**ST. ANDREWS UNITED CHURCH**

**ANNUAL REPORT 2022**

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# Minister’s Message- Rev.Cheryl Bolton

“*Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old.****Behold, I am doing a new thing****; Isaiah 43: 18*

Slowly, as a nation we are awakening from the Pandemic and life is returning to “normal”. But is it the former normal? Should it be what we remember? Or is this an opportunity to do a new thing?

2022 has been a year of reawakening in the Church too. With restriction lifting we have slowly been doing more in the church and we saw the return of programs. Growing Youth returned, the Prayer Shawl Ministry returned, fundraising started again with rummage sales and dinners. Thankfully, we have been able to worship in person most of the year. Yet we are still tempted to lament because it doesn’t look like it did before. The programs are smaller, fundraisers are maybe not as well attended as before, dinners are drive-thru not sit-down meals and while in person worship is back it doesn’t look like it did before, the old normal. Sure, we miss the choir and some familiar faces. But “**Behold, God is doing a new thing!**”

This is a chance for a new beginning! What if this year we forgot the former things and focused our attention on the new possibilities? How does the saying go? When one door closes, another one opens. Let’s open that new door and peak through at the possibilities, together! Yes, change can be scary but it a lot less scary the alternative, not opening new doors.

So while we are currently without a choir, we have welcomed some new musical talents to our congregation. Our fundraisers may be different but we gained a new partnership with the Alzheimer’s society. While we have lost familiar faces and we will of course still remember them, we have welcomed new faces too. The time of lament is over, let’s focus on new things, on new ways of doing things. Let’s open some new doors in 2023!

We still welcome the past and learn from the past but let’s find new ways to walk into the future together. What does the future of St. Andrew’s United Church look like? We have a new partnerships, and while it may be different, maybe not as convenient and come with a few growing pains it is a great opportunity. Not only does it make better use of our building but introduces the Church to a new community of people. So let’s make them feel welcome and grow the relationship. Same with new members and new programs, let’s embrace the possibilities!

A new year, is full of new possibilities if we simply open new doors and let God do a new thing!

***Yours in Christ,***

***Rev. Cheryl Bolton, MDiv***

***Ordained Minister, St. Andrew’s United Church***

# Broadview Report

In 2022 there were seven subscriptions renewed as well as one new subscriber for a total of eight. Included in that number is one for the church that you may be borrow.

Broadview was named the best special interest magazine in Canada for the second year in a row.

Feel free to borrow a copy to see if this magazine piques your interest in subscribing. Renewals will be coming up soon, the cost is $25 per year. I can add you at anytime as the cost would be pro rated.

Margaret Hutchison

519-633-1105

# Creating a Mystery(Prayer Shawl)

This ministry has returned to running again. It takes place the first and third Wednesday of each month. Bring any craft project you are working on, enjoy some meditation, fellowship, and good conversation. Bring a friend along and enjoy the morning.

# Euchre for Seniors

Thank you to Paul Brezina and Neil Hatch for organizing this ministry. It occurs Every other Thursday at 1:30. Check your calendar. All are welcome.

# Growing Youth

We began the summer with 4 staff, Tevia Ostrosser, Brooklin Bogart, Tayla Hatch and

Skyler Potz( Skyler came to us through the Employment Services Elgin Program)

We also had 4 fabulous volunteers that joined our program

as well,

Zoey Hamm helped for 4 weeks

Ella Stirling helped for 4 weeks

Abbey Velestuk helped for 3 weeks and

Quinn Hamm helped for 2 weeks

We couldn't have gotten our program up and running without Cheryl, Susan, Merna and Belinda. Each day, Connie and Lynn dedicated their time with their creative and musical talents they offered to our campers. We had many of the congregation checking in on us and offering help, snacks and donations to our program and we appreciated that greatly.

This year with Covid still lingering and still deciding whether camp should run we ran a shorter program to get rolling again after our two-year break. We had a very successful summer with lots of familiar faces happy to return and even with a quick start up we had many newer faces too. With the help of our volunteers, this year we worked on a larger project and provided the children with a Noah's Ark Escape room that was set up in the balcony, we all had a great time planning this and seeing it through.  We ran this year's program very similarly to the previous years with lots of positive compliments from parents and lots of happy children.

Here is the breakdown of what our numbers looked like,

Week #1 13 children attended

Week #2 12 children attended

Week #4 13 children attended

Week #4 17 children attended

23 Children attended total, 18 of them never attending before

Thank you St. Andrew's for another great camp season,

Tevia

# Hosts for Fellowship

Thank you to Shirley Brezina and Nancy Sproule for arranging coffee hosts. Each week Shirley arranged people to host coffee time after church. They provided labour and often delicious snacks for all to enjoy.

# Ministry and Personnel

We welcomed 2 new employees to the St. Andrew’s team, Belinda Bainbridge taking over from Merna Edison. As well, Paul Brezina who began as custodian in January 2022. Thanks go out to Merna Edison for her years of dedicated service. Special thanks go out to our secretary Susan for her all her hard work and good humour. We thank Rev.Cheryl for all her caring dedication to our St. Andrew’s Family. She is helping our church grow and thrive in worship, fellowship, and community. Thank you staff!

# Operations Manual Committee Report

Updates were made regarding Covid Protocols during this year.

# Outreach Community Meals

Dinner meals were held in Sept., Oct., and Nov.

November was the turkey Christmas meal. The dinner meals are on the third Friday of each month at the St.Thomas Anglican Church on John Street. $124.18 was send on our contribution to the meals. The Bean blast was at St.Anne’s Centre on October 6th to help with finances.

Everyone is welcome to attend. Thank you for your support of this needed program.

Connie Parsons

Respresentative for St.Andrews Church.

# Building Committee

Building Committee helped to set up the new TV and equipment this year. New taps have been purchased for the kitchen. Other projects for the coming year include repair of stained glass in sanctuary.

# Ministry of Music

There has been a little variety this past year in the music department.  Merna has been a great help throughout the year filling in.  Thank you, Merna.   We’ve had special music from Belinda playing and singing with her guitar, and Thomas Bee creatively playing the piano.  Brian has been able to accompany me on the organ too on occasion.  I have struggled with eyesight difficulties from cataracts so I appreciate all the help and support.

Lynn Sloan

# Worship Committee Report

The work of this committee has been gaining momentum as restrictions have lifted. Communion was served 4 times throughout the year.

We kicked off the Lenten season with a well attended Ash Wednesday service and then carried on Lenten Spiritual Practises - switching back and forth between Yoga and Taize on Wednesday afternoons. Good Friday and Easter Sunday services were also observed.

A fun Camping Sunday service was held on Mother’s Day led in part by Nicky Bolton.

A joint Father’s Day service with Kerwood-Bethesda United Church was held on Seldom Rest Family Farms - The home of Dave and Cheryl Bolton

A service from the Canadian Food Grains Bank was held in July led by Helen Keenliside.

UCW hosted a 60th Anniversary worship service

The Sloan’s invited us to their lovely backyard for a worship service on the Civic Holiday weekend.

We officially welcomed two new members to the church in September - Linda Carver and Belinda Bainbridge.Belinda has also blessed us a number of times with her musical talents. Thank you so much!

Advent was a wonderfully busy time with the Greening of the sanctuary, White Gift service - in which we collected over 100 pairs of socks, 36 pairs of gloves, hats and blankets and we sponsored a single mother and her daughters for Christmas. We held our first Messy Church service and had such a good time that it was decided that we will incorporate a few more throughout the year.

Unfortunately, our Christmas Eve service had to become virtual at the last minute due to poor weather conditions but even so we had approximately 20 people join the Zoom worship and the service was recorded and posted online immediately after worship.

Many thanks to our hard working committee members and all those who helped deliver services and decorate the church. A big thank you also to our musician Lynn and Brian Sloan, Merna Edison and now Thomas Bee, who is joining our line up.

# Trustees Report

The Trustees met four times this past year to discuss the welfare of the church. We said goodbye to long-time committee member Jack Bell and welcomed JoAnn Day to our committee.

Discussions around finances and investments were on the top of the agenda, noting especially the need to cash in some of the investments to meet our operating expenses. We looked at the possibility of joining The United Church of Canada’s new insurance company but comparison’s proved that West Elgin Mutual is still a far more affordable alternative.

After much discussions regarding the cost of snow removal we approached our snow removal company, Nature’s Way, and made arrangements so that snow removal will only be done on days when the church is actually open and if there is an emergency, such as a funeral, Richard Allman has agreed to do it on his own. Current arrangement is Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays. Many thanks to committee member Gary C. for negotiating this arrangement.

See investment report in the Treasurer’s Report.

# Who We Are

**Budget Committee**: Belinda Bainbridge, JoAnn Day, Merna Edison, Marjorie Gowdey

**Building Committee and Friends**: Wilf Bradley, Paul Brezina, Abe Hamm, Carm Hutchison, Reg Tuff

**Euchre Committee**: Neil Hatch, Paul Brezina

**Greeting Card Ministry**: Monthly or bi-monthly rotation by members of UCW.

**Growing Youth Committee Members**: Tevia Ostrosser (Program Supervisor), Merna Edison, Marjorie Gowdey, Rev Cheryl Bolton, Connie Parsons, Lynn Sloan, Nancy Sproule

**Lay Rep to Antler River Watershed Region:** JoAnn Day

**Memorial Fund Committee**: Don Betts, Betty Bradley, Reg Tuff, and Ron Payson (remembered with gratitude),

**Ministry and Personnel Committee**: Betty Bradley, JoAnn Day, Heather Felton

**Official Board**: Rosemary Allman, Ed Baker, Betty Bradley (recording secretary), Wilf Bradley,Susan Buro-Hamm,JoAnn Day, Merna Edison, Heather Felton, Marjorie Gowdey, Neil Hatch, Allison Joseph (chair), Rev Cheryl Bolton, Wayne Neal, Reg Tuff, Nancy Sproule

**Operations Manual Committee**: Betty Bradley, JoAnn Day, Merna Edison, Rev Cheryl Bolton

**Trustees**:Don Betts, Betty Bradley, Gary Calvert, Marjorie Gowdey, Jason Joseph, Rev Cheryl Bolton, Ritchie Stewart, Reg Tuff

**UCW Executive:** Chair (from the membership, in rotation), Merna Edison (Treasurer), Secretary (in rotation)

**Ushers**: Rosemary Allman, Ed Baker,Betty and Wilf Bradley, Gary Calvert, JoAnn Day, Heather Felton, the Hamm Family, Linda Hetherington, Carm and Margaret Hutchison, Ron Laing, Janice and Ritchie Stewart,

**Worship and Christian Education Committee:** Betty Bradley,JoAnn Day, Merna Edison, Marjorie Gowdey, Rev Cheryl Bolton, Connie Parsons, Lynn Sloan

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Marjorie Gowdey

Reg Tuff

Betty Bradley

Ritchie Stewart

Gary Calvert

Jason   Joseph

Resource Person:  Pastoral Charge Treasurer Merna Edison Chair (Ex Officio):  Rev Cheryl Bolton

# Nominations Report

**THE OFFICIAL BOARD**

Secretary Betty Bradley

To Dec. 2022 JoAnn Day

 Ed Baker

 Allison Joseph

Reg Tuff

 Wayne Neal

To Dec. 2023 Marjorie Gowdey

 Betty Bradley

Wilf Bradley

 Heather Felton

To Dec. 2024 Merna Edison

 Susan Hamm

 Neil Hatch

**HONORARY MEMBERS**

Barb Lace

**ENVELOPE SECRETARY**

Merna Edison

**ANTLER RIVER WATERSHED REGIONAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE**

JoAnn Day

**CHURCH SECRETARY:** Susan Buro **TREASURER:** Belinda Bainbridge

# Statistical Report 2022

Total Membership, December 31, 2021 - 129

 Deceased members - 6

 Total Membership, December 31, 2021 - 123

 Resident 105 Non-Resident 18

**Number of Households Under Pastoral Care**

December 31, 2020 -- 180 December 31, 2021 – 180 – December 31 2022-180

**Average Weekly Worship Attendance in October** – **November**

 2018 – 43 2019 - 34 2020 – 0 2021 – 19 2022 – 21

**Number of Contributors to the Local Fund**

 2018 - 76 2019 -- 70 2020 – 52 2021 – 51 2022 – 37

**Number of Contributors to the M & S Fund and World Development Fund**

 2018 – 25 2019 – 24 2020 –23 2021 – 16 2021 – 17

**Marriages**

Rhonda Clarke & Michael Richardson

August 19, 2022

Courtney Douglas & Shane Packet

September 24, 2022

Brittany Trudell & Robert Heidt

October 15, 2022

**Deaths**

John “Jack” Bell January 2, 2022

Victoria “Vicky” Ross May 10, 2022

Patricia “Patti” York July 17, 2022

Ona Craig August 12, 2022

Olga “Ollie” Perry November 9, 2022

Beatrix “Bea” Horn December 5, 2022

# Memorial Fund Report

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Donation in Memory of:** |   |   |   |
|   | Mr. John "Jack" Bell |   |  $ 340.00  |   |
|   | Mrs.Freda McGregor |   |  $ 100.00  |   |
|   | Mr. Jack Hardiment |   |  $ 25.00  |   |
|   | Miss. Victoria "Vicki" Ross |   |  $ 225.00  |   |
|   | Mrs. Patti York |   |  $ 70.00  |   |
|   | Mrs. Ona Craig |   |  $ 330.00  |   |
|   | Mrs. Olga "Ollie" Perry |   |  $ 25.00  |   |
|   | Mr. Ron Payson |   |  $ 5,000.00  |  $ 6,115.00  |
|   |   |   |   |   |
|   | Bank Interest |   |  $ 6.05  |  $ 6,121.05  |
|   |   |   |   |   |
|   | Expenditures: 75" TV and Wall Mount |   |  $ 1,040.65  |   |
|   | Memorial Wall Plaques |   |  $ 315.27  |  $ 1,355.92  |
|   |   |   |   |   |
|   |   |   |   |   |
|   |   | **Balance on Hand as of December 31, 2022** |  |  **$ 13,533.86**  |
|   |   |   |   |   |
|   | *Respectfully submitted by Betty Bradley, Reg Tuff and Don Betts* |   |   |   |

# Mission and Service Fund Report 2021

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|  |  | UCW |
| Mission&Service Fund | $5,505.00 | $1500.00 |
| World Dev.&Relief Fund | $ 330.00 |  |
|  | $5835.00 | $1500.00 |
|  |  |  |
| **TOTAL:** | **$7335.00** |  |

Submitted by Merna Edison

# Sunday School Treasurer’s Report 2022

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| Bal. Jan1/2022 | $136.77 |
| Balance Dec.31/2022 | $136.77 |

# Envelope Secretary Report 2022

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| **Income Tax Receipts were prepared for a Total of $90,948.12** |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| This Figure covers Givings to the Church, U.C.W.,  |  |  |
| Memorial Fund and Growing Youth |  |  |  |  |
| **Envelope Contribution Distribution** |  |  | 2021 | 2022 |
|  | $01.-$50. |  |  |  |  |  | 14 | 19 |
|  | $51-$100 |  |  |  |  |  | 3 | 5 |
|  | $101-$200 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 2 |
|  | $201-$300 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 9 |
|  | $301-$400 |  |  |  |  |  | 4 | 4 |
|  | $401-$500 |  |  |  |  |  | 5 | 2 |
|  | $501-$600 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 1 |
|  | $601-$700 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 1 |
|  | $701-$800 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 4 |
|  | $801-$900 |  |  |  |  |  | 3 | 6 |
|  | $901-$1,000 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 3 |
|  | $1,001-$1,500 |  |  |  |  |  | 7 | 4 |
|  | $1,501-$,2000 |  |  |  |  |  | 3 | 3 |
|  | $2,000-$3,000 |  |  |  |  |  | 7 | 4 |
|  | $3,000-$4,000 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 3 |
|  | $4000-$5000 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 4 |
|  | $5,000-$6,000 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |
|  | $6,000-$7,000 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 0 |
|  | $7,000-$8,000 |  |  |  |  |  | 0 | 0 |
|  | $90,948.12 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |
|  | 10,000 + |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |
|  | AMOUNT CONTRIBUTED BY 40 ENVELOPES $78,543.12 |  |  |
|  | AMOUNT CONTRIBUTED BY 14 ENVELOPES $ 2,165.00 |  |  |
|  | AMOUNT CONTRIBUTED BY FRENDS & ADHERENTS $10,240.00 |  |  |
|  |  | Amount  |  |  $90,948.12 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Envelopes Used  |  |  |  |  | 41 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Envelopes not Used |  |  |  |  | 8 |  |
|  |  | Amount |  |  |  |  | 49 |  |
|  | Average Envelope Usage/Sunday 12 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Amount not Receipted $1085  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Respectfully Submitted: Merna Edison Envelope Secretary |  |  |  |  |

# UCW Treasurer’s Report 2021

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| **UCW Treasurer's Report 2022** |  |  |  |  |
| Opening Balance Jan 1/2022 | $3,299.85 |  |  |  |  |
| **Receipts** |  |  |  | **Expenses** |  |  |
| **Offerings** |  | $1,435.75 |  |  |  |  |
| Interest |  | $4.27 |  | **UCW** |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Stamps | $276.72 |  |
| **Donations** |  | $785.00 |  | Maintenance Supplies | $206.68 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Kitchen Supplies | $375.39 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Office Supplies | $70.04 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Flowers/poinsettias | $120.72 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Memorial Donation | $50.00 | $1,099.55 |
| **Projects** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rummage Sale | $628.75 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Shepherd Pies | $233.35 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Soup Lunches | $413.00 | $1,275.10 |  | **Mission & Service** | $1,500.00 | $1,500.00 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **Community** |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Alzheimer's Society | $413.00 | $413.00 |
| Total Receipts |  | $3,500.12 |  | Total Expenses |  | $3,012.55 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total Income** |  | **$6,799.97** |  | **Book Balance Dec 31, 2022** | **$3,787.42** |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

# Growing Youth 2022



# Treasurers Report

**E-transfer** was setup in June 2022 with our first transaction taking place that month. This convenience has been well received by many members of our congregation. To utilize this feature you can setup St. Andrew’s United Church as a contact in your on line banking under INTERAC e-transfer. Our e-mail is statreasurerst@gmail.com

Comments can be made in the Message option as to how you want your offering to be designated. If no comments accompany the e-transfer it will be assumed that you are contributing to the local fund. The amount is still logged under your name for income tax receipt purposes.

Petty cash was setup in August for small purchases. This reduces writing multiple cheques for small amounts.

Growing Youth designated funds held in our operating account were moved to the CIBC Growing Youth account in July.

***Belinda Bainbridge***

# Financial Statement 2022



# Proposed Budget for 2023

