Carrie Green and Heather Laderman have been acting as co-presidents. The format has changed. We have discontinued the units. We now meet as one larger unit. In an effort to make our meetings more accessible we decided to hold our meetings at 11:30 on the first Tuesday of the month for November and January to April. The business meeting is followed by a lunch prepared by the executive. After lunch we have a short worship service or a guest speaker. We hope to be finished by 1:30. Evening meetings from May to Oct begin at 6:30 with some light refreshments followed by our meeting. Our worship services have included discussions about some of the women in the Bible. These have been led by Doreen Hallé. Speakers have included two from the Local Health Integration Network. Next month Cecile Willert will speak to us about her trip to Africa.

In October we hosted the Fall Gathering where the guest speaker spoke about hospice care in the Durham Region. She talked about the efforts of Port Perry and Whitby to build these facilities locally. It inspired people to start talking about the need for such a facility in Ajax-Pickering. As a result, at our budget meeting, we agreed to donate \$1,000 to Durham Hospice. We also donated \$3,500 to local charities. We are also supporting the Visioning Committee in their efforts to upgrade our audio visual equipment. We continue to support the Mission and Service Fund and SCAW.

We have participated in several fund raising activities. Dinner at Lunch continues the second Friday of every month except July and August. We have catered several funeral teas and dinners. It was fun working on the Royal Tea to celebrate Harry and Meghan's wedding. Work continued on the Spring Fling and the Snowflake Market, both of which were very successful.

We would like to thank everyone who has volunteered their time to help out this year.

WELLNESS AND SOCIAL CONCERNS

Pat Gottschalk, Chair

2018 was another busy year for the Wellness and Social Concerns Committee. All of our programs and services are available to both the congregation and the greater community in efforts to promote wellness to all.

We hosted two well-received Lunch and Learn events. In May, Loretta Tanner gave an excellent presentation on "Living Well With Dementia". We learned how to interact with those afflicted with this condition as well as how to support them and their caregivers. In November, Registered Dietitian Maxine Fung taught us about "Healthy Eating as We Age". We learned several useful tips and were given a handout which included resources to find more information.

The Foot Clinic continues to provide a much needed and appreciated service to members of the congregation and the community thanks to the efforts of volunteer nurses Shirley Guppy and Marilyn Wilson. In 2018, we welcomed Jeneen Savela-McFaul to our nursing team. Jeneen volunteers her time on an occasional basis as she has a full-time nursing position. We would like to thank our dedicated receptionist, Lynn Robertson, for all her years of service and send best wishes to Lynn as she makes her new home in Calgary. Since September, Karen Bell has most capably taken on the role of Receptionist. In 2018, 450+ clients attended the weekly clinic which runs from September to June. Although the clinic is free, the generosity of many clients keeps it self-supporting.

For 4 years Linda Lum has been leading adults in exercise classes at PVUC. With her great knowledge of how our bodies work and the various health issues we may have as we age, Linda provides adaptations of each exercise to fit

the needs of the participants. We meet on Wednesday mornings in the Fellowship Hall from 10:00-11:00. All are welcome to come to this community outreach project.

Our Pastoral Care Team of 6 have visited or kept in touch with members of PVUC who are shut-in. Meetings were held with our ministers approximately every 3 months to update our list of people to be visited. Services of communion were held 3 times at Viva in Pickering. Poinsettias were delivered at Christmas. Thanks to all for your caring and sharing.

The committee members again agreed to make a contribution to Karanda Hospital, Zimbabwe. Dr. Paul Thistle provides obstetrics and gynecology services in this underfunded hospital and his mission aligns well with that of the Wellness and Social Concerns Committee.

We supported local food banks with targeted food drives, regular donations from the congregation and unsolicited large donations from community groups. White Gift Sunday in December, once again, generated an abundance of food donations. We thank the congregation for their continuing support of the food banks and remind all to keep checking expiry dates before donating.

WORSHIP

Doreen Hallé, Chair

The word “worship” can be both a noun (the feeling or expression of reverence and adoration) and a verb (to show reverence and adoration, honour with religious rites). The verb worship also has many synonyms: revere, venerate, honour, adore, praise, glorify and exalt. We are blessed to have two wonderful and experienced ministers to lead us as we strive to bring these words to life in our worship services. As well, we also have many lay people who are willing to share their gifts and lead and participate in services. M&S Committee, UCW, Amnesty, and Wes Fuller all led services throughout the year. We heard from some interesting guest speakers as well as members of the congregation. In June there was a Blessing of the Animals service held on a Sunday afternoon. Our Anniversary Sunday, celebrated in October, was a very successful Memorial Hymn Sing organized by the Stewardship Committee. We are hoping it will become an annual event, not necessarily on Anniversary Sunday.

Music is an integral part of worship at PVUC and our Music Director, Oksana Hahn, and the choir are certainly doing their part to provide us with a rich variety of both well known and new material. Thanks also to those who provide us with special music during the summer months when the choir takes a break. It is greatly appreciated.

The sacrament of Holy Communion is regularly scheduled for the first Sunday of every second month as well as at various other times during the year. This year, unlike previous years, communion was also offered in the summer. The bread served is gluten free and all are welcome to participate. There was seen to be a need for the anointing at the end of some services, and this is planned for 3 – 4 services per year.

There were two services on Christmas Eve, the 7pm family service and the 11pm candlelight service. The Sunday School presented a fabulous pageant, written by Karen Smart, for the family service. The set was amazing and the children did a wonderful job. They looked like they enjoyed it as much as the congregation did! Thanks to all who helped to make it such a success.

Worship Committee would like to thank all those who help make the weekly services meaningful and enjoyable. Thank you to the technical group for the AV support. Thanks to the greeters and ushers who welcome us in and to the Chancel Group for making sure all is ready and in the right colour and that there are always candles (unless they mysteriously disappear) and a means to light them available.

New ideas for worship are always appreciated as well as feedback on what you like or don't like about the services. Please speak to anyone on the Worship Committee, or better yet, offer your time and ideas and join us.

ORGANIZATION

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL GROUP 90 (AJAX-PICKERING)

Marcia Railer, President

Group 90 had a very successful year as we increased our knowledge of human rights and continued to promote human rights through our activities. Throughout the year we met on the last Monday of each month except June, July, and August. In March we held our annual interfaith church service with guest speaker Toronto refugee lawyer El-Farouk Khaki who spoke of the challenges refugees face coming to Canada and some of the misconceptions Canadians have about refugees. During the year we presented various petitions to be signed after church services as well as letters to global government officials. In April a member of the group participated in a demonstration to support refugees organized by Amnesty International Toronto in downtown Toronto. In September several members of our group attended an Amnesty meeting hosted by Toronto Amnesty at Ryerson University where we were updated on Amnesty issues and heard Amnesty Canada Secretary General Alex Neve identify the most significant human rights issues of 2018. In October we welcomed Anne Woolger, the founder of Mathew House, to our monthly meeting where she spoke about the struggles of refugees and how her organizations assists them on what is often a lonely and difficult journey. In December we participated in the global Write for Rights campaign and were pleased to have collected approximately 100 letters written on behalf of 10 selected prisoners of conscience (selected by Amnesty International globally). During the year we also had two library displays highlighting Amnesty International's work and specifically our group's events. We look forward to continuing our human rights work in 2019.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

AUDITORS' REPORT

William Fox, Sean Aune, Mark Scanlan, Auditors

To the congregation of Pickering Village United Church:

We have examined the financial reports, statements, ledgers, receipts, etc. Of the Church as made available to us for the year ended December 31, 2018. Our examination included tests and other procedures as we considered necessary to support the amounts and disclosures shown for the following accounts:

- BENEVOLENT FUND
- BOARD OF TRUSTEES INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS
- BOARD OF TRUSTEES CURRENT ACCOUNT
- CHOIR
- MEN'S GROUP
- MISSION AND SERVICE
- STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE
- UNITED CHURCH WOMEN (U.C.W.)
- WELLNESS AND SOCIAL CONCERNS
- GENERAL (MAIN OPERATING) ACCOUNT

In our opinion, the financial reports present fairly the cash position of the Church as at December 31, 2018 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

BENEVOLENT FUND

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Opening Balance	\$ 1,459.43	\$ 1,568.26
Deposits		
Total Deposits	6,314.25	4,531.78
Expenditures		
Total Expenditures	3,650.00	4,640.61
Income over Expenses	2,664.25	- 108.83
Closing Balance	<u>\$ 4,123.68</u>	<u>\$ 1,459.43</u>

BOARD OF TRUSTEES FINANCIAL REPORT

William Fox, Treasurer

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Receipts:		
<u>Non designated gifts</u>		
Envelopes	\$ 11,852	\$ 7,881
Community Sale	0	1,102
Interest Income	4,058	214
Other income	24,200	2,513
GST / HST Refund	943	0
Bell Telus Tower	17,000	17,000
	<u>58,053</u>	<u>28,710</u>
<u>Designated and memorial gifts</u>		
Jean Outhouse Bursary	750	200
Other	5,270	3,700
Total Receipts	<u>64,073</u>	<u>32,610</u>
Expenditures:		
Loan to General fund	\$ -	\$ -
Bell Tower Funds to General Fund	7,000	10,000
Repairs and maintenance	32,525	9,642
Building and property security	2,685	1,045
Computer and internet	0	1,660
Bank charges	108	129
GST / HST Paid	4,577	1,618
<u>Designated expenditures</u>		
D. Westney M&S Fund	1,500	1,500
Jean Outhouse Bursaries	500	0
Total Expenditures	<u>48,895</u>	<u>25,594</u>
Excess (Deficit) of Receipts over Expenditures	<u>15,178</u>	<u>7,015</u>
Assets:		
CIBC chequing account	\$ 48,184	\$ 63,052
ING savings account	51,537	51,149
Manulife Bank savings account	55,489	51,819
Total Cash	<u>155,210</u>	<u>166,020</u>
Loan to General fund	38,000	12,000
Total Assets	<u>193,210</u>	<u>178,020</u>
The Board of Trustees holds the following amount in trust		
Carpet & Flooring Trust	3,444	3,318
Elizabeth St. Cemetery	5,000	5,000
Jean Outhouse Bursary Fund	1,704	1,292
D. Westney M&S Trust	6,826	8,076
D. Westney General Fund Trust	479	461
UCW Trust	3,114	
Organ	4,575	4,407
Sunday School Computer Trust	386	372
Other designated	137	132
Government Grant	800	0
Undesignated	166,746	154,961
	<u>193,210</u>	<u>178,020</u>

CHOIR FINANCIAL REPORT

Fran Sancroft, Treasurer

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Opening Balance	\$ 1,112.62	\$ 736.77
Deposits		
Sing and Rejoice	-	3,240.00
Music Cafe	525.00	-
Concert	580.00	-
Donation	500.00	-
HST / GST Refund	-	140.53
Dues		170.00
Total Deposits	<u>1,605.00</u>	<u>3,550.53</u>
Expenditures		
Sing and Rejoice		2,633.41
Music Cafe	117.88	
Christmas Concert	118.65	
Flowers, Gifts & Cards	319.24	159.69
Office supplies	43.07	217.95
Membership Choirs Ontario	50.00	
Concert Performers	775.00	
PVUC in Memoriams	140.00	
Bank Charges		163.63
Total Expenditures	<u>1,563.84</u>	<u>3,174.68</u>
Income over Expenses	41.16	375.85
Closing Balance	<u>\$ 1,153.78</u>	<u>\$ 1,112.62</u>

MEN’S GROUP FINANCIAL REPORT

Bob Masters, Treasurer

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Balance as of December 31, 2017	\$ 664.41	\$ 862.56
Deposits during year		
Pancake supper	\$ 530.00	\$ 684.05
From sale of hockey tickets	101.00	
Refund from pancake mix	12.39	
Spaghetti dinner	202.00	
Unidentified deposits		226.50
Total Deposits	<u>\$ 845.39</u>	<u>\$ 910.55</u>
Disbursements during year		
Joannes house charity		\$ 200.00
Horizon House		200.00
Pancake supplies and waffle maker	239.92	94.90
Jean Outhouse memorial fund	200.00	200.00
General fund	600.00	400.00
Bank Charges	14.55	13.80
Total Disbursements	<u>\$1,054.47</u>	<u>\$1,108.70</u>
Income over Expenditures	<u>\$ 209.08)</u>	<u>\$(198.15)</u>
Balance as of December 31,2018	\$ 455.33	\$ 664.41
Outstanding cheques		200.00
Bank Balance at end of year	\$ 455.33	\$ 864.41

MISSION AND SERVICE FINANCIAL REPORT

Harcus Hennigar, Treasurer

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
M&S Fund Receipts		
PVUC	\$27,803.56	\$27,802.24
PVUC UCW	\$2,335.00	\$4,000.00
PVUC Sunday School	\$31.50	\$107.77
PVUC Lenten/Thanksgiving/ Christmas Offerings	\$1,025.00	\$0.00
Upper Room	\$202.05	\$214.40
New Beginnings (mis-deposits)	\$250.00	
SUB-TOTAL	\$31,647.11	\$32,124.41
Dorothy Westney Bequest (1)	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Karanda Hospital	\$3,512.50	\$5,160.00
TOTAL	<u>\$36,659.61</u>	<u>\$38,784.41</u>
M&S Fund Disbursements		
M&S - United Church of Canada	\$30,550.00	\$32,050.00
Karanda Hospital	\$3,292.50	\$5,160.00
Dorothy Westney Bequest (1)	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
M&S WDR	\$1,025.00	\$0.00
New Beginnings (mis-deposits)	\$250.00	
TOTAL	<u>\$36,617.50</u>	<u>\$38,710.00</u>

(1) Annual \$1,500 donation to Los Quinchos School for eight years.

Bank Balance	\$6,642.11	\$6,574.41
O/S Cheques	\$6,600.00	\$6,500.00
TOTAL	\$42.11	\$74.41

M&S Dorothy Westney Bequest	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Disbursements	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Balance	\$6,300.00	\$7,800.00

The Dorothy Westney bequest was received in 2012 and transferred to the PVUC Trustees for investment on behalf of the M&S Committee.
 In 2018, money from the. bequest (\$1,500) was donated to Los Quinchos School for Vendor Children in Managua, Nicaragua via the Extra Measures program of The United Church of Canada.

STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

Susan Hill, Treasurer

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Ledger Balance as of Dec. 31/17 was:	\$4,162.83	\$5,402.10
Revenue:		
3T Project Results	475.00	700.00
Hst Refund for 2017	65.31	603.59
Murder Mystery Night	-	2,169.00
Ian Sadler lunch/sale of pies/bean soup	<u>2,225.00</u>	<u>1,994.25</u>
Total Revenues	\$2,765.31	\$5,466.84
	\$6,928.14	\$10,868.94
Expenses:		
Bank Charges	\$ 23.40	\$ 7.65
Dinner & Pie Expenses	455.07	610.46
Flowers & Planters	558.33	799.38
Downstairs Bathroom	54.90	263.58
Donation to General Fund	2,000.00	1,000.00
Lunch for Ian Sadler	195.26	-
Paint	67.30	28.38
3T Start Up Project		500.00
Murder Mystery Expenses		653.16
Paid HST on Grant Project		2,677.00
Welcome Back dinner		166.50
Postage	<u>92.08</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Expenses	\$3,446.34	\$6,706.11
Ledger Balance as of Dec. 31/18	<u>\$3,481.80</u>	<u>\$ 4,162.83</u>
Bank Balance as of Dec. 31/18 was \$3, 481.80	\$6,928.14	\$10,868.94

UCW FINANCIAL REPORT

Gay Manley, Treasurer

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Ledger Balance as of Jan 1 2018	\$14,078.64	\$ 13,048.19
Ledger Balance as of Dec 31 2018	\$ 21,907.17	\$ 14,078.64
2018 Total Deposits	\$ 38,008.83	\$ 31,646.52
2018 Total Expenses	\$ 30,380.30	\$ 30,616.07
Revenues		
HST refund	\$ 538.33	\$ 1,152.87
Offerings and Donations	\$ 3,083.85	\$ 3,009.50
Catering Revenue	\$ 19,316.05	\$ 12,302.80
Snow Flake Market	\$ 10,217.85	\$ 8,702.35
Spring Fling Market	\$ 3,855.25	\$ 3,071.00
Fashion Show		\$ 3,170.00
Other	\$ 150.00	\$ 238.00
PVUC piano refund	\$ 847.50	
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	\$ 38,008.83	\$ 31,646.52
Expenses		
Catering Revenue	\$ 4,381.77	\$ 3,619.98
Snow Flake Market	\$ 1,709.48	\$ 1,111.38
Spring Fling Market	\$ 849.51	\$ 855.44
Fashion Show		\$ 905.32
PVUC piano tuning	\$ 1,278.15	\$ 375.00
Appliance purchase	\$ -	\$ 2,818.22
Kitchen Repairs and Expenses	\$ 2,916.21	\$ 3,502.12
Tues Morning Crafts	\$ 732.42	\$ 395.80
Table Setup	\$ 1,642.28	\$ 1,534.00
Snow Flake Market donation to General Fund	\$ 7,542.09	\$ -
Donations to Trustees to invest for UCW	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -
Utilities donation		\$ 2,100.00
Visiting Friendship & Sympathy		\$ 71.73
Memorial fund donation (Trustees)	\$ 484.00	\$ 105.00
Benevolent fund donation	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Bursery, Presbyterial, World Development		\$ 450.00
Youth Group		\$ 580.00
Karanda	\$ 89.99	
Mission and Service	\$ 2,337.50	\$ 4,000.00
Donations and Special Projects	\$ 1,157.50	\$ 4,946.59
Christmas Gratuities	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 575.00
Bank Charges	\$ 161.81	\$ 331.67
Garden, Xmas Plants, Church Decorations	\$ 766.26	\$ 467.12
Admin Costs	\$ 81.33	
Misc		\$ 484.34
UCW Guest Speakers	\$ 150.00	\$ 387.36
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	\$ 30,380.30	\$ 30,616.07
Revenues over expenses	\$ 7,628.53	\$ 1,030.45
Ledger Balance	\$ 21,707.17	\$ 14,078.64
Outstanding cheques	\$ 200.00	\$ 150.00
Bank Balance at December 31st	\$ 21,907.17	\$ 14,228.64

WELLNESS AND SOCIAL CONCERNS FINANCIAL REPORT

Suzanne Jones, Treasurer

Category	2018	2017
INCOME		
Other Income: Bank Interest	3	
Exercise Class	863	852
Foot Clinic	2,831	4,218
Total Other Income: Outreach	3,694	5,070
HST+ GST Refund	0	76
TOTAL INCOME	3,697	5,146
EXPENSES		
Fitness Instruction	1,470	1,262
Foot Clinich	244	548
Foreign Outreach	500	1,000
Local Outreach	36	-
Lunch & Learn	-	115
Professional Services Honorarium	473	-
Training and Development	348	
Shipping	9	18
TOTAL Other Admin	3,080	2,943
Sales Tax	35	69
Donation to General Fund	1,500	1,000
TOTAL EXPENSES	4,615	4,012
OVERALL TOTAL	(918)	1,134

TREASURER'S REPORT

Suzanne Jones

GENERAL FUND 6 Year Balance Sheet (Cash Basis)

Account	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
ASSETS						
Cash and Bank Accounts						
ADP Accruals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meridian Chequing	17,701	32,337	20,677	23,336	15,401	23,337
Meridian Savings Account	5,868	4,014	2,397	2,535	3,329	4,539
ACCRUALS - Miscellaneous	-	-	(411)	(511)	(511)	(511)
PrePaid Expenses - City Electric Supply	-	-	-	-	-	54
PrePaid Expenses - RONA	79	24	90	46	-	-
Millwork PrePaid Expenses - Wiring	40	123	-	-	-	-
Mart						
TOTAL Cash and Bank	23,688	36,498	22,752	25,405	18,218	27,419
Accounts						
Other Assets						
ex. Funds held in Trust						
TOTAL Other Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	23,688	36,498	22,752	25,405	18,218	27,419
LIABILITIES & EQUITY						
LIABILITIES						
Meridian Savings Account						
Directed Refugee Support			1,000	501	501	501
Wellnes & Social Concerns	5,868	4,014	1,897	2,034	2,828	2,538
Total Meridian Savings	5,868	4,014	2,897	2,535	3,329	3,039
Account						
Loan from Trustees	13,096	21,682	3,000	6,000	12,000	38,000
Other Charitable Pass- through	-	-	559	-	878	855
SCAW Accruals	-	-	-	5	75	155
Amount Due Wellness & Social Concerns ¹			581	1,727	764	579
TOTAL LIABILITIES	18,964	25,696	7,037	10,267	17,046	42,627
EQUITY	4,724	10,803	15,716	15,138	1,172	(15,209)
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	23,688	36,498	22,752	25,405	18,218	27,419

1. Income and Expenses of Wellness & Social Concerns are received into and paid by the General Fund's chequing account. From time to time, funds are transferred into the savings account which is primarily used to hold the funds of Wellness & Social Concerns. Amount Due Wellness & Social Concerns represents funds in the General Fund chequing account which have not yet been transferred. Calculated as W&SC Income Less Bank Interest Less Expenses excluding Photocopying Less Donations from W&SC to the General Fund.

GENERAL FUND – 2018 ACTUALS AND 2019 BUDGET

Category	2015 Actual	2016 Actual	2017 Actual	2018 BUDGET	2018 Actual	2019 BUDGET
INCOME						
Christian Education	893	392	528	500	559	500
UCW (Snowflake Market, and other) ³	3,905	4,466	-	7,795	7,567	5,600
Other Fundraising ¹	305	204	878	2,000	706	4,000
Regular Givings (Weekly + PAR)	225,943	221,370	213,917	240,000	203,238	240,000
Thank Offering	10,275	8,030	7,326	30,000	20,856	27,500
Other Income ⁴	7,947	7,481	9,382	7,000	5,125	6,000
Rentals	20,888	20,091	24,878	20,000	8,206	30,000
Tax Refund	9,247	500	21,994	9,000	10,728	5,800
Trustees - Cell Tower	-	12,000	10,000	10,000	7,000	10,000
Worship	2,874	2,315	4,815	3,000	8,131	3,000
TOTAL INCOME	282,277	276,849	293,718	329,295	292,117	332,400
EXPENSES						
Administrative						
Christian Education	1,426	892	1,353	2,278	698	1,500
Interest & Bank Charges	951	831	934	950	866	950
Other Admin ²	14,545	5,967	12,077	17,000	11,820	13,000
Presbytery Assessment	8,837	8,282	8,024	7,470	7,470	8,826
Rentals	1,813	674	1,250	1,800	2,722	2,900
Telephone & Internet	3,287	3,556	3,921	4,200	4,317	4,500
Total Administrative	30,859	20,203	27,560	33,698	27,893	31,676
Building Expenses						
Insurance						
	8,945	8,257	8,921	8,945	8,284	9,601
Property						
Contracts	29,295	30,781	29,332	30,500	33,591	34,500
Other Property	3,311	4,704	6,543	7,000	7,252	7,000
Total Property	32,605	35,486	35,875	37,500	40,843	41,500
Utilities						
Gas	4,198	3,710	3,814	4,000	5,763	6,230
Hydro	16,840	15,465	15,918	16,200	13,739	16,200
Water & Sewage	1,158	1,218	1,257	1,300	1,314	1,300
Total Utilities	22,196	20,393	20,988	21,500	20,816	23,730
Total Building Expenses	63,746	64,135	65,784	67,945	69,942	74,831
Sales Tax	10,196	9,510	9,970	10,000	10,052	10,000
Sales Tax Rebate Dispersed	2,589	-	5,925		-	
Trustees (CanadaHelps.org)	-	-	290		-	
Worship						
Choir Leader & Musicians	16,905	18,750	17,584	20,200	18,720	20,000
Other Worship	5,084	3,844	3,807	6,050	5,237	4,500
Total Worship	21,989	22,594	21,391	26,250	23,957	24,500
TOTAL GENERAL AND ADMIN	129,378	116,441	130,919	137,893	131,845	141,007
Personnel Costs						
ADP Payroll Charges	662	683	688	750	560	700
Payroll	108,601	126,178	143,251	145,582	144,597	157,530
Payroll Benefits	25,871	2,791	4,306	4,376	4,166	4,539

Deductions and Expenses						
Canada Pension	5,261	4,761	5,008	5,089	5,075	5,157
E. I.	3,158	2,624	2,364	2,402	2,442	2,482
Income Tax	-	-	-	-	-	-
UCC Other	6,619	6,774	7,506	7,628	8,099	8,231
UCC Pension	11,219	11,356	12,835	13,044	13,014	13,226
Total Ded'ns and Expenses	26,257	25,515	27,713	28,164	28,630	29,096
Pulpit Honorarium / CE Leader	755	3,220	150	450		450
TOTAL PERSONNEL COSTS	162,145	158,387	176,108	179,322	177,953	192,315
Void Cheques	-	-	(84)	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	291,523	274,828	306,943	317,216	309,798	333,322
NET TRANSFERS	(2,413)	638	5,288	(12,000)	25,585	1,000
OVERALL TOTAL	(11,660)	2,658	(7,937)	79	7,904	78
 Trustee Loan included in Net Transfers						
FROM Loan from Trustees	7,000	20,300	12,000	-	26,000	-
TO Loan from Trustees	(12,602)	(17,300)	(6,000)	(12,000)	-	-
*TOTAL excluding Trustee Loan	(6,057)	(342)	(13,937)	12,079	(18,096)	78

NOTES TO THE GENERAL FUND CASH FLOW:

1. In 2018, the Yard Sale accounted for all other fundraising.
2. 2017 Actual includes \$175 Legal Fees. 2019 Budget includes \$2,000 for Growth and Visioning Committee. In 2018 Growth and Visioning cash expenses and revenue were \$854 and \$200 respectively.
3. 2018 Revenue includes receipts from the 2017 and 2018 Snowflake Market.
4. Outreach activities accounted for by the General Fund ex. W&SC activities, Observer, Photo Directory, Corn Roast; Employer donation matching; CanadaHelps.org
5. Slight variances between Actuals in Totals of Comparables and Budget are the result of rounding errors.