



# First United Church

## Annual Report

# 2018

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# **FIRST UNITED CHURCH**

## **Our Mission Statement**

“We at First United Church  
are called by the Spirit to be a  
Caring Community of Faith  
actively pursuing  
Spiritual Growth and  
Compassionate Outreach”

## **Core Values**

Acceptance  
Inclusiveness  
Spirituality  
Hospitality  
Respect  
Social Justice

## 2018 Baptisms

1. February 25, 2018 – Bria Berrie Marie Filson, daughter of Shaun Filson and Erin Kinney
2. February 25, 2018 – Holli Melin Filson, daughter of Shaun Filson and Erin Kinney
3. April 1, 2018 – Nixson Zacharias Downie, son of Jeffrey and Lyndsi Zacharias-Downie
4. April 1, 2018 – Zachary Jeffrey Downie, son of Jeffrey and Lyndsi Zacharias-Downie
5. July 22, 2018 – Zoe Mikhael Layosa Orola, daughter of Michael and Jeline Orola
6. November 18, 2018 – Milan Yeo
7. November 18, 2018 – Nicole Elizabeth Wiebe

## 2018 Funerals

1. January 6, 2018 – Ronald Leslie Philp
2. January 8, 2018 - Irwin Reimer
3. January 11, 2018 – Lavinia Arlean Johnson
4. January 15, 2018 – Margaret Agnes Fuller
5. January 27, 2018 – Crystal Lynn O'Donnell-Schuett
6. February 2, 2018 – Peter Griemann
7. February 5, 2018 – John Bruce Stewart
8. February 7, 2018 – Audrey Kathleen Washington
9. February 15, 2018 – Joseph Pacholko
10. February 21, 2018 – Marilyn Emelie Robertson
11. March 9, 2018 – Carolyn Fae Moore
12. March 15, 2018 – John Peter Washington
13. March 29, 2018 – Frances Isabella Strain
14. April 28, 2018 - Earl Conn
15. May 1, 2018 – Norman Richard Rya
16. May 28, 2018 – Dorothy Madeline Noble
17. July 4, 2018 – Verna Laurinda Schaitel
18. July 6, 2018 – Anna Joyce Potter
19. July 7, 2018 – Joyce Edna Jensen
20. July 9, 2018 – William James Hurrell
21. July 10, 2018 – Lois Rea Ailsby
22. July 12, 2018 – Arne Wilhelm Hasselbohm
23. July 27, 2018 – Damien Doyle Westbury
24. August 2, 2018 – Violet Dahl
25. August 16, 2018 – Helen Esther Warren-Golden
26. August 18, 2018 – Lillian Mary Evans
27. August 23, 2018 – William Franklin Forester
28. August 24, 2018 – Jane Lillian McIntyre
29. September 17, 2018 – Leonard James Martinoski
30. September 18, 2018 – Joyce Pearl Wharton
31. October 13, 2018 – Winifred Dickie
32. October 16, 2018 – Edward Albert Heuer

33. October 18, 2018 – Velma Thuen
34. October 19, 2018 – Edna Jean Lines
35. November 30, 2018 – Shirley Fern McConnachie
36. December 14, 2018 – Irene Wagner

### **2018 Life Elders**

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|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Florence Anderson  | 23. Eva Molyneux     |
| 2. Dorothy Anning     | 24. Christine Newton |
| 3. Ken Benson         | 25. Shirley Philp    |
| 4. Lorraine Bloye     | 26. Betty Pribyl     |
| 5. Betty Boe          | 27. Frank Pribyl     |
| 6. Ray Bunnell        | 28. Betty Robertson  |
| 7. Margaret Bymoen    | 29. Gerry Rya        |
| 8. Harold Casselman   | 30. Gestur Sigurdson |
| 9. Marjorie Casselman | 31. Violet Sigurdson |
| 10. Glenna Cory       | 32. Allan Smith      |
| 11. Wilma Drozdowski  | 33. Murray Smith     |
| 12. Sharyn Erne       | 34. Pat Smith        |
| 13. Val Goodfellow    | 35. Lucille Sorensen |
| 14. Eileen Hayes      | 36. Franklyn Strain  |
| 15. Jim Hayes         | 37. Clint Terlson    |
| 16. Pat Hymers        | 38. Shirley Terlson  |
| 17. Colin King        | 39. Shirley Wilson   |
| 18. Marilyn King      | 40. Islay Wiskar     |
| 19. Jean Macnab       |                      |
| 20. Thelma Marsh      |                      |
| 21. Margaret McGill   |                      |
| 22. Patricia Mierke   |                      |

### **2018 Marriages**

1. June 23, 2018 – Mark Ian Hamilton and Cori Jo Wiebe
2. July 14, 2018 – Mellissa Dawn Fitzpatrick and Erin Nicole Keating

## **2018 Members by Confirmation, Profession of Faith and Transfer of Memberships**

### **Members by Confirmation**

1. November 18, 2018 – Ella Moira Toles
2. November 18, 2018 – Sophia Mikaelle Orola Ravino
3. November 18, 2018 - Macy Lila Popick
4. November 18, 2018 - Marissa Rae Moberg
5. November 18, 2018 - Milan Yeo
6. November 18, 2018 - Nicole Wiebe

### **Members by Profession of Faith**

1. February 25, 2018 – Patricia Gail Dyck Bunkosky

### **Transfer of Membership to First United Church**

1. November 18, 2018 – Dorothy Robertson from Grace United Church

### **Transfer of Membership from First United Church:**

1. None



## Chair of Council

As always, the Council is amazed and humbled by all the contributions made by the congregation that make First United a vibrant, nurturing, and positive force in our community and beyond. We feed people wholeheartedly in body and spirit. For certain, we do an excellent job feeding the body through loving preparation and sharing of meals with our loose change suppers, Outreach supper with silent auction, Spring fundraising supper, Fowl Supper, funeral lunches, numerous potlucks, not to mention coffee and tea on Thursday morning and after worship. We feed the spirit through our Sunday worship services including Sunday school and Youth programs, radio broadcast of the Sunday service, book studies, baptisms, weddings, funerals, meditation, lectionary study, prayer shawls, and prayer group. We nurture the broader community through our garage and rummage sales, significant givings to Mission and Service, our benevolent fund, Christmas hampers, donations through Melodies of Christmas. We are blessed with a dedicated and enabling staff that make it all possible. The wise guidance provided by Annette in spiritual and practical matters is treasured. A huge thank you to all the volunteers, staff, and contributors that have made this Church such an uplifting place. It is an honour to be able to serve as Chair of Council for this dynamic Church.

This past year, no one could quite see themselves able to become the Chair of Council so the position was rotated among volunteers from Church Council. Many thanks to those volunteers: Adele Heise, Melanie Davis (two rotations), Brian McConkey, Donna Barber, Linda Stumpf, Marie Andrews, Maxine Olmsted, Rhonda Lotochinski and Peggy Worrell. In turn, these Chairs wish to thank Annette, the Executive committee, and the whole of Council for the devoted encouragement and support. This rotating arrangement worked well to manage the day-to-day business of the Church. However, a single chair or perhaps, two co-chairs, would be preferable for continuity and longer range planning.

We look forward to 2019 with gratitude for the strong foundation that we build on and with enthusiasm for what we can do anew to live out our mission. We are particularly excited about our journey along the path of affirming ministry. We welcome new initiatives at church such as the Creation Station and hosting the inaugural gathering of the Region 4 of United Church. In all we do, we will continue together, doing God's good work in this world.

Brian McConkey  
On behalf of the Council Executive



## Minister



### **The uses of not**

Thirty spokes  
meet in the hub.  
Where the wheel isn't  
Is where it's useful.

Hollowed out,  
clay makes a pot.  
Where the pot's not  
is where it's useful.

Cut doors and windows  
to make a room.  
Where the room isn't ,  
there's room for you.

So the profit in what is  
is in the use of what isn't.  
– Lau Tzu

At First United Church we work hard to create a welcoming space that leaves room for the Spirit to move among and within us. In 2018 each committee and working group did their part to create a holder for “not.”

Along with regular repairs and maintenance, our Building and Property Committee facilitated the replacement of the roof over our sanctuary and talented members of our congregation transformed the Rummage Room into Third Avenue Boutique. The Accessibility Working Group was successful in making our main entrance a welcoming space for those in wheelchairs and soon our washrooms will be accessible as well. Our volunteers work hard to keep our building functional and in good repair but we know that even more important than the structure is the way that our space is used.

In 2018, the Faith Formation Committee provided book studies, weekly bible study, mindfulness meditation sessions and workshops with the spaciousness needed to connect with Spirit. Our Sunday School curriculum provided just enough structure for creativity to abound and our Youth Group taught us about the importance of leaving enough space for fun and connection. I was privileged to work with Staci as we created a “bowl” of learning and spiritual growth for six young women during their journey to confirmation.

Our Membership & Pastoral Care Committee created a comforting and healing space as they went out into the community with regular visits to nursing homes and the hospital. Our congregation provided pastoral care through worship services at care homes, UCW unit meetings, Thursday morning coffee and over 30 funeral services. Our Garage and Rummage

Sales and our Social Convenors also provided service to the community while generating revenue for our congregation.

One of the most important containers that we create each week is our Sunday worship service. James and I meet every week to determine how we will create a space that is both challenging and safe enough for spiritual growth to occur. Our Worship & Music Committee provides the volunteer structure that makes each service possible.

Our congregational mission would not be accomplished without the work of our Outreach Committee. This outward- looking group stretches our container to reach those in need in our own community and beyond. In 2018 we grew our gifts to the United Church Mission & Service Fund and continued the tradition of Loose Change Suppers, White Gift Hampers, Christmas in July and the Benevolent Fund. Since 2017 our Affirming Ministry Committee has been exploring with us how we can more fully commit to inclusion and justice for all people.

The backbone of our committee structure is our Council. Their vision and leadership provide direction for both staff and congregation as we grow spiritually through “the use of what isn’t.” The Stewardship Committee and the Board of Trustees guide us in growing and caring for our resources and the Ministry & Personnel Committee ensures that all the personnel on our staff have the support that they need to thrive in their roles.

Our connection to community is also reflected in our active involvement in the Swift Current and Area Ministerial Association. Every congregation in this city is creating a container for the Spirit and I am privileged to work alongside the other clergy in this vital task. In 2018, I joined a group of five clergy to begin planning the *Who is My Neighbour* Conference which will be held in several churches in the city April 5-7, 2019.

At the Saskatchewan Conference Annual Meeting last spring I became the conference’s President-Elect. As a result, I became a member (and eventually chair) of the Region 4 Transition Commission. This continues to be a challenging role as our commission works to create the structure that will be the birthplace of a whole new way of being for The United Church of Canada in Saskatchewan.

Finally I want to stress that while we work to create a welcoming space within our congregation we also need to create space for rejuvenation in our own lives. Time away from work and other obligations is key to our mental, spiritual and physical health. To that end, I continue to take time for vacations with family and friends, for educational workshops, spiritual retreats and for other events with colleagues in ministry.

Thank you to all the volunteers on our committees and working groups and to everyone who helps to create the wonderful, welcoming container that is our congregation. I also want to express deep gratitude to the other members of our staff team for your support and for all the gifts that you share throughout the year.

Blessings,  
Annette Taylor

## **Office Manager – Patti McCleary**

Like every other year, 2018 was again very busy in the church office. Rhonda and I continued our job share agreement in the church office where I worked Monday to Thursday and Rhonda worked Thursday and Friday each week plus we covered each other for holidays as much as possible. A big thank you to Sharyn Erne who covered in the office when we were both away. We tackled a lot of work on Thursdays when we worked together and seemed to keep ahead most weeks. I had my second back surgery on February 20<sup>th</sup> and thankfully, Rhonda was able to cover my time off. I returned to work in June and I want to thank Rhonda for taking over in the office while I was on medical leave, she efficiently handled everything that was thrown her way. Hopefully, that will be my last surgery!

I continued to play the organ for funerals and for Sunday services when I was available, and I enjoyed getting together with the choir on Wednesday nights for practice. I was also busy as a member on the Outreach committee and Fowl Supper, Memorial, and Loose Change Supper working groups for 2018.

We have a great group of staff and I enjoy working with this awesome group of people. We have a lot of fun in the office and at our staff meetings. The office is often busy with both staff and people from our church family.

Thank you to all of our many volunteers who are always willing to help out in so many different areas, your time is always appreciated. I would also like to thank Annette, the staff and the Ministry and Personnel committee, for their continued support.

I will end my report again by saying how much I enjoy my job here at First United, and I truly look forward to another busy, exciting and rewarding year for our church family.

Blessings,

Patti McCleary  
Office Manager

## **Office Manager – Rhonda Lotochinski**

This will be my 10th year working in the job share position as office manager with Patti at First United.

2018 went by very quickly, and it was a very busy year for me as Patti was away on medical leave from November 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 until June of 2018. While Patti was away, I worked full time in the office. Thankfully, Patti was always a phone call away when I had a question for her and was always happy to help out. On days that I could not work in the office due to my casual position at the SK Health Authority, Sharyn Erne graciously stepped in and covered for me in the office. I am not sure what I would have done without her - she did a fabulous job! This year I also learned how to operate the sound system and now am able to run the sound system for funerals and regular services.

I am also a part of various church committees and working groups - Archives, Loose Change, Memorial, Decorations and starting this March Membership & Pastoral Care. I also share the position of council secretary with Pat Dyck Bunkosky.

I greatly enjoy working at First United and always look forward to meeting everyone in the congregation as they stop by the office. It is so nice to see how busy our church is both as a congregation and also as an outreach vehicle to those in need in Swift Current.

I am proud to be a member of the staff at First United church, and look forward to seeing our church community grow in fellowship and faith in 2019!

Rhonda Lotochinski  
Office Manager

## Choir Director

Hi All!

Happy 2019! On behalf of the choir and musicians here at First United Church, thank you so much for your support this past year.

With the exception of July and August, I am here for at least 14hrs/week. During this time I complete the following tasks:

- Plan and implement choir rehearsals.
- Coordinate with internal and external worship leaders. This includes assistance in choosing music that is accessible and valued by the congregation here at First.
- Select an anthem that fits with the appropriate theme of service.
- Choose and implement music for the Sunday School program.
- Maintain healthy communication with other church staff and volunteers regarding the worship service.
- Coordinate and arrange musical accompaniment of pianists', the Gospel Band or individual performers.
- Work to find opportunities for others within the church that would like to share their musical gifts.
- Meet with Worship and Music once a month to discuss worship ideas regarding the music program here at First.
- Maintain and report copyright obligations with respective holders.

I am currently in the office Sunday am as well as Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays: 1:30-3:30 p.m. and Wednesdays from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Anyone wanting to discuss music or just visit is welcome to stop by! Thanks again to the Ministry and Personnel committee for your ongoing support.



## **Communications Coordinator**

The Communication Coordinator position for our church keeps me on my toes. I continue as before to:

- update the website (updating structure and design, trouble shooting technical difficulties, adding and taking down events, creating images, making changes and updates to information, archiving information);
- post on Facebook (posting local and global church events and news, photos, images, poetry, etc.)
- submit upcoming events to the Booster, the Prairie Post, and Swift Current Online, and occasionally radio stations,
- as well as make posters and signage for the many diverse, creative and enlightening church events.

We definitely are, as Annette reminds us on Sundays before announcements, a busy church! I am happy to be able to play a small part in helping announce these many wonderful offerings to our church and to the greater community. May the offerings be of benefit!

Thank you,

Staci Schaitel  
Communications Coordinator

## Building and Property Committee

Thank you to the committee members for their time and effort in looking after the many tasks that continue to be present in such a busy church as First United.

We have met monthly to address issues that pertain to the safe operation of the church. Some of the items that the committee was able to have completed this year:

- Shingling of the sanctuary
- Replaced the projectors in the sanctuary
- Basement windows were repaired and painted
- Installation of power assist openings on the main inside doors
- Painting of the area used by 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Boutique

Numerous other items have been identified and discussed. Some will be completed early in the New Year and others will need more discussion.

- Complete the installing of two new bathroom doors that allows access for wheelchairs
- Complete the repairing and resurfacing of the north parking lot
- Further discussion on fixing the retaining wall on the south side of the church property
- Painting of the exterior blue portion on the west wall
- More discussion with the city to address the water being directed unto the sidewalk, which is freezing in the winter.
- Continue with the repair of the stain glass windows
- Repair the bricks above the doors entering the sanctuary on the south west corner
- Heating system still is being addressed and needs a long term solution

Again a special thanks to the committee members for their commitment to First United. The members are Ila Wilms, George Reaves, Brent Molyneux, Leonard Stumpf, and Wally Bateman.

Respectfully Submitted  
Larry O'Donnell, Chair



## Faith Formation Committee

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Hebrews 11:1  
“From the very beginning, faith, hope, and love are planted deep within our nature—indeed they are our very nature (Romans 5:5, 8:14-17) ... The true and essential work of all religion is to help us recognize and recover the divine image in everything. ...Some of the early Church Fathers well summarized the nature and purpose of our lives when they said that we are born in the image of God and meant to grow into the full likeness of God. ....We need to cultivate spiritual communities . . . where there is mutual support, challenge, and practices to foster the lifetime journey from the image to the likeness of God.”

(Tilden Edwards) Rev. Richard Rohr Daily Meditations “Image and Likeness”

*It is the creative potential itself in human beings that is the image of God.* - Mary Daly

The Faith Formation committee consists of congregational members Linda Stumpf (Chair), Olive Waker, Sarah Allin, and Ella Tolles; staff personnel Jackie Orola-Ravino (Sunday School Co-ordinator) and Staci Schaitel (Youth Co-ordinator) and Reverend Annette Taylor. We are very fortunate to have staff who are creative and dedicated to their role of supporting and fostering the lifetime journey of faith formation.

Highlights of the past year:

1. Wednesday morning **lectionary discussions** continued under Annette’s leadership. This is a time for lively discussion as we examine the scriptures for the following Sunday.
2. **Mindfulness Meditation:** how fortunate we are to have Staci Schaitel with her wealth of training to provide teaching, guidance, and opportunity for this practice. A workshop was held Mondays from April 9 to May 7, 2018.
3. **Confirmation:** Annette and Staci offered classes for 5 youth beginning in April and into the fall, all of whom were confirmed Sunday, Nov. 18, 2018.
4. **Monthly World Peace Prayers** led by Margaret Lottridge in the chapel.
5. **Book Studies:** Lenten Study “The Gifts of Imperfection” led by Colleen MacBean and Linda Stumpf; Fall Study “Medicine Walk” led by Colleen; January Indigenous Author Study (in keeping with the Calls to Action from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission) “In Search of April Raintree” led by Linda.
6. **Ray McGinnis Workshop** “Searching for Joy” Sunday, May 6, 2018.
7. **“Just in Case” Seminar** with Harold Empey October 14, 2018 – a workshop with guidelines for “getting your affairs in order.”



8. **Children and Youth led Sunday Worship Service** November 25, 2018. This is always well done and well received. It is wonderful to observe how they are growing in confidence and taking a greater role in the life of the congregation.
9. **Advent Study** led by Annette and Linda focusing on the figures in the crèche (a small group study written by Janice MacLean).
10. **Creative Arts Space:** In May 2018 the committee was given permission to turn the former Quilting Room into a creative arts space based on the belief that exploring creativity is good for the soul. The Garage Sale will continue to operate the Christmas Room in that space and store articles for the sale in that room, The rest of the year it will be open for creative activities by the Sunday School and the Youth and anyone who wishes to explore their creativity as spiritual practice. On January 9, 2019 “**Creation Station**” opened with Linda offering activities to explore creativity on Wednesday afternoons. On January 20, 2018 Christine Ciona will offer “**Soul Collage**”.

Thank you to all who have supported the work of the Faith Formation Committee. We are indeed blessed with wonderful and faithful volunteers and many folk who wish to nurture their faith formation in many ways. Thank you to Annette, Staci, and Jackie who provide such excellent guidance to do that.

Respectfully submitted  
Linda Stumpf, Chair



## Sunday School Working Group

It's been over six years ago since I was offered the opportunity to work and grow together in faith with the children of First United Church. Accepting the said opportunity was one of the best decisions I have ever made since coming to Canada. In the year 2018, those children (mostly ages 7 to 9) who greeted me in the "Welcome Back Sunday" of 2012, as well as on the years that followed, are now teenagers. They've grown to become faithful and talented young people, and are very much involved in the Youth Group here in our church and in the community. As I witnessed some of them go through their confirmation in November; my heart was filled with so much joy and I am grateful to have been part of their younger Sunday School years.

Since 2017, our Sunday School program is now welcoming much younger children to register. The Nursery class has officially listed five children ranging from 2 to over 3 ½ years old. We are thankful to have volunteer (parents) teachers and the Youth Group with Staci Schaitel who accepted the task to alternately join the little ones in playing, singing, sharing Bible stories, crafts, snacks and doing other fun things during Sunday mornings.

In the Multi-age class, 15 children are registered, who together with the Nursery and joined by the Youth Group get busy with our planned activities for the year aside from our regular Sunday session which includes:

- a. Play/ Fun/ Art Sunday
- b. PD day Vacation Bible School (tentative date: March 21, 2019)
- c. Easter Egg Hunt Sunday
- d. Advent and Christmas activities
- e. Children's Sunday (celebrated twice in a year)
- f. Wind-Up Sunday

Our great appreciation remains for the individuals, committees and groups, who choose to work hand in hand with us for all the above mentioned events/activities, and for the guidance you provide every time it is needed. We do make sure that the children know who you are. Trust that they treasure the time and talent you impart with them. Until such time when they also decide to take their turns to become teachers, volunteers, musicians and leaders who nurture children to grow in faith and love of God, and motivate them to serve in the church and community according to the gifts of creativity that they received from God.

Jacqueline Orola Ravino  
Sunday School Coordinator



## Youth Group

Some of the highlights of our 2018 year together were:

- bun making with Linda Stumpf
- Silent Auction Supper service
- Church Camp Out
- Youth Group volunteers at our PD day VBS
- Purdy's Easter Chocolate Fundraiser for Youth Group
- Spring Children's Day Service on the theme of Playfulness
- Masterchef Junior creative cooking challenge
- sunny and tick-filled spring Landing hike & swim
- six young people (5 of them from Youth Group) between the ages of 12-15 attended eight confirmation sessions over the spring and fall, culminating in a Confirmation Service on November 18th. Congratulations Confirmands!!
- Youth River Retreat at Palliser Park
- fall Welcome Night & Supper
- M & S card making night
- super slick and organized, Chaos-no-more Fowl Supper Coat Check raising over \$420 dollars to support seven Gifts with Vision projects of the Youth's choosing
- The Blessings and Challenges of Being a Teen- youth workshop with Kristina Wiebe
- Youth Group film debut at the Affirming Ministry's Conversation Circle on Ageism
- Children's Day Service on Creativity led by the Youth Group and Sunday School
- Kids' Giving Day assisting the younger students
- sound system learning
- Nursery class leading
- Christmas Activity Day with the Sunday School
- annual Christmas Get-together & Supper including music with Sharon Veer & an Escape Room in the Grace Library!

As the current youth group move into their upper middle school and high school years, their time and availability are at a premium. Youth Group has been trying to shift to accommodate the reality of their busy schedules and changing lives, continually looking at ways we can support these young people as they change and grow, by providing opportunities for fellowship, learning and service.

Youth Group would like to thank:

Jackie Ravino, James McLauchlan, Melanie Davis, Annette Taylor, Sharon Veer, Stacie Noble-Wiebe, Amy Popick, Linda Stumpf, Anne Wiebe, Sharyn Erne, Kristina Wiebe, Michael Orola, Michael Ravino, Margaret Lottridge, Fran Jackson, Judy Gross. Thank you to the parents, grandparents & the congregation for your ongoing support that helps makes Youth Group possible.

Thank you!

Staci Schaitel  
Youth Coordinator



## Membership and Pastoral Care Committee

Members of this committee for the 2018 are as follows: Charlotte Thingvold, Betty Bateman, Karen Fox and Fran Jackson. Working group: Sharyn Erne, Olive Waker.

The Membership and Pastoral Care Committee meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month in the Cypress Lounge.

Hospital visits are done several times a week by Sharyn and Charlotte and other volunteers and phone calls are made as necessary to members at home or in senior residences.

Annette conducted communion services at The Meadows and Cypress House twice this year with help from our committee and others. Services organized by the Ministerial Association took place in several care homes lead by either Annette or Sharyn.

The prayer Shawl committee has given out 26 shawls as well as many twiddle muffs to any Alzheimer patients. Thanks to all who have knit or crocheted these items. Sharyn has made scrap books with pictures of the prayer shawl recipients and these are displayed in the glass case in the foyer.

This year six of our youth were confirmed and all received prayer shawls as well as all baptized recipients. Those confirmed: Marissa Moberg, Sophia Orola Ravino, Macy Popick, Ella Toles, Nicole Wiebe and Milan Yeo.

After many years with no one recognized as Life Elders, we were pleased to acknowledge 17 with certificates: Loraine Bloye, Betty Boe, Harold & Marjorie Casselman, Wilma Drozdowski, Val Goodfellow, Jean Macnab, Chris Newton, Frank & Betty Pribyl, Betty Robertson, Gestur & Vi Sigurdson, Franklyn Strain, Clint & Shirley Terlson, and Islay Wiskar.

Thursday morning coffee has been very popular and thanks to all those who put the coffee on and contribute “goodies” each and every week. Attendance ranges from 10 to 17 persons.

Karen sends out cards on the 1st year anniversary of all baptized persons and bereaved family members. Patti, Rhonda and Fran send cards to members for birthdays over 80 years and anniversaries over 50 years as well as sympathy and get well cards.

Our committee also organizes Greeters for each Sunday morning.

The Prayer Group meets every Wednesday morning at 8:45 a.m. in the chapel and with only 3 members, Eva Molyneux, Myrtle Johnston and Fran Jackson, we welcome anyone else interested in 45 minutes of prayer & scripture.

I would like to thank Annette, Patti, Rhonda and all our committee members for their contributions that make this committee an important part of First United church.

Wishing everyone the very best in the 2019 season.

Fran Jackson, Chair of Membership and Pastoral Care







## Outreach Committee

Thank you once again for all the support given to the Outreach Committee over the past year. With your backing we were able to aid, to our neighbors locally and through your support of Mission and Service we cared for others across Canada and around the world.

Some initiatives we worked on together were:

- Fundraising Supper & Silent Auction for the Chaplaincy program
- Christmas in July supporting the S.W. Safe Shelter, Salvation Army and SC Mental Health
- Mission and Service
  - o M & S Jars
  - o Lenten Piggy Banks
  - o Bake Sale including Dove Cookies and Handcrafted Cards
  - o M & S worship service
  - o Tai Chi, Mindfulness Meditation and Chair Yoga

A total of \$41,578.49 was sent to M and S in 2018 including funds from UCW, Planned Giving and offering given in support of Mission and Service

- White Gifts and Christmas Hampers
- Zatoun fair trade olive oil
- Our local Benevolent Fund

The Loose Change working group fosters community and provides an amazing evening meal monthly September through May, with any surplus funds raised going towards Christmas Hampers. We are blessed everyday by Reverend Annette Taylor's enthusiastic leadership. Guided by the Spirit this congregation is compassionate and caring, reaching out locally and globally to enhance the lives of all. Our committee could not reach out to others without the generosity and support of our church family.

Blessings

Brenda Gruetzner on behalf of the Outreach Committee



## Loose Change Supper Working Group

Committee Members: Sharyn Erne, Diane Minogue, Maxine Olmsted, Rhonda Lotochinski, Patti McCleary, Margaret Lottridge, Judy Corbett, Mel Friesen and Janet Keene.

We continue to welcome volunteers from Sask. Abilities to our morning prep for Loose Change. Their supervisor usually brings 2 volunteers for kitchen help and 2 for help setting up the tables and chairs. We hope that these folks enjoy being with us as much as we do having them. They have been a big help.

Suppers were held on the last Tuesday of the month in January, February, March, April, May, September, October and November 2018. Attendance was varied with anywhere from 94 in January to 135 in November. The average appears to be about 100-110 now, so we prepare for 120 and hope for the best!

This is an important outreach for the community and we are grateful to the members of our congregation that attend as it helps greatly with our expenses. Leftover food (if there is any) is donated to Mental Health, Southwest Homes, the Center or other agencies in need.

We are trying to have our guests sign up for the following supper before they leave and this is helping with numbers. We still have some that do not let us know but so far, we have had enough food. Many patrons take the leftovers home. We have the gym for an extra half an hour before the next rental this year and this has helped to make the supper more relaxed with many visiting longer.

Total income was \$5877.22 and expenses were \$2687.43 for a profit of \$3189.79. We may notice our profits affected in 2019 as the price of groceries continues to rise.

The profit was distributed as follows:

Christmas Hampers - \$3000.00 (9 families – a total of 30 people).

Donation to M&S - \$ 189.79

For a total of **\$3189.79**

Submitted by Janet Keene.



## Presbytery Representatives

This was a significant year for Chinook Presbytery. A number of remits from the meeting of General Council were discussed and voted on with the result that, once the votes from all the presbyteries and pastoral charges were received, the structure of the United Church of Canada was changed and at the end of this year all presbyteries ceased to exist.

As of January 1, 2018 we are now part of Region 4 (name yet to be determined) and Chinook Presbytery is no longer. Region 4 has the same boundaries as the former Saskatchewan Conference (which also no longer exists) which are the provincial boundaries. Our new Executive Minister is Rev. Shannon McCarthy who is also Executive Minister for Regions 2 (Northern Alberta and NW Territories) and 5 (Manitoba and part of Ontario). Her office is in Winnipeg. Tracy Murton is Region 4 Pastoral Relations Minister. She is in Saskatoon. Bev Deibert will provide administrative support for Region 4 staff and volunteer committees. She is in Moose Jaw. Heather Dootoff is the Financial Administrator for the 3 Regions. She is in Regina. She and Bev both worked at the Conference Office. Julie Graham, who also worked at the Conference Office and lives in Saskatoon, has a part time contract with Region 4 to help with the transition and has a particular interest in the work of the mission of the church.

A commission was formed to enable the transition from the old structure to the new. Rev. Annette Taylor became “Chair Elect” at the last annual meeting of SK Conference and is a member of this commission. Assessments are likely to stay the same or be slightly reduced. It is expected that 58% will be returned to fund the region and 42% will be used for the Denominational Council.

### Financial Disbursement

Term deposits being turned over to Region 4	\$107,162.04
Funds Directed	\$81,475.00
a) Mission & Service	\$19,600
b) Worship Circle	\$10,000
c) Camps (Woodboia and Shagabec)	\$12,000
d) St. Andrew’s College	\$12,545
e) Return to pastoral charges	\$34,830
• includes refund/forgiveness of assessments amounting to \$23,830, and seniors ministry funds amounting to \$11,000.	
Residual funds being turned over to Region 4 on 1 January (est.)	\$6,000.00



Each Pastoral Charge was to receive \$500 designated for Senior Ministry. The Worship Circle Fund will be held by First United Church.

Chinook Presbytery had been asked to host the first gathering for the new Region 4 which will be held in Swift Current. First United Church has a team working on the planning for this.

Conference President Krystal Sheremata spoke at the March meeting of presbytery on the theme “Be Brave, Be Bold, Stand Up Tall” with words of encouragement as we transition. Julie Graham, Mission and Education person from the Conference Office was at the last meeting of presbytery and offered a helpful process for closure.

Chinook Presbytery expressed thanks to First United and the U.C.W. for hosting meetings and providing coffee and lunches.

The 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Camp Shagabec was celebrated in July.

Since the Saskatchewan government cut funding for hospital chaplaincy this has been and continues to be a concern.

A Southwest Cluster Group is being established to support ministry in this area.

People are being asked to indicate areas of interest so networks can be established. For instance there could be a network for those interested in supporting refugee families in the region.

For more information regarding Region 4: <https://www.sk.united-church.ca/region-4//>.

Respectfully submitted by  
Presbytery Representatives Linda Stumpf, Adele Heise and Fran Jackson



## **Stewardship Committee**

I want to express my thanks to the hardworking Stewardship Committee. Two members left us during the year: Joanne George and Mavis Jensen. This year is also the last one for Kay Blydo as her term is done after many years of dedicated service on Stewardship. Regretfully, I will also have to leave the Committee due to my recent move to Vancouver Island. Returning members, Dan Olmsted and Mel Friesen, will provide continuity for the new 2019 Stewardship Committee.

For several years we have been patterning our Stewardship campaign after the Called to be the Church program of the United Church. We have had positive feedback to this campaign for its simpler presentation of both our expenditures and givings through a narrative budget and graphics. For our Stewardship campaign this past year, we were happy to report that we live our faith by loving our neighbours. Fully half of our expenditures provide direct or indirect support to individuals and groups within and outside our Congregation.

To do the great things we do, we have been compelled to run deficits. We have been blessed with many past bequests to support the Church in its mission and so, consistent with those wishes, those funds have enabled us to operate with these planned deficits. Please remember that your donations are the core of our financial resources. Regular givings to the Church had been increasing until 2018, when they were about \$10,000 less than those in 2017. This drop is a real concern and we ask all to reflect how much you value the Church as you decide on the amount of your givings for 2019.

On a personal note, I want to express how much I miss my First United Church family since our recent move. I miss the friendships, the laughter, the caring community, and the traditions. The Church has helped me immensely on my journey to understand myself and my relationship with the Holy Mystery. First United Church will always be in my thoughts and prayers.

Brian McConkey  
Chair of Stewardship

## **Memorial Working Group**

Members: Ray Bunnell, Patti McCleary, Sharyn Erne, Rhonda Lotochinski, Eva Molyneux

The Memorial committee looks after money which has been donated to First United Church, given by those wishing to remember loved ones who have passed on. The money is used by our church to purchase items which enhance our church.

In 2018, we donated \$5,000 towards the purchase of two new projectors for the sanctuary. As of Dec 31, 2018 the balance in the memorial fund is \$15,974.60

Ray Bunnell  
Chair of Memorial

## **Nominations Working Group**

Many of you have been approached by us over the past two months. Our work is going well. There will be some new members joining our committees and working groups, and bringing with them energy and fresh ideas. And there will be some experienced people taking on new volunteer responsibilities.

Of greatest concern is that we do not have anyone who has agreed to let her/his name stand for Chair or Vice-Chair. If we are not successful, presumably the Rotating Chair arrangement will continue into 2019 - 2020.

We do not have a Chair for Stewardship, and we could use one more person each for Membership & Pastoral Care, Building & Property, and Faith Formation Committees.

Depending on the decision of Council on January 24, 2019, we may need three Region 4 representatives, as the need for Presbytery representatives no longer exists.

Please contact one of us if you are interested or have any names to suggest.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sharyn Erne, Diane Sarson, Peggy Worrell



## 2019 Nominations

<b>2019 Nominations</b>		
<b>EXECUTIVE OF COUNCIL</b>		<b>Year/Term</b>
Chairperson		0/2
Vice Chairperson	Dixie Green	0/1
Past Chairperson	Peggy Worrell	2/2
Stewardship Committee Chair		0/3
Ministry Personnel	Rev. Annette Taylor	
Council Secretary	Pat Dyck Bunkosky	3/3
Council Secretary	Rhonda Lotochinski	3/3
Member-at-Large	Melanie Davis	2/2
<b>PROFESSIONAL STAFF</b>		
Minister	Annette Taylor	
Office Manager	Patti McCleary	
Office Manager	Rhonda Lotochinski	
Choir Director	James McLauchlan	
Wedding Coordinator		
Sunday School Coordinator	Jacqueline Orola-Ravino	
Youth Coordinator	Staci Schaitel	
Pianist	Mary Anderson	
Organist	Patti McCleary	
Communications Coordinator	Staci Schaitel	
<b>CHURCH COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS</b>		
<b>BUILDING &amp; PROPERTY COMMITTEE</b>		<b>Year/Term</b>
	<b>Chair + 4-6 members</b>	
Chairperson	Dwayne Barber	1/3
Secretary & Council rep	Ila Wilms	4/5
	George Reaves	3/5
	Leonard Stumpf	3/5
	Wally Bateman	3/5
	Jim Fletcher	1/5
	Dave Wiebe	1/5
<b>Maintenance Working Group</b>	Wendell Andrews	
	Wally Bateman	
	Dwayne Barber	
<b>FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE</b>		<b>Year/Term</b>
	<b>Chair + 3-5 members</b>	
Chairperson	Linda Stumpf	2/3
Youth Coordinator	Staci Schaitel – staff	
	Ella Toles	3/5
	Olive Waker	5/5
Sunday School Coordinator	Jacqueline Orola-Ravino - staff	
Secretary	Sarah Allin	2/5
	Alanna Howell	1/5
	Peggy Worrell	1/5
<b>Sunday School Working Group</b>	<b>Chair + 2 parents and grandparents</b>	
Chairperson	Jacqueline Orola-Ravino	

	Parents	
<b>MEMBERSHIP &amp; PASTORAL CARE COMMITTEE</b>	<b>Chair + Roll Clerk + 4-5 members</b>	<b>Year/Term</b>
Chairperson	Fran Jackson	2/3
	Patti McCleary (Roll Clerk)(ex-officio)	
	Charlotte Thingvold	3/5
	Betty Bateman	3/5
	Karen Fox	3/5
	Deb Fletcher	1/5
	Rhonda Lotochinski	1/5
	Mary Anderson	1/5
<b>Visiting Working Group</b>	Sharyn Erne	
	Olive Waker	
	Colleen MacBean	
	Sharon Veer	
	Diane Sarson	
	Charlotte Thingvold	
<b>Community Friendship</b>	Patti McCleary/Fran Jackson	
<b>MINISTRY &amp; PERSONNEL COMMITTEE</b>	<b>Chair + 3-5 members</b>	<b>Year/Term</b>
Chairperson	Maxine Olmsted	3/3
	Shirley Dyck-Derkach	2/5
	Marilyn Durant	5/5
	Karen Messer	3/5
	Wayne Christensen	1/5
<b>OUTREACH COMMITTEE</b>	<b>Chair + 4-6 members</b>	<b>Year/Term</b>
Chairperson	Becky Lawn	1/3
	Brenna Stolhandske	2/5
	Patti McCleary	3/5
	Sandy Ritchie	1/5
	Lynn Anderson	1/5
<b>Loose Change Supper Working Group</b>	<b>Chair + 2 or more</b>	
Chairperson	Janet Keene	
	Sharyn Erne	
	Rhonda Lotochinski	
	Maxine Olmsted	
	Margaret Lottridge	
	Patti McCleary	
	Diane Minogue	
	Mel Friesen	
	Judy Corbett	
<b>REGION 4 REPRESENTATIVES</b>	<b>3 Representatives</b>	<b>Year/Term</b>
	Fran Jackson	1/4
	Linda Stumpf	1/4
	Staci Schaitel	1/4
<b>STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE</b>	<b>Chair + 3-5 members</b>	<b>Year/Term</b>
Chairperson		0/3
	Mel Friesen	2/5

	Dan Olmsted	5/5
	Wally Derkach	1/5
	Ron Toles	1/5
<b>Archives Working Group</b>	<b>Chair + 1-2 members</b>	
Chairperson	Jean Pearson	
	Rhonda Lotochinski	
	Pat Palmer	
	Fran Jackson	
<b>Memorial Working Group</b>	<b>Chair + 2-3 members</b>	
Chairperson	Ray Bunnell	
	Patti McCleary	
	Sharyn Erne	
	Rhonda Lotochinski	
<b>Nominations Working Group</b>	<b>Chair + 3-5 members</b>	
Chairperson	Peggy Worrell	
	Diane Sarson	
	Sharyn Erne	
	Donna Barber	
<b>TRUSTEES</b>	<b>5 lay members</b>	<b>Year/Term</b>
Chairperson	Barb Foster	3/3
	Ron Toles	3/5
	Jean Macnab	4/5
	Myrtle Johnston	1/5
	Shirley Wilson	1/5
	Karen Bender	1/5
	Annette Taylor (ex-officio)	
<b>WORSHIP &amp; MUSIC COMMITTEE</b>	<b>Chair + 4-6 members + choir director</b>	<b>Year/Term</b>
Chairperson	Marie Andrews	2/3
Music Director	James McLauchlan	
	Valerie Shrumm	5/5
	Janet Keene	5/5
Secretary	Tami Pavely	5/5
	Rose Lis	3/5
	Laurel Howell	4/5
<b>Coffee Working Group</b>	<b>Chair + helpers</b>	
Chairperson	Valerie Shrumm	
<b>Communion Working Group</b>	<b>Chair + 1 member</b>	
Chairperson	Ray Bunnell	
	Carole Toles	
<b>Decorations Working Group</b>	<b>Chair + 2-3 members</b>	
Chairperson	Rhonda Lotochinski	
	Ila Wilms	
	Lorraine Bloye	
	Kim Bilanski	
<b>Usher Working Group</b>	<b>Chair + helpers</b>	
Chairperson	Carole Toles	

<b>Greeting Working Group</b>	Co-chair	Sharyn Erne	
	Co-chair	Fran Jackson	
		Shantel Blanke	
<b>AFFIRMING MINISTRY AD HOC COMMITTEE</b>			
	Chairperson	Stacie Noble-Wiebe	
		Janet Keene	
		Amy Popick	
		Amanda Polsfut	
		Sharon Veer	
		Annette Taylor	
<b>CONGREGATIONAL CHAIR</b>			
		Charles Lotochinski	
<b>SEXUAL ABUSE PREVENTION &amp; RESPONSE (SAPR)</b>			
	Officer of the Court	Eileen Elkington	
<b>PRIVACY OFFICER</b>			
	Member-at-large	Melanie Davis	
<b>UNITED CHURCH WOMEN (UCW)</b>			
	President	Shirley Wilson	
	Past President	Donna Barber	
	Vice President		
	Secretary	Shirley Terlson	
	Relief Secretary	Gerry Rya	
	Treasurer	Shirley Terlson	
<b>U.C.W. COMMITTEES</b>			
<b>Funeral Convenors</b>		Norma Hain	
		Pat Palmer	
		Janet Keene	
		Sharyn Erne	
		Rose Lis	
		Chris Newton	
		Judy Killaby	
<b>Garage Sales</b>		Anne Kaytor	
<b>Kitchen Supplies</b>		Kathy Bolton	
<b>Literature</b>		Lucille Sorensen	
<b>Membership &amp; Pastoral Care</b>		Lucille Sorensen	
<b>Rummage Sales</b>		Norma Hain	
<b>Social Convenors</b>		Chair	Judy Killaby
	Vice chair	Rose Lis	
		Kathy Bolton	
		Donna Barber (Unit 8)	
		Janet Keene	
		Shirley Wilson (Unit 9)	
		Chris Newton	
		Pat Palmer	
		Ila Wilms	

## Trustees

The Board of Trustees is composed of five members appointed by the congregation that include Barbara Foster, Chairperson; Ann Wiebe; Frank MacBean; Jean Macnab and Ron Toles. Reverend Annette Taylor also is a member of the Board in an ex-officio capacity.

During 2018, the Board held one committee meeting. The Board, during the year with direction from the Stewardship committee, attended to the secured investments of church funds for either investing or providing matured investments to be available to pay for major repairs and replacements. The Trustees continue to monitor the church's insurance policy and coverage carried through Red River Mutual for any required changes. Trustee Frank MacBean reviews the policy on behalf of our committee.

Ann Wiebe is stepping down from the Board after a number of years of dedicated service. We are most appreciative and grateful for her dedicated service. We look forward to a new member appointed at the Annual Meeting.

Trustee Barbara Foster attended most church council meetings and Ann Wiebe or Jean Macnab served as a substitute when required, to keep informed of the activities in First United Church. The Trustees look forward to continued service in 2019.

Barbara Foster, Chairperson  
Board of Trustees



## Worship and Music Committee

Our committee members including Reverend Annette Taylor, Laurel Howell, Janet Keene, Rose Lis, James McLauchlan, Tami Pavely, Valerie Shrumm and myself continue to work well together in an effort to ensure all goes smoothly in the worship and music area. Our four working groups including Coffee, Communion, Decorations and Ushers work seamlessly to look after these ongoing duties. It's a pleasure to be included in this team and to have their support.

This year with the help of the Memorial committee and the U.C.W. we purchased two new projectors for the sanctuary. Other highlights include several interesting guest speakers filling in for Annette, deciding not to have Sunday Service one week in July and one week in August, Melodies of Christmas and booking the Watoto Children's Choir for March 1, 2019.

The choir has blessed us with their music all year along with the Gospel Band and other musicians as well. We are grateful for their contributions.

Our committee will endeavor to carry out our work with thoughtfulness and care in the future.

Submitted by  
Marie Andrews, Chair



## Choir

During 2018-2019, the choir has and continues to work to provide warm and spirit-filled music for Sunday services as well as funerals when possible. We continue to meet every Wednesday evening at 7:30 for fellowship, fun and rehearsal. Everyone who Loves to sing, regardless of ability, is most certainly welcome to join us! It has been a pleasure having new members Jerry Ruehs and Fern Bang in our choir.

The process of cataloguing old music and replacing it with newer choral and folk pieces is still underway. We have purchased bunch of new choral pieces this year and I'd like to thank Donna Barber for helping me with the ongoing cataloguing of our anthems. As was experienced during Melodies, we now have some dynamic new choral music. Thank you to Marilyn Durant for purchasing new music for the choir.

There are many talented individuals who have made this past years music program a success. Many thanks go out to our accompanists' Mary Anderson, Sharon Veer, Joan Williamson, Patti McCleary and Jean Macnab. Without the dedication and talent of these ladies we would not have a choir. Thank you! It's been a pleasure working with Annette this past year and, I'd like to personally thank her for being open to creative ideas for service!

It continues to be a pleasure working with Staci Schaitel and Jackie Ravino providing leadership for Sunday School. I really appreciate the great energy and innovation they bring to our church community. I'm grateful to see things growing and evolving.

First United Church once again hosted Melodies of Christmas this year, and \$2,137 was raised to support the chaplaincy program here in Swift Current. A special thanks goes out to choir member Donna Barber for all of her hard work coordinating this special event, as well as Frank MacBean for being the MC. Thank you to John Rogers and Jackie Ravino for sound and video. Thanks to all who made this evening a success!

Let's look forward to a peaceful, Loving and benevolent 2019!

Respectfully submitted,

James McLaughlan MTA  
Choir Director



## U.C.W.

The U.C.W. continued to be very active throughout 2018.

As usual Donna Barber and her Social and Funeral Conveners did a great job convening many functions throughout the year. They are a very committed group of Ladies, and with help from the office staff, they seem to always have enough workers for their funeral luncheons, banquets, social functions etc. A big thank you goes out to the Social Conveners and to each and every one of the ladies who volunteer to come and work time after time at all or many of the functions. What would we do without you? As well as looking after the above items, the Social Conveners also organized the Christmas Pudding project.

The Garage and Rummage Sales are a big part of the U.C.W. Again, the ladies who do the coordinating, and their volunteer helpers, look after the receiving, sorting and the selling of items to clients. They all do an awesome job, and provide a much needed service to our Community.

The 2018 Muffin & Plant Sale in the spring was very successful and the Christmas Tea, Bake sale, Christmas Garage Sale and Fashion Show in early December went very well with a very large number of people attending. The UCW made a nice profit at both functions. The 2018 Fowl Supper was very successful, and once again we fed just over 600 people. A working group of approximately seven ladies looks after all the planning and implementation of the Fowl Supper. This is a big undertaking, but very rewarding.

As a point of interest, our U.C.W. made an extra \$2,000 donation to Camp Shagabec to purchase new dishes and knives for their kitchen. As well this year we donated \$5,000 toward the new projectors in the sanctuary, purchased four 6 foot tables and three new chaffing dishes. We donated \$5,050 to outside charities, one of them being the new National U.C.W. project "Women for Change in Zambia". Our U.C.W. committee has committed to giving \$500 over the next 5 years. Women for Change is a nongovernmental organization that works in rural communities in Zambia, focusing on social and economic changes that empower women and children.

We still have an excess amount of church plates, cups, spoons and cookbooks. Please contact the U.C.W. General President if you are interested in purchasing any of these items.

Donna Barber will retire as the Social Convener President, (after 19-20 years) and Judy Killaby and Rose Lis will take over this duty.

Shirley Wilson will be the new General U.C.W. President.

The U.C.W. would like to thank Donna Barber for her years of commitment and time spent looking after all aspects of the First United Church Women. Her work and dedication did not go unnoticed. Enjoy your free time Donna.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Shirley Terlson – U.C.W Secretary/Treasurer



**U.C.W. Audit Statement**

**Statement of Income and Expenses - January 1 to December 31, 2018**

**Balance Forward – January 1, 2018 = \$44, 272.78**

<b>INCOME</b>		<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Catering	21,946.00	Catering	5,707.14
Rummage Sales	5,791.35	Local Church	20, 000.00
Garage Sales	7,028.45	Donations	7, 050.00
Muffin & Plant Sale	1,006.00	M & S	7,500.00
Fowl Supper	9,262.00	Fowl Supper	1,113.72
Christmas Tea	1,928.00	Kitchen Supplies	997.97
Donations		Office Supplies	200.00
Envelope Givings (Unite 8 & F)	870.00	Safe Shelter Supplies	25.81
Rental	90.00	Delegates	
Misc	24.00	Misc	5,877.78
Float	1,125.00	Float	1,125.00
Interest	37.53	Kitchen Repairs/Upkeep	2,605.27
	<b>TOTAL 49,108.33</b>		<b>TOTAL 52,202.69</b>

**DEFICIT 2018 - \$3,094.36**

**BALANCE SHEET – December 31, 2018**

Bank Balance	41,178.42	(Yearly Interest - \$154.89)
Term Deposit (1)	8,306.85	(Yearly Interest - \$49.02)
Term Deposit (2)	2,849.99	
Equity Acct	46.83	
<b>NET WORTH</b>	<b>52,382.09</b>	

I have reviewed the financial records for the First United Church Women (UCW), for the calendar year of 2018.

I believe they accurately present a summary of all activities.

Dated: January 12, 2019

  
**Shirley Wilson**

# First United Church Operating Fund

## First United Church Balance Sheet As of 31 December 2018

31 Dec 18

### ASSETS

#### Current Assets

##### Chequing/Savings

##### Cash Account

900 - Petty Cash 43.15

Total Cash Account 43.15

##### General Operating Accounts

##### 1100 High Interest Accounts

1102 - General Operating 60,899.23

1105 - B & P - 830510791122 40,801.45

Total 1100 High Interest Accounts 101,700.68

##### 1000 - Chequing Account - 100202354785

1002 - General Operating 23,870.94

1015 - Senior Choir 1,986.61

1045 - Worship Circle-Chinook Pres. 10,000.00

1050 - Memorial Fund 15,974.60

1060 - Seniors Ministry Fund 500.00

Total 1000 - Chequing Account -  
100202354785 52,332.15

Total General Operating Accounts 154,032.83

Total Chequing/Savings 154,075.98

##### Accounts Receivable

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1401 - GST Receivable 3,865.21

Total Accounts Receivable 3,865.21

Total Accounts Receivable 3,865.21

##### Other Current Assets

1011 - Credit Union Member Rewards 8,362.19

Total Other Current Assets 8,362.19

Total Current Assets 166,303.38

#### Other Assets

##### Long Term Investments

1016 - Term #1-04/20/21 - 830511584914 80,000.00

1017 - Term #2-04/22/23 - 830512487612 50,000.00

1018 - Term #3-04/22/22 - 830512487596 80,000.00

1019 · Term #4-04/22/19 - 830511584948	80,000.00
1020 · Term #5-04/21/20 - 830511584955	80,000.00
1023 · ChoirTerm-04/21/20-830512361635	2,000.00
1024 · ChoirTerm-04/21/21-830512361643	2,000.00
1025 · ChoirTerm-04/21/22-830512361668	2,000.00
1026 · ChoirTerm-04/21/23-830512361684	2,000.00
<b>Total Long Term Investments</b>	<u>378,000.00</u>
<b>Total Other Assets</b>	<u>378,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><b>544,303.38</b></u>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Equity	
3000 · Opening Bal Equity	142,053.80
3001 · Equity Adjustments	-29,613.55
3100 · Retained Earnings	566,653.08
Net Income	<u>-134,789.95</u>
Total Equity	<u>544,303.38</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<u><b>544,303.38</b></u>

**First United Church**  
**Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual**  
 January through December 2018

	<u>Jan - Dec 18</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>			
<b>Income</b>			
<b>Administration Income</b>			
4001 · Local	207,888.14	225,000.00	92.4%
4002 · Loose Offering	1,879.95	3,000.00	62.67%
4007-1 · Christmas - Loose	20.00		
4007 · Christmas Offering	8,105.00	7,500.00	108.07%
4008 · Easter Offering	3,523.00	3,500.00	100.66%
4009 · St. Andrew's College	50.00		
4025 · UCW Unit Envelope Givings	870.00	1,000.00	87.0%
4050 · UCW - Local	20,000.00	20,000.00	100.0%
4051 · Observer	550.00	600.00	91.67%
4060-1 · Thanksgiving - Loose	10.00		
4060 · Thanksgiving	4,255.00	4,500.00	94.56%
4070 · Church Calendars	125.00	200.00	62.5%
4075 · Presbytery Rebate	4,022.50		
4086 · Photocopies	0.00	0.00	0.0%
4090 · GST Rebates	4,744.26	2,300.00	206.27%
4091 · Co-op Equity	50.10	100.00	50.1%
4092 · Credit Union Equity	1,172.11	1,500.00	78.14%
<b>Total Administration Income</b>	<u>257,265.06</u>	<u>269,200.00</u>	<u>95.57%</u>
<b>Faith Formation Income</b>			
4101-1 · Sunday School Loose	36.50		
4101 · Sunday School	101.75	150.00	67.83%
4102 · Youth Group	82.00	200.00	41.0%
41022 · Youth Group - Fundraising	1,291.79		
4106 · Youth Group Retreat	0.00	100.00	0.0%
4110 · Adult Education	200.00	300.00	66.67%
4125 · Children/Youth Library Books	0.00	0.00	0.0%
4180 · Fowl Supper Coat Check	447.81	300.00	149.27%
<b>Total Faith Formation Income</b>	<u>2,159.85</u>	<u>1,050.00</u>	<u>205.7%</u>
<b>Fundraiser Income</b>			
4605 · Spring Supper	2,093.00	2,800.00	74.75%
4610 · Christmas Puddings	2,987.00	3,025.00	98.74%
<b>Total Fundraiser Income</b>	<u>5,080.00</u>	<u>5,825.00</u>	<u>87.21%</u>
<b>Interest Income</b>			

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	<u>Jan - Dec 18</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
4801 · General Operating Chequing	50.49	50.00	100.98%
4807 · General Operating High Interest	1,609.80	500.00	321.96%
4809 · Term Deposits Interest	9,463.40	9,000.00	105.15%
4820 · B & P High Interest Account	382.29	250.00	152.92%
<b>Total Interest Income</b>	<b>11,505.98</b>	<b>9,800.00</b>	<b>117.41%</b>
<b>Membership and Pastoral Care</b>			
4701 · Prayer Shawl Donations	40.00		
<b>Total Membership and Pastoral Care</b>	<b>40.00</b>		
<b>Outreach Income</b>			
4201 · Canadian Food Grains Bank	400.00	400.00	100.0%
4203 · Christmas in July	810.00	1,000.00	81.0%
4205-1 · White Gift - Loose	60.00		
4205 · White Gift	1,585.00	2,500.00	63.4%
4206 · Advent Peace Box	864.00	750.00	115.2%
4216 · Outreach Fundraiser Supper	1,320.00	3,000.00	44.0%
4217 · Outreach Fundraiser Auction	1,612.00	2,500.00	64.48%
4218 · Outreach Fundraiser Donations	418.00	750.00	55.73%
4271 · Loose Change Supper Income	5,877.22	4,500.00	130.61%
4275 · M&S Allocation - General Oper.	2,500.00	2,500.00	100.0%
<b>Total Outreach Income</b>	<b>15,446.22</b>	<b>17,900.00</b>	<b>86.29%</b>
<b>Rentals &amp; Sales Income</b>			
4301 · Room Rentals	17,149.25	15,000.00	114.33%
4310 · Weddings	400.00	400.00	100.0%
4315 · Funerals	7,700.00	8,000.00	96.25%
<b>Total Rentals &amp; Sales Income</b>	<b>25,249.25</b>	<b>23,400.00</b>	<b>107.9%</b>
<b>Sundry Income</b>			
4910 · Wages - Weddings	350.00	725.00	48.28%
4915 · Wages - funerals	6,650.00	6,900.00	96.38%
4945 · Payroll reimbursement	8,229.26	7,480.00	110.02%
<b>Total Sundry Income</b>	<b>15,229.26</b>	<b>15,105.00</b>	<b>100.82%</b>
<b>Worship &amp; Music Income</b>			
4520 · Melodies of Xmas	2,017.00	2,500.00	80.68%
<b>Total Worship &amp; Music Income</b>	<b>2,017.00</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>80.68%</b>
<b>4280 · M &amp; S National Income</b>			
4276-1 · M & S Special Service - Loose	20.00		
4276 · M & S Special Service	1,510.00	700.00	215.71%
4278-1 · Care Home Offering - Loose	196.60	500.00	39.32%
4278 · Care Home Offering	50.00		



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	<u>Jan - Dec 18</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
4279 - Tai Chi	30.00	400.00	7.5%
4281 - PAR - Designated to M & S	4,820.00	3,500.00	137.71%
4282 - Greeting Cards/Cookies	611.10	500.00	122.22%
4283 - Offerings Designated to M & S	2,992.05	1,200.00	249.34%
4285-1 - Mindfulness Meditation - Loose	197.45		
4285 - Mindfulness Meditation	100.00	500.00	20.0%
4286 - M & S jar	287.55	400.00	71.89%
4287-1 - Chair Yoga - Loose	217.45		
4287 - Chair Yoga	150.00	500.00	30.0%
4288 - Lenten Pigs	606.50	650.00	93.31%
4289 - M & S Giving Tree	0.00	150.00	0.0%
4290 - M & S National - UCW	7,500.00	7,500.00	100.0%
<b>Total 4280 - M &amp; S National Income</b>	<u>19,288.70</u>	<u>16,500.00</u>	<u>116.9%</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	353,281.32	361,280.00	97.79%
<b>Expense</b>			
<b>Administration Expense</b>			
5001 - Accounting & Audit	200.00	200.00	100.0%
5003 - Bank Charges	330.60	350.00	94.46%
5005 - Computer	2,963.53	1,500.00	197.57%
5010 - Office Supplies	2,592.32	3,000.00	86.41%
5012 - Postage	762.69	800.00	95.34%
5014 - Observer Subscriptions	523.81	600.00	87.3%
5025 - UCW Unit Envelope Givings	870.00	1,000.00	87.0%
5030 - St. Andrews	50.00		
5040 - Web Page	311.99	200.00	156.0%
5050 - Presbytery Allocation	16,090.00	16,090.00	100.0%
5055 - Flowers	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5070 - Church Calendars	155.87	200.00	77.94%
5075 - Council Expenses	431.56	750.00	57.54%
5076 - Stewardship Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5080 - Sound System	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5090 - GST	3,532.91	4,600.00	76.8%
5091 - PST	3,113.85	3,900.00	79.84%
<b>Total Administration Expense</b>	<u>31,929.13</u>	<u>33,190.00</u>	<u>96.2%</u>
<b>Building &amp; Property Expense</b>			
5101 - Equipment Leases	5,361.86	4,000.00	134.05%
5102 - Equipment Purchases	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
5104 - Alarm System Monitor Fee	419.40	700.00	59.91%

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	<u>Jan - Dec 18</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
5105 · Janitorial Service	12,219.16	16,224.00	75.32%
5106 · Property Insurance	14,161.60	13,000.00	108.94%
5108 · Licences	520.00	500.00	104.0%
5110 · Copier Usage	3,583.44	3,500.00	102.38%
5112 · Janitorial Supplies	1,061.47	2,000.00	53.07%
5114 · Organ Maintenance	965.98	1,000.00	96.6%
5116 · Snow Removal	2,215.00	2,000.00	110.75%
5118 · Lawn Care	1,915.00	1,800.00	106.39%
5130 · Electricity	7,860.80	9,000.00	87.34%
5131 · Recycling fee	48.00	50.00	96.0%
5132 · Gas & Heat	13,233.15	12,000.00	110.28%
5134 · Water & Sewer	2,760.54	5,000.00	55.21%
5136 · Waste Removal	1,773.72	1,600.00	110.86%
5140 · Telephone	2,349.66	2,500.00	93.99%
5150 · Building Repair & Maintenance	8,151.13	15,000.00	54.34%
5152 · Equipment Repair & maintenance	4,711.57	1,000.00	471.16%
5156 · Furniture	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
5161 · Night Clerk	1,989.24	2,000.00	99.46%
5175 · Parking Lot	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total Building &amp; Property Expense</b>	<b>85,300.72</b>	<b>95,874.00</b>	<b>88.97%</b>
<b>Faith Formation Expense</b>			
5204 · Confirmation	218.88	300.00	72.96%
5206 · Youth Group Retreat	121.89	300.00	40.63%
5210 · Sunday School	392.00	600.00	65.33%
5225 · Children/Youth Library Books	254.59	350.00	72.74%
5230 · Youth Group	264.71	400.00	66.18%
5231 · Youth Group - Fundraising Exp.	1,044.65		
5235 · Adult Education	705.23	500.00	141.05%
5240 · Vacation Bible School	46.43	300.00	15.48%
5280 · Fowl Supper Coat Check	435.00		
<b>Total Faith Formation Expense</b>	<b>3,483.38</b>	<b>2,750.00</b>	<b>126.67%</b>
<b>Fundraising Expense</b>			
5405 · Spring Supper Expenses	285.68	500.00	57.14%
5440 · Christmas Pudding Expenses	440.07	500.00	88.01%
<b>Total Fundraising Expense</b>	<b>725.75</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>72.58%</b>
<b>M &amp; S National Expense</b>			
5676 · M & S Special Service	1,530.00	700.00	218.57%

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	<u>Jan - Dec 18</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
5678 · Care Home Services Offering	246.60	500.00	49.32%
5679 · Tai Chi	30.00	0.00	100.0%
5681 · PAR - Designated to M & S	4,820.00	3,500.00	137.71%
5682 · Greeting Cards/Cookies	611.10	500.00	122.22%
5683 · Offering Designated to M & S	2,992.05	1,200.00	249.34%
5685 · Mindfulness Meditation	297.45	500.00	59.49%
5686 · M & S Jar	287.55	400.00	71.89%
5687 · Chair Yoga	367.45	500.00	73.49%
5688 · M & S - Lenten Pig	606.50	650.00	93.31%
5689 · M & S Giving Tree	0.00	150.00	0.0%
5700 · Allocation - General Operating	17,000.00	17,000.00	100.0%
5710 · UCW	7,500.00	7,500.00	100.0%
<b>Total M &amp; S National Expense</b>	<b>36,288.70</b>	<b>33,100.00</b>	<b>109.63%</b>
<b>Membership &amp; Pastoral Care</b>			
5300 · Committee Expenses	46.84	100.00	46.84%
5304 · Pastoral Care	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5305 · Baptismal Supplies	66.20	300.00	22.07%
5320 · Communion	0.00	100.00	0.0%
5330 · Confirmation	101.95	200.00	50.98%
5360 · Prayer Shawl expenses	40.00	100.00	40.0%
5370 · Educational Events	0.00	100.00	0.0%
<b>Total Membership &amp; Pastoral Care</b>	<b>254.99</b>	<b>900.00</b>	<b>28.33%</b>
<b>Ministry &amp; Personnel Expense</b>			
<b>5500 · Salaries</b>			
<b>5501 · Minister</b>			
55011 · Salary	66,133.08	66,133.00	100.0%
55013 · Travel Expense	624.07	800.00	78.01%
55014 · Telephone	360.00	360.00	100.0%
55015 · Continuing Education	1,343.35	1,393.00	96.44%
<b>Total 5501 · Minister</b>	<b>68,460.50</b>	<b>68,686.00</b>	<b>99.67%</b>
5505 · Office Manager	40,944.90	40,876.00	100.17%
5508 · Pianist	7,240.92	7,276.32	99.51%
5510 · Organist	1,836.32	1,920.00	95.64%
5512 · Choir Director	17,848.32	17,848.32	100.0%
5513 · Wedding Staff & Expenses	578.06	1,400.00	41.29%
5514 · Funeral Staff	6,650.00	8,000.00	83.13%
5515 · Sunday School Coordinator	7,156.80	7,156.80	100.0%
5516 · Youth Program Coordinator	8,383.68	8,383.68	100.0%

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	<u>Jan - Dec 18</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
5517 · Communication Coordinator	3,198.00	3,198.00	100.0%
5525 · Staff Recognition	149.25	400.00	37.31%
5540 · Staff Training & Development	102.50	3,000.00	3.42%
<b>Total 5500 · Salaries</b>	<b>162,549.25</b>	<b>168,145.12</b>	<b>96.67%</b>
<b>5550 · Payroll Expense</b>			
5550-1 · CPP - Company	5,284.01	4,800.00	110.08%
5550-12 · Workers Compensation	265.72	300.00	88.57%
5550-14 · Employer Indemnity	66.12	65.00	101.72%
5550-2 · EI - Company	2,766.25	2,600.00	106.39%
5550-4 · Church Pension	10,280.54	10,000.00	102.81%
5550-6 · Group Health Plan	5,243.09	4,700.00	111.56%
5550-8 · Restorative Care	1,085.26	1,000.00	108.53%
5550-9 · PST on Benefits	119.90	360.00	33.31%
5585 · Payroll Charges	305.40	300.00	101.8%
<b>Total 5550 · Payroll Expense</b>	<b>25,416.29</b>	<b>24,125.00</b>	<b>105.35%</b>
<b>Total Ministry &amp; Personnel Expense</b>	<b>187,965.54</b>	<b>192,270.12</b>	<b>97.76%</b>
<b>Outreach Expense</b>			
5600 · Committee Expense	0.00	500.00	0.0%
5601 · Canadian Food Grains Bank	400.00	400.00	100.0%
5603 · Christmas in July	810.00	1,000.00	81.0%
5605 · White Gift payment	1,645.00	2,500.00	65.8%
5606 · Advent Peace Box	860.00	750.00	114.67%
5616 · Outreach Fundraising Supper	1,320.00	1,600.00	82.5%
5617 · Outreach Fundraising Auction	1,612.00	3,000.00	53.73%
5618 · Outreach Fundraising Donations	418.00	750.00	55.73%
5661 · Benevolent Fund	996.11	1,000.00	99.61%
5671 · Loose Change Supper Expenses	2,687.43	3,500.00	76.78%
5672 · Loose Change Supper - hampers	3,000.00	2,500.00	120.0%
5674 · Loose Change Supper - M & S	189.79	500.00	37.96%
<b>Total Outreach Expense</b>	<b>13,938.33</b>	<b>18,000.00</b>	<b>77.44%</b>
<b>Sundry Expense</b>			
5806 · Sask Conference UCC	854.06	1,000.00	85.41%
5820 · Swift Current Ministerial	625.00	600.00	104.17%
<b>Total Sundry Expense</b>	<b>1,479.06</b>	<b>1,600.00</b>	<b>92.44%</b>
<b>Worship &amp; Music Expense</b>			
5904 · Senior Choir Music	0.00	350.00	0.0%
5908 · Radio Broadcasts	5,200.00	5,300.00	98.11%
5910 · Pulpit Supply	2,606.52	2,300.00	113.33%

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	<u>Jan - Dec 18</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
5912 · Decorations	35.74	250.00	14.3%
5914 · Worship Supplies	170.70	400.00	42.68%
5920 · Hymn Books	81.34		
5930 · Advertising	159.90	300.00	53.3%
5932 · Licence & Copyrite	350.00	350.00	100.0%
5936 · Summer Worship Child Care	325.00	350.00	92.86%
5940 · Melodies of Xmas	2,017.00	2,500.00	80.68%
5950 · Video/Audio Equipment/Supplies	152.65	1,000.00	15.27%
5955 · Sound System Operator	1,400.00	1,500.00	93.33%
<b>Total Worship &amp; Music Expense</b>	<u>12,498.85</u>	<u>14,600.00</u>	<u>85.61%</u>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u>373,864.45</u>	<u>393,284.12</u>	<u>95.06%</u>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	-20,583.13	-32,004.12	64.31%
<b>Other Income/Expense</b>			
<b>Other Income</b>			
<b>Other Income</b>			
6100 · Memorial Fund Income	3,210.00		
6116 · Senior Choir Term Interest	188.96		
6125 · Seniors Ministry Fund	500.00		
6140 · Building & Property - PAR	1,380.00		
6145 · Worship Circle-Chinook Pres.	10,000.00		
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<u>15,278.96</u>		
<b>Total Other Income</b>	15,278.96		
<b>Other Expense</b>			
<b>Other Expense</b>			
6200 · Memorial Expense	5,000.00		
6204 · Sanctuary projectors	8,476.80		
6204-1 · Sanctuary projectors - GST	923.84		
6204-2 · Sanctuary projectors - PST	1,108.50		
6210 · Senior Choir Expenses	271.78		
6214 · Sanctuary shingles/roof repair	100,635.00		
6214-1 · Sanctuary shingles - GST	5,031.76		
6214-2 · Sanctuary shingles - PST	6,038.10		
6215 · B & P High Interest-Painting	2,000.00		
<b>Total Other Expense</b>	<u>129,485.78</u>		
<b>Total Other Expense</b>	<u>129,485.78</u>		
<b>Net Other Income</b>	-114,206.82		
	<u><b>-134,789.95</b></u>	<u><b>-32,004.12</b></u>	<u><b>421.16%</b></u>

**First United Church Planned Giving Funds**  
**Balance Sheet**  
As of 31 December 2018

	31 Dec 18
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
<b>Chequing/Savings</b>	
Available Interest	8,332.98
Chequing Account	16,675.98
High Interest Account	<u>58,716.31</u>
<b>Total Chequing/Savings</b>	<u>83,725.27</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	83,725.27
<b>Other Assets</b>	
<b>Investments</b>	
Term - 01/20/19 - 830511146615	60,000.00
Term - 01/19/20 - 830511146524	60,000.00
Term - 01/22/21 - 830511146599	60,000.00
Term - 01/20/22 - 830511146540	60,000.00
Term - 05/16/21 - 400902354785	26,258.72
Term - 07/18/23 - 408702354785	<u>5,728.34</u>
<b>Total Investments</b>	271,987.06
<b>Member Equity</b>	<u>734.48</u>
<b>Total Other Assets</b>	<u>272,721.54</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u><u>356,446.81</u></u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
<b>Equity</b>	
<b>Opening Bal Equity</b>	
Equity Adjustments	<u>21,250.58</u>
<b>Total Opening Bal Equity</b>	21,250.58
<b>Retained Earnings</b>	347,523.39
<b>Net Income</b>	<u>-12,327.16</u>
<b>Total Equity</b>	<u>356,446.81</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b><u><u>356,446.81</u></u></b>


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**Profit & Loss**  
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	Jan - Dec 18
<b>Income</b>	
Bequests	1,489.17
Interest	6,513.93
<b>Total Income</b>	8,003.10
<b>Expense</b>	
Guest Speakers	100.00
M & P Workshop	105.26
Adult Education	125.00
Camp Shagabec	10,000.00
St. Andrew's College	5,000.00
UCC - Mission & Service Fund	5,000.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	20,330.26
<b>Net Income</b>	-12,327.16

**Reviewer Report**

The purpose of our review is to determine that monies donated or paid to First United Church have been deposited to the bank and properly recorded. First United Church has a procedure in place wherein two people receive and count the weekly donations. The Office Manager has been authorized to pay invoices for supplies or maintenance that are a regular occurrence, however each committee reviews large or special expenses. In addition, payments to individuals must be authorized by a committee chairperson through a cheque requisition form.

With the above checks and balances in place and after reviewing the records, we are confident the financial statements present a valid summary of operations at First United Church during the 2018 calendar year.

  
 Karen Fox

  
 Marie Andrews

	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	Budget 2018	% of budget	Budget 2019	\$ change from 2018 Actual
<b>Income</b>						
Regular givings for operations	221,325	209,768	228,000	92%	211,500	1,732
Christmas, Easter, and Thanksgiving givings	15,165	15,913	15,500	103%	15,600	-313
M&S specified givings	20,790	21,789	19,000	115%	20,000	-1,789
Other givings (donation receiptable)	12,314	6,464	8,250	78%	8,300	1,836
Fundraising/Fees/Sunday School	16,098	16,504	17,325	95%	13,700	-2,804
Givings from UCW for operations	21,101	20,870	21,000	99%	20,900	30
Rental/Tax Rebate/Funeral Wages/Payroll Reimburs	38,433	50,467	42,405	119%	38,375	-12,092
Interest Income	10,060	11,506	9,800	117%	8,450	-3,056
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>355,286</b>	<b>353,281</b>	<b>361,280</b>	<b>98%</b>	<b>336,825</b>	<b>-16,456</b>
<b>Expenses</b>						
Administration	32,348	34,134	35,290	97%	33,152	-982
Building and Property						
Building upkeep	32,695	27,148	39,074	69%	22,750	-4,398
Property Upkeep	4,385	4,130	4,800	86%	5,000	870
Equipment	17,070	16,007	13,000	123%	15,450	-557
Utilities	24,914	23,854	26,000	92%	26,000	2,146
Insurance	12,885	14,162	13,000	109%	14,555	393
<b>Subtotal B&amp;P</b>	<b>91,948</b>	<b>85,301</b>	<b>95,874</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>83,755</b>	<b>-1,546</b>
Faith Formation	1,064	3,048	2,750	111%	4,300	1,252
Membership and Pastoral Care	604	255	900	28%	900	645
Worship and Music (incl. Radio, pulpit supply, etc.)	11,001	10,482	12,100	87%	11,900	1,418
Outreach (fundraising expenses)	2,220	2,687	4,000	67%	2,500	-187
Charitable Givings						0
UCC Mission and Service Fund	35,827	36,478	33,600	109%	35,000	-1,478
Directly to Charities (not Mission. & Serv.)	10,805	7,872	10,000	79%	8,850	978
Hampers, Benevolent fund	5,707	5,641	6,000	94%	6,500	859
<b>Subtotal Charitable Givings</b>	<b>52,339</b>	<b>49,992</b>	<b>49,600</b>	<b>101%</b>	<b>50,350</b>	<b>358</b>
Ministry and Personnel						0
Minister	65,376	68,461	68,686	100%	69,766	1,306
Office Managers	33,650	40,945	40,876	100%	39,011	-1,934
Music Staff	26,530	26,926	27,045	100%	28,548	1,623
Janitor, Communications, Funeral	10,723	10,426	12,598	83%	26,249	15,823
Children and Youth Programming Staff	13,774	15,540	15,540	100%	15,614	73
General staff and payroll expenses	23,985	25,668	27,525	93%	36,392	10,724
<b>Subtotal Ministry and Personnel</b>	<b>174,039</b>	<b>187,966</b>	<b>192,270</b>	<b>98%</b>	<b>215,581</b>	<b>27,616</b>
						0
<b>Total Ordinary Expenses</b>	<b>365,562</b>	<b>373,864</b>	<b>392,784</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>402,438</b>	<b>28,574</b>
						0
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>-10,276</b>	<b>-20,583</b>	<b>-31,504</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>-65,613</b>	<b>-45,030</b>