

2021 Annual Report



First United Church

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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.



Affirming Vision Statement



We, the congregation of First United Church, declare publicly our commitment to creating a community that welcomes and values all people –
people of all ages, abilities, genders, racial identities, sexual orientations, gender identities, family configurations, cultural backgrounds, and economic circumstances, and
people who have had any other experiences that have led to exclusion, marginalization, or oppression within church or society.

We invite and honour the participation of all in every aspect of church life.

We acknowledge the challenges diversity brings and embrace them fully because we also celebrate the richness of its gifts. We pray for God’s grace to guide us as we work for equity and justice for all persons in both church and society.

2021 Baptisms

1. March 14, 2021 – Beau Gordon Keenleyside, son of Gordon and Brittany Hope Keenleyside.
2. March 14, 2021 – Nicole Roberta Rewerts
3. October 3, 2021 – Adrian Rajen Demesa, son of Randy and Jennifer Demesa
4. October 3, 2021 – Jaylon Kai Perrera, son of Angelo and Joevy Perrera
5. November 7, 2021 – Hugh John Lesiuk, son of Austin and Camille Lesiuk
6. November 21, 2021 – Zabella Layosa–Orola, daughter of Michael and Jeline Orola

2021 Funerals

1. January 11, 2021 – Barry John Palmer
2. January 12, 2021 – Gordon Cecil Armstrong
3. January 15, 2021 – Joyce Arlene Honsey
4. February 19, 2021 – Isaiah Malcolm MacDonald
5. March 25, 2021 – Helen Agnes Dey
6. March 31, 2021 – Bert Wallace Walker
7. May 14, 2021 – Judith (Sandra) Kristine Friesen
8. May 28, 2021 – Mary Pszedwoyski
9. June 12, 2021 – Franklin Alexander MacBean
10. June 19, 2021 – Shirley (Slim) Elmer Thomas
11. July 13, 2021 – Leslie Mae Stamm
12. July 31, 2021 – Margaret Evelyn McGill
13. August 21, 2021 – Shirley Noreen Payne
14. September 2, 2021 – Dorine Elaine Krueger
15. September 10, 2021 – John (Jack) Charles Payne
16. September 18, 2021 – Wilma Margrethe Drozdowski
17. September 23, 2021 – Gertrude May Marsch
18. September 25, 2021 – Muriel Jean-Ann Hanna
19. October 2, 2021 – Norman Theodore Honsey
20. October 4, 2021 – Eloise Lulia Miller
21. October 9, 2021 – Catherine Margaret McEachen
22. October 16, 2021 – Margaret Elizabeth Wall
23. October 21, 2021 – Eldon Edward Wilson

Life Elders as of December 31, 2021

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

2021 Marriages

None

2021 Members by Confirmation, Profession of Faith and Transfer of Memberships

Baptism/Profession of Faith

1. March 14, 2021 - Nicole Roberta Rewerts

Transfer of Membership to First United Church – None

Transfer of Membership from First United Church

1. March 9, 2021 - Brenda Martyn-Kelly to Calvary United Church, Prince Albert, SK
2. March 9, 2021 – Elizabeth (Betty) Vause
3. May 11, 2021 – Shirley McLeod to Lafleche United Church, Lafleche, SK

Membership Report

Total Confirmed Membership as of Jan. 1, 2021	345
Members Received by Profession of Faith	1
Members removed by death	12
Members received by Certificate of Transfer	0
Members removed by Certificate of Transfer	3
Members removed otherwise *	80
Total Confirmed Membership as of Dec. 31, 2021	251

*Letters were sent out to those in our congregation who have not been active for the past several years.

Apr. 29/21 Council Meeting Motion: That the following members, who are no longer active in the congregation, be removed from the roll.

Chair of Council

I was going to start with the same pun as I did last year but I'm glad to see 2021 in hindsight didn't work as well as 2020 did. We have come through the second challenging year in a row. A year where we continued to watch over each other to keep us well from COVID-19. I remain in awe of the commitment of the Church Council and this congregation to support the church by keeping each other safe.

This year started as last year ended with our building closed and worship on Zoom. There was hope as vaccines began to roll out. In April, we opened our doors to small groups of up to 30 people. Then, in the fall, we moved from Zoom to in-person services and live streaming. Those that wanted to join us could and the choir began joining in again with James, Mary, and our core choir members. It seemed that we only had a few weeks of that before the next wave moved us away from face to face meeting once again. Thank you for hanging in with us.

Committees and staff continued to work to support us and your donations continued to come in at an amazing rate. The work of our church continued whether it was Jackie and Melanie reaching out to the kids or Michael and building and property supporting our building to Patti and Rhonda supporting our online fundraisers. To highlight one or two things to celebrate I would point to the work of the Affirming Ministry Committee and the Refugee Sponsorship Working Group. The Affirming Ministry Committee has guided us through the steps of being a welcoming church for all, while the Refugee Sponsorship Working Group has developed community partnerships to continue the work of reuniting the Etmeh family. Even the 3rd Ave Boutique has rekindled relationships with the Ministry of Social Services.

Financially we live in uncertain times and you have continued to support us. We continue to explore new ways to continue the mission of the church. When I first came back to the church 35 years ago Reverend Mark Malek was our minister and we were facing uncertain times then. I remember him asking "what ever happened to give us this day our daily bread?" Those were wise words at that time and it seems that they continue to be today. With faith we have always risen to the challenges. I for one am excited to see what the future will bring.

Gratefully
Kevin Hanna
Chair of Council

Minister

As I write this report, we are the midst of the fifth wave of the COVID-19 pandemic. 2021 was supposed to bring us to the end of masks, physical distancing and isolation. Instead we are, yet again, minimizing in-person interactions and worshipping on Zoom. We are struggling with pandemic fatigue and hoping that this Omicron wave will be the last.

But despite challenging circumstances, our congregation has many reasons to celebrate. Here are a few of the highlights of this past year:

- the Church Council approved a document outlining the Covenant of Mutual Commitment, Accountability and Support between our congregation and Living Skies Regional Council and the Covenant was made official at the Regional Council on-line gathering in May;
- in September, we went back to in-person worship and offered live-streaming for those who were at home or were joining us from another province or country;
- throughout 2021 our Refugee Sponsorship Working Group raised an incredible \$62,932 to help bring Syrian refugees to Swift Current;
- in November our congregation voted to become an Affirming Ministry and move forward in our work for equity and justice for all people; and
- our Fundraising Working Group, UCW and Social Convenors raised \$18,102 with online auctions, pudding sales, a Fowl-less Fowl Supper and a \$21 for 2021 campaign.

The resiliency of our congregation never fails to amaze me! I want to thank the staff, the members of our Church Council, committees and working groups for continuing to work and thrive in these challenging times. Each of your reports reflects an incredible number of staff and volunteer hours. It's gratifying to know that our ministry continues even in the midst of a pandemic!

It's also good to know I can take three months away from my work and the ministry of this congregation will continue to flourish. From mid-May to mid-August I was on sabbatical. It was a wonderful time of reflection, revitalization and recreation that included elements of study, spiritual retreat, connecting with nature and family visiting. I have already shared some of my learning with the congregation and I continue to find inspiration from the books that I read and the many online seminars that I attended.

One of those books is called, *How to Lead When You Don't Know Where You're Going*. In that book the author clearly states that we are living in a liminal season, the threshold between an ending and a new beginning. We know that the church, as we know it, must change but it is not clear what form our new mission and structure will take. The impact of COVID-19 has also highlighted the need for change as we all plan for a "new normal" in a post-pandemic world. Liminal seasons are challenging and unsettling, but the good news is that they are also times of

innovation and creativity. Our Church Council has already started on the path of curiosity and I am excited to see what our first steps into the future will be!

Blessings,
Annette Taylor



Office Managers **Patti McCleary and Rhonda Lotochinski**

It has been another busy year in the office despite COVID19.

Our year began much the same way as it ended last year, with services being held over Zoom and the office being open to the public. Thankfully, we were able to continue renting to several outside groups and were able to work in the office at the same time.

On September 12th we moved back to in-person worship from Zoom worship, while following all safety guidelines. Patti continued working full days Monday to Thursday, and Rhonda worked Monday mornings to count the offering, Tuesday mornings to fulfill all the website duties and full days Thursday and Friday performing regular office duties.

Patti is the chair for the Outreach committee and the Fundraising Working Group and is also a member on the Worship & Music committee, and Fowl Supper, Memorial, and Loose Change supper working groups.

Rhonda hosted Zoom services and when we returned to in-person worship she uploaded the recorded Live Stream to the First United Church website and took part in running the sound system. She also continued to assist in helping members of our congregation access the Zoom services. Rhonda is also a member of the Archives, Membership & Pastoral Care, Memorial, Fundraising Working Group, and the Loose Change and Decorations working groups.

We would like to thank Rev. Annette Taylor, the staff, and the Ministry & Personnel committee for their continued support and guidance, especially during these trying times of uncertainty.

In 2022, we are hopeful that we will soon return to our “regular” way of life at First United Church while staying safe and healthy. We look forward to getting back to in-person worship services and gathering together.

Blessings

Patti McCleary and Rhonda Lotochinski, Office Managers

Choir Director

Hello First United!

Here we are in 2022! We have faced many challenges as we move forward as a church, however every Sunday, the spirit of our community continues to shine on!

With the exception of July and August, I am here for at least 14hrs/week. Most of that time has been working from home and Annette and I have been planning via Zoom. 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 want to send a big “thank you” to M&P for their continued support!

James McLaughlan BMT MTA
Choir Director



Building and Property Committee

The building & property committee for 2021 consisted of Dwayne Barber, Wally Bateman, Wally Pearson, Brent Molyneux, Ken Newton, Len Stumpf, Ila Wilms, Jerry Ruehs and Wendell Andrews.

Due to the Covid-19 challenges we were not very active this year, although our old building continued to require maintenance.

A special thank you goes out to the following people:

Michael Orola quietly and efficiently continues to clean and sanitize our building. Although he has a day job at Batco and a young family, Michael makes time to work at the church for 20 hours per week.

Wally Bateman checks the church several times a week. He also maintains the heating system (hot water boilers in the sanctuary and in Knox Hall), which includes frequent adjusting of registers to match heat with various activities. In addition, he does a lot of the minor repairs and manages the major items.

Wally Pearson took on the task of recording the inventory of all the equipment and furniture in the building. We need this occasionally to verify the contents in case of a fire loss.

Brent Molyneux maintains the sound and video equipment including the new live streaming system.

During the year we have had some larger maintenance work:

- an electric motor on the air handling system in Knox Hall was rebuilt
- one broken pane in the sky light was replaced
- a toilet was replaced in one of the bathrooms
- plumbing leaks in three bathrooms required extensive repair including drywall and painting
- the grand piano required replacement of the humidifier system.
- locks on the front and back door required repair.
- replaced the garage door

Projects that should be done next year include:

- painting of the Burnham room
- repair front sign outside

Building & Property Committee
Dwayne Barber, Chair



Faith Formation Committee

Our Faith guided us through 2021. It was our source of strength and hope, our secret power. We had faith that our loved ones would not contract COVID 19, faith to accompany us on our healing journey after a death or loss, faith that our church could thrive with the doors closed, and faith that we might find innovative ways of reaching out to those who are hungry, ill, grieving, or lonely.

During 2021, the Faith Formation Committee remained mindful of its purpose: To invite persons of all ages and stages to explore and grow in their relationship with God as revealed through Jesus Christ, with the community of faith and with the world.

Sunday School: The Faith Formation Committee supports, encourages, and appreciates the work of Jackie Orola-Ravino in her role as Sunday School Coordinator. Jackie personifies faith, love, and hope. (Refer to separate report)

Book Studies

In winter, the book choice was *See No Stranger: A Memoir and Manifesto of Revolutionary Love* by Valarie Kaur.

In spring, it was *A Good War: Mobilizing Canada for the Climate Emergency* by Seth Klein, which led to environmental action. Letters were sent to the Prime Minister, the federal Minister of the Environment, our MP, and the leaders of the other federal political parties emphasizing the need for bold climate action with a positive impact on employment and inequality. Copies of *A Good War* and letters with a similar message were sent to the Premier, the provincial Minister of the Environment, our MLA, leaders of the other provincial political parties, and our mayor. Representatives from the congregation met in person with Hon. Jeremy Patzer, Hon. Everett Hindley, and His Worship Al Bridal. Continuing environmental education, consciousness-raising, and action is planned for 2022.

In fall, *This Strange Visible Air: Essays on Aging and the Writing Life* by Sharon Butala was studied. The group was grateful to Sharon Butala for meeting with them for a conversation over Zoom.

Retreat

Mapping Our Lives, a weekend retreat, was held in October. Facilitator Marg Janick-Grayston and her daughter offered a *Reflection on Healing* during one worship service.

Advent Study

The choice for a study guide was “Practices of Releasing” by Janice Maclean of *The Prayer Bench*.

Creation Station Working Group

The Creation Station was not able to operate during 2021 due to COVID restrictions, but Linda Stumpf is eager to reopen it in 2022 to welcome Sunday school children, members of the Mental Health Drop-in Centre, seniors, other community groups, and the public.

Lectionary Bible Study: This group met on Wednesday mornings for a lively discussion over Zoom, led by Annette.

Membership classes: Annette is planning to offer Membership Classes in 2022.

Friday Matinees

The following films were shown: Two Popes, Leisure Seeker, Quartet, Philomena, Head Full of Honey, Green Book, News of the World, Here I Am, Dolly Parton, On the Basis of Sex, Life in Colour, My Love - Ginger & David Isham, Blackbird, The Man Who Invented Christmas, The Holiday. Transportation was offered.

The Active Hope Group encourages us to live simply and in an environmentally friendly way, and to work toward the healing of the world. This group did not meet during 2021.

- ❖ Has our individual faith remained strong through this pandemic? It's a question each of us will answer for ourselves.
- ❖ Has our collective faith as a church family remained strong? Yes, thanks to the grace of God.

Faithfully submitted,

Peggy Worrell (Chair), Karen Messer (Secretary), Pat Dyck-Bunkosky, Kimberly Bilanski, Jackie Orola-Ravino (Sunday School Coordinator), Rev. Annette Taylor



Sunday School Working Group

If someone would ask me to describe the year 2021 in one word, my answer would be “JOYFUL.” In comparison to the previous year 2020, this year has given me many reasons to feel joyful, despite the continuing situation of the pandemic that we have in one way or another learned how to live with. Among the many reasons, one of them is the privilege to have been able to interact physically with my extended family, and friends also, which contributes to my well-being as a person.

In Sunday School Group, I am joyful for these reasons:

1. We were able to continue sending lessons, materials, and resources online to our Sunday school families, for them to follow at home during the first half of the year.
2. In leading Children’s Sunday celebrations, we have acquired more skills on how to use technologies that are available, to allow the children and their families to participate and join us virtually during online worship.
3. In the fall, as we return to the church building, there are households who have decided to come back and bring their children to in-person Sunday School sessions (while following health safety protocols) and experience worship in the sanctuary, too. Also, there are families who have signed up to receive resources and materials that we could send online, on occasions.
4. The members of the congregation have willingly participated in and supported our activities, both online and in-person.
5. With the help of Sharyn Erne, we were able to once again organize and hold the Kids Christmas Giving/Shopping day. It was a time as well, where both of our children and the volunteers who assisted us, discovered the gifts of happiness and love while doing things together. Wrapping presents had never been a truly fun and meaningful activity to do.
6. We thank the hands and minds that encouraged and helped us continue our ministry to the children in 2021, namely; the First United Church staff, Rev. Annette Taylor, the Faith Formation Committee chaired by Peggy Worrell, Melanie Davis, and last but not the least, Sharyn Erne. Your guidance will be needed and appreciated by the Sunday School Working Group at all times.

For all of these and more, we are grateful and joyful.

Jacqueline Orola Ravino
Sunday School Coordinator

Sunday School 2021 in Pictures

Tongues of Fire (Pentecost Celebration)



Welcome Back Sunday



Children's Sunday



Membership and Pastoral Care Committee

Members of the Committee: Rev. Annette Taylor, Charlotte Thingvold, Karen Fox, Deb Fletcher, Rhonda Lotochinski, Fran Jackson, Carol Moen, Chair - Sharyn Erne

Visiting Group: Sharyn Erne, Colleen MacBean, Diane Sarson, Patti McCleary

Our meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month mostly through Zoom, although we did have one in-person meeting. Since the beginning of Covid in March 2020, our normal church activities have had to be altered dramatically. We have just begun to visit in the senior homes. In some, we can visit one person and then leave. In some they can go out but we can't go in. The phone is our one constant reliable source of "being in touch".

We have done church services at Riverview, Cypress House and Prairie View Lodge. All were well attended.

Prayer Shawls have been given to 17 people including the graduates this year. In the year 2021, graduation was acknowledged in the same way as it was in 2020. This year we acknowledged Tyson Huxted, Marissa Moberg, Aspen Thomson, and Nicole Wiebe at our May 30, 2021 service on Zoom.

Thursday morning coffee was canceled according to Covid activity and restrictions put out by the Saskatchewan Health Authority and our premier Scott Moe. We miss our visits with each other, whether it be in the park or in the downstairs kitchen and pray for the day that we can get together safely again.

Karen still sends cards on the 1st 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 cards. Sharyn sends or delivers the get well cards.

The Prayer Group of Eva Molyneux, Myrtle Johnston and Fran Jackson still do their prayer service in their own homes each Thursday.

We had some baptisms remotely through Zoom. A member of the family did the actual baptizing and it was very touching. How many people could claim that their son baptized them or that their mom and dad baptized them during Covid? Of course, Annette did the reading to accompany this activity and it was all wonderful.

Our visiting group continues to be active however they can, sending cards and making visits, and they do report back on the area they have covered and how they have found people to be. We thank them so much for this service

Eight members of our congregation delivered meals on wheels for the month of December. It was bitterly cold for most of it and the recipients were all so grateful for their meals. We are all grateful for this service

Blessings,
Sharyn Erne
Chairperson of Membership & Pastoral Care Committee



Ministry and Personnel Committee

The Ministry and Personnel Committee members for 2021 were Mavis Jenson, Heather Moberg, Brenda Warder and Shirley Dyck, Chair. Our committee meetings have generally been held once a month, or more often if needed. In addition, we are always available upon request to meet with staff or with members of the congregation with the primary role to be a constructive and supportive agency for staff members and adherents of the congregation.

We commend and thank the staff of First United for the way they contended with another year of COVID-19. We have been able to enjoy regular church services, meetings and even our AGM on Zoom. Our committee conducted the staff annual performance reviews during October and met with Reverend Annette Taylor as requested by her. It is a year ago in May that the duties of the Media and Communications position was assigned to the Office Staff. We reviewed the impact this has had with our office managers. We presented to Church Council their request for an increase of hours and increase in pay as well as a Cost-of-Living increase for the rest of the Staff.

We were very pleased that Reverend Annette Taylor had her well-deserved sabbatical leave this year, after it had to be delayed due to COVID-19 regulations.

We wish to thank our staff for their continuing dedication even during another year of the pandemic. We also thank the congregation for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
Shirley Dyck
Chair of Ministry and Personnel

Outreach Committee

We would like to thank our congregation once again for all the support given to the Outreach Committee in 2021, even though once again some of our projects were either cancelled or changed due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. With your support, we were still able to provide aid to our neighbors locally and, through Mission and Service, care for others across Canada and around the world.

Our committee members for 2021: Patti McCleary (Chair), Rev. Annette Taylor, Lynn Anderson (Secretary), Brenna Stolhandske, Fran Jackson, Lennie Neufeld and Nicole Rewerts.

Outreach Projects we worked on together were:

- Christmas in July supporting the S.W. Safe Shelter, Salvation Army and Canadian Mental Health Association
- Christmas Hampers – 14 hampers for 2021
- Level Ground Trading
- Zatoun Olive Oil
- Monthly baking and food items collected for Canadian Mental Health Association
- Canadian Foodgrains Bank
- Our local Benevolent Fund

The Outreach Committee raised money for Mission & Service through:

- Lenten “pigless” Piggy Banks



Other sources of funds for Mission & Service were:

- Care Home Services Offerings
- Offerings designated to M & S (including Pre-Authorized Remittance)
- \$7,000 donated from General Fund
- \$10,000 donated from Planned Giving Fund

From all these sources, a total of \$24,512.85 was sent to Mission and Service in 2021.

At the request of the Outreach Committee, Church Council also donated an additional \$3,000 to the United Church of Canada Haiti appeal. These funds were sourced from Planned Giving Interest Income. The Outreach Committee also requested \$2,500 to support St. Andrew’s College and \$7,500 to support Camp Shagabec, which were approved at our Annual General Meeting on October 24, 2021. These funds were sourced from Planned Giving principal.

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. Thank you!

Blessings from the Outreach Committee



Loose Change Supper Working Group

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic we were unable to have any suppers in 2021. We hope to resume having our monthly suppers when the Church reopens and it is safe to do so.

Submitted by Janet Keene

Committee Members: Diane Minogue, Rhonda Lotochinski, Patti McCleary, Judy Corbett, and Janet Keene.

*Maxine Olmsted may return in the fall of 2022.

*Shirley Mussell has offered to help occasionally with the supper.



Refugee Sponsorship Working Group

Greetings from myself, Amy Popick, and the awesome members of the Refugee Sponsorship Working Group. Reflecting on this past year to prepare this report, I am in awe of all that has unfolded throughout 2021. It was a year of moving parts that had this working group building the airplane as we flew it, it would seem. More airplanes to build and fly as time goes on. As always, in processes like this, I am once again amazed and grateful to see and experience it all being wrapped in the compelling and mysterious Grace of Creator.

Firstly, to recap- our incredible working group members include Rev. Annette Taylor, Anika Henderson, Maxine Olmsted, Marie Andrews, Marilyn Durant, Catherine Christie, Heba Anouz, Janet Keene, Faris Sadden and me (Amy Popick). Linda Stumpf has been an integral part of our group since 2016 and has paused her time with us for now as of mid 2021. Thanks again Linda for your work thus far!

January of 2021, we started from scratch, and began with a goal of raising \$40,000, and amazingly by August we were nearly there with \$36,000!! Today, as I type this, I am OVERJOYED to share we are now at \$62,776.00!!! If anyone needs proof of miracles, look no further. This congregation has continued to show up in countless ways both monetarily, and in any way, they are able to offer support for this Refugee Sponsorship Initiative. I am so proud to be a part of this heart centered, generous church community!! Thank you Thank you Thank you!

Our initial goal was to support one family within Heba's relations. But, in late spring, due to continuing health problems, we prioritized Heba's parents as first to be sponsored within the extended family. Then changes in family circumstances along with delays due to COVID-19 increased the number of families that we are sponsoring. Due to COVID-19, refugee sponsorship is in an unprecedented backlog. This backlog creates delay. Due to delays, one of the family members who is 16 will likely be 18 by the time we can fill out the sponsorship forms. This shifts government requirements to another separate adult profile requiring an additional amount. Another change in circumstances, the eldest daughter has married and recently had a baby. That is now a separate profile, a family of 3. As you can see things shift and unfold over the course of a year or a few years creating an entirely separate set of needs and requirements. Such is the case with Refugee Sponsorship and the journey we are all on.

All the above significantly impacted and increased our original financial requirements. We are now in the process of raising 95,000.00. And!! We are 2/3 of the way there!! We continue to create and find various opportunities for raising these funds, beyond our congregation.

Here is a brief overview of what this working group has been up to throughout 2021:

- Created Chuffed page
- Made a promotional video to spread the word
- Connected with and raised funds through Muslim community in Toronto
- Articles in Prairie Post, Booster
- Interviews on Radio Station and Swift Current Online
- Requests for support from other United Church congregations in Saskatchewan

- Church service in June
- Market Square July/August
- Refugee Sponsorship Training Session
- Refugee Week Proclamation June 14-21
- Activities for above mentioned during week at Chinook Regional Library, Market Square, Community Collaboration and Awareness opportunities throughout.
- Planning began for Fall Fundraiser Live and Silent Auction and Supper
- Over 1800 Pizza Hut coupons out in community
- Postponement of Fall Fundraiser
- Facebook Silent Auction
- Continued donations from local churches, congregation members and community members

We hope this report has given a window into the journey we are on towards Refugee Sponsorship and Family Reunification. Our sincere thanks are going out to each and every person who has continued to show up to support this initiative with generosity, caring and encouragement. It means so much and we could not pursue this dream without your support!

If you have any questions or ideas, please feel free to reach out to myself, Amy Popick, or any of our excellent working group members!

Sincerely,
With Gratitude and joy,
Amy Popick



Stewardship Committee

Greetings and Blessings to all. I am writing this as I look back at my three years as chair of Stewardship. I originally agreed to chair the committee at a time of perceived crises over the large deficit just passed by the congregation at the AGM. The committee was very busy that year holding circle conversations and doing our best to inform the congregation of the issues faced by the church regarding funding. Then it was COVID-19. Sigh. As a church I feel we weathered this unprecedented challenge as well as could be expected and better than many congregations. It has been hard going but, overall, we persevered.

Our 2022 budget again reflects the fact that we are still operating and planning based on patterns used for decades. With a declining membership and the added hardship of a continuing pandemic, we have managed to develop a budget with a not insignificant deficit of \$31,094. I don't think anyone disagrees that we need to change our funding model to become sustainable. The good news is that this is exactly what council will focus on in the coming year and years. Although not something that will necessarily happen in the next year or two, it is a goal we need to commit to, so we can continue our mission to be a caring community of faith, actively pursuing spiritual growth and compassionate outreach.

I would like to thank the entire Stewardship team for their support and work through a very challenging 2021 and look forward to continuing our work through 2022. Although I will not be acting as chair, I will remain on the team to provide continuity going forward. We are still actively looking for someone to step forward and agree to chair the committee. If you feel able, you would be most welcome to join the team. Your stewardship team consists of Ron Toles, Wally Derkach, Gayleen Turner, Annette Taylor and myself.

Blessings
Charles Lotochinski
Chair of the Stewardship Committee.

Memorial Working Group

Members: Ray Bunnell (Chair), Patti McCleary, Sharyn Erne, Rhonda Lotochinski, and Donna Barber.

The Memorial Working Group 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 2021, a total of \$1,825 was donated to the Memorial fund.

The balance in the Memorial Fund as of December 31, 2021 was \$16,593.50.

Our working group had one request in 2021 and that was to help purchase up to \$2,300 worth of equipment and software to livestream Sunday worship services. This request was approved and we paid \$2,220.45 out of the Memorial fund.

Ray Bunnell
Chair of Memorial

Nominations Working Group

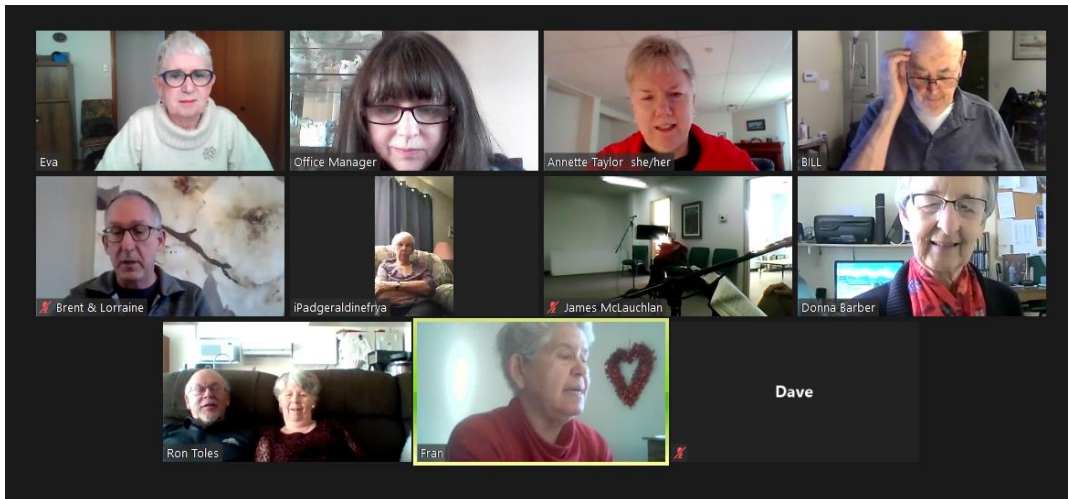
EXECUTIVE OF COUNCIL		Year/Term
Chairperson	Ron Toles	1/2
Vice Chairperson		1/2
Past Chairperson	Kevin Hanna	1/2
Treasurer	Charles Lotochinski	
Ministry Personnel	Rev. Annette Taylor	
Council Secretary	Pat Dyck Bunkosky	2/3
Member-at-Large	Charles Lotochinski	1/2
PROFESSIONAL STAFF		Year/Term
Minister	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	
BUILDING & PROPERTY COMMITTEE		Year/Term
Chairperson		1/3
Secretary	Mabel Lake	1/5
	Wally Bateman	6/5
	Jerry Ruehs	2/5
	Wally Pearson	2/5
	Ken Newton	2/5
	Brent Molyneux	2/5
	Jim Declare	1/5
Maintenance Working Group		
	Wendell Andrews	
	Wally Bateman	
	Jerry Ruehs	
	Ken Newton	
	Brent Molyneux	
FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE		Year/Term
Chairperson	Peggy Worrell	2/3
Secretary	Karen Messer	2/5
	Pat Dyck Bunkosky	3/5
	Kim Bilanski	1/5
	Mary Anderson	1/5
Sunday School Coordinator	Jacqueline Orola-Ravino - staff	
Sunday School Working Group		
Chairperson	Jacqueline Orola-Ravino	
	Parents	
Affirming Ministry Working Group		
Chairperson	Stacie Noble-Wiebe	
	Janet Keene	
	Amy Popick	

	Sharon Veer	
	Deb Fletcher	
	Angela Lafontaine (will help w/ projects)	
MEMBERSHIP & PASTORAL CARE COMMITTEE	Chair + Roll Clerk + 4-5 members	Year/Term
Chairperson	Sharyn Erne	2/3
	Patti McCleary (Roll Clerk)(ex-officio)	
	Charlotte Thingvold	1/5
	Carol Moen	2/5
	Karen Fox	1/5
	Deb Fletcher	4/5
	Fran Jackson	1/5
	Rhonda Lotochinski (& Roll Clerk)	4/5
Coffee Working Group	Chair + helpers	
Chairperson		
Greeting Working Group		
Co-chair	Sharyn Erne	
Co-chair	Fran Jackson	
	Diane Sarson	
Visiting Working Group		
Chairperson	Sharyn Erne	
	Colleen MacBean	
	Olive Waker	
	Diane Sarson	
Community Friendship	Patti McCleary/Fran Jackson/Rhonda Lotochinski	
MINISTRY & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE	Chair + 3-5 members	Year/Term
Chairperson	Brenda Warder	1/3
	Shirley Dyck-Derkach	2/5
	Mavis Jensen	2/5
	Ray Friesen	1/5
	Linda Thompson	1/5
OUTREACH COMMITTEE	Chair + 4-6 members	Year/Term
Chairperson	Patti McCleary	1/3
	Brenna Stolhandske	5/5
Secretary	Lynn Anderson	4/5
	Nicole Rewerts	3/5
	Lennie Neufeld	2/5
	Fran Jackson	2/5
Loose Change Supper Working Group	Chair + 2 or more	
Chairperson	Janet Keene	
	Rhonda Lotochinski	
	Maxine Olmsted	
	Patti McCleary	
	Diane Minogue	
	Judy Corbett	

	Shirley Mussell – prep only	
	Elma Engel – prep only	
	Sandy Ritchie– prep only	
Refugee Sponsorship Working Group		
Chairperson	Amy Popick	
	Janet Keene	
	Maxine Olmsted	
	Marilyn Durant	
	Marie Andrews	
Secretary	Anika Henderson	
	Heba Etmeh	
	Faris Sadden	
LIVING SKY REGIONAL COUNCIL	3 Representatives	Year/Term
	Linda Stumpf	4/4
	Colleen MacBean	3/4
		1/4
STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE	Chair + 3-5 members	Year/Term
Chairperson		1/3
Treasurer	Charles Lotochinski	1/5
	Wally Derkach	3/5
	Brenda Greutzner	1/5
	Gayleen Turner	3/5
Archives Working Group	Chair + 1-2 members	
Chairperson	Jean Pearson	
	Rhonda Lotochinski	
	Fran Jackson	
Fundraising Working Group	Chair + 3-5 members	
Chairperson	Patti McCleary	
	Rhonda Lotochinski	
	Fran Jackson	
	Eileen Elkington	
	Ila Wilms	
Memorial Working Group	Chair + 2-3 members	
Chairperson	Ray Bunnell	
	Patti McCleary	
	Sharyn Erne	
	Rhonda Lotochinski	
	Donna Barber	
Nominations Working Group	Chair + 3-5 members	
Chairperson		1/2
	Eileen Elkington	1/2
	Peggy Worrell	1/2
TRUSTEES	5 lay members	Year/Term
Chairperson	Marlene Reidle	2/3
	Joanne Feil	1/5
	Shirley Wilson	4/5

	Karen Bender	4/5
	Darliss Tallman	2/5
	Annette Taylor (ex-officio)	
WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE	Chair + 4-6 members + choir director	Year/Term
Chairperson	Nicole Rewerts	2/3
Music Director	James McLauchlan	
Secretary	Barbara Foster	3/5
	Laurel Howell	2/5
	Jessie Hanna	3/5
	Patti McCleary	3/5
	Faye Jordan	2/5
Communion Working Group	Chair + 1 member	
Chairperson	Carole Toles	
	Claire Hanson	
Decorations Working Group	Chair + 2-3 members	
Chairperson	Ila Wilms	
	Amanda Polsfut	
	Diane Minogue	
Usher Working Group	Chair + helpers	
Chairperson	Carole Toles	
CONGREGATIONAL CHAIR		Year/Term
	Charles Lotochinski	2/3
SEXUAL ABUSE PREVENTION & RESPONSE (SAPR)		Year/Term
Officer of the Court	Eileen Elkington	
PRIVACY OFFICER		Year/Term
Member-at-large	Charles Lotochinski	1/2
UNITED CHURCH WOMEN (UCW)		Year/Term
President	Brenda Warder	2/3
Past President	Shirley Wilson	2/3
Vice President		
Secretary	Shirley Terlson	
Relief Secretary		
Treasurer	Shirley Terlson	
U.C.W. COMMITTEES		
Chair of Funeral & Social Convenors	Judy Killaby	
Vice chair of Funeral & Social Convenors	Rose Lis	
Funeral Convenors	Janet Keene	
	Chris Newton	
	Judy Killaby	
Social Convenors	Judy Killaby	
	Rose Lis	
	Kathy Bolton	
	Donna Barber	
	Janet Keene	
	Chris Newton	

	Ila Wilms	
	Sharon Pollock	
	Pat Palmer	
	Sharyn Erne (<i>attend mtgs only</i>)	
Garage Sales	Donna Barber	
Kitchen Supplies	Kathy Bolton	
3rd Ave Boutique	Pat Dyck-Bunkosky	
Fowl Supper	Janet Keene	
	Pat Palmer	
	Shirley Terlson	
	Diane Sarson	
	Patti McCleary	
	Maxine Olmsted	
	Val Shrumm	



Trustees

The Trustee committee started the year with members Marlene Reidle (Chair), Shirley Wilson, Myrtle Johnston, Darliss Tallman, and Karen Bender. Rev. Annette Taylor is also a member of the committee in an ex-officio capacity. Near the end of 2021, Myrtle Johnston resigned her position on the Board due to health and personal reasons.

Due to COVID-19 considerations the Board of Trustees communicated via phone and held a zoom meeting on November 23. Two term deposits with the Credit Union came due during the year and were renewed. The committee also contacted the United Church of Canada Foundation and gathered information regarding having an investment portfolio managed by an outside manager.

Signing authority due to the COVID-19 restrictions remained unchanged for 2021. However, as two of the current members are on the signing authority, the Board was able to continue without disruption. As of January 2022, the Board is taking steps to have the signing authority changed.

Marlene Reidle

Worship and Music Committee

Our committee members are Reverend Annette Taylor, James McLauchlan, Rose Lis, Patti McCleary, Jessie Hanna, Barbara Foster, Faye Jordan, Donna Schwartz, Laurel Howell and myself. My heartfelt thanks to each member, both for all their work during this interesting yet difficult COVID-19 year, and for helping me along during my first year of chairing the committee.

Thank you to everyone for their patience and hard work as we adjusted and readjusted to holding worship services and working in the church during the ever-changing rules of COVID-19 restrictions.

This year started with Sunday services on Zoom. Our main focus this year was to get live-streaming in our church by the time we were back to in-person worship services. There was a lot of work to do, but this was done in time for our Welcome Back Sunday in September. There is still a lot to learn about, and add to our live-stream services, such as the PowerPoint/words to hymns. Additional sound/live-stream operators will be needed. Thank you to all who worked so diligently to get the live-streaming services up and going.

Annette was able to take her sabbatical this year, from mid-May to mid-August. Pulpit supply was arranged. Worship services were all on Zoom during Annette's sabbatical, and this worked smoothly. A special thank you to all the committees and everyone who helped out during this time.

In August we began discussions on how to safely hold in-person services in the church, what the regulations should be both for worship services and for visitors and those renting spaces. In September we discussed how these measures were working, and tweaked where necessary. Later on there were many discussions on how to best fit the choir safely into the choir loft during worship services.

Discussions were started on the value of having Sunday worship services on the radio. Feedback was asked for and received from the public. A tentative decision was made to have one Sunday radio service per month, with a decision to be finalized in January.

May we all join in the spirit of love, faith and hope in the coming year.

Nicole Rewerts, Chair

Choir

During 2021-2022, we have been fortunate to have had a few Sundays where we were able to sing in the choir loft. Thank you so much to Ila, Kevin, Jesse, Fern, Val and Donna for coming in to sing in whatever capacity we were able to this past year. An especially big thank you goes out to Janet, Marie and Mary! I am SO grateful for your support and commitment to Sunday services! We are lucky to have you here! I want to say to the rest of the choir members that we truly miss hearing your voices and seeing your faces on Sunday. We very much look forward to seeing you all again in the choir loft!

I also want to thank Mary Anderson and Sharon Veer for being such dependable and solid musicians to work with this year. You're both real gems to work with!

Thank you to Jackie for your continued work with the kids! We are very fortunate to have you and your family here!

Thank you to Patti and Rhonda for your support this year!

I also need to say a special thank-you to Rev. Annette for being great to work with. Your support is much appreciated! We are very fortunate to have you here!

Here's hoping we all stay healthy so we can once again celebrate the Spirit of God's world in our sanctuary!

Respectfully submitted,

James McLauchlan MTA
Choir Director

UCW

Another year of COVID-19, another slow year for the General UCW.

Due to COVID-19, the General UCW only had two meetings during 2021. Thanks to Donna Barber and a poem by Peggy Worrell, the “Bake-Less Bake Sale” was a big success. The UCW would like to thank everyone for supporting us in this fund raiser. The Boutique and Garage Room, Toy Room and Christmas Room did resume sales in September, and with extra sale days one Saturday a month, they have been doing quite well. Hopefully we can resume the sales come February. All of this could not happen if we didn’t have good coordinators and dedicated workers at each sale. A big thank you to Donna Barber, Pat Dyck Bunkosky and their helpers for a job well done. It should be noted that Norma Hain has given her position of coordinator of the Boutique to Pat Dyck Bunkosky, and at this time we would like to thank Norma for her dedication toward the Boutique during her time as coordinator. The Social and Funeral Conveners and their coordinators, Judy Killaby and Rose Lis did have a quiet year, but look forward to a busy 2022. Thank you to all the ladies who offered to run the dishwasher every month during this past year.

Lorraine Bloye has resigned as Plant Convenor; Norma Hain has taken over this position. Thank you to Lorraine for all her years of looking after the plants in the Church.

Once again Camp Day at Shagabec was cancelled, hopefully we can host this in June of 2022.

On a sad note, UCW Unit 8 have decided to stop having meetings, and have turned their books over to Archives.

Financially the UCW did have some commitments in 2021. Our commitment to the Church of \$5,000.00 was met as well our commitment to 12 various projects totalling \$1,100.00.

Going into 2022, all General UCW positions are filled.

We would like to thank Shirley Wilson for her years of dedication to the General UCW. Shirley has resigned from her position as President, and we would like to welcome Brenda Warder as our new General UCW President.

Please note, that any female member of our Church is considered a UCW Member, and are welcome to come to the General UCW meetings, we would be pleased to have you join us.

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

LET'S TALK TURKEY
FOWL-LESS FOWL SUPPER



UCW Audit Statement

Statement of Income and Expenses - January 1 to December 31, 2021

Balance Forward – January 1, 2021 = \$14,254.95

INCOME

Bakeless Bake Sale	3,135.00
Catering	799.00
Boutique Sales	2,483.20
Garage Sales	5,089.27
Muffin & Plant Sale	0.00
Fowl Supper	0.00
Christmas Tea	0.00
Donations	178.25
Envelope Givings (Unite 8 & F)	235.00
Rental	1,265.00
Misc	0.00
Float	0.00
Interest	15.88

TOTAL 13,200.60

EXPENSES

Catering	286.69
Local Church	5,000.00
Donations	1,100.00
M & S	0.00
Fowl Supper	0.00
Kitchen Supplies	0.00
Office Supplies	0.00
Safe Shelter Supplies	0.00
Delegates	0.00
Misc	0.00
Float	0.00
Kitchen Repairs/Upkeep	0.00

TOTAL 6,386.69

CREDIT 2021 - \$6,813.91

BALANCE SHEET – December 31, 2021

Bank Balance	21,068.86	
Term Deposit (1)	8,789.39	(Yearly Interest - \$163.84)
Term Deposit (2)	3,007.79	(Yearly Interest - \$16.45)
Equity Acct	81.33	
NET WORTH	<u>32,947.37</u>	

I have reviewed the financial records for the First United Church Women (UCW), for the calendar year of 2021.

I believe they accurately present a summary of all activities.

Dated: January 26, 2022

K. Hopfner





Affirming Ministry Ad Hoc Committee

2021 has been an exciting year for the Affirming Ministry Committee and for First United Church as we finally held our long-awaited Affirming Ministry vote on November 28!

Ever since our initial vote was cancelled in March of 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we have been waiting with the hope that we would be able to hold an in-person vote and celebration. This fall, though, we decided we had postponed such an important event long enough and, with uncertainty still a very real part of this ongoing pandemic, we felt it was best to move ahead with a congregational meeting on Zoom. At the meeting, the proposed Affirming Vision Statement and Action Plan (which had been developed in late 2019/early 2020 in consultation with Council and the congregation) passed with an overwhelming majority of 98%! We are now looking forward to our Zoom celebration on Feb. 6, 2022, and thinking that once we can all gather at the church again, we will have Celebration Part 2: The In-Person Version.

We, the members of the Affirming Ministry Committee, are grateful to Council and to the congregation of First United Church for your support, and for your willingness to stretch and grow and learn with us over the past few years. We are excited about where we have been on this journey together and excited about the possibilities of where we might head next. Being an Affirming Ministry is definitely an ongoing, ever-changing, transformative process, not a destination that we someday reach, and we feel blessed to be exploring this process with all of you.

Other than the vote, there are a few other highlights I'd like to share from the past year:

- In response to pandemic demands and the mental and physical health needs of our members, our committee largely took a break for the first part of the year and then swung back into action in May.
- On June 27, we held a Pride service which included the open-hearted sharings of three special guests on the theme of belonging. We are very grateful for their participation and for their willingness to be vulnerable with us, and we appreciate the trust they placed in us and the safety of our space.
- From mid-October to the end of November, Stacie designed and led weekly Zoom sessions that incorporated the United Church of Canada's 40 Days of Engagement on Anti-Racism program.
- Throughout the year, Annette skillfully and thoughtfully wove anti-oppression awareness into a variety of services.
- Currently, with Church Council and Southwest Saskatchewan Pride, we are exploring the possibility of approaching Swift Current City Council re banning conversion therapy locally (and we are very pleased that a federal law making conversion therapy illegal passed in the meantime and went into effect on Jan 7, 2022!).

In closing, I want to thank my fellow Affirming Ministry Committee members – Annette Taylor, Sharon Veer, Janet Keene, Deb Fletcher, and Amy Popick (Amy took a break from our committee this year to pour her energies into chairing the Refugee Sponsorship Working Group, but she has still stayed connected to what we are doing). I feel blessed to be able to work with

such an amazing group of people – a caring, determined, creative, thoughtful team with open hearts and open minds, who embrace wondering, learning and growing. I always enjoy our meetings together and leave them feeling re-energized and inspired. Thank you for bringing yourselves so fully to this important and meaningful work.

Thank you!

Stacie Noble-Wiebe (Chair of the Affirming Ministry Committee)

Fundraising Ad Hoc Committee

In 2020, Church Council determined that there was a continuing need for a fundraising group so in March of 2021, the Fundraising ad hoc committee was replaced by the Fundraising Working Group. This working group is accountable to the Stewardship Committee. Our working group concentrates on ideas that are expected to raise a minimum of \$1000. Members of the congregation are encouraged to submit their ideas.

The objectives of the Fundraising Working Group are:

1. Fundraising
2. Building community within the congregation

In 2021, many ideas from the congregation were considered, but due to Covid 19 restrictions some projects were tabled until 2022. The following fundraisers became a reality, with all proceeds going to the church's General Operating Fund.

- “Spring Fling” Online Auction, April 21 - 28, 2021 - raised \$3,185
- \$21 for 2021, June 1 – 15, 2021 - raised \$4,088
- “Holly Jolly Christmas” Online Auction, Nov. 24 - Dec. 1, 2021 - raised \$2,600

The above fundraisers raised a grand total of **\$9,873**. Thank you to everyone who made these fundraisers such a huge success!

Respectfully submitted,

Patti McCleary (Chair), Fran Jackson, Rhonda Lotochinski, Ila Wilms and Eileen Elkington



First United Church Operating Fund

First United Church Balance Sheet As of 31 December 2021

	31 Dec 21
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	111,467.67
1105 - B & P - 830510791122	45,225.21
Total 1100 High Interest Accounts	156,692.88
1000 - Chequing Account - 100202354785	
1002 - General Operating	70,141.06
1015 - Senior Choir	1,699.36
1045 - Worship Circle-Chinook Pres.	8,592.54
1050 - Memorial Fund	16,593.50
1075 - Refugee Sponsorship	62,776.85
Total 1000 - Chequing Account - 100202354785	159,803.31
Total General Operating Accounts	316,496.19
Total Chequing/Savings	316,539.34
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	
1401 - GST Receivable	670.22
Total Accounts Receivable	670.22
Total Accounts Receivable	670.22
Other Current Assets	
1011 - Credit Union Member Rewards	10,409.06
Total Other Current Assets	10,409.06
Total Current Assets	327,618.62
Other Assets	
Long Term Investments	
1016 - Term #1-04/20/22 - 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 #4-04/22/24 - 830511584948	80,000.00
1023 · ChoirTerm-04/21/22-830512361635	2,132.81
1024 · ChoirTerm-04/21/22-830512361643	2,160.09
1025 · ChoirTerm-04/21/22-830512361668	2,163.25
1026 · ChoirTerm-04/21/23-830512361684	<u>2,185.46</u>
Total Long Term Investments	<u>298,641.61</u>
Total Other Assets	<u>298,641.61</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>626,260.23</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
3000 · Opening Bal Equity	142,053.80
3001 · Equity Adjustments	-29,613.55
3100 · Retained Earnings	450,959.80
Net Income	<u>62,860.18</u>
Total Equity	<u>626,260.23</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>626,260.23</u>

Profit and Loss

First United Church
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 January through December 2021

	<u>Jan - Dec 21</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Administration Income			
4001 · Local	113,512.00	147,000.00	77.22%
4001-1 · Local - offering not receipted	7,225.67		
4001-2 · Local - PAR	75,936.00	75,500.00	100.58%
4002 · Loose Offering	297.00	1,000.00	29.7%
4007-1 · Christmas - Loose	100.00		
4007 · Christmas Offering	8,640.00	9,000.00	96.0%
4008 · Easter Offering	4,700.00	4,000.00	117.5%
4025 · UCW Unit Envelope Givings	235.00	900.00	26.11%
4026 · UCW Bakeless Bake Sale	3,135.00		
4050 · UCW - Local	5,000.00	5,000.00	100.0%
4051 · Broadview	405.00	400.00	101.25%
4060 · Thanksgiving	7,495.00	5,000.00	149.9%
4070 · Church Calendars	56.00	50.00	112.0%
4090 · GST Rebates	1,357.37	2,000.00	67.87%
4091 · Co-op Equity	0.00	50.00	0.0%
4092 · Credit Union Equity	521.99	1,000.00	52.2%
Total Administration Income	<u>228,616.03</u>	<u>250,900.00</u>	<u>91.12%</u>
Faith Formation Income			
4101 · Sunday School	4.00	100.00	4.0%
4103 · Sunday School Xmas Shopping Day	47.80		
4110 · Adult Education	818.60		
4160 · Creative Art	0.00	50.00	0.0%
Total Faith Formation Income	<u>870.40</u>	<u>150.00</u>	<u>580.27%</u>
Fundraiser Income			
4600 · Fundraising Income	0.00	10,000.00	0.0%
4610 · Christmas Puddings	3,821.00		
4613 · Christmas Online Auction	2,600.00		
4615 · Spring Fling Online Auction	3,185.00		
4621 · Fowl-less Fowl Supper	4,408.00		
4626 · \$21 for 2021	4,088.00		
Total Fundraiser Income	<u>18,102.00</u>	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>181.02%</u>
Interest Income			
4801 · General Operating Chequing	111.91	100.00	111.91%

4807 - General Operating High Interest	106.89	100.00	106.89%
4809 - Term Deposits Interest	7,876.17	7,500.00	105.02%
4820 - B & P High Interest Account	43.98	150.00	29.32%
Total Interest Income	8,138.95	7,850.00	103.68%
Outreach Income			
4201 - Canadian Food Grains Bank	450.00	400.00	112.5%
4203 - Christmas in July	1,625.00	1,000.00	162.5%
4205-1 - White Gift - Loose	10.00		
4205 - White Gift	4,070.00	2,000.00	203.5%
4206 - Fair Trade Sales	718.67	500.00	143.73%
4211 - Camp Shagabec	150.00		
4217 - Outreach Fundraiser Auction	0.00	1,500.00	0.0%
4218 - Outreach Fundraiser Donations	0.00	500.00	0.0%
4271 - Loose Change Supper Income	0.00	6,000.00	0.0%
4275 - M&S Allocation - General Oper.	2,900.00	2,900.00	100.0%
Total Outreach Income	9,923.67	14,800.00	67.05%
Building & Property Income			
4301 - Room Rentals	9,992.50	10,000.00	99.93%
4310 - Weddings	100.00		
4315 - Funerals	700.00	2,100.00	33.33%
Total Building & Property Income	10,792.50	12,100.00	89.19%
Sundry Income			
4915 - Wages - funerals	600.00	1,950.00	30.77%
4967 - COVID-19 CEWS	36,505.46		
Total Sundry Income	37,105.46	1,950.00	1,902.84%
Worship & Music Income			
4520 - Melodies of Xmas	0.00	2,500.00	0.0%
Total Worship & Music Income	0.00	2,500.00	0.0%
Total Income	313,549.01	300,250.00	104.43%
Expense			
Reconciliation Discrepancies	0.00		
Administration Expense			
5001 - Accounting & Audit	200.00	200.00	100.0%
5003 - Bank Charges	353.50	350.00	101.0%
5005 - Computer	619.27	1,500.00	41.29%
5010 - Office Supplies	1,085.09	1,500.00	72.34%
5012 - Postage	644.00	650.00	99.08%
5014 - Broadview Subscriptions	450.00	450.00	100.0%
5025 - UCW Unit Envelope Givings	235.00	900.00	26.11%
5026 - UCW Bakeless Bake Sale	3,135.00		
5040 - Web Page	19.99	225.00	8.88%
5050 - General Council Allocation	16,496.00	16,496.00	100.0%

5070 - Church Calendars	75.00	100.00	75.0%
5075 - Council Expenses	221.85	500.00	44.37%
5080 - Affirming Ministry Expenses	100.00	800.00	12.5%
5085 - Copier Usage	1,517.47	2,000.00	75.87%
5090 - GST	179.39	800.00	22.42%
5091 - PST	165.61	350.00	47.32%
Total Administration Expense	25,497.17	26,821.00	95.06%
Building & Property Expense			
5101 - Equipment Leases	5,471.27	5,000.00	109.43%
5102 - Equipment Purchases	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
5104 - Alarm System Monitor Fee	419.40	300.00	139.8%
5106 - Property Insurance	15,482.00	15,482.00	100.0%
5108 - Licences	537.00	600.00	89.5%
5112 - Janitorial Supplies	655.34	1,500.00	43.69%
5114 - Organ Maintenance	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
5116 - Snow Removal	2,280.00	2,000.00	114.0%
5118 - Lawn Care	1,725.00	2,000.00	86.25%
5130 - Electricity	5,207.18	8,000.00	65.09%
5131 - Recycling fee	48.00	50.00	96.0%
5132 - Gas & Heat	12,770.31	10,000.00	127.7%
5134 - Water & Sewer	2,040.36	4,000.00	51.01%
5136 - Waste Removal	750.59	1,000.00	75.06%
5140 - Telephone	1,987.73	2,500.00	79.51%
5150 - Building Repair & Maintenance	8,251.48	6,000.00	137.53%
5152 - Equipment Repair & maintenance	3,467.76	3,000.00	115.59%
5156 - Furniture	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
5175 - Parking Lot	0.00	500.00	0.0%
5190 - GST	2,163.27	1,900.00	113.86%
5191 - PST	2,432.58	2,600.00	93.56%
Total Building & Property Expense	65,689.27	69,432.00	94.61%
Faith Formation Expense			
5210 - Sunday School	344.00	600.00	57.33%
5225 - Children/Youth Library Books	0.00	100.00	0.0%
5230 - Youth Group	0.00	200.00	0.0%
5235 - Adult Education	1,173.48	850.00	138.06%
5240 - Vacation Bible School	0.00	150.00	0.0%
5260 - Creative Art	0.00	200.00	0.0%
5290 - GST	18.47		
5291 - PST	0.27		
Total Faith Formation Expense	1,536.22	2,100.00	73.15%
Fundraising Expense			
5400 - Fundraising Expenses	0.00	500.00	0.0%

5440 · Christmas Pudding Expenses	505.58		
Total Fundraising Expense	505.58	500.00	101.12%
Membership & Pastoral Care			
5300 · Committee Expenses	0.00	50.00	0.0%
5305 · Baptismal Supplies	150.98		
5320 · Communion	0.00	50.00	0.0%
5330 · Confirmation	0.00	100.00	0.0%
5370 · Educational Events	0.00	250.00	0.0%
5390 · GST	7.55		
Total Membership & Pastoral Care	158.53	450.00	35.23%
Ministry & Personnel Expense			
5500 · Salaries			
5501 · Minister			
55011 · Salary	69,974.28	69,974.00	100.0%
55013 · Travel Expense	0.00	500.00	0.0%
55014 · Telephone	360.00	360.00	100.0%
55015 · Continuing Education	1,491.14	1,474.00	101.16%
Total 5501 · Minister	71,825.42	72,308.00	99.33%
5505 · Office Manager	42,737.46	41,090.00	104.01%
5508 · Pianist	5,851.86	7,382.00	79.27%
5510 · Organist	0.00	2,984.00	0.0%
5512 · Choir Director	18,507.03	18,507.00	100.0%
5514 · Funeral Staff	600.00	5,500.00	10.91%
5515 · Sunday School Coordinator	7,252.90	7,430.00	97.62%
5518 · Janitor	13,548.97	13,549.00	100.0%
5525 · Staff Recognition	226.65	300.00	75.55%
5540 · Staff Training & Development	0.00	2,000.00	0.0%
Total 5500 · Salaries	160,550.29	171,050.00	93.86%
5550 · Payroll Expense			
5550-1 · CPP - Company	6,490.90	6,735.00	96.38%
5550-12 · Workers Compensation	235.96	300.00	78.65%
5550-14 · Employer Indemnity	97.92	100.00	97.92%
5550-2 · EI - Company	2,899.66	3,285.00	88.27%
5550-4 · Church Pension	12,901.03	13,475.00	95.74%
5550-6 · Group Health Plan	9,331.73	7,500.00	124.42%
5550-8 · Restorative Care	1,935.16	1,900.00	101.85%
5585 · Payroll Charges	325.76	350.00	93.07%
Total 5550 · Payroll Expense	34,218.12	33,645.00	101.7%
5590 · GST	23.60		
5591 · PST	28.31		
Total Ministry & Personnel Expense	194,820.32	204,695.00	95.18%
Outreach Expense			

5600 - Committee Expense	0.00	250.00	0.0%
5601 - Canadian Food Grains Bank	450.00	400.00	112.5%
5603 - Christmas in July	1,625.00	1,000.00	162.5%
5605 - White Gift payment	4,080.00	2,000.00	204.0%
5606 - Fair Trade Sales	717.66	500.00	143.53%
5611 - Camp Shagabec	150.00		
5617 - Outreach Fundraising Auction	0.00	1,500.00	0.0%
5618 - Outreach Fundraising Donations	0.00	500.00	0.0%
5661 - Benevolent Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	100.0%
5671 - Loose Change Supper Expenses	0.00	3,000.00	0.0%
5672 - Loose Change Supper - hampers	0.00	2,500.00	0.0%
5673 - Loose Change Supper - Refugee	0.00	500.00	0.0%
5700 - Allocation - General Operating	7,000.00	7,000.00	100.0%
Total Outreach Expense	15,022.66	20,150.00	74.55%
Sundry Expense			
5806 - Living Skies Regional Council	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
5820 - Swift Current Ministerial	625.00	625.00	100.0%
Total Sundry Expense	625.00	1,625.00	38.46%
Worship & Music Expense			
5904 - Senior Choir Music	0.00	200.00	0.0%
5908 - Radio Broadcasts	4,830.00	5,300.00	91.13%
5910 - Pulpit Supply	1,768.00	3,000.00	58.93%
5912 - Decorations	49.36	200.00	24.68%
5914 - Worship Supplies	275.71	400.00	68.93%
5930 - Advertising	72.25	160.00	45.16%
5932 - Licence & Copyright	337.00	350.00	96.29%
5940 - Melodies of Xmas	0.00	2,500.00	0.0%
5950 - Video/Audio Equipment/Supplies	0.00	200.00	0.0%
5955 - Sound System Operator	2,225.00	2,000.00	111.25%
5990 - GST	257.16	300.00	85.72%
5991 - PST	10.33	50.00	20.66%
Total Worship & Music Expense	9,824.81	14,660.00	67.02%
Total Expense	313,679.56	340,433.00	92.14%
Net Ordinary Income	-130.55	-40,183.00	0.33%
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
M & S Income			
6000 - M & S Special Service	0.00	500.00	0.0%
6002 - Care Home Offering	85.25	200.00	42.63%
6004 - PAR - Designated to M & S	5,170.00	5,000.00	103.4%
6005 - Greeting Cards/Cookies	0.00	500.00	0.0%
6006 - Offerings Designated to M & S	699.10	2,000.00	34.96%

6008 - M & S jar	0.00	200.00	0.0%
6010 - Lenten Pigs	1,558.50	750.00	207.8%
Total M & S Income	7,512.85	9,150.00	82.11%
Other Income			
6100-1 - Memorial Income-not receipted	27.74		
6100 - Memorial Fund Income	1,825.00		
6101 - Refugee Sponsorship	38,372.00		
6106 - Refugee - Facebook Auction	1,482.00		
6108 - Refugee Sponsorship - Chuffed	4,465.00		
6109 - Refugee Fundraisers	2,673.75		
6113 - Refugee-Nov. 19/21 donations	14,534.10		
6114 - Refugee-Nov. 19/21 ticket sales	1,200.00		
6116 - Senior Choir Term Interest	205.38		
6140 - Building & Property - PAR	1,080.00		
Total Other Income	65,864.97		
Total Other Income	73,377.82	9,150.00	801.94%
Other Expense			
M & S National Expense			
7000 - M & S Special Service	0.00	500.00	0.0%
7002 - Care Home Services Offering	85.25	200.00	42.63%
7004 - PAR - Designated to M & S	5,170.00	5,000.00	103.4%
7005 - Greeting Cards/Cookies	0.00	500.00	0.0%
7006 - Offering Designated to M & S	699.10	2,000.00	34.96%
7008 - M & S Jar	0.00	200.00	0.0%
7010 - M & S - Lenten Pig	1,558.50	750.00	207.8%
Total M & S National Expense	7,512.85	9,150.00	82.11%
Other Expense			
7200 - Memorial Expense	2,220.45		
7210 - Senior Choir Expenses	330.00		
7245 - Worship Circle-Chinook Pres.	200.00		
7290 - GST	65.29		
7291 - PST	58.50		
Total Other Expense	2,874.24		
Total Other Expense	10,387.09	9,150.00	113.52%
Net Other Income	62,990.73	0.00	100.0%
Net Income	62,860.18	-40,183.00	-156.44%

First United Church Planned Giving Funds

Balance Sheet

As of 31 December 2021

	<u>31 Dec 21</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	
Available Interest	13,059.35
Chequing Account	1,307.12
High Interest Account	<u>31,767.03</u>
Total Chequing/Savings	<u>46,133.50</u>
Total Current Assets	46,133.50
Other Assets	
Investments	
Term - 01/19/25 - 830511146524	60,000.00
Term - 01/22/24 - 830511146599	60,000.00
Term - 01/20/22 - 830511146540	60,000.00
Term - 01/20/23 - 830511146615	60,000.00
Term - 05/16/26 - 400902354785	28,028.54
Term - 07/18/23 - 408702354785	<u>6,259.51</u>
Total Investments	274,288.05
Member Equity	<u>734.48</u>
Total Other Assets	<u>275,022.53</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>321,156.03</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	
Equity Adjustments	<u>21,250.58</u>
Total Opening Bal Equity	21,250.58
Retained Earnings	316,070.71
Net Income	<u>-16,165.26</u>
Total Equity	<u>321,156.03</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>321,156.03</u>

**First United Church Planned Giving Funds
Profit & Loss
January through December 2021**

	Jan - Dec 21
Income	
Interest	6,849.74
Total Income	6,849.74
Expense	
Bank charges	15.00
Camp Shagabec	7,500.00
St. Andrew's College	2,500.00
UCC - Mission & Service Fund	13,000.00
Total Expense	23,015.00
Net Income	-16,165.26

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 2021 calendar year.



Betty Bateman



Marie Andrews

2022 Budget Proposal

Stewardship is pleased to present the proposed 2022 budget. We have worked with all the committees and council to prepare this year's budget. We thank everyone involved for their hard work and guidance in this task.

In 2021 we managed to nearly break even, primarily due to the continued federal government subsidy program. This program (CEWS) has now ended. Another point of concern was that our local givings were well below expectations. Going forward we have lowered our outlook for 2022.

The one major change to this year's budget is we have split the Mission and Service budget out of the General budget. This came about from a point originally made to council in last year's (2021) budget presentation. At that time, Stewardship made the recommendation that council review donations to outside organisations from the general fund, as well as annual donations made from the Planned Giving Fund.

This discussion led to the splitting out of the M&S budget, and a change in the way we fund not only M&S but also Camp Shagabec and St. Andrew's College. The most significant change is that we are not budgeting for M&S from general funds. Instead, Outreach have set a target budget we will work towards through the year. Additionally, Outreach has modified the motions to the AGM to cap the amount used from the Planned Giving fund to these recipients. Our gratitude to the Outreach committee for taking the initiative in these changes.

Again, our largest expense is in staffing. We all greatly appreciate and value our staff. Throughout the pandemic we, as a church, retained all our staff while many organisations were forced to lay people off. This year council has approved a 4% cost of living increase for all staff. Additionally, the compensation for the office manager's was reviewed and increased to a more realistic amount for the work being done. This of course is reflected in the increase of payroll expenses.

Otherwise the budget and the budget process itself is much the same as previous years. Council is actively looking at new ways to fund our church and it will be a focus in the next and upcoming years.

Sincerely



Charles Lotochinski
Chair of Stewardship

First United Church 2022 Budget – Short Form

SHORT FORM - 2022 Budget						
	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	2022 Budget
Income						
Regular givings for operations	209,818	208,384	217,739	223,500	196,971	221,000
Christmas, Easter, and Thanksgiving givings	15,913	21,683	12,090	18,000	20,935	19,000
Other givings (donation receiptable)	6,414	8,493	4,552	7,000	7,075	7,600
Fundraising/Fees/Sunday School	19,004	22,962	28,202	20,900	22,282	17,000
Givings from UCW for operations	20,870	20,945	30,980	5,900	8,370	8,000
Rentals and Other Income	50,507	29,392	57,492	17,100	49,777	20,600
Interest Income	11,506	10,961	8,245	7,850	8,139	7,800
Total Income	334,033	322,820	359,300	300,250	313,549	301,000
Expenses						
Administration	37,718	33,571	32,168	28,946	26,628	23,892
Building and Property						
Building upkeep	27,148	22,136	8,492	10,450	10,662	10,075
Property Upkeep	4,130	3,950	3,987	4,500	4,005	4,500
Equipment and GST/PST	12,423	11,863	9,761	17,000	15,523	17,150
Utilities	23,854	21,524	21,622	22,000	20,018	21,000
Insurance	14,162	13,731	15,025	15,482	15,482	18,938
Subtotal B&P	81,717	73,204	58,885	69,432	65,689	71,663
Faith Formation	3,483	3,626	1,217	2,100	1,536	1,750
Membership and Pastoral Care	255	0	120	450	159	365
Worship and Music	10,482	10,373	8,096	12,160	9,825	8,260
Outreach (fundraising expenses)	2,687	2,906	674	3,250	0	2,250
Charitable Givings						
M&S National (Historical)	17,190	17,000	7,000	7,500	7,000	0
Directly to Charities	7,437	8,702	845	6,400	2,943	4,400
Hampers, Benevolent fund	5,641	4,214	5,058	5,500	5,080	5,000
Subtotal Charitable Givings	30,268	29,916	12,903	19,400	15,023	9,400
Ministry and Personnel						
Minister	68,461	68,661	68,949	72,308	71,825	75,126
Office Managers	40,945	41,152	40,082	41,090	42,737	47,505
Music Staff	26,926	28,036	24,372	28,873	24,359	28,723
Janitor, Communications, Funeral	10,426	23,972	15,664	19,049	14,149	15,737
Children Programming Staff	15,540	15,614	7,097	7,430	7,253	7,728
General staff and payroll expenses	25,668	33,912	31,507	35,945	34,497	39,695
Subtotal Ministry and Personnel	187,966	211,347	187,671	204,695	194,820	214,514
Total Ordinary Expenses	354,576	364,943	301,733	340,433	313,680	332,094
Net Ordinary Income	-20,543	-42,123	57,567	-40,183	-131	-31,094

First United Church 2022 Budget - Detailed

2022 General Budget	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	% Budget	2022 Budget	Change in Budget from 2021
Total Income	334,033	322,820	359,300	300,250	313,549	104.4%	301,000	750
Total Expenses	354,576	364,943	301,733	340,433	313,680	92.1%	332,094	-8,339
Net Ordinary Income or Loss	-20,543	-42,123	57,567	-40,183	-131	0.3%	-31,094	9,089
INCOME								
Administration Income								
4001 - Local	207,938	206,238	217,288	222,500	196,674	88.4%	220,000	-2,500
4002 - Loose Offering	1,880	2,146	451	1,000	297	29.7%	1,000	
4007 - Christmas Offering	8,125	11,211	7,105	9,000	8,740	97.1%	9,000	
4008 - Easter Offering	3,523	4,197	3,535	4,000	4,700	117.5%	4,500	500
4025 - UCW Envelope Giving's	870	945	980	900	235	26.1%		-900
4026 - UCW Special Fundraisers					3,135			
4050 - UCW Local	20,000	20,000	30,000	5,000	5,000	100.0%	8,000	3,000
4051 - Broadview Magazine	550	475	400	400	405	101.3%	400	
4060 - Thanksgiving	4,265	6,275	1,450	5,000	7,495	149.9%	5,500	500
4070 - Church Calendars	125	20	7	50	56	112.0%	50	
4075 - Presbytery Rebate	4,023							
4086 - Photocopies								
4090 - GST Rebates	4,744	1,721	1,252	2,000	1,357	67.9%	1,500	-500
4091 - Co-op Equity	50	25	24	50		0.0%	50	
4092 - Credit Union Equity	1,172	851	674	1,000	522	52.2%	750	-250
Total Administration Income	257,265	254,104	263,166	250,900	228,616	91.1%	250,750	-150
Faith Formation Income								
4101 - Sunday School	138	41	159	100	4	4.0%	100	
4102 - Youth Group	82	17						
4103 - Sunday School Shopping Day		179			48			
41022 - Fundraising	1,292	1,867						
4106 - Youth Group Retreat								
4125 - Books	200							
4110 - Adult Education	0		794		819			
4160 - Creative Art		253	31	50		0.0%	50	
4180 - Fowl Supper Coat Check	448							
Total Faith Formation Income	2,160	2,357	983	150	870	580.3%	150	

2022 General Budget	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	% Budget	2022 Budget	Change in Budget from 2021
Fundraisers Income								
4600 - General Fundraisers	5,080	8,176	22,975	10,000	18,102	181.0%	12,500	2,500
Total Fundraisers Income	5,080	8,176	22,975	10,000	18,102	181.0%	12,500	2,500
Interest Income								
4801 - General Operating Chequing	50	63	135	100	112	111.9%	100	
4807 - General Operating High Interest	1,610	478	72	100	107	106.9%	100	
4809 - Term Deposit Interest	9,463	10,014	7,904	7,500	7,876	105.0%	7,500	
4820 - B&P Savings Account Interest	382	406	134	150	44	29.3%	100	-50
Total Interest Income	11,506	10,961	8,245	7,850	8,139	103.7%	7,800	-50
Membership and Pastoral Care Income								
4701 - Prayer Shawl Donations	40				0			
Total Membership and Pastoral Care	40	0	0	0	0		0	
Outreach Income								
4201 - Canada Food Grains Bank	400	400	400	400	450	112.5%	400	
4203 - Christmas in July	810	960	275	1,000	1,625	162.5%	1,000	
4204 - Rohingya Appeal								
4205 - White Gift	1,645	1,780	3,444	2,000	4,080	204.0%	2,500	500
4206 - Fair Trade Sales	864	870	174	500	719	143.7%	500	
4211 - Camp Shagabec					150			
4216 - Outreach Fundraiser Supper	1,320	1,930						
4217 - Outreach Fundraiser Auction	1,612	1,767		1,500		0.0%		-1,500
4218 - Outreach Fundraiser Donations	418	765		500		0.0%		-500
4271 - Loose Change Supper Income	5,877	5,774	1,296	6,000		0.0%	4,000	-2,000
4275 - M & S Allocation - General Oper.	2,500	2,700	2,700	2,900	2,900	100.0%	0	-2,900
Total Outreach Income	15,446	16,946	8,289	14,800	9,924	67.1%	8,400	-6,400
Rentals & Sales Income								
4301 - Room Rentals	17,149	15,639	6,433	10,000	9,993	99.9%	15,000	5,000
4310 - Weddings	400	400	400		100		350	350
4315 - Funerals	7,700	5,180	1,050	2,100	700	33.3%	1,300	-800
4330 - Miscellaneous	40	244						
Total Rentals & Sales Income	25,289	21,463	7,883	12,100	10,793	89.2%	16,650	4,550

2022 General Budget	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	% Budget	2022 Budget	Change in Budget from 2021
Sundry Income								
4910 - Wages Weddings	350	250	375				350	350
4915 - Wages Funerals	6,650	4,750	675	1,950	600	30.8%	1,300	-650
4945 - Payroll Reimbursement	8,229	332	4,438					
4955 - WCB Surplus Distribution								
4970 - Miscellaneous (COVID 19 Subsidies etc.)			42,171		36,505			
Total Sundry Income	15,229	5,332	47,660	1,950	37,105	1902.8%	1,650	-300
Worship & Music Income								
4520 - Melodies of Xmas	2,017	2,010	100	2,500		0.0%	2,500	
4510 - Radio Broadcast Income		1,471					600	600
Total Worship & Music Income	2,017	3,481	100	2,500	0	0.0%	3,100	600
Total Income	334,033	322,820	359,300	300,250	313,549	104.4%	301,000	750

2022 General Budget	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	% Budget	2022 Budget	Change in Budget from 2021
EXPENSES								
Administration Expenses								
5001 - Accounting & Audit	200	200	200	200	200	100.0%	200	
5003 - Bank Charges	331	333	341	350	354	101.0%	350	
5005 - Computer	3,014		270	1,500	619	41.3%	2,000	500
5010 - Office Supplies	2,592	1,709	1,002	1,500	1,085	72.3%	1,000	-500
5012 - Postage	763	458	791	650	644	99.1%	700	50
5014 - Broadview Subscriptions	524	525	425	450	450	100.0%	450	
5025 - UCW Unit Envelope Giving's	870	945	980	900	235	26.1%		-900
5026 - UCW Special Fundraisers					3,135			
5040 - Web Page	312		803	225	20	8.9%	550	325
5050 - General Council Allocation	16,090	15,852	16,326	16,496	16,496	100.0%	12,867	-3,629
5051 - Regional Council Allocation			3,265					
5055 - Flowers								
5070 - Church Calendars	156	51	31	100	75	75.0%	100	
5075 - Council Expenses	432	37		500	222	44.4%	500	
5085 - Copier Usage	3,583	3,594	1,431	2,000	1,517	75.9%	1,500	-500
5080 - Affirming Ministry				800	100	12.5%	800	
5090 - GST	3,533	3,442	2,503	800	179	22.4%	500	-300
5091 - PST	3,114	4,584	2,759	350	166	47.3%	250	-100
Total Administration Expenses	35,513	31,730	31,127	26,821	25,497	95.1%	21,767	-5,054

2022 General Budget	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	% Budget	2022 Budget	Change in Budget from 2021
Building & Property Expenses								
5101 - Equipment Leases	5,362	5,362	5,692	5,000	5,471	109.4%	5,500	500
5102 - Equipment Purchases		970		1,000		0.0%	1,000	
5104 - Alarm System Monitor Fee	419	419	419	300	419	139.8%	425	125
5105 - Janitorial Service	12,219							
5106 - Property Insurance	14,162	13,731	15,025	15,482	15,482	100.0%	18,938	3,456
5108 - Licenses	520	520	520	600	537	89.5%	550	-50
5112 - Janitorial Supplies	1,061	1,243	845	1,500	655	43.7%	1,200	-300
5114 - Organ Maintenance	966	860		1,000		0.0%	1,000	
5116 - Snow Removal	2,215	2,045	2,425	2,000	2,280	114.0%	2,000	
5118 - Lawn Care	1,915	1,905	1,562	2,000	1,725	86.3%	2,000	
5130 - Electricity	7,861	7,151	5,759	8,000	5,207	65.1%	6,000	-2,000
5131 - Recycling fee	48	48	48	50	48	96.0%	50	
5132 - Gas & Heat	13,233	11,845	12,081	10,000	12,770	127.7%	12,500	2,500
5134 - Water & Sewer	2,761	2,528	3,782	4,000	2,040	51.0%	2,500	-1,500
5136 - Waste Removal	1,774	2,025	1,153	1,000	751	75.1%	850	-150
5140 - Telephone	2,350	2,386	2,329	2,500	1,988	79.5%	2,000	-500
5150 - Building Repair & Maintenance	8,151	15,042	4,405	6,000	8,251	137.5%	6,000	
5152 - Equipment Repair & maintenance	4,712	2,755	1,740	3,000	3,468	115.6%	3,000	
5156 - Furniture		390		1,000		0.0%	1,000	
5161 - Night Clerk	1,989	1,978	1,101	0			0	
5175 - Parking Lot Upkeep	0	0		500		0.0%	500	
5190 - GST				1,900	2,163	113.9%	1,900	
5191 - PST				2,600	2,433	93.6%	2,750	150
Total Building & Property Expenses	81,717	73,204	58,885	69,432	65,689	94.6%	71,663	2,231

2022 General Budget	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	% Budget	2022 Budget	Change in Budget from 2021
Faith Formation Expenses								
5204 - Confirmation	219							
5206 - Youth Group Retreat	122	101						
5210 - Sunday School	392	664	534	600	344	57.3%	500	-100
5225 - Children/Youth Library Books	255		52	100		0.0%	100	
5230 - Youth Group	265	167		200		0.0%	200	
5231 - Youth Group Fundraising Exp.	1,045	1,413						
5235 - Adult Education	705	600	631	850	1,173	138.1%	600	-250
5240 - Vacation Bible School	46	34		150		0.0%	150	
5260 - Creative Arts		647		200		0.0%	200	
5280 - Fowl Supper Coat Check	435							
5290 - GST					18			
5291 - PST					0			
Total Faith Formation Expenses	3,483	3,626	1,217	2,100	1,536	73.2%	1,750	-350
Fundraising Expenses								
5400 - General Fundraising Expenses	726	584	415	500	506	101.1%	500	
Total Fundraising Expenses	726	584	415	500	506	101.1%	500	
Membership & Pastoral Care Expenses								
5300 - Committee Expenses	47			50		0.0%		-50
5305 - Baptismal Supplies	66		120	0	151		100	100
5320 - Communion				50		0.0%	50	
5330 - Confirmation	102			100		0.0%	100	
5360 - Prayer Shawl expenses	40							
5370 - Educational Events				250		0.0%	100	-150
5390 - GST					8		15	15
Total Membership & Pastoral Care Expenses	255	0	120	450	159	35.2%	365	-85
Minister Expenses								
55011 - Salary	66,133	67,191	68,468	69,974	69,974	100.0%	72,773	2,799
55013 - Travel Expense	624	147	34	500		0.0%	500	
55014 - Telephone	360	360	360	360	360	100.0%	360	
55015 - Continuing Education	1,343	963	87	1,474	1,491	101.2%	1,493	19
Total Minister Expenses	68,461	68,661	68,949	72,308	71,825	99.3%	75,126	2,818

2022 General Budget	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	% Budget	2022 Budget	Change in Budget from 2021
Salaries Expenses								
5505 - Office Manager	40,945	41,152	40,082	41,090	42,737	104.0%	47,505	6,415
5508 - Accompanist	7,241	7,225	5,589	7,382	5,852	79.3%	6,373	-1,009
5510 - Organist	1,836	2,677	649	2,984		0.0%	3,104	119
5512 - Choir Director	17,848	18,134	18,134	18,507	18,507	100.0%	19,247	740
5513 - Wedding Staff	578	350	375				350	350
5514 - Funeral Staff	6,650	4,750	675	5,500	600	10.9%	1,300	-4,200
5515 - Sunday School Coordinator	7,157	7,097	7,097	7,430	7,253	97.6%	7,728	298
5516 - Youth Program Coordinator	8,384	8,517						
5517 - Communication Coordinator	3,198	3,249	1,354					
5518 - Caretaker		15,623	13,260	13,549	13,549	100.0%	14,087	538
5525 - Staff Recognition	149	112	173	300	227	75.6%	300	
5540 - Staff Training and Development	103	1,000	220	2,000		0.0%	2,000	
Total Salaries Expenses	94,089	109,886	87,608	98,742	88,725	89.9%	101,993	3,252
Total All Salaries Expenses	162,549	178,547	156,557	171,050	160,550	93.9%	177,119	6,069
Payroll Expenses								
5550-1 - CPP - Company	5,284	6,289	5,928	6,735	6,491	96.4%	7,300	565
5550-12 - Workers Compensation	266	353	250	300	236	78.7%	275	-25
5550-14 - Employer Indemnity	66	74	82	100	98	97.9%	120	20
5550-2 - EI - Company	2,766	3,170	2,810	3,285	2,900	88.3%	3,100	-185
5550-4 - Church Pension	10,281	13,540	12,595	13,475	12,901	95.7%	14,000	525
5550-6 - Group Health Plan	5,243	7,492	7,553	7,500	9,332	124.4%	10,150	2,650
5550-8 - Restorative Care	1,085	1,550	1,566	1,900	1,935	101.9%	2,100	200
5550-9 PST on benefits	120							
5585 - Payroll Charges	305	332	330	350	326	93.1%	350	
5590 - GST					24			
5591 - PST					28			
Total Payroll Expenses	25,416	32,800	31,114	33,645	34,270	101.9%	37,395	3,750
Total All Ministry and Personnel Expenses	187,966	211,347	187,671	204,695	194,820	95.2%	214,514	9,819

2022 General Budget	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	% Budget	2022 Budget	Change in Budget from 2021
Outreach Expenses								
5600 - Committee Expense	0			250		0.0%	250	
5601 - Canadian Food Grains Bank	400	400	400	400	450	112.5%	400	
5603 - Christmas in July	810	960	275	1,000	1,625	162.5%	1,000	
5605 - White Gift Payment	1,645	1,780	3,444	2,000	4,080	204.0%	2,500	500
5606 - Fair Trade Sales	860	870	170	500	718	143.5%	500	
5611 - Camp Shagabec					150			
5616 - Fundraising Supper	1,320	1,930						
5617 - Fundraising Auction	1,612	1,767		1,500		0.0%		-1,500
5618 - Fundraising Donations	418	765		500		0.0%		-500
5661 - Benevolent Fund	996	1,000	992	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	
5671 - Loose Change Supper Expenses	2,687	2,906	674	3,000		0.0%	2,000	-1,000
5672 - Loose Change Supper - Hampers	3,000	1,434	622	2,500		0.0%	1,500	-1,000
5674 - Loose Change Supper – M & S	190			500		0.0%	0	-500
Total Outreach Expenses	13,938	13,812	6,577	13,150	8,023	61.0%	9,150	-4,000
M&S National Expenses								
5700 - Allocation - General Operating	17,000	17,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	100.0%		-7,000
Total M&S National Expenses	17,000	17,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	100.0%	0	-7,000
Sundry Expenses								
5806 - Living Skies Regional Council	854	300		1,000		0.0%	1,000	
5809 - Presbytery Expenses								
5820 - Swift Current Ministerial	625	625	625	625	625	100.0%	625	
5845 - PST Reimbursement		332						
5870 - Miscellaneous								
Total Sundry Expenses	1,479	1,257	625	1,625	625	38.5%	1,625	

2022 General Budget	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	% Budget	2022 Budget	Change in Budget from 2021
Worship & Music Expenses								
5904 - Senior Choir Music			94	200		0.0%	200	
5908 - Radio Broadcasts	5,200	4,965	5,000	5,300	4,830	91.1%	1,200	-4,100
5910 - Pulpit Supply	2,607	1,537	864	3,000	1,768	58.9%	2,500	-500
5912 - Decorations	36			200	49	24.7%	200	
5914 - Worship Supplies	171	141	168	400	276	68.9%	300	-100
5920 - Hymn Books	81	107		0			0	
5930 - Watota Choir		1,471						
5930 - Advertising	160	169		160	72	45.2%	160	
5932 - License & Copyright	350	370	260	350	337	96.3%	400	50
5934 - Honoraria Music				0			0	
5936 - Summer Worship Child Care	325	300		0			0	
5940 - Melodies of Xmas	2,017	2,010		2,500		0.0%	2,500	
5950 - Video/Audio/Live Streaming	153	13		200		0.0%	1,800	1,600
5955 - Sound System Operator	1,400	1,300	1,650	2,000	2,225	111.3%	1,300	-700
5960 - Miscellaneous			60					
5990 - GST				300	257	85.7%	150	-150
5991 - PST				50	10	20.7%	50	
Total Worship & Music Expenses	12,499	12,383	8,096	14,660	9,825	67.0%	10,760	-3,900
Total Expenses	354,576	364,943	301,733	340,433	313,680	92.1%	332,094	-8,339

First United Church 2022 M&S Budget

2022 M&S Budget	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	% Budget	2022 Budget	Change in Budget from 2021
M & S National Income								
6000 - M & S Special Service	1,530	340	245	500		0.0%	1,000	500
6001 - Living Skies Regional Gathering		394						
6002 - Care Home Services Offering	247	300	75	200	85	42.6%	200	
6003 - Tai Chi	30							
6004 - PAR Designated to M&S	4,820	5,070	5,010	5,000	5,170	103.4%	6,000	1,000
6005 - Greeting Cards/Cookies	611	430		500		0.0%	500	
6006 - Offerings Designated to M&S	2,992	2,108	1,186	2,000	699	35.0%	4,500	2,500
6007 - Mindfulness Meditation	297	1,150	243					
6008 - M&S Jar	288	219	26	200		0.0%	100	-100
6009 - Chair Yoga	367							
6010 - M&S - Lenten Pigs	607	853	962	750	1,559	207.8%	2,000	1,250
6011 - M&S Giving Tree	0						700	700
6012 - M&S National - UCW	7,500	7,500						
Total M & S National Income	19,289	18,365	7,747	9,150	7,513	82.1%	15,000	5,850
M&S National Expenses								
7000 - M&S Special Service	1,530	734	245	500		0.0%	1,000	500
7002 - Care Home Services Offering	247	300	75	200	85	42.6%	200	
7003 - Tai Chi	30							
7004 - PAR - Designated to M & S	4,820	5,070	5,010	5,000	5,170	103.4%	6,000	1,000
7005 - Greeting Cards/Cookies	611	430		500		0.0%	500	
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7011 - M & S Giving Tree							700	700
7012 - UCW	7,500	7,500						
Total M&S National Expenses	19,289	18,365	7,747	9,150	7,513	82.1%	15,000	5,850
M&S National Historical Giving								
From Operating Fund	17,000	17,000	7,000	7,000	7,000			
From Planned Giving Fund	5,000	5,000	10,000		10,000		5,000	
Total Givings to M&S - all sources	41,289	40,365	24,747	16,150	24,513		20,000	

First United Church
Annual General Meeting October 24, 2021
via Zoom

Members/Adherents Present: 45 (See list of attendees Appendix 1)

1. Call to order and Welcome: Charles Lotochinski called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.
2. Opening prayer: Reverend Annette Taylor
3. No additional items were added to the agenda.
4. Adoption of agenda
Motion: Fran Jackson/Colleen MacBean
“That the agenda be adopted as presented.” Motion carried
5. Extending full voting privileges to adherents for the purpose of this meeting.
Motion: Kevin Hanna/Norma Hain
“That we grant full voting privileges to adherents for the purpose of this meeting as allowed in the 2021 Manual (B.3.7.2).” Motion carried
6. Approval of minutes of the March 1, 2020 Annual General Meeting. Minutes attached.
Motion: Kevin Hanna/Shirley Wilson
“That we approve the minutes from the March 1, 2020 Annual General Meeting as presented.” Motion carried
7. No new business arising from the minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting.
8. Report from Reverend Annette Taylor.
9. Report from the Chair of Council Kevin Hanna.
10. Reports from the staff, committee and working group chairs, excluding the Nominations report.
Motion: Peggy Worrell/Patti McCleary
“That we approve all staff, committee and working group reports as presented.”
Motion carried.
11. Election of 2021 Council and Committee members.
Due to the pandemic, the 2021 elections were approved by Council in the January 21, 2021 Council meeting.
12. Appointment of new Trustees.
Motion: Sharyn Erne/Sharon Veer
“That we approve the appointment of two new Trustees: Marlene Reidle and Darliss Tallman.” Motion carried.
13. Approval of December 2020 Financial Statements.
Motion: Kevin Hanna/Jim Worrell
“That we approve the 2020 Financial Statements as presented.” Motion carried.
14. Approval of 2021 Financial Budget. Minutes attached.

Due to the pandemic, the 2021 Budget was approved by Council at the special meeting held February 4, 2021.

15. Appointment of reviewers for 2021 finances

Motion: Ron Toles/Gayleen Turner

“That Stewardship will appoint reviewers for the 2021 finances.” The motion was carried.

16. Donations from the Planned Giving Fund by the Outreach Committee.

There was a discussion regarding our deficit operating budget and whether we should be giving to other charitable organizations when we are unable to balance the budget. Kevin Hanna mentioned that once the COVID-19 pandemic comes to an end, Church Council will be focussing on a long-term plan to balance our operating budget.

a) Motion: Colleen MacBean/Kevin Hanna

“That we give \$2,500 from the Planned Giving High Interest Account to St. Andrews College.” Motion carried.

b) Motion: Sharyn Erne/Jim Worrell

“That we give \$7,500 from the Planned Giving High Interest Account to Camp Shagabec.” Motion carried.

c) Motion: Peggy Worrell/Diane Sarson

“That we give \$10,000 from the Planned Giving High Interest Account to the Mission and Service Fund.” Motion carried.

17. Meeting was adjourned



Charles Lotochinski, Council Chairperson



Rhonda Lotochinski, Secretary

Appendix 1

45 Members/Adherents in attendance:

1. Dwayne Barber
2. Donna Barber
3. Lorraine Bloye
4. Melanie Davis
5. Michael Davis
6. Wally Derkach
7. Shirley Dyck
8. Pat Dyck Bunkosky
9. Eileen Elkington
10. Sharyn Erne
11. Deb Fletcher
12. Jim Fletcher
13. Norma Hain
14. Kevin Hanna
15. Fran Jackson
16. Janet Keene
17. Judy Killaby
18. Rose Lis
19. Rhonda Lotochinski
20. Charles Lotochinski
21. Colleen MacBean
22. James McLauchlan
23. Patti McCleary
24. Eva Molyneux
25. Maxine Olmsted
26. Jean Pearson
27. Wally Pearson
28. Corinne Peters
29. Jim Pratt
30. Nicole Rewerts
31. Gerald Ruehs
32. Diane Sarson
33. Linda Stumpf
34. Annette Taylor (Minister)
35. Shirley Terlson
36. Gayleen Turner
37. Carole Toles
38. Ron Toles
39. Sharon Veer
40. Ann Wiebe
41. Joan Williamson
42. Shirley Wilson
43. Jim Worrell
44. Peggy Worrell
45. Dave Zacharias