

First United Church



2019 Annual Report

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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

Identity Statement

Guided by the Spirit, we:

- Embrace all forms of human diversity;
- Explore new paths to being a Christian community in today’s world;
- Engage in a variety of ways of experiencing God;
- Strive to be compassionate and caring;
- Reach out locally and globally to enhance the lives of all.

In Wisdom, this is our journey.

2019 Baptisms

1. January 13, 2019 – Aydan Page Burnett, daughter of Kent and Jeneen Burnett
2. May 19, 2019 – Russ Morley Blanke, son of Bart and Shantel Blanke
3. July 7, 2019 – Brielle Lindy Henderson, daughter of Corey and Chantal Henderson
4. October 27, 2019 – Charlie Olivia Benson, daughter of Kendall and Allison Benson

2019 Funerals

1. January 19, 2019 – Shirley Joyce Murchie
2. February 15, 2019 – Clinton Maynard Terlson
3. February 15, 2019 – Margaret Irene Cobbe
4. March 1, 2019 – Gerald Emerson Dawson
5. March 28, 2019 – Gertrude Phyllis Beach
6. April 12, 2019 – Mary Lorraine Reddekopp
7. April 13, 2019 – Katherine Wedhorn
8. April 16, 2019 – Peter Teichroeb
9. April 20, 2019 – Shirley Pacholko
10. April 26, 2019 – Mindy Nicole Zolinski
11. April 27, 2019 – Ella Lillian Melvin
12. May 3, 2019 – Katherine Blydo
13. May 18, 2019 – Dorothy Grace Anning
14. May 27, 2019 – Donald Russell Minogue
15. June 6, 2019 – Loreta Viola May McCarty
16. June 10, 2019 – Norman Arnold Schick
17. June 27, 2019 – Ruth Elsie Repchinsky
18. July 6, 2019 – Tracy Lee Andrejcin
19. July 25, 2019 – Richard John Reimer
20. July 31, 2019 – Allan Lavern Halvorson
21. August 15, 2019 – John Marvyn Thingvold
22. August 16, 2019 – Marie Theresa Alice Dawson
23. August 17, 2019 – Marjorie Elizabeth Boe
24. September 13, 2019 – Bryan Russell Tallon
25. September 24, 2019 – Harvey Melvin Floyd Wiebe
26. October 11, 2019 – Vivian Sedgwick
27. October 22, 2019 – James Frederick Warren
28. October 25, 2019 – Ronald Lloyd Wilhelm
29. November 13, 2019 – Douglas Earl Lamb
30. November 15, 2019 – Patricia Cavell Hymers

- 31. November 16, 2019 – Jerry Fyffe Smith
- 32. December 6, 2019 – Joan Elizabeth Cates
- 33. December 10, 2019 – Allan Guenther
- 34. December 11, 2019 – Margaret Howell

Life Elders as of December 31, 2019

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|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Jean Allen | 30. Carol O'Donnell |
| 2. Florence Anderson | 31. Larry O'Donnell |
| 3. Donna Barber | 32. Jean Pearson |
| 4. Betty Bateman | 33. Shirley Philp |
| 5. Wally Bateman | 34. Betty Pribyl |
| 6. Ken Benson | 35. Frank Pribyl |
| 7. Lorraine Bloye | 36. Betty Robertson |
| 8. Ray Bunnell | 37. Gerry Rya |
| 9. Margaret Bymoen | 38. Gestur Sigurdson |
| 10. Harold Casselman | 39. Violet Sigurdson |
| 11. Marjorie Casselman | 40. Allan Smith |
| 12. Glenna Cory | 41. Murray Smith |
| 13. Melanie Davis | 42. Pat Smith |
| 14. Wilma Drozdowski | 43. Lucille Sorensen |
| 15. Sharyn Erne | 44. Franklyn Strain |
| 16. Val Goodfellow | 45. Shirley Terlson |
| 17. Eileen Hayes | 46. Kae Waters |
| 18. Jim Hayes | 47. Shirley Wilson |
| 19. Janet Keene | |
| 20. Colin King | |
| 21. Marilyn King | |
| 22. Colleen MacBean | |
| 23. Jean Macnab | |
| 24. Thelma Marsh | |
| 25. Margaret McGill | |
| 26. Karen Messer | |
| 27. Patricia Mierke | |
| 28. Eva Molyneux | |
| 29. Christine Newton | |

2019 Marriages

1. July 13, 2019 – Austin Jonathon Lesiuk and Camille Sherry Ann Campbell
2. September 28, 2019 – Gordan Ryan Keenleyside and Brittany Hope Jordet

2019 Members by Confirmation, Profession of Faith and Transfer of Memberships

Transfer of Membership to First United Church

1. February 12, 2019 – Debbie Fletcher from Eastend United Church
2. February 12, 2019 – James Fletcher from Eastend United Church
3. October 8, 2019 – Gerald Ruehs from New Venture Pastoral Charge Aneroid United Church
4. December 10, 2019 – Ray Friesen from Emmaus Mennonite Church, Wymark, SK

Transfer of Membership from First United Church:

1. November 8, 2019 – Adele Heise to Cadboro Bay United Church, Victoria, BC
2. November 8, 2019 – Brian McConkey to Cadboro Bay United Church, Victoria, BC

Chair of Council

The role of Chair of Church Council has rotated among the members of Council for the second consecutive year because of the absence of nominees or volunteers for the position. Although less than ideal, this arrangement has ensured that monthly Executive and Council agendas were prepared, meetings were chaired, and someone was on standby to deal with any urgent matters. Thank you to all of the Council members who took their turn, who made meetings productive and enjoyable, and kept our church running smoothly.

Our executive, our committees, our working groups, and our U.C.W. demonstrated commitment and energy during the year, and came up with fresh new ideas. Thank you to all of these volunteers. And thank you to our financial donors.

The term “dedicated” indeed applies to our minister and our other paid staff members. The congregation is so very appreciative of each of your individual gifts.

A few highlights of 2019:

- The work of our Affirming Ministry Ad Hoc Committee has led us to the point where we will make a decision in spring of 2020 about becoming an Affirming Ministry.
- Swift Current hosted the inaugural meeting of the Living Skies Regional Council, and First United Church assumed responsibility for local arrangements and food.
- A Fundraising ad hoc Committee was established.
- Our Stewardship Committee introduced a more interactive budget process for us as we face difficult financial decisions.
- Our Policy & Procedures Manual, Volunteer Manual, and Lay Employees’ Handbook were updated.
- Successful fundraisers included a Bake Sale & Cookie Scramble, a Spring Supper, a Corn Feed, and Quilts in the Pews.

Some future challenges:

- The resignation of our Youth Coordinator, whose contribution enriched our church family life, necessitates deliberation about what we can offer to youth.
- Long-range planning for our building and our finances will be important as we remain focused on our mission to pursue spiritual growth and compassionate outreach.

Mindful that First United Church is on Treaty 4 territory and that we are all Treaty people, I respectfully submit this report.

Peggy Worrell
Past Chair

Minister

*“Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers,
for by doing that
some have entertained angels without knowing it.”*
(Hebrews 3:12)

In the Bible we are reminded over and over again that hospitality is a key part of what it means to be followers of Jesus. In 2019, First United Church had the opportunity to demonstrate our hospitality in several new and exciting ways!

At the beginning of March we welcomed the Watoto Children’s Choir from Uganda. The children entertained us with their energetic singing and dancing and we provided food and offered our homes as a place to rest and rejuvenate.

In April we co-hosted the *Who is My Neighbour* conference with a focus on reconciliation with our Indigenous neighbours. We welcomed speakers from across Western Canada and invited the people of Swift Current to join us. It was an enriching experience, for me, to work with clergy from other denominations as we planned this multi-day educational event.

At the end of May we were honoured to host the Inaugural Gathering of the Living Skies Regional Council. Our local arrangements committee worked hard to develop food and accommodation options for over 240 participants. We were also thrilled to have the Service of Celebration in our sanctuary on Sunday morning. As the Chair of the Living Skies Regional Council Transition Commission, I was privileged to chair the business meeting and also preside at the worship service.

On June 13th our sanctuary was filled with beautiful fabric creations as we presented the *Quilts in the Pews & More* event. Over 200 people attended this incredible fundraiser and feasted not only with their eyes but were also filled with homemade pie, ice cream and beverages.

During the first half of the year our building and property committee made First United more hospitable by creating a gender neutral and accessible washroom and shortening some pews in the sanctuary to provide space for people who require the use of wheelchairs or walkers.

In October we welcomed Laura Budd, a transgender woman, to our city and our church and listened intently to her story of self-discovery and re-birth. In November we also invited the Rainbow Coffee House into our building for the first time. Through this act of hospitality we are creating a safe place for LGBTQ youth and their allies to come together in community.

All of this took place while we continued to provide pastoral care, faith formation, worship services and outreach for our church family and our community. I recognize the tremendous amount of volunteer time and effort that it takes to plan and implement all the programs that take place in this church and I want to thank each and every one of you for your dedication to the ministry of this congregation. I also want to offer a special thank you to the members of the church council who provide inspiration and leadership throughout the year.

The church's mission is possible not only through your gifts of time and talent, but also because of your financial generosity. Our stewardship committee was especially busy this fall as they prepared "Did You Know?" inserts for the bulletin, planned several circle conversations and presented multiple 2020 budget options to the council and congregation. Thank you to everyone who read the inserts, attended the workshops and gave careful consideration to increasing your offering in 2020.

I also want to express my gratitude to the other members of our staff team for all the gifts that you share throughout the year. At the end of 2019, we were sad to say goodbye to Staci Schaitel, our youth coordinator, as she stepped down from this important role. But we are grateful that Staci is planning to stay in the congregation and continues to share her gifts as our Communications Coordinator and as facilitator of Mindful Meditation classes.

As we look toward 2020 it is clear that our focus on hospitality will continue. On Friday, March 6th our United Church Women will be hosting the World Day of Prayer service in our city and then, later in the month, the congregation will be invited to vote on officially becoming an Affirming Ministry. As an Affirming Ministry we would publicly announce our commitment to radical hospitality – to creating a church community where all people are welcomed and valued.

Blessings,
Annette Taylor

Office Managers **Patti McCleary and Rhonda Lotochinski**

2019 came and went in a whirl and the church office was kept very busy. Patti worked full days Monday to Thursday and Rhonda worked Monday mornings to count the offering and full days Thursday and Friday.

This year was a little different as Patti was away on medical leave from October 16, 2019 to January 15, 2020 and Rhonda was able to work in the office for those months. Special thanks to Sharyn Erne who continues to volunteer in the office when needed.

Patti continued to play the organ for funerals and Sunday services and was also a member on the Outreach committee, Fowl Supper, Memorial, and Loose Change supper working groups.

Rhonda continued to run sound for funerals and Sunday services and was also a member on the Member Pastoral Care committee, Archives, Memorial, and Decorations working groups and the Fundraising ad hoc committee. Rhonda also shared the Council secretary position with Pat Dyck Bunkosky in 2019.

We would like to thank Rev. Annette Taylor, the staff, and the Ministry & Personnel committee for their continued support.

In 2020 we look forward to another rewarding year with our church family.

Blessings

Patti McCleary and Rhonda Lotochinski
Office Managers

Choir Director

Hi All!

Welcome to a new decade! 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 morning 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.

James McLauchlan MTA
Choir Director

Communications Coordinator

As the Communications Coordinator for our church I carry out the following duties:

WEB SITE

- updating structure and design
- trouble shooting technical difficulties
- adding and taking down events
- creating images for site
- making changes, updates and archiving information

FACEBOOK

- sharing local and global church & affiliate events and news
- creating images for events and posts
- posting church event photos
- posting links to past sermons

LOCAL MEDIA

- submitting upcoming events to the Booster, Prairie Post, and Swift Current Online

POSTERS AND SIGNS

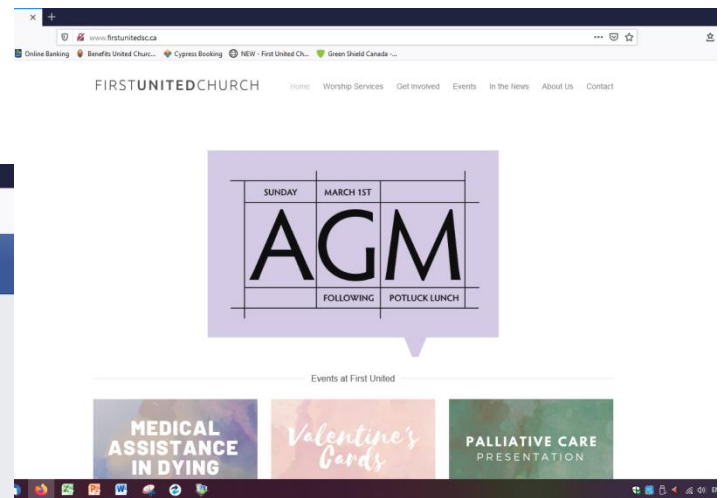
- making posters for church events
- creating informational and wayfinding signage

May all of the many church offerings reach the ears of those who would benefit!

Thank you,
Staci Schaitel
Communications Coordinator

WEBSITE: www.firstunitedsc.ca/

FACEBOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/FirstUnitedSC/>



Building and Property Committee

Committee Members: Dwayne Barber, Wally Bateman, Len Stumpf, Ila Wilms, George Reaves, David Wiebe, Jim Fletcher, and Wendell Andrews.

Special thanks must be given to Wally Bateman, who checks on the heating system daily and makes many other repairs.

We have had a busy year of projects:

- sanctuary windows were glazed & painted - \$8,000
- south retaining wall replaced - donation by contractor
- remodelled upstairs bathroom to accommodate wheel chair access - \$1,500
- remodelled two pews to provide wheel chair access
- painted three bathrooms - \$1200
- garage door replaced - \$300
- sanctuary heating pump overhauled
- roof top heaters checked and new filter installed
- both boilers professionally checked and started for winter
- parking lot resurfaced – donation from a member
- sky light windows resealed
- new vacuum purchased - \$600
- regular maintenance to plumbing and lighting

Part of these expenses were paid from reserves set aside in prior years.

Future Projects:

- Repair of air intake system connected to Knox Hall boiler
- Repair or replacement of both boilers (60 plus years old).
- Continuing repair to front doors

Dwayne Barber
Chair of Building and Property

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, Peggy Worrell, and Ella Toles; staff personnel Jackie Orola-Ravino (Sunday School Coordinator), 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. Staci continues to offer “Mindful Mondays” on Monday evenings with the assistance of Amy Popick.
3. A Labyrinth Experience was offered on November 17, 2019 using a portable labyrinth borrowed from the Designated Lay Ministry Program, St. Andrew’s College.
4. Monthly World Peace Prayers led by Margaret Lottridge in the chapel.
5. Book Studies: Lenten Study: Gifts of the Dark Wood by Eric Elnes; Fall Study: Active Hope by Joanna Macy and Chris Johnstone led by Stacie Noble-Wiebe; January Indigenous Author Study (in keeping with the Calls to Action from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission) The Break by Katherena Vermette. (Note: There is now a group called Active Hope inspired by the book study that will be focusing on gratitude, sustainability and advocacy).
6. Movie Showings during March: Academy Award nominated movies Annette used for basis of sermons during Lent and in June: Conspiracy of Silence the Helen Betty Osbourne Story (some also read the graphic novel). Good discussions ensued! Thanks to those who helped with set-up! Plans are underway for more movie showings in 2020.
7. VBS March 21, 2019, “Growing in God’s Way” was held on a teacher Professional Development day.

8. Children and Youth led Sunday Worship April 14, 2019 (Palm Sunday) and November 24, 2019 (Children's Sunday). 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. The Youth, under the leadership of Staci Schaitel, had a very full year.
10. Advent Study led by Annette and Linda: a story- based study written by Janice MacLean.
11. Creative Arts Space: On January 9, 2019 the "Creation Station" opened with Linda offering activities to explore creativity on Wednesday afternoons with Fran Jackson's help. Thanks, Fran!!
 - a) It remained open during the summer and Linda and Margaret Lottridge offered a combined art and movement program Wednesday mornings.
 - b) May 3rd to 5th Paper Collage and Watercolor Playshops with artist Sue Bland.
 - c) Sunday School used the space in May and September.
 - d) January 2020 Linda offered a creative way to say goodbye to 2019 and move into 2020.

Sadly, Staci Schaitel's position as Youth Coordinator ended on December 31, 2019 as we currently have only a small number of youth in the 11 to 14 year old age range. We have such gratitude for the work she did with the youth and are thankful that she will continue to offer Meditation Mondays on a volunteer basis as well as continuing with her work in communication.

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 by Linda Stumpf
Chair

A Year in the Life of the Sunday School Working Group

March - PD day Vacation Bible School

25 children from our community experienced a day of learning and *“Growing in God’s Way.”*

April - Palm Sunday worship celebration

Sunday School and Youth Group led the worship service

Easter Egg Hunting activity

May - Wind-Up Sunday (then summer break followed)

September - Welcome Back to Sunday School!

Two classes were opened:
Nursery and Multi-Age Group
23 kids are officially registered as of Dec. 2019.

Creation Space Sunday

Fall Art (God’s Creation)

November - *“Expressing our Love for God’s Creation”*

Children and Youth Sunday celebration

December - Kids Christmas Shopping/Giving day - Play Sunday

What we have presented above are the highlights of the year 2019. Our Sunday School welcomes an average of approximately 8-10 kids attending our Sunday morning sessions. We are happy to say that there has never been a Sunday where we have no children present since we welcome them back in the fall of 2019.

With the assistance of the Sunday School parents and other volunteers, the Youth Group and Staci; our Sunday Schoolers as young as two and a half and the oldest at eleven years old explore lessons which include stories, discussions and integrated with arts, crafts and playtime. We are grateful to Sharyn who helps us organize a special activity the kids love, and we say thank you to all of you who shared your treasures which put a smile on the faces of family and friends who received them as gifts of love and thoughtfulness on Christmas day. We also appreciate the kind service of our PD day volunteers (facilitators, servers and supervisors) and also Linda and Fran for allowing us to experience the beauty of making art at the Creation Station. Thank you James and the choir for the songs you teach and sing with us, and to Melanie for the community learning times she shares. We are thankful lastly, to the Faith Formation Committee and Rev. Annette Taylor for the guidance and wisdom provided to us.

Jacqueline Orola Ravino
Sunday School Coordinator



Youth Group

As the majority of our current youth members have moved beyond the 11 to 14 year old age category and into their busy high school lives, our group has come to a close with the ending of the Youth Coordinator contract on December 31, 2019.

It has been my great joy to be with these young folks over the last four years. Sincerely, what a great bunch of kids and what a special time for me, one I'll always be grateful for and hold close.

I am grateful to the families for making it possible for kids to attend Youth Group and to the church for sponsoring the program. My hope is that good seeds were planted - for all of us. Wishing everyone continued blessings as we all continue to learn and to grow.

Our 2019 Youth Group activity highlights included:

- Outreach Silent Auction & Supper Service
- Rest & Recharge Church Sleepover
- Purdy's Fundraiser for Gifts with Vision
- Loose Change Supper Volunteering
- Weekend Tipi Retreat to Grasslands National Park
- Council of All Beings workshop at Kiwanis Park with Stacie Noble-Wiebe
- Global Youth-Led Climate March Day Trip to Regina
- Leading Children's Day Services in April & November
- Co-Leading Nursery Time on Sundays

Be well!!!
Staci Schaitel
Youth Coordinator



Living Skies Regional Council Representatives

It is hard to believe that a year has passed since the United Church of Canada changed its structure from a four court structure with Conferences and Presbyteries, to a three court structure with General Council, 16 Regional Councils, and Faith Communities within the Regional Councils. First United Church is a faith community within Living Skies Regional Council which encompasses the same territory as the former SK Conference (the province of SK). What was once the Conference Office in Regina no longer exists and we share our Executive Minister, Shannon McCarthy, with two other regional councils in Manitoba and Northern Alberta. The new Living Skies website is not operational at this time but you may find all the information you require on the old conference website <https://www.sk.united-church.ca/region-4/> or call Bev Deibert, who is still our friendly voice on the phone from her home office in Moose Jaw at 306-704-0181 and she will do her best to direct you or answer your questions. Here are the folk whose names you might want to know:

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There are no Presbytery meetings on which to report, but the highlight of the year was the **Inaugural Gathering of the Living Skies Regional Council which we hosted here in Swift Current May 30 - June 2, 2019** with the theme "Together on a Journey". The gathering was much like the former meeting of Conference with delegates from faith communities across the province. There were additional delegates from the former All Native Circle Conference as well. The meeting began with Indigenous introduction to Treaty 4 and Indigenous worship led by Bernice Saulteau and others. There were a number of workshops primarily to help everyone make the transition to the new structure. Nine proposals were introduced, most of which were related to structures and work we wanted to have continue with the new structure. There is always a fundraiser for Mission and Service. This time it was silent auction tables and a live

auction which raised \$4,493. Tricia Gerhardt was elected Chair of the Regional Council and Rob Reed was elected Chair of the next Regional Gathering which will be held in Humbolt May 21 -23, 2020. At the Service of Praise on Sunday, Keith Hall was commissioned for Diaconal Ministry, Mitchell Anderson was ordained, and Yong Seok Baek was admitted to the UCC from the Presbyterian Church in South Korea.

The Regional Council hosted several gatherings throughout the year across the region so folk could gather to network and to learn. I (Linda) attended one held in Moose Jaw and came home with some ideas around Faith Formation. It was good for folk missing Presbytery to gather and spend time together.

The next work to be done is for each community of faith to prepare a Faith Story to be posted on The Hub, the on line information hub for the national church, and for each Community of Faith to have a Covenant (to be prepared by the Community of Faith) with the Regional Council.

A bi-weekly newsletter, The Regional Rambler, is distributed by Bev Diebert with information about upcoming events. Members of Council receive this by email. If you are interested in receiving it, email Bev and she will put you on her list. There is a link to back issues on the website and also a link to the Facebook page. So instead of Presbytery Reports, you can get information right in your inbox!

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to represent you in the wider church. We hope this report contains the information you need to find answers to any questions you may have. If we can be of help, please let us know.

Respectfully submitted by Linda Stumpf and Fran Jackson
Representatives to the Living Skies Regional Council

Membership and Pastoral Care Committee

Members of this committee: Charlotte Thingvold, Betty Bateman, Karen Fox, Deb Fletcher, Rhonda Lotochinski & Fran Jackson.

Working group: Sharyn Erne, Colleen MacBean, Sharon Veer, Diane Sarson

Our meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in the Cypress Lounge.

Hospital visits are done several times a week by the working group, members and other volunteers. Phone calls made as necessary to members at home or in senior residences.

Annette conducts communion services in The Meadows and Cypress House twice a year with help from our committee and others. Services organized by the Ministerial Association take place in several care homes lead by Annette, Sharyn or Fran.

The prayer Shawl committee has given out 40 shawls as well as many twiddle muffs to Alzheimer patients. Pocket Prayer Shawls are also given when appropriate. Thanks to all who have knit or crocheted these items. Sharyn makes scrap books with pictures of prayer shawl recipients and these are displayed in the glass case in the foyer.

This year two graduates from SCCHS, Zoe Foster and Grady Rogers were given shawls as well as baptism recipients: Adyan Burnett, Russ Blake, Brielle Henderson and Charlie Benson.

Life Elders acknowledged with certificates: Jean Allen, Donna Barber, Betty Bateman, Wally Bateman, Melanie Davis, Janet Keene, Colleen MacBean, Karen Messer, Carol O'Donnell, Larry O'Donnell, Jean Pearson and Kae Waters.

Thursday morning coffee continues to be very popular and we would like to send out a special thank you to all who put the coffee on and contribute "goodies" each and every week. Attendance ranges from 10-17 persons.

Karen sends cards on the 1 year anniversary of 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.

Prayer Group meets every Thursday at 9:30 a.m. in the chapel. At this time we have only three members: Eva Molyneux, Myrtle Johnston and Fran Jackson. We welcome anyone else interested in 45 minutes of prayer and scripture.

I would like to thank Annette, Patti, Rhonda and all our Membership and Pastoral Care members for their contributions that make this committee an important part of First United church. Wishing everyone the very best in the 2020 season.

Fran Jackson
Chairperson of Membership & Pastoral Care Committee

Ministry and Personnel Committee

The Ministry and Personnel Committee members for 2019 were Karen Messer, Marilyn Durant, Shirley Dyck, Wayne Christensen, and Maxine Olmsted as Chair.

As in the past, we have continued to meet with staff as needed throughout the year, and we conducted the staff's annual performance reviews during September and October. The revisions to the Lay Employee Handbook, which was a focus last year, were adopted at the January Council meeting.

Our committee meetings have generally been held once a month and more often if needed. In addition, we are always available upon request to meet with staff or with members of the congregation, with our primary role to be a consultative and supportive agency for the staff, members and adherents of the congregation.

We are so grateful for the time and dedication of the staff at First United, as well as for being a part of a supportive congregation.

Respectfully submitted,

Maxine Olmsted
Chair of Ministry and Personnel

Nominations Working Group

| NOMINATIONS 2020 – FIRST UNITED CHURCH | | |
|---|----------------------------|------------------|
| EXECUTIVE OF COUNCIL | | Year/Term |
| Chairperson | Kevin Hanna | 1/2 |
| Vice Chairperson | Sharyn Erne | 1/2 |
| Past Chairperson | | 0/2 |
| Stewardship Committee Chair | Charles Lotochinski | 2/3 |
| Ministry Personnel | Rev. Annette Taylor | |
| Council Secretary | | 0/3 |
| Member-at-Large | Sharon Veer | 1/2 |
| PROFESSIONAL STAFF | | |
| Minister | Annette Taylor | |
| Office Manager | Patti McCleary | |
| Office Manager | Rhonda Lotochinski | |
| Choir Director | James McLaughlan | |
| Sunday School Coordinator | Jacqueline Orola-Ravino | |
| Pianist | Mary Anderson | |
| Organist | Patti McCleary | |
| Communications Coordinator | Staci Schaitel | |
| CHURCH COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS | | |
| BUILDING & PROPERTY COMMITTEE | Chair + 4-6 members | Year/Term |
| Chairperson | Dwayne Barber | 2/3 |
| Secretary & Council rep | Ila Wilms | 4/5 |
| | Leonard Stumpf | 4/5 |
| | Wally Bateman | 4/5 |
| | Jim Fletcher | 2/5 |
| | Dave Wiebe | 2/5 |
| | John Eldred | 1/5 |
| | Michael Ravino | 1/5 |
| Maintenance Working Group | | |
| | Wendell Andrews | |
| | Wally Bateman | |
| | Dwayne Barber | |
| | Frank MacBean | |
| | Michael Ravino | |
| FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE | Chair + 3-5 members | Year/Term |
| Chairperson | Linda Stumpf | 3/3 |
| Secretary | Peggy Worrell | 2/5 |
| | Pat Dyck Bunkosky | 1/5 |
| | Staci Schaitel | 1/5 |
| | Daniel Orola | 1/5 |
| | Dixie Green | 1/5 |

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| Sunday School Coordinator | Jacqueline Orola-Ravino - staff | |
| Sunday School Working Group | Chair + 2 parents and grandparents | |
| Chairperson | Jacqueline Orola-Ravino | |
| | Parents | |
| MEMBERSHIP & PASTORAL CARE COMMITTEE | Chair + Roll Clerk + 4-5 members | Year/Term |
| Chairperson | Fran Jackson | 3/3 |
| | Patti McCleary (Roll Clerk)(ex-officio) | |
| | Charlotte Thingvold | 4/5 |
| | Betty Bateman | 4/5 |
| | Karen Fox | 4/5 |
| | Deb Fletcher | 2/5 |
| | Rhonda Lotochinski (& Roll Clerk)(ex-officio) | 2/5 |
| Coffee Working Group | Chair + helpers | |
| Chairperson | Valerie Shrumm | |
| | Karin Mitchell | |
| Greeting Working Group | | |
| Co-chair | Sharyn Erne | |
| Co-chair | Fran Jackson | |
| | Diane Sarson | |
| Visiting Working Group | | |
| Chairperson | Sharyn Erne | |
| | Colleen MacBean | |
| | Diane Sarson | |
| | Olive Waker | |
| Community Friendship | Patti McCleary/Fran Jackson/Rhonda Lotochinski | |
| MINISTRY & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE | Chair + 3-5 members | Year/Term |
| Chairperson | | 0/3 |
| | Shirley Dyck- Derkach | 3/5 |
| | Maxine Olmsted (past chair) | 1/1 |
| | Karen Messer | 4/5 |
| | Wayne Christensen | 2/5 |
| | Mavis Jenson | 1/5 |
| | Heather Moberg | 1/5 |
| OUTREACH COMMITTEE | Chair + 4-6 members | Year/Term |
| Chairperson | | 0/3 |
| | Brenna Stolhandske | 3/5 |
| | Patti McCleary | 4/5 |
| | Sandy Ritchie | 2/5 |
| | Lynn Anderson | 2/5 |
| | Nicole Rewerts | 1/5 |
| | Sandra Brong | 1/5 |

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| Loose Change Supper Working Group | Chair + 2 or more | |
| Chairperson | Janet Keene | |
| | Sharyn Erne | |
| | Rhonda Lotochinski | |
| | Maxine Olmsted | |
| | Patti McCleary | |
| | Diane Minogue | |
| | Mel Friesen | |
| | Judy Corbett | |
| | John Eldred | |
| LIVING SKIES REGIONAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES | 3 Representatives | Year/Term |
| | Fran Jackson | 4/4 |
| | Linda Stumpf | 2/4 |
| | Colleen Macbean | 1/4 |
| STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE | Chair + 3-5 members | Year/Term |
| Chairperson | Charles Lotochinski | 2/3 |
| | Mel Friesen | 3/5 |
| | Wally Derkach | 2/5 |
| | Ron Toles | 2/5 |
| | Gaylene Turner | 1/5 |
| | | 0/5 |
| Archives Working Group | Chair + 1-2 members | |
| Chairperson | Jean Pearson | |
| | Rhonda Lotochinski | |
| | Pat Palmer | |
| | Fran Jackson | |
| Memorial Working Group | Chair + 2-3 members | |
| Chairperson | Ray Bunnell | |
| | Patti McCleary | |
| | Sharyn Erne | |
| | Rhonda Lotochinski | |
| | Donna Barber | |
| TRUSTEES | 5 lay members | |
| Chairperson | Ron Toles | 1/3 |
| | Jean Macnab | 5/5 |
| | Myrtle Johnston | 5/5 |
| | Shirley Wilson | 2/5 |
| | Karen Bender | 2/5 |
| | Annette Taylor (ex-officio) | |

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| WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE | Chair + 4-6 members + choir director | |
| Chairperson | Marie Andrews | 3/3 |
| Music Director | James McLauchlan | |
| Secretary | Barbara Foster | 1/5 |
| | Rose Lis | 4/5 |
| | Laurel Howell | 5/5 |
| | Jessie Hanna | 1/5 |
| | Patti McCleary | 1/5 |
| | | 0/5 |
| Communion Working Group | Chair + 1 member | |
| Chairperson | Ray Bunnell | |
| | Carole Toles | |
| Decorations Working Group | Chair + 2-3 members | |
| Chairperson | Rhonda Lotochinski | |
| | Ila Wilms | |
| | Lorraine Bloye | |
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| Usher Working Group | Chair + helpers | |
| Chairperson | Carole Toles | |
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| AFFIRMING MINISTRY AD HOC COMMITTEE | | |
| Chairperson | Stacie Noble-Wiebe | |
| | Janet Keene | |
| | Amy Popick | |
| | Sharon Veer | |
| | Deb Fletcher | |
| CONGREGATIONAL CHAIR | | |
| | Charles Lotochinski | 3/3 |
| NOMINATIONS WORKING GROUP | Chair + 3-5 members | |
| Chairperson | Sharyn Erne | 1/2 |
| | Donna Barber | 1/2 |
| | Dixie Green | 1/2 |
| | Olive Waker | 1/2 |
| FUNDRAISING AD HOC COMMITTEE | | |
| | Peggy Worrell | |
| | Fran Jackson | |
| | Rhonda Lotochinski | |
| | Pat Dyck-Bunkosky | |
| | Patti McCleary | |
| LIVING SKY REGION 4 REPRESENTATIVES | | |

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| | Fran Jackson | |
| | Linda Stumpf | |
| | Colleen MacBean | |
| SEXUAL ABUSE PREVENTION & RESPONSE (SAPR) | | |
| Officer of the Court | Eileen Elkington | |
| PRIVACY OFFICER | | |
| Member-at-large | Sharon Veer | |
| UNITED CHURCH WOMEN (UCW) | | |
| President | Shirley Wilson | 2/3 |
| Past President | Donna Barber | 2/3 |
| Vice President | Brenda Warder | 1/3 |
| Secretary | Shirley Terlson | |
| Relief Secretary | Gerry Rya | |
| Treasurer | Shirley Terlson | |
| U.C.W. COMMITTEES | | |
| Chair of Funeral & Social Convenors | Judy Killaby | |
| Vice chair of Funeral & Social Convenors | Rose Lis | |
| Funeral Convenors | Norma Hain | |
| | Pat Palmer | |
| | Janet Keene | |
| | Sharyn Erne | |
| | Rose Lis | |
| | Chris Newton | |
| | Judy Killaby | |
| Social Convenors | | |
| | Judy Killaby | |
| | Rose Lis | |
| | Kathy Bolton | |
| | Donna Barber (Unit 8) | |
| | Janet Keene | |
| | Shirley Wilson (Unit 9) | |
| | Chris Newton | |
| | Pat Palmer | |
| | Ila Wilms | |
| | Sharon Pollock | |
| Garage Sales | Anne Kaytor | |
| Kitchen Supplies | Kathy Bolton | |
| Literature | Lucille Sorensen | |
| Membership & Pastoral Care | Lucille Sorensen | |
| 3rd Ave Boutique | Norma Hain | |

Outreach Committee

We would like to thank our congregation once again for all the support given to the Outreach Committee in 2019. With your support, we were able to provide aid to our neighbors locally and, through Mission and Service, care for others across Canada and around the world.

Projects we worked on together were:

- Fundraising Supper & Silent Auction for Camp Shagabec
- 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 Mindfulness Meditation
 - o Care Home Services
 - o Offerings designated to M & S
 - o Offerings designated to M & S through Pre-Authorized Remittance
 - o Living Skies Regional Gathering – coffee & snacks

A total of \$40,415 was sent to M and S in 2019 including funds from UCW, Planned Giving and offerings given in support of Mission and Service

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

The Loose Change Supper working group fosters community and provides an amazing evening meal monthly September through May, with half of the 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 from 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 two volunteers for kitchen help and two for help setting up the tables and chairs. We hope they enjoy being with us as much as we enjoy having them. They have been a big help.

Suppers were held on the last Tuesday of the month from January to May and September to November 2019. Attendance has varied anywhere between 90 and 120. We consistently prepare for 120.

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

Our guests are now signing up for the following supper before they leave; this in turn helps us prepare a more accurate amount of food as a lot of guests do not get the opportunity to call in to sign up before the next supper. We have the gym for the entire Tuesday evenings now. It is much more relaxing for the workers and everyone else to sit and have their meal and coffee and enjoy some visiting time.

Total income in 2019 was \$5,774.15 and expenses were \$2,906.30 for a profit of \$2,867.85.

The profit was distributed as follows:

Christmas Hampers - \$1,433.93 (16 families - a total of 47 people)

Donation to church (Local) - \$1,433.93

Submitted by Sharyn Erne for Janet Keene

Stewardship Committee

Greetings and blessing to all. This marks the end of my first of three years as Chair of the Stewardship committee and it has been a very busy year. The dominating issue for us, and the congregation as a whole, has been the deficit budget passed a year ago at the last Annual General meeting.

We passed a deficit budget of \$65,613. We ended 2019 with a net deficit of \$42,122.91. Although this is a positive in the sense we outperformed our budget, it is still unsustainable. The Stewardship committee responded to the deficit by seeking the input of the congregation through circle conversations and increasing the awareness of the financial stewardship of the church with bulletin inserts. We held three circle conversations and provided six information inserts. These have been positively received and we will continue this in the coming year.

We also changed our approach to the budgeting process by making it a more inclusive process. Feedback from the circle conversations was used in conjunction with a budgeting workshop for council held in December. Stewardship developed multiple budget options which were discussed in council as well as at the final circle conversation held in January of this year. This ultimately led to the final budget proposal that will be presented this year at the AGM. As we move forward we will continue to review and modify our approach to the budgeting process.

I would like to give thanks to long term member Dan Olmsted who will be leaving the team this year. Dan has been an integral member of Stewardship and will be greatly missed. Your other Stewardship members are Mel Friesen, Ron Toles and Wally Derkatch. We are also grateful to welcome new member Gayleen Turner to the team. Anyone else interested in joining would be most welcome.

Blessings

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Lotochinski', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Charles Lotochinski
Chair of Stewardship

Memorial Working Group

Members: Ray Bunnell, Patti McCleary, Sharyn Erne, Rhonda Lotochinski, and 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 2019, a total of \$770 was donated to the Memorial fund.

The balance in the Memorial Fund as of Dec. 31 2019 was \$16743.50. There were no requests for funds during 2019.

Ray Bunnell
Chair of Memorial

Trustees

The Board of Trustees is composed of five members appointed by the congregation that include Barbara Foster (chair), Myrtle Johnston, Shirley Wilson, Karen Bender, Jean Macnab and Ron Toles. Rev Annette Taylor also is a member of the Board in an ex-officio capacity.

During 2019, the Board held one committee meeting. We welcomed new members appointed at the Annual Meeting, Shirley Wilson, Karen Bender and Myrtle Johnston. The Board, during the year with direction from the Stewardship committee, attended to the secured investments of church. The Trustees continue to monitor the church's insurance policy and coverage carried through Red River Mutual for any required changes. Past Trustee, Frank MacBean agreed to review the policy on behalf of our committee.

Barbara Foster will be stepping down from Trustees as her term is finished. Trustees look forward to a new chairperson or member appointed at the Annual Meeting.

Barbara Foster attended most church council meetings and Myrtle Johnston 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 2020.

Respectively submitted,
Barbara Foster, Chairperson
Board of Trustees

Worship and Music Committee

The Worship and Music Committee consists of Reverend Annette Taylor, James McLauchlan, Janet Keene, Tami Pavely, Valerie Shrumm, Rose Lis, Laurel Howell and myself. Tami, Janet and Valerie have completed their commitment to this committee and we give many thanks and are grateful for all the work and the fun over the past five years.

Our five working groups which included Coffee, Communion, Decorations, Greeting and Ushers looking after many duties from which we all benefited and appreciated. Thanks so much to each member of the working groups.

The highlight of 2019 was hosting the Watoto Children's Choir for their "We Will Go" performance. These young children and young adults from Uganda presented us with a spectacular evening of music, dancing and joy. Those of us who hosted overnight guests were gifted with very polite children and good conversation with the chaperone.

Our committee introduced and council approved a Scent Policy for our building to assist in ensuring folks with sensitivities and allergies have a healthier experience at First United.

We are consistently aware of pulpit supply in Annette's absence, having people trained for our sound system, monitoring the radio broadcasts, organizing ushers, coffee before and after services, replacing covers on More Voices hymn books, having supplies ready for communion etc. etc. There is much to do.

We are grateful for James who directs the choir and works with Annette to match the music to the Worship Theme. We are also grateful to the choir and all the performers who have blessed us with their musical talents. Once again the choir hosted a very successful Melodies of Christmas in December.

Our committee is looking forward to working with new members and to another busy and rewarding year.

Submitted by
Marie Andrews, Chair

Choir

During 2019-2020, 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! We recently welcomed Donna Wilhelm to a practice.

The process of cataloguing old music and replacing it with newer choral and folk pieces is still underway. 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, and Patti McCleary. Without the dedication and talent of these ladies we would not have a choir. Thank you!

It continues to be a pleasure working with Annette and I'd like to personally thank her for her dedication to our congregation here at First United Church.

It has been a pleasure working with Staci Schaitel and Jackie Ravino providing leadership for Sunday School. I've really appreciated the great energy and innovation they bring to our church community. It was disappointing to hear that Staci Schaitel has resigned from leading youth group but we wish her all the best!

First United Church once again hosted Melodies of Christmas this year. Over \$2100 was raised to support the Canadian Mental Health Association Swift Current Branch. 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 and hopeful 2020!

Respectfully submitted,

James McLaughlan MTA
Choir Director

U.C.W.

The U.C.W. continued to be very active throughout 2019.

This year the Social and Funeral Conveners have new Co-Chairpersons, Judy Killaby and Rose Lis. They are doing a great job and things have gone smoothly. As usual, the Social and Funeral Conveners did a great job convening many functions throughout the year. A big thank you goes out to all Conveners and helpers for your hard work and dedication. And also thank you to the gentlemen in our Church who volunteer to help with the dishwasher after catering functions. This is a big help to those ladies who volunteer. As an added note it would be nice to have more people on these committees to share the catering needs.

The Garage and 3rd Avenue Boutique 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. Sales this year were up over 2018.

The 2019 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 U.C.W. made a nice profit at both functions. The 2019 Fowl Supper was very successful, and once again we fed approximately 600 people.

The Social Conveners sponsored a supper for the members of the Watoto Children's Choir, chaperones and bus drivers prior to the concert, as well as supply bag lunches for their return trip. U.C.W. members attended and took part in World Day of Prayer, March 1/19. First United will host the 2020 World Day of Prayer on March 6/20.

On Saturday October 5/19, the Saskatchewan United Church of Canada Women held their final event of the year at First United Church. Those in attendance enjoyed the day of fellowship, a brief meeting, Worship with Communion and a presentation on the new regional council. Coffee times and lunch were prepared by the U.C.W. The First United Church U.C.W. will host the "Camp Shagabec Day" on June 8/20. Please remember that "ALL THE WOMEN OF THE UNITED CHURCH " are considered a U.C.W. member (UCW).

As a point of interest, our U.C.W. donated \$5,050.00 to outside charities. We also donated \$20,000.00 to the main Church, and \$7,500.00 to M& S. We keep up with repairs in the kitchen, which involved the dishwasher and new counter top. 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.

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, 2019

Balance Forward – January 1, 2019 = \$41,178.42

INCOME

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| Catering | 14,805.05 |
| Rummage Sales | 6,481.66 |
| Garage Sales | 8,637.56 |
| Muffin & Plant Sale | 1,220.25 |
| Fowl Supper | 8,909.25 |
| Christmas Tea | 1,885.00 |
| Donations | 10.00 |
| Envelope Givings (Unite 8 & F) | 945.25 |
| Rental | 0.00 |
| Misc | 20.00 |
| Float | 1,425.00 |
| Interest | 37.16 |

TOTAL 44,376.78

EXPENSES

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|------------------------|-----------|
| Catering | 4,654.20 |
| Local Church | 20,000.00 |
| Donations | 5,150.00 |
| M & S | 7,500.00 |
| Fowl Supper | 1,209.88 |
| Kitchen Supplies | 939.45 |
| Office Supplies | 0.00 |
| Safe Shelter Supplies | 0.00 |
| Delegates | 0.00 |
| Misc | 221.92 |
| Float | 1,425.00 |
| Kitchen Repairs/Upkeep | 2,069.32 |

TOTAL 43,169.77

CREDIT 2019 - \$1,206.41

BALANCE SHEET – December 31, 2019

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| Bank Balance | 42,384.83 | |
| Term Deposit (1) | 8,464.68 | (Yearly Interest - \$157.83) |
| Term Deposit (2) | 2,928.36 | (Yearly Interest - \$78.37) |
| Equity Acct | 60.69 | |
| NET WORTH | 53,838.56 | |

I have reviewed the financial records for the First United Church Women (UCW), for the calendar year of 2019.

I believe they accurately present a summary of all activities.

Dated: January 13, 2019

Shirley Wilson

Shirley Wilson

Affirming Ministry Ad Hoc Committee

In 2019, the members of the Affirming Ministry Committee were Stacie Noble-Wiebe (Chair), Annette Taylor, Amy Popick, Sharon Veer, Janet Keene, and Amanda Polsfut.

The Affirming Ministry Ad Hoc Committee was officially formed in January 2017. The Affirming Ministry journey has been exciting thus far, filled with abundant learning and growth, meaningful conversations, and relationship building within the church and with the surrounding community. Our committee's primary role has been in educating the congregation (and ourselves) with the goal of increasing awareness and understanding of marginalization, power and privilege, diversity, equity and social justice so as to transform our church into an even more radically welcoming space than it already is. We have focused on a diverse range of experiences of marginalization because social justice issues are interwoven and often mutually reinforcing.

Highlights from the past three years include:

- Educational sessions and guest speakers addressing a range of topics including the Affirming Ministry process, differing abilities, accessibility, privilege, stereotyping and myths about indigenous culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, ageism, and poverty.
- Worship services addressing a range of topics including racial diversity and racial justice, differing abilities, unity in diversity, sexual orientation, gender identity, indigenous culture, power and privilege, a sample welcome statement, inclusivity, poverty, and economic justice.
- Building relationships with SaskAbilities, Southwest Saskatchewan Pride, and the Chinook School Division Gay-Straight Alliances.
- In partnership with the Building and Property Committee, seeking feedback from the congregation re: accessibility and implementing suggestions including creation of an accessible washroom, shortening select pews in the Sanctuary to create accessible spaces, and installing an automatic door opener for the inner door at the main entrance.
- Creating a Community Resources list which was posted on the church bulletin board, emailed to the congregation, and posted on our website.

I would like to thank Annette, Amy, Janet, Sharon, and Amanda for their heartfelt commitment to this committee and its work, and for their willingness to learn and grow together as we explore a variety of challenging topics amongst ourselves and with the congregation. I also want to thank Council and the congregation for your participation in educational and worship events and for all your feedback. You have been essential in shaping this Affirming journey we are all on together.

Thank you!
Stacie Noble-Wiebe
Chair

Fundraising Ad Hoc Committee

Committee Members: Peggy Worrell, Fran Jackson, Rhonda Lotochinski, and Pat Dyck Bunkosky

On February 24, 2019, council passed a motion to create an ad hoc Fundraising committee due to the \$65,000 2019 Budget deficit. The Fundraising committees main goals are to collect fundraising ideas and build community within the congregation.

Projects completed in 2019:

- 1) Bake Sale and Cookie Scramble, April 28, 2019 - raised \$223.46
- 2) Quilts in the Pews, June 13, 2019 – raised \$2,763.08

The fundraising committee welcomes any and all suggestions from the congregation. Please feel free to contact any of our committee members.

Blessings
Rhonda Lotochinski

First United Church Operating Fund

First United Church Balance Sheet As of 31 December 2019

| | 31 Dec 19 |
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| 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 | 20,508.04 |
| 1105 · B & P - 830510791122 | 41,207.40 |
| Total 1100 High Interest Accounts | 61,715.44 |
| 1000 · Chequing Account - 100202354785 | |
| 1002 · General Operating | 106,182.68 |
| 1015 · Senior Choir | 2,045.86 |
| 1045 · Worship Circle-Chinook Pres. | 9,440.54 |
| 1050 · Memorial Fund | 16,743.50 |
| Total 1000 · Chequing Account - 100202354785 | 134,412.58 |
| Total General Operating Accounts | 196,128.02 |
| Total Chequing/Savings | 196,171.17 |
| Accounts Receivable | |
| Accounts Receivable | |
| 1401 · GST Receivable | 901.14 |
| Total Accounts Receivable | 901.14 |
| Total Accounts Receivable | 901.14 |
| Other Current Assets | |
| 1011 · Credit Union Member Rewards | 9,213.20 |
| Total Other Current Assets | 9,213.20 |
| Total Current Assets | 206,285.51 |
| 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 |

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| 1019 · Term #4-04/22/24 - 830511584948 | 80,000.00 |
| 1023 · ChoirTerm-04/21/20-830512361635 | 2,050.00 |
| 1024 · ChoirTerm-04/21/21-830512361643 | 2,052.00 |
| 1025 · ChoirTerm-04/21/22-830512361668 | 2,053.00 |
| 1026 · ChoirTerm-04/21/23-830512361684 | <u>2,060.00</u> |
| Total Long Term Investments | <u>298,215.00</u> |
| Total Other Assets | <u>298,215.00</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS | <u>504,500.51</u> |
| LIABILITIES & EQUITY | |
| Equity | |
| 3000 · Opening Bal Equity | 142,053.80 |
| 3001 · Equity Adjustments | -29,613.55 |
| 3100 · Retained Earnings | 431,865.25 |
| Net Income | <u>-39,804.99</u> |
| Total Equity | <u>504,500.51</u> |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY | <u>504,500.51</u> |

First United Church
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 January through December 2019

| | <u>Jan - Dec 19</u> | <u>Budget</u> |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Ordinary Income/Expense | | |
| Income | | |
| Administration Income | | |
| 4001 · Local | 205,757.77 | 210,000.00 |
| 4001-1 · Local - offering not receipted | 480.00 | |
| 4002 · Loose Offering | 2,145.90 | 1,500.00 |
| 4007-1 · Christmas - Loose | 315.25 | |
| 4007 · Christmas Offering | 10,896.00 | 7,500.00 |
| 4008-1 · Easter - loose | 5.00 | |
| 4008 · Easter Offering | 4,192.00 | 3,600.00 |
| 4025 · UCW Unit Envelope Givings | 945.25 | 900.00 |
| 4050 · UCW - Local | 20,000.00 | 20,000.00 |
| 4051 · Observer | 475.00 | 600.00 |
| 4060 · Thanksgiving | 6,275.00 | 4,500.00 |
| 4070 · Church Calendars | 20.00 | 100.00 |
| 4090 · GST Rebates | 1,720.90 | 4,000.00 |
| 4091 · Co-op Equity | 25.46 | 100.00 |
| 4092 · Credit Union Equity | 851.01 | 1,500.00 |
| Total Administration Income | <u>254,104.54</u> | <u>254,300.00</u> |
| Faith Formation Income | | |
| 4101 · Sunday School | 41.00 | 150.00 |
| 4102 · Youth Group | 17.00 | |
| 41022 · Youth Group - Fundraising | 1,867.15 | 1,400.00 |
| 4103 · Sunday School Xmas Shopping Day | 179.30 | |
| 4110 · Adult Education | 0.00 | 200.00 |
| 4160 · Creative Art | 252.50 | 200.00 |
| 4180 · Fowl Supper Coat Check | 0.00 | 350.00 |
| Total Faith Formation Income | <u>2,356.95</u> | <u>2,300.00</u> |
| Fundraiser Income | | |
| 4602 · Bake Sale | 223.46 | |
| 4604 · Quilts in the Pews | 2,839.15 | |
| 4605 · Spring Supper | 3,134.00 | 2,500.00 |
| 4615 · Corn Feed Supper | 1,979.40 | |
| Total Fundraiser Income | <u>8,176.01</u> | <u>2,500.00</u> |

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| Interest Income | | |
| 4801 · General Operating Chequing | 62.69 | 50.00 |
| 4807 · General Operating High Interest | 478.41 | 600.00 |
| 4809 · Term Deposits Interest | 10,014.14 | 7,500.00 |
| 4820 · B & P High Interest Account | 405.95 | 300.00 |
| Total Interest Income | 10,961.19 | 8,450.00 |
| Outreach Income | | |
| 4201 · Canadian Food Grains Bank | 400.00 | 400.00 |
| 4203 · Christmas in July | 960.00 | 1,000.00 |
| 4205-1 · White Gift - Loose | 15.00 | |
| 4205 · White Gift | 1,765.07 | 2,500.00 |
| 4206 · Advent Peace Box | 870.00 | 750.00 |
| 4216 · Outreach Fundraiser Supper | 1,930.00 | 1,350.00 |
| 4217 · Outreach Fundraiser Auction | 1,767.00 | 1,500.00 |
| 4218 · Outreach Fundraiser Donations | 765.00 | 1,000.00 |
| 4271 · Loose Change Supper Income | 5,774.15 | 5,500.00 |
| 4275 · M&S Allocation - General Oper. | 2,700.00 | 2,500.00 |
| Total Outreach Income | 16,946.22 | 16,500.00 |
| Building & Property Income | | |
| 4301 · Room Rentals | 15,639.00 | 17,000.00 |
| 4310 · Weddings | 400.00 | 400.00 |
| 4315 · Funerals | 5,180.00 | 8,000.00 |
| 4325 · Donation | 244.00 | |
| Total Building & Property Income | 21,463.00 | 25,400.00 |
| Sundry Income | | |
| 4910 · Wages - Weddings | 250.00 | 475.00 |
| 4915 · Wages - funerals | 4,750.00 | 6,900.00 |
| 4945 · Payroll reimbursement | 331.77 | |
| Total Sundry Income | 5,331.77 | 7,375.00 |
| Worship & Music Income | | |
| 4520 · Melodies of Xmas | 2,009.55 | 2,500.00 |
| 4525 · Watoto Choir | 1,471.10 | |
| Total Worship & Music Income | 3,480.65 | 2,500.00 |
| 4280 · M & S National Income | | |
| 4276 · M & S Special Service | 340.00 | 1,400.00 |
| 4277 · Living Skies Regional Gathering | 394.10 | |
| 4278-1 · Care Home Offering - Loose | 195.40 | |
| 4278 · Care Home Offering | 105.00 | 200.00 |
| 4281 · PAR - Designated to M & S | 5,070.00 | 4,500.00 |
| 4282 · Greeting Cards/Cookies | 430.30 | 500.00 |
| 4283 · Offerings Designated to M & S | 2,108.40 | 2,500.00 |
| 4285-1 · Mindfulness Meditation - Loose | 1,149.95 | |

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| 4286 · M & S jar | 219.25 | 250.00 |
| 4288 · Lenten Pigs | 853.05 | 650.00 |
| 4290 · M & S National - UCW | <u>7,500.00</u> | <u>7,500.00</u> |
| Total 4280 · M & S National Income | <u>18,365.45</u> | <u>17,500.00</u> |
| Total Income | 341,185.78 | 336,825.00 |
| Expense | | |
| Administration Expense | | |
| 5001 · Accounting & Audit | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| 5003 · Bank Charges | 332.60 | 350.00 |
| 5005 · Computer | 0.00 | 1,500.00 |
| 5010 · Office Supplies | 1,709.32 | 2,500.00 |
| 5012 · Postage | 458.12 | 500.00 |
| 5014 · Observer Subscriptions | 525.00 | 600.00 |
| 5025 · UCW Unit Envelope Givings | 945.25 | 900.00 |
| 5040 · Web Page | 0.00 | 225.00 |
| 5050 · Region Allocation | 15,852.00 | 15,852.00 |
| 5070 · Church Calendars | 51.15 | 150.00 |
| 5075 · Council Expenses | 36.99 | 750.00 |
| 5090 · GST | 3,441.78 | 4,000.00 |
| 5091 · PST | <u>4,584.31</u> | <u>3,500.00</u> |
| Total Administration Expense | 28,136.52 | 31,027.00 |
| Building & Property Expense | | |
| 5101 · Equipment Leases | 5,361.86 | 4,450.00 |
| 5102 · Equipment Purchases | 969.99 | 1,000.00 |
| 5104 · Alarm System Monitor Fee | 419.40 | 600.00 |
| 5106 · Property Insurance | 13,731.00 | 14,555.00 |
| 5108 · Licences | 520.00 | 600.00 |
| 5110 · Copier Usage | 3,593.87 | 3,500.00 |
| 5112 · Janitorial Supplies | 1,243.34 | 1,500.00 |
| 5114 · Organ Maintenance | 860.00 | 1,000.00 |
| 5116 · Snow Removal | 2,045.00 | 2,000.00 |
| 5118 · Lawn Care | 1,905.00 | 2,000.00 |
| 5130 · Electricity | 7,150.83 | 9,000.00 |
| 5131 · Recycling fee | 48.00 | 50.00 |
| 5132 · Gas & Heat | 11,845.13 | 12,000.00 |
| 5134 · Water & Sewer | 2,527.95 | 5,000.00 |
| 5136 · Waste Removal | 2,024.93 | 1,600.00 |
| 5140 · Telephone | 2,386.28 | 2,500.00 |
| 5150 · Building Repair & Maintenance | 15,042.05 | 15,000.00 |
| 5152 · Equipment Repair & maintenance | 2,754.90 | 3,000.00 |
| 5156 · Furniture | 389.95 | 1,000.00 |
| 5161 · Night Clerk | 1,978.28 | 2,400.00 |

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| 5175 · Parking Lot | 0.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Total Building & Property Expense | <u>76,797.76</u> | <u>83,755.00</u> |
| Faith Formation Expense | | |
| 5206 · Youth Group Retreat | 101.00 | 200.00 |
| 5210 · Sunday School | 663.93 | 600.00 |
| 5225 · Children/Youth Library Books | 0.00 | 350.00 |
| 5230 · Youth Group | 167.43 | 300.00 |
| 5231 · Youth Group - Fundraising | 1,412.85 | 1,200.00 |
| 5235 · Adult Education | 600.00 | 750.00 |
| 5240 · Vacation Bible School | 33.97 | 300.00 |
| 5260 · Creative Art | 646.85 | 600.00 |
| 5280 · Fowl Supper Coat Check | 0.00 | 350.00 |
| Total Faith Formation Expense | <u>3,626.03</u> | <u>4,650.00</u> |
| Fundraising Expense | | |
| 5403 · Quilts in the Pews Expenses | 76.07 | |
| 5405 · Spring Supper Expenses | 295.75 | 500.00 |
| 5415 · Corn Feed Supper Expenses | 212.44 | |
| Total Fundraising Expense | <u>584.26</u> | <u>500.00</u> |
| M & S National Expense | | |
| 5676 · M & S Special Service | 340.00 | 1,400.00 |
| 5677 · Living Skies Regional Gathering | 394.10 | |
| 5678 · Care Home Services Offering | 300.40 | 200.00 |
| 5681 · PAR - Designated to M & S | 5,070.00 | 4,500.00 |
| 5682 · Greeting Cards/Cookies | 430.30 | 500.00 |
| 5683 · Offering Designated to M & S | 2,108.40 | 2,500.00 |
| 5685 · Mindfulness Meditation | 1,149.95 | |
| 5686 · M & S Jar | 219.25 | 250.00 |
| 5688 · M & S - Lenten Pig | 853.05 | 650.00 |
| 5700 · Allocation - General Operating | 17,000.00 | 17,000.00 |
| 5710 · UCW | 7,500.00 | 7,500.00 |
| Total M & S National Expense | <u>35,365.45</u> | <u>34,500.00</u> |
| Membership & Pastoral Care | | |
| 5300 · Committee Expenses | 0.00 | 100.00 |
| 5305 · Baptismal Supplies | 0.00 | 300.00 |
| 5320 · Communion | 0.00 | 50.00 |
| 5330 · Confirmation | 0.00 | 100.00 |
| 5360 · Prayer Shawl expenses | 0.00 | 50.00 |
| 5370 · Educational Events | 0.00 | 300.00 |
| Total Membership & Pastoral Care | <u>0.00</u> | <u>900.00</u> |
| Ministry & Personnel Expense | | |
| 5500 · Salaries | | |
| 5501 · Minister | | |

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| 55011 - Salary | 67,191.36 | 67,191.00 |
| 55013 - Travel Expense | 146.68 | 800.00 |
| 55014 - Telephone | 360.00 | 360.00 |
| 55015 - Continuing Education | 962.88 | 1,415.00 |
| Total 5501 - Minister | 68,660.92 | 69,766.00 |
| 5505 - Office Manager | 41,151.84 | 39,011.00 |
| 5508 - Pianist | 7,224.96 | 7,498.00 |
| 5510 - Organist | 2,676.96 | 2,920.00 |
| 5512 - Choir Director | 18,133.80 | 18,131.00 |
| 5513 - Wedding Staff & Expenses | 350.00 | |
| 5514 - Funeral Staff | 4,750.00 | 8,000.00 |
| 5515 - Sunday School Coordinator | 7,097.00 | 7,097.00 |
| 5516 - Youth Program Coordinator | 8,517.00 | 8,517.00 |
| 5517 - Communication Coordinator | 3,249.00 | 3,249.00 |
| 5518 - Janitor | 15,623.34 | 15,000.00 |
| 5525 - Staff Recognition | 112.07 | 400.00 |
| 5540 - Staff Training & Development | 1,000.00 | 3,000.00 |
| Total 5500 - Salaries | 178,546.89 | 182,589.00 |
| 5550 - Payroll Expense | | |
| 5550-1 - CPP - Company | 6,289.42 | 7,025.00 |
| 5550-12 - Workers Compensation | 352.63 | 486.00 |
| 5550-14 - Employer Indemnity | 73.92 | 70.00 |
| 5550-2 - EI - Company | 3,170.01 | 3,365.00 |
| 5550-4 - Church Pension | 13,540.14 | 13,226.00 |
| 5550-6 - Group Health Plan | 7,492.21 | 7,008.00 |
| 5550-8 - Restorative Care | 1,549.50 | 1,512.00 |
| 5550-9 - PST on Benefits | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 5585 - Payroll Charges | 331.90 | 300.00 |
| Total 5550 - Payroll Expense | 32,799.73 | 32,992.00 |
| Total Ministry & Personnel Expense | 211,346.62 | 215,581.00 |
| Outreach Expense | | |
| 5600 - Committee Expense | 0.00 | 500.00 |
| 5601 - Canadian Food Grains Bank | 400.00 | 400.00 |
| 5603 - Christmas in July | 960.00 | 1,000.00 |
| 5605 - White Gift payment | 1,780.07 | 2,500.00 |
| 5606 - Advent Peace Box | 870.00 | 750.00 |
| 5616 - Outreach Fundraising Supper | 1,930.00 | 1,350.00 |
| 5617 - Outreach Fundraising Auction | 1,767.00 | 1,500.00 |
| 5618 - Outreach Fundraising Donations | 765.00 | 1,000.00 |
| 5661 - Benevolent Fund | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| 5671 - Loose Change Supper Expenses | 2,906.30 | 2,000.00 |
| 5672 - Loose Change Supper - hampers | 1,433.93 | 3,000.00 |

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| 5674 · Loose Change Supper - M & S | 0.00 | 500.00 |
| Total Outreach Expense | 13,812.30 | 15,500.00 |
| Sundry Expense | | |
| 5806 · Living Skies Regional Council | 300.00 | 1,000.00 |
| 5820 · Swift Current Ministerial | 625.00 | 625.00 |
| 5845 · SK PST Reimbursement | 331.77 | |
| Total Sundry Expense | 1,256.77 | 1,625.00 |
| Worship & Music Expense | | |
| 5904 · Senior Choir Music | 0.00 | 350.00 |
| 5908 · Radio Broadcasts | 4,965.00 | 5,300.00 |
| 5910 · Pulpit Supply | 1,537.00 | 2,500.00 |
| 5912 · Decorations | 0.00 | 250.00 |
| 5914 · Worship Supplies | 141.20 | 400.00 |
| 5920 · Hymn Books | 107.14 | |
| 5925 · Watota Choir | 1,471.10 | |
| 5930 · Advertising | 168.50 | 100.00 |
| 5932 · Licence & Copyrite | 370.00 | 350.00 |
| 5934 · Honoraria Music | 0.00 | 300.00 |
| 5936 · Summer Worship Child Care | 300.00 | 350.00 |
| 5940 · Melodies of Xmas | 2,009.55 | 2,500.00 |
| 5950 · Video/Audio Equipment/Supplies | 13.49 | 500.00 |
| 5955 · Sound System Operator | 1,300.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Total Worship & Music Expense | 12,382.98 | 14,400.00 |
| Total Expense | 383,308.69 | 402,438.00 |
| Net Ordinary Income | -42,122.91 | -65,613.00 |
| Other Income/Expense | | |
| Other Income | | |
| Other Income | | |
| 6100 · Memorial Fund Income | 770.00 | |
| 6111 · Bank Penalty Recovery | 2,478.57 | |
| 6115 · Senior Choir Funeral Income | 150.00 | |
| 6116 · Senior Choir Term Interest | 215.00 | |
| 6140 · Building & Property - PAR | 1,380.00 | |
| 6150 · Parking Lot | 9,000.00 | |
| Total Other Income | 13,993.57 | |
| Total Other Income | 13,993.57 | |
| Other Expense | | |
| Other Expense | | |
| 6205 · Bank Penalty | 2,920.44 | |
| 6210 · Senior Choir Expenses | 90.75 | |
| 6250 · Parking Lot | 8,105.00 | |
| 6245 · Worship Circle-Chinook Pres. | 559.46 | |

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| Total Other Expense | <u>11,675.65</u> | |
| Total Other Expense | <u>11,675.65</u> | |
| Net Other Income | <u>2,317.92</u> | |
| Net Income | <u>-39,804.99</u> | <u>-65,613.00</u> |

First United Church Planned Giving Funds

Balance Sheet

As of 31 December 2019

| | <u>31 Dec 19</u> |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| ASSETS | |
| Current Assets | |
| Chequing/Savings | |
| Available Interest | 12,007.58 |
| Chequing Account | 1,317.34 |
| High Interest Account | <u>61,480.39</u> |
| Total Chequing/Savings | <u>74,805.31</u> |
| Total Current Assets | 74,805.31 |
| Other Assets | |
| Investments | |
| 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 - 01/20/23 - 830511146615 | 60,000.00 |
| Term - 05/16/21 - 400902354785 | 26,836.41 |
| Term - 07/18/23 - 408702354785 | <u>5,900.19</u> |
| Total Investments | 272,736.60 |
| Member Equity | <u>734.48</u> |
| Total Other Assets | <u>273,471.08</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS | <u>348,276.39</u> |
| LIABILITIES & EQUITY | |
| Equity | |
| Opening Bal Equity | |
| Equity Adjustments | <u>21,250.58</u> |
| Total Opening Bal Equity | 21,250.58 |
| Retained Earnings | 335,196.23 |
| Net Income | <u>-8,170.42</u> |
| Total Equity | <u>348,276.39</u> |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY | <u>348,276.39</u> |

First United Church Planned Giving Funds
Profit & Loss
 January through December 2019

| | Jan - Oct 19 |
|--|-------------------------|
| Income | |
| Bequests | 2,000.00 |
| Interest | 7,069.69 |
| Total Income | 9,069.69 |
| Expense | |
| Who Is My Neighbor (Eastside) | 2,000.00 |
| Watoto Choir | 362.88 |
| Camp Shagabec | 5,000.00 |
| St. Andrew's College UCC - Mission & Service Fund | 5,000.00 |
| Total Expense | 17,362.88 |
| Net Income | -8,293.19 |

A planned gift is a gift made from the accumulated assets of the donor rather than regular income. This may include bequest from an estate or gifts of property such as real estate, insurance or money.

The purpose of the Planned Giving Fund is to build a financial reserve for future years when our congregation may experience difficulties meeting its financial commitments.

The fund is intended to be separate and distinct from all other Church funds.

When a donor designates a specific purpose for a gift, such gifts may be exempt from the Planned Giving Fund.

There will be no disbursement of principal from this account unless approved by a Congregational meeting. Interest or capital gains earned may be spent annually.

In the event that earnings in any year are greater than expenditures, the earnings will remain in the account and be available for future years. However, unused earnings may be deemed to be principal if directed by a Congregational meeting.

Disbursements may be used to:

- Enable members or adherents to grow in faith through courses, training or conferences
- Award scholarships or grants for the purpose of attending theological or music training
- Make capital improvements or major building maintenance
- Undertake outreach into community programs and projects of the United Church of Canada
- Initiate other expenditures as approved by a Congregational meeting

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 2019 calendar year.



Betty Bateman



Marie Andrews

First United Church 2020 Budget

Approved by Council - As of December 31, 2019

| | 2016 Actual Dollars | 2017 Actual Dollars | 2018 Actual Dollars | 2019 Budget Dollars | 2019 Actual Dollars | 2020 Budget Approved by Council | Dollar Change from 2019 Actual |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|
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| INCOME | | | | | | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Regular givings for operations | 199,117 | 221,325 | 209,768 | 211,500 | 208,384 | 224,500 | 16,116 |
| Christmas, Easter, and Thanksgiving givings | 11,145 | 15,165 | 15,913 | 15,600 | 21,683 | 19,000 | -2,683 |
| M&S specified givings | 19,208 | 20,790 | 21,789 | 20,000 | 21,065 | 11,650 | -9,415 |
| Other givings (donation receiptable) | 7,542 | 9,636 | 6,464 | 8,300 | 8,493 | 7,400 | -1,093 |
| Fundraising/Fees/Sunday School | 12,085 | 18,776 | 16,504 | 13,700 | 20,262 | 11,600 | -8,662 |
| Givings from UCW for operations | 20,722 | 21,101 | 20,870 | 20,900 | 20,945 | 30,900 | 9,955 |
| Rentals and Other Income | 29,384 | 38,433 | 50,507 | 38,375 | 29,392 | 34,900 | 5,508 |
| Interest Income | 10,291 | 10,060 | 11,506 | 8,450 | 10,961 | 5,950 | -5,011 |
| Total Income | 309,494 | 355,286 | 353,321 | 336,825 | 341,185 | 345,900 | 4,715 |

| EXPENSES | | | | | | | |
|----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| Administration | 34,064 | 33,876 | 34,574 | 33,152 | 29,978 | 36,091 | 6,114 |

| Building and Property | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------|
| Building upkeep | 39,879 | 32,695 | 27,148 | 22,750 | 22,136 | 15,975 | -6,161 |
| Property Upkeep | 3,290 | 4,385 | 4,130 | 5,000 | 3,950 | 4,500 | 550 |
| Equipment | 13,954 | 17,070 | 16,007 | 15,450 | 15,457 | 16,300 | 843 |
| Utilities | 20,064 | 24,914 | 23,854 | 26,000 | 21,524 | 25,000 | 3,476 |
| Insurance | 12,690 | 12,885 | 14,162 | 14,555 | 13,731 | 15,000 | 1,269 |
| Subtotal B&P | 89,877 | 91,948 | 85,301 | 83,755 | 76,798 | 76,775 | -23 |

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|---------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| Faith Formation | 2,885 | 1,184 | 3,483 | 4,650 | 3,626 | 3,200 | -426 |
| Membership and Pastoral Care | 667 | 604 | 255 | 900 | 0 | 650 | 650 |
| Worship and Music | 9,022 | 11,001 | 10,482 | 11,900 | 10,373 | 12,080 | 1,707 |
| Outreach (fundraising expenses) | 2,479 | 2,220 | 2,687 | 2,500 | 2,906 | 3,250 | 344 |

| Charitable Givings | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| UCC Mission and Service Fund | 32,236 | 35,827 | 36,478 | 35,000 | 35,365 | 16,650 | -18,715 |
| Directly to Charities (not M&S) | 4,038 | 13,363 | 7,437 | 8,500 | 8,702 | 4,800 | -3,902 |
| Hampers, Benevolent fund | 5,585 | 5,707 | 5,641 | 6,500 | 4,214 | 6,000 | 1,786 |
| Subtotal Charitable Givings | 41,859 | 54,897 | 49,557 | 50,000 | 48,281 | 27,450 | -20,831 |

| Ministry and Personnel | | | | | | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Minister | 64,425 | 65,376 | 68,461 | 69,766 | 68,661 | 70,770 | 2,109 |
| Office Managers | 29,841 | 33,650 | 40,945 | 39,011 | 41,152 | 40,149 | -1,003 |
| Music Staff | 26,315 | 26,530 | 26,926 | 28,548 | 28,036 | 28,276 | 240 |
| Janitor, Communications, Funeral | 5,625 | 10,723 | 10,426 | 26,249 | 23,972 | 22,009 | -1,963 |
| Children Programming Staff | 13,570 | 13,774 | 15,540 | 15,614 | 15,614 | 7,274 | -8,341 |
| General staff and payroll expenses | 23,236 | 23,985 | 25,668 | 36,392 | 33,912 | 35,215 | 1,303 |
| Subtotal Ministry and Personnel | 163,012 | 174,039 | 187,966 | 215,581 | 211,347 | 203,693 | -7,654 |
| Total Ordinary Expenses | 343,865 | 369,769 | 374,304 | 402,438 | 383,308 | 363,189 | -20,119 |
| Net Ordinary Income Surplus/Loss | -34,371 | -14,483 | -20,983 | -65,613 | -42,122 | -17,289 | 24,834 |