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FOR PRESENTATION AT THE ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2014

Annual General Meeting St Andrews River Heights United Church Sunday, February 23, 2014

Agenda

Call to order and declaration of quorum
 Linda Paul
 Opening prayer and time of remembrance
 Karen Lumley

3. Motion allowing adherents to vote

4. Acceptance of Agenda

5. Acceptance of Minutes of AGM, February 24, 2013

6. Acceptance of Committee Reports

7. Report of the Chair of the Board Linda Paul

a. Introduction of the Board

8. Foundation Report Deborah Metcalf

a. Finance Report Paul Webster/Bill Craddock

b. Independent reviewer's statement

c. Finance Committee

d. 2013 Budget

9. Constitutional Amendments/Policies Linda Paul

10. Nominations Marianne Ward

11.New Business

12.Expressions of Appreciation Anne Grewar

13. Closing prayer and adjournment Ministers

Our Mission

To send our people into the world restored, refreshed, forgiven and joyful; to live as Christ would have us live, with love and justice as our goals.

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A Message from Karen

"Be brave and strong! Don't be afraid of the nations on the other side of the Jordan. The Lord your God will always be at your side." Deuteronomy 31:6

"I have commanded you to be strong and brave. Do not be afraid or discouraged! I am the Lord your God and I will be there with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

These two verses have had special meaning for me this past year as we have once again been faced with the challenge of finding a new minister. We said goodbye to Lesley Fox as she went on to serve as a chaplain with the military, as well as saying goodbye to Maggie Zoske, our office manager. With those goodbyes came the challenge of change.

Change means "the act or instance of making or becoming different". Lesley and Maggie leaving brought about a change with the coming of Judy Limpright to serve in ministry with us here at St. Andrew's and Andrea Moffatt, our new office manager. Things became different! Different can be a challenge but it is also a gift when embraced fully and this has been where the verses above have brought me comfort, peace and food for thought in my own journey.

There were several highlights in the past year for me. First and foremost was the Guatemala Mission Experience with the youth. I am amazed at the depth of spirituality in our youth as they embraced the challenges of the experience. The youth had to decide whether to go to the beach or to finish painting the school. They choose to paint the school which once again demonstrates their depth of commitment to the Guatemala Missions we support. What a wonderful time together to share our faith, our struggles, our joys and our hopes for a just world where there is enough for all including our Guatemala brothers and sisters.

Another highlight was when the Rainbow Harmony Project Choir was with us participating in worship. The Spirit was truly present in this place as they sang and as we worshipped together. A few of the choir members commented on us having a baptism for a baby of a same gender couple. They just could not believe we would do that. It was a powerful expression of us as the church living out our faith in a real and meaningful way for others to see the light of Christ in what we do and say.

We were asked by a couple to have a same gender wedding here which was a first for St. Andrew's. That was a highlight for me to perform a wedding in a church for a same

sex couple. Both of these give witness and testimony to the church's ongoing affirming journey.

Celebration Sunday is always a highlight for me. It is exciting for me when we are coming back from the summer to begin our fall events and we have church outside where fun, food and worship are one. It is a great time for the young children, young at heart and young in spirit. Someone from the community said to me," It is great to know the church on the corner is alive and well; we heard you that Sunday in September when you were outside."

"If You Can Call Someone By Name," which is a new program developed so that our seniors can connect with our youth. The youth and seniors share together their journeys of life, which include their faith and life at St. Andrew's.

This year we also had a change in Sunday School Superintendent. We'd like to thank Tara McCallum for her past service, and welcome to Christine Adamson, who is our new superintendent. We'd also like to send a special thanks to all of the Sunday School teachers and youth leaders who work so diligently to serve our church.

It is true our church is in a period of transition and change, but God has a mission for us and is still working in us, with us and even amongst us. Thanks be to God.

Yours in Christ,

Karen Lumley

A Message from Judy

Our time together is moving quickly. I came to you in the middle of September and I shall be with you until the end of June. In that time, the hope is that there will be time enough to search for a full-time minister to join you in ministry here at St. Andrew's River Heights and in the world.

Providing a meaningful experience of worship is a high priority for me and I pray that the different offerings throughout Advent have managed to intrigue you into some deeper reflection around the Christmas story.

Pastoral care services in retirement residences are a regular part of my work here at St. Andrew's River Heights. These services provide a vital connection for many who are no longer able to make their way to church for Sunday services.

The small groups that I facilitate have already allowed me to get to know some of you more easily than others, so I appreciate the opportunities. The Bible Study groups are places where many of us feel the Spirit urging us on in our discussions. The insights shared along with our personal stories allow for deeper reflections on our place in the world.

The intimate times of loss shared with people often lead to an experience of the Divine becoming part of our relationships. What a gift! There's no other way of looking at it.

My thanks go out to all of you for sharing this wonderful journey of Christian life, and blessings on our journey together.

Many blessings,

Judy Limpright

ST. ANDREW'S RIVER HEIGHTS UNITED CHURCH

Our Mission Statement

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Church staff

Ministers All the people of the congregation

Clergy Judy Limpright

Karen Lumley

Ministry of Music Derek Morphy

Wes Elias

Office Manager Andrea Moffatt
Treasurer Bill Craddock
Church Caretaker Lou Jubinville

Sunday School Christine Adamson

The Church Board

Executive

Chair Linda Paul

Past Chair Marianne Ward
Vice Chair Anne Grewar
Secretary Joan Stevenson
Chair, Finance Committee Paul Webster
Treasurer Bill Craddock

Committee Chairs (as of December 31, 2013)

Anna Blair Circle **Doreen Craddock Christian Education** Tara McCallum Fellowship & Pastoral Care **Betty Jubinville** Finance Paul Webster Ministry and Personnel **Gary Hamilton** Marianne Ward **Nominating** Outreach Joan Stevenson **David Wreford Property and Administration**

Stewardship Jeff Ward

Worship Heather Quinn

Church Trustees Bernard Boland, Bruce Burrow

Presbytery Representatives Peter Brehaut, Roger Kane, Linda Paul,

Rita Swan

St. Andrew's River Heights United Church Foundation

Chair Deborah Metcalfe Secretary/Treasurer David Wreford

St. Andy II Pat Drewett
Basement Bookstore Betty Lorimer

Statistical Information

Number of baptisms	14
Number of confirmations	6
Number of marriages	11
Number of deaths, funerals, memorial services	16
Number of supporting households as at December 31, 2013	237

Baptisms:

Linda May Forbes	April 23, 2013
Tina Corrinne Bennett	April 23, 2013
Julia Anne Mainprize	June 2, 2013
James Alexander Mainprize	June 2, 2013
Riley Kathryn Fleischaker	June 2, 2013
Nya Morning Brooke Ouimet	June 9, 2013
Tessa Elianne Brooke Ouimet	June 9, 2013
Andrew Martin Cole	June 9, 2013
Madyson Kaylie Woods	June 9, 2013
Micah Christopher Bennett	September 22, 2013
Kaden William Boisselle	October 13, 2013
Alicia Lynne Doan	October 13, 2013
George-Antony Farid Shariff	October 27, 2013
Oliver Finn Mason	December 1, 2013
Confirmations:	
Catherine Adamson	May 5, 2013
Nicholas Colina	May 5, 2013
Amelia Deitzer-Dicks	May 5, 2013
Gillian Simard-Chiu	May 5, 2013
Marley Smith	May 5, 2013
Trenton Smith	May 5, 2013
Marriagos	

Marriages:

Callum John MacAngus & Meghan Marie Duffy	February 2, 2013
Jesse Andrew McMaster & Kendall Sygrid Mailman	February 16, 2013
Kevin Michael Andrews & Lisa Mary-Anne Kurylo	May 11, 2013
Robert John Nelson Cox & Lisa Dawn Winter	June 8, 2013
Lisa Vall Carroll & Monique Naylor	June 15, 2013
Graham Terry Lee Fediuk & Pamela Leeann Spitula	July 27, 2013
Jordan Paul Coates & Ashley Rebecca Moore	August 23, 2013
Jose Francisco Gonzalez Urquilla & Valerie Erin Broeska	September 28, 2013

Royden Norman Brousseau & Joanne Celeste Christie	October 5, 2013
Trevor William Enns & Jennifer Anne Hartley	October 19, 2013
Susan Barrett & Debra Karen McKenzie	October 22, 2013
Deaths, Funerals, Memorial Services:	
Erica Joy McCharles	January 2, 2013
Joseph Elie Erstelle	January 11, 2013
Harold George Hurst	February 25, 2013
John Murray Standing	April 25, 2013
Donald Phalen	June 3, 2013
Jean Margaret Best	July 4, 2013
Dana Gayle Stewart	July 5, 2013
Dorothy Margaret Halliday	July 24, 2013
Delmarie Eunice Schoepp	August 24, 2013
William Steve Kereliuk	September 15, 2013
Duncan Andrew Croll	November 1, 2013
Elizabeth McKush	November 7, 2013
Elaine Dorothy Allden	November 15, 2013
Christine Marion Macleod	December 3, 2013
Elizabeth Anne Hill	December 4, 2013

December 16, 2013

Charles Mackay Burns

Psalms 55:6-8; And I say, "O that I had wings like a dove! I would fly away and be at rest;...I would wander afar, I would lodge in the wilderness, I would haste to find me a shelter from the raging wind and the tempest."

The Psalmist expresses quite well what it is like at times to be the Chair of the Church Board. There are times when that has been my precise sentiment when charged with this formidable responsibility. But flying away is not how it works. I took on the responsibility and, therefore, I have to deal with the vagaries of the position.

What might I call the vagaries of the position in 2013? The two most notable ones were the resignations of Leslie Fox and Maggie Zoske. These two events immediately threw our congregation once again into search mode. I, together with a very able committee, Gary Hamilton, Heather Quinn, Jeff Ward and Diane Bewell, embarked on the search process in July. We were able to have Supply Minister, Judy Limpright, in place by the middle of September. We are very pleased to have been able to find her to serve our congregation and welcome her to our congregation.

The M&P committee, with Gary Hamilton at the lead, was able to utilize the services of a company to find and hire our new office administrator, Andrea Moffatt. We were fortunate to be able to welcome Andrea in August and are grateful to the committee for its efforts in being able to fill some large shoes.

Last year at the AGM, I reflected on the Martha-like activities of the Board. Perhaps it was a silent hope that things might be different; that in fact the work of the Board might have more depth. I had good intentions. It was my hope and it is still my hope that the Board and the congregation would be able to have some ongoing discussions and do some research about alternate forms of Church Governance/structures. In the spring I had an initial meeting with Karen and Leslie on that topic and they were both very encouraging. In May the Board looked at some alternate models of Governance. This initiative became derailed upon the resignation of the two key people already mentioned.

Other initiatives that we have been pursuing and enacting, in no particular order, include but are not limited to: the journey toward becoming an Affirming Ministry; a recycling program; parking for those differently abled; participation in the Pride Parade for the first time; a variety of property issues; development of an inclement weather protocol; development of a fundraising policy; passing of additions to and amendments of the Constitution; creativity in filling Board positions; the JNAC process; the creation of a search committee and others.

No one ever said that the work of a Chair would be easy. It is only through the leadership of very capable and competent committee chairs and committee members that the life of our congregation keeps motoring right along. But they could not do the work without the help of the many volunteers who give tirelessly of their time to make things happen. I know that all of you are involved in something and for that we are very grateful. I wish to thank Karen and Judy for their hard work on our behalf, as well as Derek and Wes. I am also very grateful to those who have agreed to assume responsibility on the Board for 2014.

In the next few months we will once again launch the search process with the committee that was approved at the congregational meeting in December. We are fully confident that this process will be complete before September. Every month our calendar is full of activities. We expect that this will continue throughout the year.

When the Chair relinquishes the position to become past-chair the responsibility that goes with that is that of being the Nominations Committee Chair. While speaking to a parishioner recently, one who is very active in the church, I became aware that 7 Committee Chairs reach the end of their terms at the AGM in 2015. You can expect that I will be making many calls during the course of the year to try to fill these positions. It reinforces for me also the need to look at the Governance structures of the Church as mentioned above. Although I am writing this before the January board meeting I would not be at all surprised if, in this upcoming year we would be inviting those persons interested in Governance to form an interest group to look at the Governance at St Andrews. You may want to give this some thought particularly if this is an area of interest or expertise for you.

So we move forward in faith and trust that the one whom we are serving, namely our Master, Jesus Christ, holds us all in His hands and that what we face can be faced because we have the commandment to follow and to allow ourselves to be led in various directions.

Again the Psalmist provides wisdom, which can make it easier for us to face what each day brings.

Psalms 55:22; Cast your burden on the Lord, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

Psalms 121: 3-8 He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.... The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

It has been my privilege to serve you for the past year. I truly believe that I have been able to get to know many of you better than I did before this stint as Board Chair. I must say though that I am looking forward to being the Past Chair.

Thank you for your support and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,

Línda Paul Chairperson of the Board

Chair of Finance Report

The Congregation of St. Andrew's approved a deficit budget for the 2013 fiscal year at its February 2013 Annual General Meeting. The actual results for the year were better than expected, as we ended the year with a small surplus. Regular givings exceeded budget, ministerial expenses were below budget as a result of one minister leaving us during the year; and the contract caretaking costs were reduced as the childcare facilities took over these responsibilities.

At the February Annual General Meeting, the Board is presenting the 2014 budget for approval, which shows a small deficit. Included in the draft budget are capital gains realized on the sale of church investments and interest earned on existing investments. The inclusion of these items has allowed us to budget a lower deficit.

The church has funds on hand due to prior year accumulated surpluses and bequests. However it is anticipated that future deficits could deplete these surpluses. The Board of Directors is currently examining ways to alleviate this situation.

I look forward to seeing you at our Annual General Meeting and listening to any thoughts you may have concerning the financial situation of the church.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Webster

Chairperson, Finance Committee

Treasurer's Report

Our Operating Account ended the year with a surplus of \$353.00, whereas we budgeted for a deficit of \$12,952.00. Several reasons accounted for this improvement in our year-end financial balance.

Member givings were significantly greater than projected. The unexpected changes to our Ministerial and office staffing reduced our costs. Also, the renegotiations of our daycare and nursery leases increased our net rental income.

The improved financial outcome enabled us to reduce the use of accumulated capital gains to \$8,000.00 compared to the \$20,000.00, which was budgeted. The unused \$12,000.00 remains in an allocated account together with the \$3,256.00 of capital gains realized in 2013.

The Shelter (roof) account was deficit \$21,534.00 at the start of the year. Gifts of \$12,970.00 were received from the congregation in 2013. In addition, the congregation donated \$96,632.00 in 2009 through 2012. At year-end the outstanding balance was \$8,564.00. The Finance committee recommended to the Board that this amount be included in the Operating Account expenses for 2013. The Shelter (roof) account is now fully paid.

Table 1 (page 17) is the consolidate Income and Expense statement for the Operating Account showing Actual 2012, 2013, Budget 2013 and Variance from Budget 2013.

Table 2 (pages 18-20) is the Balance Sheet for all accounts in the church. The first page indicates the various investments held for our investment accounts and other accounts of the church. These investments are under constant review in an attempt to maximize the earnings and capital gains while recognizing the risk tolerance that is acceptable to our church.

The daily operations of our church are very dependent on investment income. In 2013, the Foundation and church investments contributed \$72,506.00 to the Operating Account. This figure was \$80,303.00 in 2012.

I believe that all financial statements accurately portray the church's financial position at year-end and that our accounting procedures are in good order. The Independent Review by the accounting firm Frostiak-Leslie will be available at the Annual Meeting and later in the church office.

Copies of the detailed financial statements are always available at the church office for any month-end and year-end.

It has been a privilege and an honour to serve as your church treasurer throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Bíll Craddock

Treasurer

Table 1

Actual 2012, 2013, Bud	lget 2013 & V	ariance from	Budget 2013	,
, y	Actual	Budget	Actual	Actual -
	2012	2013	2013	Budget
Revenue:				2013
Regular Offerings	\$268,696	\$274,192	\$283,016	\$8,824
Open Collections	\$5,523	\$5,500	\$5,305	-\$195
Sunday School	\$518	\$433	\$219	-\$214
Mission & Service (special)	\$2,065	\$2,000	\$2,504	\$504
Fundraising (net)	\$19,081	\$19,700	\$20,657	\$957
Rentals	\$57,081	\$59,248	\$50,945	-\$8,303
Foundation Grant	\$30,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$0
Investments (Dividends/Interest)	\$50,303	\$24,000	\$24,526	\$526
Investments (Capital Gains)	\$0	\$20,000	\$8,000	-\$12,000
Other Allocated Income	\$3,248	\$500	\$1,200	\$700
All Other Revenue	\$3,287	\$5,317	\$5,394	\$77
TOTAL REVENUE	\$439,802	\$450,890	\$441,766	-\$9,124
Expenses:				
Salaries	\$272,514	\$283,399	\$264,489	-\$18,910
Utilities	\$39,447	\$42,714	\$41,059	-\$1,655
Building Operation	\$67,746	\$51,700	\$43,914	-\$7,786
Administration	\$13,054	\$14,680	\$14,062	-\$618
Committees	\$21,314	\$25,515	\$23,497	-\$2,018
Non Regular Committees	\$0	\$1,000	\$535	-\$465
Mission & Service	\$22,135	\$22,564	\$24,105	\$1,541
Outreach (net)	\$4,754	\$5,000	\$4,845	-\$155
Grants	\$16,965	\$16,270	\$16,270	\$0
Shelter (roof)	\$0	\$0	\$8,564	\$8,564
All Other Expenses	<u>\$590</u>	\$1,000	<u>\$73</u>	<u>-\$927</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$458,519	\$463,842	\$441,413	-\$22,429
NET	-\$18,717	-\$12,952	\$353	\$13,305

Table 2

ST. ANDREW'S RIVER HEIGHTS Balance Sheet Prev Year Comparison As of December 31, 2013

	Dec 31, 13	Dec 31, 12	\$ Change
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Chequing/Savings			
1010 · PETTY CASH	5.69	78.30	-72.61
1011 · FLOAT	300.00	300.00	0.00
1041 · RBC TOTAL CHECKING BALANCE	44.005.74	0101100	
1040 · RBC Checking, Regular Funds	14,025.71	-24,644.99	38,670.70
1050 · Checking, Allocated Accts. 1044 · Youth Fundraising	12 663 04	20 004 40	47 000 00
1047 · Guatemala - Adult	12,663.04 4.000.00	29,691.10	-17,028.06
1054 · Shelter (roof repair)	0.00	0.00	4,000.00
10592 · Funjesus	-1.644.52	-21,535.79 -568.93	21,535.79
10593 · Deferred Givings	29,482.00	27,205.50	-1,075.59 2,276.50
Total 1050 · Checking, Allocated Accts.	44,500.52	34,791.88	9,708.64
	-		4 1 2 3 4
Total 1041 · RBC TOTAL CHECKING BALANCE	58,526.23	10,146.89	48,379.34
10600 · INVESTMENTS 1060 · BONDS			
10622 · Brookfield Asset Mgt. 5.2%	0.00	30,000.00	-30,000.00
10624 · Barclays Bank - 5.125%	30,300.00	30,300.00	0.00
10626 · Killam Properties, 5.45%	25,075.00	25,075.00	0.00
10627 · Calloway REIT, 4.7%	30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00
10628 · BRP Finance ULC, 4.79%	29,997.60	29,997.60	0.00
10630 · Extendicare Inc., 6.00%	30,630.00	30,630.00	0.00
10631 · Invest Real Estate, 5.75%	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
Total 1060 · BONDS	161,002.60	176,002.60	-15,000.00
10601 · EQUITIES & INCOME TRUSTS			
10632 · BMO Covered Calls, ZWB, 5.69%	15,110.00	0.00	15,110.00
1069 · SCITI Income Trust (div. 5.71%)	74,618.49	74,618.49	0.00
10691 · BMO Equity (div. 5.12%)	33,848.00	29,360.00	4,488.00
10692 · Blue Ribbon Trust (div. 7.17%)	30,460.00	30,460.00	0.00
10693 · Nexon Preferred (5.0%)	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00
10694 · Capital Power Corp (div 5.86%)	30,103.60	30,103.60	0.00
10695 · Fairfax Financial (div. 4.96%)	30,232.00	30,232.00	0.00
10696 · Manulife Corp.,(div. 4.00%)	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00
10697 · Canadian Lithium Corp.	20,705.00	0.00	20,705.00
10698 · Man. Telephone (Div. 5.23%)	32,780.00	0.00	32,780.00
10700 · Pembina Pipeline C.(div. 4.25%)	22,500.00	0.00	22,500.00
10703 · Crescent Pt. Energy,(Div 6.82%	16,180.00	0.00	16,180.00
10704 · Royal Bank (div. 3.83%)	7,002.00	0.00	7,002.00
Total 10601 · EQUITIES & INCOME TRUSTS	313,539.09	224,774.09	88,765.00
10602 · STEINBACH CREDIT UNION			(April 200 and April 200 and A
1065 · Margaret Tyler Fund	0.00	9,996.37	-9,996.37
10661 · Music Endowment	5,829.51	5,350.68	478.83
1067 · Regular Operating Account	42,752.76	94,802.27	-52,049.51
10671 · Other Allocated. Accts. 10672 · Anna Blair Circle	9,236.13	13,003.13	-3,767.00
10901 · Cap. Recov. Accum. Interest	3,652.08	4,219.38	-567.30
	0.00	1,700.80	-1,700.80
10902 · Capital gain	0.00	20,973.42	-20,973.42
Total 10602 · STEINBACH CREDIT UNION	61,470.48	150,046.05	-88,575.57
10610 · CASH & NEAR CASH 1062 · CIBC Cash 0.%	15,112.49	0.00	15 112 40
10633 · Undistributed Dividends & Inter	1,548.74	0.00	15,112.49
10635 · B2B Trust High Income	0.00	0.00 52,155.69	1,548.74
10636 · Renaissance High Interest	17,945.74	0.00	-52,155.69 17,945.74
Total 10610 · CASH & NEAR CASH	34,606.97		
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ST. ANDREW'S RIVER HEIGHTS Balance Sheet Prev Year Comparison As of December 31, 2013

	Dec 31, 13	Dec 31, 12	\$ Change
9000 · INVESTMENT ADJUSTMENT ACCOUNT			
9001 · Bonds	2,770.70	7.758.30	-4,987.60
9002 · Equities & Trusts	-38,364.30	-20,516.09	-17,848.21
9003 · Realized Capital Gains	16,229.26	20,973.42	-4,744.16
Total 9000 · INVESTMENT ADJUSTMENT ACCOUNT	-19,364.34	8,215.63	-27,579.97
Total 10600 · INVESTMENTS	551,254.80	611,194.06	-59,939.26
Total Chequing/Savings	610,086.72	621,719.25	-11,632.53
Accounts Receivable			
10701 · G.S.T. (Regular Fund Asset)			
1070 ⋅ G.S.T. (all except major renov)	2,635.57	3,179.05	-543.48
Total 10701 · G.S.T. (Regular Fund Asset)	2,635.57	3,179.05	-543.48
1071 · Accounts Receivable (Other)	0.00	75.00	75.00
1078 · CIBC WG (Dividends/Interest)	0.00	75.00	-75.00
10781 · CIBC-WG (Dividends/interest)	0.00	2,040.65	-2,040.65
	2,484.85	2,475.00	9.85
Total Accounts Receivable	5,120.42	7,769.70	-2,649.28
Total Current Assets	615,207.14	629,488.95	-14,281.81
TOTAL ASSETS	615,207.14	629,488.95	-14,281.81
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable			
2010 · ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	. ====		
2109 · Other	1,783.00	0.00	1,783.00
Total 2010 · ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	1,783.00	0.00	1,783.00
Total Accounts Payable	1,783.00	0.00	1,783.00
Other Current Liabilities			
2100 · Payroll Liabilities			
2102 · *Payroll Liabilities (Rev. Can.	-0.03	0.00	-0.03
2103 · *Payroll Liabilities (UCC)	2,480.48	349.19	2,131.29
2105 · Accrued Vacation	0.00	2,255.40	-2,255.40
Total 2100 · Payroll Liabilities	2,480.45	2,604.59	-124.14
2710 · ALLOCATED FUNDS			
27111 · Deferred Regular Givings 27421 · BEQUESTS & OTHER GIFTS	29,482.00	27,205.50	2,276.50
2737 · Margaret Tyler Fund - Bequest	357,572.26	357,572.26	0.00
27423 · Betty Barkwell Bequest	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
27424 · Dorothy Rogerson Bequest	500.00	500.00	0.00
27425 · Katherine Riehl Bequest	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
27426 · Donald Brooking Bequest	54,579.00	54,579.00	0.00
27427 · Joan McMorris Bequest	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
274271 · Dr. Jean McFarlane Bequest	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
274272 · Bruce & Peggy MacMillan Gift	1,653.40	1,653.40	0.00
274273 · Margaret Gourley Bequest	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
274274 · Pearl & Don Leslie Mem. Fund	9,544.01	8,544.01	1,000.00
274275 · Catherine Anderson Bequest	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
274276 · Ruby & James Ashdown Mem. Fund	3,920.00	920.00	3,000.00
274277 · John Hunter Cordner Memorial	539.93	539.93	0.00
274278 · Audrey Arnett Bequest	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
274279 · Jan Mildren Memorial Fund	815.15	815.15	0.00
27428 · Reesor Bingeman Memorial Fund	2,030.00	2,030.00	0.00
274280 · Jean MacDonald Memorial Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
274281 · Dorothy Gage Memorial Fund	1,025.00	1,025.00	0.00
274282 · Jean Potter Memorial Fund	350.00	350.00	0.00

ST. ANDREW'S RIVER HEIGHTS Balance Sheet Prev Year Comparison As of December 31, 2013

	Dec 31, 13	Dec 31, 12	\$ Change
274283 · Lorna O'Brien Memorial Fund 27429 · Other Memorial Gifts	4,000.00 450.00	4,000.00 400.00	0.00 50.00
Total 27421 · BEQUESTS & OTHER GIFTS	466,978.75	462,928.75	4,050.00
274301 · Accrued Interest	2,484.85	2,475.00	9.85
274303 · Capital Gains	16,229.26	20,973.42	-4,744.16
274304 · Earnings for Capital Recovery	1,703.69	1,700.80	2.89
274305 · MUSIC ENDOWMENT	5,829.51	5,350.68	478.83
274306 · Shelter (roof)	0.00	-21,535.79	21,535.79
2744 · ANNA BLAIR CIRCLE	3,652.08	4,219.38	-567.30
2748 · OTHER ALLOCATED FUNDS		1	
2712 · Sundry Alloc. Funds	1,879.36	1,620.24	259.12
2713 · Public Address System	931.81	931.81	0.00
2722 · Working Capital	3,686.91	3,686.91	0.00
27234 · Basement Bookstore	500.00	0.00	500.00
27236 · Fridge Fund	317.28	217.28	100.00
27237 · Safe Passage	50.00	368.59	-318.59
27271 · Memory Tree	1,282.12	1,458.35	-176.23
2731 · Handbells	350.00	250.00	100.00
2735 · Choir	2,303.41	1,877.28	426.13
27351 · Choir Bursary	2,646.59	2,104.64	541.95
27481 · Right to Housing Coalition	1,378.73	488.03	890.70
Total 2748 · OTHER ALLOCATED FUNDS	15,326.21	13,003.13	2,323.08
2760 · YOUTH FUNDRAISING			
2768 · Wreaths & Swags	4,447.07	6,364.79	-1,917.72
27683 · Hand Up	0.00	4,492.46	-4,492.46
27693 · Super Seniors	1,925.00	1,925.00	0.00
27694 · Guatemala Tuition	1,444.84	0.00	1,444.84
27695 · St. And Youth in Need	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
2774 · Guatemala Trip & School Exp.	2,846.13	14,908.85	-12,062.72
Total 2760 · YOUTH FUNDRAISING	12,663.04	29,691.10	-17,028.06
2780 · FUNJESUS MISSION	-1,644.52	-568.93	-1,075.59
2790 · GUATEMALA - ADULT	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00
Total 2710 · ALLOCATED FUNDS	556,704.87	545,443.04	11,261.83
Total Other Current Liabilities	559,185.32	548,047.63	11,137.69
Total Current Liabilities	560,968.32	548,047.63	12,920.69
Total Liabilities	560,968.32	548,047.63	12,920.69
Equity			
3000 · OPENING BAL EQUITY	91,957.77	91,315.09	642.68
3050 · INVESTMENT ADJUSTMENTS	-19,364.34	8,215.63	-27,579.97
3900 · RETAINED EARNINGS - PRIOR YEAR	-18,723.08	633.68	-19,356.76
Net Income	368.47	-18,723.08	19,091.55
Total Equity	54,238.82	81,441.32	-27,202.50
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	615,207.14	629,488.95	-14,281.81

Senior Choir Report

The senior choir maintains a roster of approximately 48 members. We welcomed a few new members this past year. It is exciting to have new voices to share our love of music and our friendship toward one another. Our bursary recipients for 2012/2013, were Sarah Cory, Nathan Glowach, Suzanne Reimer and Nick Urquhart. These bursaries have proven very successful for encouraging new, young talent. Their wonderful voices enhance the performance of our choir and we are thrilled to have them with us again this year!

The choir would like to recognize the contribution to the choir made by Jan Van der Hooft. After serving as our tenor soloist for three years, Jan has taken a leave from the choir to continue his music studies at the University of Manitoba. We were fortunate to have Jan join us during Christmas and other special services. We would also like to thank Ainsley Wray for her time as soprano soloist. Ainsley is studying voice in Toronto and we wish her much success and happiness.

Our choir is extremely fortunate to have very capable section leaders that help the choir maintain its musicianship. We appreciate their gifts and extra work that they must do on our behalf. Our long serving leads, alto Diane Wreford and baritone Fred Cross, have been joined for the 2013/14 year by soprano Judy Oatway, and tenor Aaron Hutton.

The Choir would like to recognize the passing in April 2013 of John Standing, our choir director from 1986 to 1998. John and Coralie continued to worship at St. Andrew's after his retirement. John was a very skilled and respected conductor, and remained very supportive of all the choir members, the special services and concerts. His friendship and support will be greatly missed.

Our wonderful choir director Derek Morphy continues to encourage and conduct our choir. We appreciate the enthusiasm, humour and dedication that Derek displays each practice and service. We enjoy performing familiar pieces as well as challenging new works. We are so lucky to have Derek's skillful direction. The choir is pleased to share in the presentation of inspirational music each Sunday of the year and at other special occasions such as the Good Friday Service and Christmas Eve Service. Our accompanist, Wes Elias, is a very talented musician and accompanist, and the choir and congregation are blessed to hear him play each and every Sunday, as well as all other occasions. We admire Wes' patience especially during choir practice. Thank you Derek and Wes, you make an amazing team and we are blessed to have you.

This year, the choir presented what has become an annual concert, *Music of the Night*, on March 1 and 2, 2013. The music was a collection of songs from Andrew Lloyd Webber's most well known musicals: Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat, Jesus Christ Superstar, Evita and Phantom of the Opera. This entertaining evening raised \$4,426.13. This concert was sold out for both evenings! These funds were distributed between the church general budget \$4,000.00 and the choir designated fund of \$426.13. We are hoping to dedicate these funds towards adding a rack to the choir chairs in order to avoid having to put music on the floor during the service.

Our 2014 concert will be presented on February 21 and 22. The theme will be selections from the musicals of Alan J. Lerner and Frederick Loewe, the best known being My Fair Lady and Camelot. There will be a wine and cheese reception during intermission. Further information will be in the weekly Service Bulletin and the St. Andrew's News e-mails. We encourage everyone to get his or her tickets early!

As this is my last year as choir president, I would like to sincerely thank the entire choir for their professionalism and support. This amazing choir faithfully attends choir practice every Thursday night and Sunday morning. I thank you for your dedication and friendship.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty JubinvilleChoir President

Senior Youth Report

Every year the addition of graduating Junior Youth to our group provides a new burst of energy — and this year was no exception. The addition of Thomas McCallum, Jack Maier, Sarah Roche, Alenna Marks, Kim Hurst, Abby Koots and Emma Grewar formed our group joined with graduating members Vanessa Whiteside, Carrie Siddall, Kasen Nuefeld, Kathleen Kopp and Simon Koots. This truly inspired group continues to put the messages from the Bible to good use in God's world today.



In 2013, this group along with leaders Kim, Jeff and Karen and chaperones Pat McCallum, Stu Roche, Lorne Hurst, Colleen Cariou, Laverne Sturdevant and Allison Koots made our 6th Guatemala Mission Experience trip to Guatemala.

Our week in Guatemala included a visit to San Pedro to meet our scholarship students and their families. In 2013, we provided over \$15,000.00, supporting 36 youth with their education needs. The community continues to be thankful for our love and support and we remain thankful for the opportunity to serve as God has instructed us. We also spent two hot, humid days painting the Pezzarossi School and visiting the students and we reconnected with our friends at the Fun Jesus home.

Upon our return we led worship the following week with the message of the Good Samaritan. Jesus' parable taught us to see the need, do our best and exceed expectations. This wasn't just the focus for our trip, but a lesson we will use for the rest of our lives.

Special thanks go out to the chaperons who contributed their time and wisdom to the experience.

HSiA was also very busy fundraising for the 2013 Guatemala Experience Mission Trip and would like to thank the congregation and the families and friend for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Ward

Anna Blair Circle Report

The Anna Blair Circle consists of women and their friends from the church who meet during the year for fundraising and social events.

On January 21, 2013, the annual planning meeting was held at the home of Doreen Craddock. The first event of the year was the Valentines Bake Sale held on February 10, 2014 and realized a profit of \$371.75.

On February 24, 2013, the ABC members prepared and served lunch at the St. Andrew's River Heights Annual General Meeting. Then in March, we had a tour of the Grand Mosque on Waverley. Khalid and his wife, Maryam, were our gracious hosts.

The Royal April Baby Shower took place in the auditorium on April 13, 2013 to welcome the new royal baby. The ABC members helped with this, and a net of \$2,083.00 was realized and donated to the operating account of the church. On May 28, 2013, we had our wind-up potluck dinner in the auditorium which was followed by a talk and sampling of several different "teas". Dan Bolton, assisted by his wife Susan, was entertaining and we came away better informed about the many different teas of the world.

After the summer, the Wine and Cheese party was held in the lounge on October 2, 2013, and was hosted by Diane Wreford and Susan Bolton. Glenn Neufeld presented the wines with interesting information about them.

Our last social event of the year was our Annual Christmas Potluck, took place in the lounge on November 25, 2013. This was a social evening but we had a meeting to discuss a couple of items. The decision was made to purchase eight new chafing dishes for the use of the church. Vernon Cole was instrumental in getting us a very good deal on these at a total cost of \$442.00. It was also decided that a new trolley would be purchased in the New Year so that there are enough for use during the Harvest Supper. Also, \$300.00 was donated toward the purchase of shelving units for the new library space.

Finally, our 2014 planning meeting took place on January 20, 2014 at the home of Doreen Craddock.

Respectfully submitted,

Doreen Craddock Chair, 2013

ABC Financial Summary for 2012

Balance as of December 31, 2012	\$4,219.38
Total	\$723.27
Miscellaneous	200.00
Other	0
Guatemala Education Fund	300.00
St. Matthew's-Maryland	84.21
Wine & Cheese Reception	0
Capital Items for Church	\$ 139.06
Expenses	
Total	\$1,023.94
Miscellaneous	<u>335.00</u>
St. Matthew's-Maryland	85.00
Christmas Cheer Board Hamper	0
Interest Income	97.89
Wine & Cheese Reception	48.00
Income Bake Sales	458.05
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Balance as of December 31, 2011	\$ 3,918.71

Christian Education Report

2013 started out under a snowy blanket for our little group. We all headed outdoors as has become our norm in February. The experience of all the ages coming together has become one that we all treasure. We spend our Sunday's learning about our community, so it is wonderful to be able to share a few moments bonding as a group.

This was a travel year for our Senior Youth. The time spent bonding while working at various jobs to raise the funds needed to provide the Guatemalan scholarships is an amazing experience for all involved. There were 13 Senior Youth and 9 Chaperones in attendance this time. It was an interesting but difficult time to travel due to the fact that Easter coincided with Spring Break. The Soup and Sandwich luncheons, Spaghetti Dinner, Taco Tento Dinner, and selling Wreaths/Swags are the standard methods for raising the funds, but there may need to be some adjustments made to these practices in the near future.

As usual, Mother's Day was the official end to the Sunday school sessions. Ralph Milton Family Story Bibles were presented to grade 1 students and Teen Devotional Bibles were presented to grade 6 students. We had the annual Sundae Sunday event

and it seems the children love it more every year. We think it makes sense to plan a small group activity to coincide with the ice cream, to bring closure to our year together; for example, a yoga session or heading outside to plant a little garden.

The CE Committee is especially grateful to the many very devoted Sunday school teachers who are so committed to their calling to provide support for the spiritual journey of our children and youth. As a small token of our thanks we gifted each of them with a few flowers, but they each deserve a whole garden's worth.

September brought us back together as a group for "Celebration Sunday". This was the fifth year that we have held the service outdoors and once again it was a huge success that brought a number of new families to St. Andrew's. There were many extra hands that offered their assistance throughout the morning and lots of little feet that really enjoyed the family friendly atmosphere.

Sunday school was offered from September – December with approximately 35 students registered. On average, the attendance has been 20 students per week, and attendance is such that we still require classes from toddler care to senior youth. We also continued with big group classes this year, as it had worked well the previous year. We are now following Seasons of the Spirit online (www.seasonsonline.ca).

One new thing that CE has started this fall has been to have the younger member's share a Sunday morning together with our older members, in an attempt to encourage both groups to look outside their comfort zone at church. It is an idea that was brought to us by Mary Campbell. We have named the session "If You Can Call Someone By Name". We had three guests in the fall and plan to continue the sessions in the New Year.

CE once again decided to collect shoes for the Fit Feet on the Street program headed by Brian Scharfstein. This year we were able to collect over 200 pairs of shoes. The Junior Youth assisted in organizing and preparing them for donation through Canadian Footwear.

This years' Children's Sunday discussions were more of an all-inclusive church service where we broke down how church really works. For example, the steps and meaning behind a communion service.

Our Advent season brought us together as a group again for the final time this year. We started the year outdoors so we thought we should end it that way too. We gathered together outside once more to set up our Nativity scene. We had planned to carol again this year, but the frigid temperatures that have been blanketing the prairies

caused us to re-think that plan, and we had the Junior Youth perform the Nativity play for our youngest kids instead.

Members of the CE Committee in 2013 were Christine Adamson (CE Superintendent), Megan Dyck, Elly Hoogterp-Hurst and Tara McCallum. Karen Lumley was our ministerial support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tara McCallum

Chairperson, CE Committee

Guatemala Scholarship:

A new sub-committee under the umbrella of the Christian Education committee was formed to deal with the scholarships for the Guatemala youth. This ministry has grown over the years and we needed to begin to find ways to address the needs of the youth in Guatemala, accountability of the students with attendance and grades, and to develop criteria for the students continuing on. The committee was to determine how to live out the dreams of providing scholarships for some of the Guatemalan children and youth.

The committee members are Pat McCallum, Stu Roche, Elly Hoogterp-Hurst, Brent Hanasyk, Kim Hannam, Jeff Ward and Karen Lumley. The committee is investigating opportunities of partnership with the Rotary Club, and continuing on with the scholarship programs we have initiated. The committee is working diligently to continue the Scholarship Ministry with our brothers and sisters in Guatemala by finding new and innovative ways to raise money and creating new partnerships so that we can maintain the present day program.

A daunting task at best, but one we are called to do. Jesus commissioned us to go out into the world and for us that world is Guatemala. May God continue to bless this ministry, and our Guatemalan brothers and sisters.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Lumley

St. Andy II's Report:

This year saw a major culling of books from our shelves. This of course means more room for other volumes. Suggestions from the congregation are most welcome.

The following titles were added this year:

Adult:

"Empire's Ally: Canada and the War in Afghanistan" – Jerome Klassen, Greg Albo "The New Westminster Dictionary of The Bible" – Henry Gehman

"The Study Bible" - Harper Collins

"The Oxford Companion of The Bible" – Bruce Metzger, Michael Coogan

"The Library Tree" – Deborah Cowley (donated by Kay Shawcross)

Juvenile:

"Good News In Paper" – Claude Lafortune

"God's Design" – Elmer Martens

The magazines, "Geez" (published in Manitoba) and "The United Church Observer", are also available in the library. If borrowed, please make sure they are returned for the use of other people.

Big News! St. Andy's is re-locating to a corner of the Chapel on the first floor. There will have to be some tweaking done regarding shelving and other accessories, but St. Andy will keep everyone up to date on the progress by means of the weekly bulletin.

A special thank you to our ministers, our Sunday School Superintendent, Christine Adamson, and the Sunday School teachers for their ongoing input and support.

Respectfully submitted,

St. Andy II and his assistant Patricia Drewett

Basement Bookstore Report:

Customers, especially friends, continue to visit the Basement Bookstore, and donated books continue to stock the shelves. The Bookstore is open Thursdays 10:00am to 5:00pm and I am there almost every Thursday. I want to thank Ellen Bruneau, Kay Shawcross and Dave Wreford for their assistance and support.

From January 10, 2013 to December 19, 2013, I collected \$1600 (same as last year), all of which was donated to the church. On any given day, sales can range from \$5.00 to \$66.00.

This year, I had two special sales. On April 4, 2013, I had a "Several Books by the Same Author" sale and raised \$125.00. (My sale days are fun.) December 5, 2013 was the

"2nd Anniversary of the Basement Bookstore" sale, which raised \$250.00 (\$100 more than last year).

Just before the 2nd Anniversary sale, the space allocated to the Bookstore increased such that the whole room is now dedicated to the Basement Bookstore. Thank you to Karen Lumley for arranging this increase in shelf space.

More customers means more money donated to the church. Please tell your friends, relatives, co-workers, associates, and strangers about the Basement Bookstore.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty LorimerBasement Bookstore Manager

Fellowship and Pastoral Care Report

The Fellowship and Pastoral Care Committee consists of three major components: the Fellowship Committee, the Caring Community and the Prayer Shawl Ministry.

The Fellowship Committee:

This very active committee consists of Karen Carswell, Verla Cleland, Maxine Hannam, Marilyn Muir, Kay Shawcross, Brenda Kennedy, Laura Kozak-Regier, Marion Kozak, Roberta Popoff, Marlene Websdale and chairperson, Betty Jubinville. This committee strives to encourage fellowship and support to all members of the congregation and the surrounding community. After several years of dedication to St. Andrew's and the Fellowship Committee, Carol Bremner has retired from the committee.

Every Sunday, this committee prepares and serves refreshments after each service. This time following the service gives newcomers and members an opportunity to visit. We serve coffee as well as tea, juice and popcorn for the children.

The Shrove Tuesday pancake supper was on February 12, 2013 from 5:00 to 6:30pm. Dinner was \$5.00 per person and pancakes, sausages and fruit were served. There were 50 people in attendance and an Ash Wednesday service was held in the sanctuary immediately after at 6:30pm.

The Fellowship Committee prepared a St. Patrick's Day lunch for the West Broadway Seniors at the Agape Table on March 18, 2013. Lunch consisted of stew, rolls and dessert. After lunch there was a short sing-a-long of Irish tunes. The lunch was well

received and we prepared take-away bags of leftover stew, rolls, dessert and fruit. We were grateful for the assistance from volunteers at West Broadway.

The Easter breakfast was held at 9:00am on March 31, 2013, and was attended by 80 people. This breakfast consisted of the traditional scrambled egg dish, ham, waffles and hot cross buns. Marlene Webster enjoyed being the Easter Bunny, handing out treats to the children.

We held another Dine and Dash this year on April 19, 2013. The Dine and Dash is this committee's continuing attempt to bring new visitors to the church. We served pasta, caesar salad, bread and rice krispie cake. This event was well received by the day care and community.

Many members of the congregation helped with the annual Bridge Luncheon on April 29, 2013 by donating salads and dainties, as well as assisting in the preparation, serving and cleanup. Verla Cleland and Margaret Pratt did a great job organizing this sold out event and raised \$2,836.08. Excellent job!

The Seniors Spring Fling was held on Sunday, April 21, 2013, and Ardelia Burrow took the lead in this event. More information on this event is included in the Caring Community Report.

One of the highlights of this past year was the arrival of our newest honorary Fellowship member. Laura and Cam Regier are proud parents to Abigail. Abigail was born in June. We celebrated with a party at Maxine's home on July 10, 2013. We had a wonderful evening, sharing a wonderful meal and many interesting baby stories. Thank you Maxine for a wonderful evening!

On July 28, 2013, we held a farewell for Lesley Fox and Maggie Zoske. This celebration included a luncheon prepared by the Fellowship Committee.

Celebration Sunday took place on Sunday, September 8, 2013 with an outdoor service. The Fellowship Committee prepared the outdoor lunch consisting of hot dogs, popcorn, cotton candy and the 100-foot Sundae. There were about 120 people from the congregation and the surrounding neighbourhood that joined in the celebrations.

This year the Hustle for Hunger was held on September 14, 2013 and was arranged by Karen Carswell. St. Andrew's is a proud sponsor of this event and the Fellowship Committee assisted in the preparation of the food. All proceeds and 50 jars of peanut butter were donated to Agape Table. Excellent work Karen!

Under the leadership of Verla Cleland and her amazing Garage Sale committee, the

Garage Sale took place on September 20 and 21, 2013. This event took months of gathering and a full week of organizing, pricing and arranging the items for sale. This fundraiser had a profit of \$4,277.84. A huge thank you to everyone who donated items, arranged, priced, collected cash and worked the two days of the event. Maxine Hannam prepared excellent meals for Friday and Saturday, and they were well received by the workers and the shoppers.

Doreen Craddock coordinated the Harvest Supper once again, which was held on October 14, 2013. The event was well supported by all members of St. Andrew's, including help with the preparation of food, set-up, clean-up and attendance. Huge thanks to everyone! Although this is not part of the Fellowship activities, our committee would like to thank Doreen for all her time and hard work for this event. All surplus food was taken to the Agape Table.

Messy Church took place on October 19, 2013 and November 23, 2013. The Fellowship Committee assisted Karen by preparing the food. Messy Church is intended to be a fun event and the food was equally fun.

Judy Limpright's Covenanting Service was held on November 3, 2013. The Fellowship Committee prepared a menu of scalloped potatoes with ham, carrots and peas, rolls, coleslaw, lemonade, beverages and cake.

The Fellowship Committee also took on leadership of the Cookie Walk on December 7, 2013. The Board members and the congregation supported this fundraising event by baking approximately 400 dozen cookies. There were 127 boxes of cookies sold. This year there was a boutique included at the Cookie Walk. The net profit for this event was \$2,209.83. Thank you to everyone who baked, folded boxes, wrapped, took payment, and of course to the shoppers.

Maxine Hannam again took on the leadership of the Memory Tree on Oak Street. This meaningful event took place on December 15, 2013 with a reception and a short service in the lounge prior to the lighting of the tree. The Memory Book was on display that day and is now in the Narthex for all to view throughout the year. The total amount of \$1,273.77 will be donated to Jocelyn House, which is a privately owned palliative care facility. A huge thank-you to Gord and Kay Shawcross for putting the lights on the tree, and to Maxine Hannam for organizing this very meaningful event!

Every year, in December, we distribute small gifts to the people on Oak Street. The gift is a small token of friendship to show our appreciation to our neighbours for sharing their street.

Due to the small surplus from last year's Prime Rib Dinner, a refrigerator fund was established. Currently there is \$304.24 in this fund.

We continue to collect Canadian Tire money. This year a new pot was purchased. Thank you to everyone that has put his or her spare Canadian Tire money in the box! It really does make a difference!

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Jubinville

Chairperson, Fellowship & Pastoral Care

Caring Community and Rose Ferries Prayer Shawl Ministry:

The Caring Community comes under the umbrella of the Fellowship & Pastoral Care Committee.

We have had excellent communication between Lesley (prior to the end of July), Karen, and the office staff of Maggie (prior to the end of June) and Andrea. We keep each other informed of bereavements, hospitalization, illness and changes of address. Connecting with the homebound is vital.

Colette continues to keep us supplied with the beautiful cards we send to the bereaved, or the "Thinking of You" cards for those who are ill. Marjorie Eckert has been busy sending these cards throughout 2013 and there have been 26 "Thinking of You" cards and 37 Sympathy cards mailed. From the "thank you" cards, notes, and messages received, this has been very much appreciated.

From Easter 2012 to Easter 2013, many in our congregation experienced the loss of a family member or very close friend. During Holy Week of 2013, 30 mum plants were delivered by many of our members to those who had been bereaved. The plants were again purchased from Vic's Fruit Market on Pembina Highway and were accompanied by cards that were handmade by Brenda Trevenen. Not only were the recipients touched by this remembrance, but it is a meaningful experience to those who deliver. Sincere thanks to our 2013 deliverers — David Bergman, Diane Bowles, Bruce and Ardelia Burrow, Darlene Cameron, Verla Cleland, Roy Drewett, Donna Earl, Brenda Kennedy, Tara McCallum, Ruth McKenzie, Margaret Pratt and Theresa Whiteside.

2013 saw a change in our former Senior's Luncheon format. Rather than sending individual invitations to those we "assumed" were seniors, an invitation to our first "Plus 55 Spring Fling", held on April 21, was included in the Lent/Easter A.C.T. Also, instead of having two Senior's Luncheons each year, we are now having only the one. We had an excellent response with 68 lunches being served by our new caterer.

Following the lunch, our tenor soloist, Jan Van der Hooft, who was accompanied by Natasha, entertained us. A most enjoyable time was had by one and all.

The bookmarks, in the Narthex, continue to be used when visiting someone on behalf of the church so, again, a ministry well received.

The Rose Ferries Prayer Shawl Ministry is also a very integral part of our mandate. The church office does an excellent job of the record keeping associated with the prayer shawls, which was maintained by Maggie until the end of June and has now been assumed by Andrea. In 2013, 5 Prayer Shawls have been knitted and given to the church, with 8 being given to those in need of comfort and warmth in time of need. If you know of anyone who could benefit from receiving one of the prayer shawls, or if you would like to become a knitter, please call Andrea in the church office (204-488-1130).

Two new areas have been included in our "caring" this year. The first is the sending of Christmas cards to those we have identified as "homebound" and, as such, unable to join us for Sunday worship. The cards were again designed by Colette and, after much deliberation; we have selected three styles for her to print for us. Again, Marjorie Eckert undertook this task and 17 cards were mailed. One last thing that Marjorie did was to mail two "Happy 100th Birthday" cards to members of our congregation - one in November and one just prior to the New Year for a January birthday. Again, Colette designed and printed these for us and we were thrilled with the outcome.

We also have one new member on our committee. Luba Scott has joined us and she will be looking after contacting people who have been identified as not being a part of St. Andrew's for some time. This will be, in particular, to let them know we think of them and asking if the church can be of help to them.

Thank you to each and every member of the committee - Vinny Ashton, Bruce & Ardelia Burrow, Verla Cleland, Marjorie Eckert, Lesley Fox (Jan.-July), Maxine Hannam, Brenda Kennedy, Karen Lumley, Andrea Moffatt (Aug.-Dec.), Roberta Popoff, Luba Scott, Marlene Websdale and Maggie Zoske (Jan.-June) - for your concern for those who are unable to be with us for Sunday worship. Keeping in contact with them is vital for their connection with St. Andrew's and keeps them in touch with their faith community.

Respectfully submitted,

Ardelía Burrow

Ministry and Personnel Report

The Ministry & Personnel Committee is a confidential consultative body that supports the pastoral relationship. In the United Church, we describe ourselves as "being in ministry together", recognizing that the work of the paid Ministry Personnel is only part of the work of the ministry. There are also a number of other staff positions for which the M&P Committee is responsible including the Office Manager, Custodian, Choir Director, Organist and Financial Administrator.

Duties of the M&P Committee include:

- Provide a consultative and supportive agency
- Review working conditions and remuneration
- Oversee the relationship of staff members among themselves and with the congregation
- Conduct annual staff evaluations
- Review regularly the responsibilities of staff and revise position descriptions when required
- Monitor continuing education

As a committee we have three main areas of responsibility: Administration, Personnel and Ministry.

<u>Administration</u>

Andrea Moffatt joined our staff in August as Office Manager. Responsible for organizing, coordinating, and supervising office operations and procedures, Andrea has proved herself a valued asset to the St. Andrew's team. Using our ChurchWatch software program as well as other programs, Andrea is able to track membership, manage calendars, coordinate events and facility management and maintain an email database that enables electronic communication with our congregation and community partners. Her office hours are Monday to Friday, 9:00am to 3:00pm.

<u>Personnel</u>

We continue to be supported by a group of talented and dedicated staff members. Music is one of the cornerstones of our congregation. We are truly blessed to have the talents of our Senior Choir led by Derek Morphy and organist Wes Elias.

Our custodian, Lou Jubinville meets the many challenges of maintaining our facility and surrounding property. Lou's other duties include managing the sound system for Sunday Services, and assisting with weddings and funerals.

As Financial Administrator and Treasurer and reporting to the Finance Committee, Bill Craddock manages the financial affairs of St. Andrew's. For 37 years, Bill has served on many committees including the Board of Directors.

This past year the M&P Committee conducted evaluations on all staff members. These annual reviews allow ministry personnel, staff members and various groups and committees of the congregation to support one another in their mutual responsibilities for ministry. There was both written and oral feedback. These reviews ensure proper functioning among all parties and, in some cases, identify areas for professional development. Our committee also monitors and, where necessary, adjusts position descriptions that accurately reflect areas of responsibility and accountability for all staff.

Ministry

In August of last year we said good-bye to the Reverend Dr. Lesley Fox as she embarked on her career as a military chaplain. In September, Judy Limpright joined the ministerial team on a part time basis and, together with Karen Lumley, they both support the mission of St. Andrews. This is accomplished by their two distinct roles. Judy's priorities are Sunday worship, adult bible study and nursing home services. Karen focuses on Christian Education, outreach, sacraments and pastoral care. We are very fortunate to have two highly respected and gifted individuals ministering in our community.

Conclusion

The M&P Committee would also like to offer a special thank you to the St. Andrew's team of volunteers for the many hours spent performing countless tasks and projects.

Jack Palmer joined our committee in May 2013. Jack has a background in human resources and will bring added depth to our committee. If you are interested in joining our committee, I would be pleased to discuss with you.

The M&P Committee is always available to handle comments or questions from the members of our congregation. All enquiries will be handled in a confidential manner.

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Sincerely,

Gary Hamilton

Chairperson, M&P Committee

Outreach Report

The Outreach Committee at St. Andrew's continues to be active, choosing a different ministry each month to focus on regarding service, prayer and donations. The ministries that we have been supporting are: Sage House, West Broadway Community ministry, Siloam Mission, Safe Passage, Rainbow Ministry, Agape Table, The Prayer Shawl Ministry and St. Matthew's Maryland. The community ministries of the United Church of Canada continue to be promoted through the Christmas Catalogue, through Outreach-giving's from the church and though Minute-for-Mission.

Two other extremely important aspects of the St. Andrew's Outreach Program are the MEALS on WHEELS Program and the RIGHT TO HOUSING Coalition. See the respective reports printed elsewhere in this AGM Booklet, written by Ardelia Burrows and Clark Brownlee respectively.

In September 2013, St. Andrew's, with Karen Carswell's leadership, supported the *Hustle for Hunger* event with proceeds going to Agape Table. St. Andrew's also supports this event through those who come out to walk, collecting pledges and, very importantly, through the Fellowship and Pastoral Care Committee who prepare a breakfast & help with the planning.

To acknowledge the kind hospitality shown last spring towards several members of St. Andrew's who went on a tour of the Grand Mosque on Waverley, the Outreach committee sent a donation to the Red Cross to support their efforts in Syria. This donation came after we received word that a brother of the family who hosted us was fatally wounded.

At our November meeting, several motions were passed which allowed monies to be given to Winnipeg Harvest, Siloam Mission, 1-Hope Winnipeg and Agape Table.

The items lovingly placed on the Mitten Tree were wonderful once again this year and will be distributed to the Outreach Ministries in the city that are represented by 1Hope Winnipeg.

Many thanks to Karen Lumley and the members of the Outreach committee for their work behind the scenes, and to the members of the Congregation who continue to support the projects through prayer, service and donations. Together we can make a difference!

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Stevenson
Chairperson, Outreach Committee

Fun Jesus Guatemala:

Fun Jesus is a Board-approved mission project of St. Andrew's and operates as a home for abused and abandoned youth and children in Guatemala City. It is home for up to 32 children. Currently, the age range of children at the home is 5 to 22 years old, and it has no organized fundraising. In Guatemala, if mothers are sentenced to jail, young children are sent with them and kept in the jails without any form of education. Sadly, even if the mothers are jailed for child abuse, they feel the children are safer in the jails with the parent than to be left behind in unsafe neighborhoods. Many of the children at Fun Jesus House come from the jails and some are just abandoned on the streets. Most have been abused in some form or other.

The housemother, Vanessa, raises the children as her own and is assisted by one full-time house-person and other part-time helpers. The older children also help with the younger ones and natural families are kept together. Chores are divided so the house runs smoothly and the children learn basic home skills.

Good education is top priority, and all of the children also participate in sports, languages, music lessons, dance, etc. They each have the opportunity to look forward to university and, currently, three of the oldest girls are attending university as well as participating in the running of the house.

Children receive the professional psychological support they need and are raised as one big family. They thrive in this safe environment with proper nutrition and a safe home; this allows them the freedom to learn and excel, they look forward to secondary education and the opportunity to break free of lives of poverty, abuse and crime. The home allows them secure futures where they are leading members of society, and the poverty chain is broken.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Hannam

Right to Housing - an Aspect of St. Andrew's Outreach:

2013 was another busy year for the Right to Housing Coalition (R2H). While there were some gains in terms of better policies to encourage the creation of affordable and social housing and some improvements in overall vacancy rates in Winnipeg rentals, there are still too many homeless people, too many households in core housing need and not enough new supply of social and affordable housing.

R2H has played a key role in trying to revive a pan-Canadian coalition of groups working for social housing. We continued to work with like-minded housing advocacy

groups across Canada to push the Federal Government for three major items:

- 1. Protect existing social housing and the 600,000 households that live in them by maintaining the annual operating grants of \$1.7 billion annually in social housing subsidies.
- 2. Re-establish permanent federal funding for social housing construction and programs and services to eliminate homelessness.
- 3. Initiate and coordinate_a pan-Canadian housing strategy, which respects provincial jurisdiction, is based on human rights and provides federal resources to implement such a strategy. Canada remains the only G8 country without a National Housing Strategy.

R2H's Federal Working Group continues to advocate for the Federal Government to provide tax relief for developers building affordable rental housing.

Here in Manitoba, we were pleased to see that our government has nearly completed its commitment to support the creation of 1500 units of affordable housing and 1500 units of social housing by 2014. As well there is a new commitment for 500 units of affordable and 500 units of social housing to receive government support over the next three years. While R2H cannot take credit for these increases in supply, we believe that our Provincial Working Group's continual advocacy has been well received and has encouraged the government to proceed in this direction. We are also relieved to hear that up to 2016/2017, Manitoba Housing has agreed to pick up the cost of subsidies for social housing units when the current operating agreements expire. We were also relieved to hear that the pilot project to gradually convert an apartment building of social housing to a limited equity co-op housing development seems to have been shelved. We have no quarrel with co-op housing, but to use social housing units in such short supply to do this was unacceptable. We were disappointed that the basic housing allowance for Employment and Income Assistance recipients was not increased to the degree that would allow individuals on social assistance to be adequately housed.

The City of Winnipeg has passed a Housing Policy based on the principles in the Our Winnipeg policy document. The Housing Division is in the process of crafting an implementation plan to bring these policies into fruition. R2H's City Working Group has carefully reviewed the policy and provided feedback to the City and will monitor the City's progress as the implementation plan is enacted once developed. Winnipeg's vacancy rate has crept up from less than 1.7% last year to 2.5% this year. While this generally reflects vacancies in the higher rent units, it does show that the supply side market is responding. Now the task is to increase the supply of housing for households in core housing need.

R2H continues to appreciate the support of St. Andrew's River Heights United Church that provides bookkeeping services for us and supports our advocacy initiatives. For more information visit our revamped website at www.righttohousing.ca

Respectfully submitted,

Clark Brownlee

Coordinator

Messy Church:

This is a new program for families that began in the fall. Messy Church meets once a month on a Saturday evening. It serves as an alternative to church for those in the community who may not want to attend the more formal worship on Sundays and for families in church who want a family orientated event. There are games, crafts and a story time all built around a theme.

It is a new expression of faith for all ages and stages. On our first two gatherings, there were 10 people in attendance; however, at our last gathering we had 30! It is a program that is an outreach program to the community and a great family program for our church families.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Lumley

Meals on Wheels:

For well over 40 years, St. Andrew's River Heights United Church has been responsible for coordinating Meals on Wheels Route 4 out of the Misericordia Hospital. In 2013, two of our longtime drivers have retired, so we said goodbye to Mary Campbell (who drove for 30 years) and Carole Enefer.

We are very fortunate to have the route covered every Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. One group staffs the route two Tuesdays per month. We, then, require our spares to help us two Tuesdays each month and, of course, when there are holidays, illnesses or other situations where our regulars are unable to do the route. We have an extremely enthusiastic group of spares. An e-mail or phone call to them – after they check their calendars – usually gives us the O.K. to put them down to do the route.

This is very meaningful and rewarding volunteerism and our job is made so much

easier by the willingness of all to participate.

Respectfully submitted,

Ardelía Burrow

Social Media, Website and Advertising Update:

For most of 2013, we continued to use our website, our page on The Conference of Manitoba and Northwest Ontario website, the Facebook page and Karen's blog to increase our exposure to the community. Information about activities, services and messages were added to both Facebook and Karen's blog, in addition to our existing website. In December, Andrea added a Twitter profile for St. Andrew's to further increase our exposure.

This fall, after getting her bearings for the first month, Andrea took over the task of updating information on the church website. Thank you very much to Pat McCallum for his prior help with the website. Currently, the Order of Service and the weekly newsletter are added to our website on a weekly basis.

In addition to Facebook, websites and blogs, advertising church events both internally and externally continues to be very important. We continue to advertise internally on our website, the weekly newsletter, and in our weekly bulletin announcements. Externally, we have advertised through announcement requests to other Presbytery churches, on our Winnipeg Presbytery page, the Winnipeg Free Press Events website, the Sun Community Events website, the Global Winnipeg Events website, CTV Winnipeg's community calendar and posting events on our outside sign. With this year's Cookie Walk, Andrea also tried advertising on Kijiji (Winnipeg) a week prior to the event. We ended up with 52 visits to our ad in just one week. It is definitely something to consider for future events as well.

If you haven't already, make sure you favorite the following websites:

http://www.facebook.com/St.AndrewsUnitedChurch

http://www.karenschurchblog.blogspot.com

https://twitter.com/standrews_wpg

http://www.standrewsriverheights.com

We also welcome any ideas or comments from the congregation.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Moffatt

Office Manager

Property and Administration Report

As usual, the P&A committee had to deal with numerous major and minor maintenance and repair jobs through the year. Some were anticipated and some were not. Some "wish list" projects (replacement of the worn red sanctuary carpet, as just one example) were deferred to future years. The net result was that overall repair and maintenance expenditures ended the year reasonably in line with amounts budgeted for 2013. Operating expenses were also close to budget, helped by natural gas prices that remained low through the entire year.

Major items dealt with in 2013 included renegotiation of the master lease agreement with River Heights School Daycare. This agreement runs for several years with provision for annual CPI-based adjustments. In a major change, the new master agreement provides for RHS Daycare to be responsible for night cleaning of their part of the building, effective July 1, 2013. Previously, the church provided this service and passed the cost on to RHS Daycare as part of their rent. As a result of this change, "RHS rental" income appears down from budget in the 2013 financial statement, while "contract cleaning" expense is down by a slightly larger amount.

Major projects in 2013 included repairs aimed at stopping a roof leak over the church office. Water was getting in at the junction of the CE building and the tower, an area that has been repeatedly leak-prone over the years. We hope that the most recent repairs have solved the problem once and for all, but history suggests that we should not proclaim victory until after a few more significant rainfalls.

Leakage along the upper west side of the ministers' offices also caused damage to interior walls, and this was repaired during the summer. External repairs to prevent repeat water seepage was also carried out. During this work, shingles on the west side of the sloped CE roof were found to be seriously deteriorated, with localized damage also to the underlying wooden support layer. This situation requires re-shingling of the entire sloped roof above the CE building, preferably sooner rather than later. The committee plans to make this project the main item in its "major repair" budgetary submission for 2014. The rough preliminary cost estimate is in the region of \$18,000. Professional examination of the ceiling insulation indicates that it is fully adequate and in good shape, so no additional expense is anticipated on that score.

Another major project completed in 2013 was a refurbishment of the steps from the vestry down to the back lane. Temporary repairs had prolonged the life of this staircase for as long as possible, but loose concrete and holes were making the whole area hazardous. During the late summer the decaying concrete was covered with sealant, and a wooden staircase built overtop (excavation of the old concrete and replacement with new concrete was prohibitively costly).

Other projects completed during the summer included installation of a concrete-slab walkway across the boulevard between Oak St. and the sidewalk at the bottom of the steps at the southeast corner of the church. This was done as the result of complaints from wedding parties that wet weather made the area muddy and hard to negotiate by brides and attendants in long dresses and delicate shoes.

Last, but by no means least, in late 2013 the church acquired a cardiac defibrillator, the gift of two very generous members of the congregation. It is mounted on the wall just inside the inner doors at the 255 Oak St. entrance. Some members of the congregation attended a familiarization session provided by the supplier, but it is important for everyone in the church to know exactly where this device is located, and to understand that it is lightweight and can be used by any bystander. No prior instruction is needed. Voice prompts guide users through the simple procedure required to help anyone suffering a cardiac arrest.

During the year, the committee welcomed two new members: Bruce Scott and John Swan. So we now have eight members: Murray Cameron, Bruce Scott, Gord Shawcross, Hartley Stinson, John Swan, Susan Wiste, Dave Wreford, and Karen Lumley. We thank them all for their hard work and availability at occasionally inconvenient times. Special recognition is due to Hartley Stinson for his handling of the complex contract negotiations with RHS Daycare, and Gord Shawcross for has hands-on competence in dealing with the many small and not-so-small infrastructure issues that continually present themselves in our somewhat elderly building. And as usual, we express our sincere thanks to Lou Jubinville, who attends to all the day-to-day chores required to keep the church clean, attractive, and operating smoothly.

Respectfully Submitted,

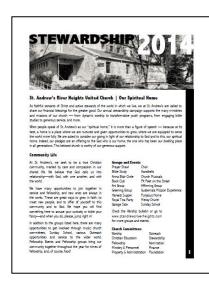
David Wreford

Chairperson, Property and Administration Committee

Stewardship Report

The Stewardship Committee struggled with meeting on a regular basis and was unable to create much needed on-going promotion. With that said, regular giving's were on the rise in 2013 and our generous congregation continues to rise to the occasion when needed. Stewardship Seconds was regularly included in the bulletin, with Stewardship information included periodically in the weekly St. Andrew's News.

Our committee members included Bill Craddock, Lorne Hurst and Bill Muir with further guidance provide by Karen Lumley and Linda Paul.



The 2014 campaign this past fall focused on St. Andrew's being our spiritual home and the opportunities we offer to be part of a true Christian community marked by the care and compassion in our shared life. We also shared a detailed outlook of our Church expenses and revenue and a view on how our members share their financial blessings. We continue to enlighten our congregation on growing their contribution – time, talent and treasure – to help build the future of God's church.

The campaign pledge result will be shared during our 2014 Annual General Meeting.

I would like to thank the committee members for their participation, as well as Karen and Linda for their leadership.

Sincerely,

Jeff Ward

Chairperson, Stewardship Committee

Farmer's Market:

Our market has completed its fourth season! It has been wonderful to be a part of and watch the market grow and mature over these years. We have established ourselves in the neighbourhood as a seasonal destination, and continue to draw attention and attract new customers.

The market is a team effort, and it benefits by the variety of team players that make it work. We would like to sincerely thank the Central Corydon Community Centre for all the work they do to keep us going. Thank you to all our vendors who bring their goods to the market faithfully and have worked so hard to please our customers. Thank you to our Friday 'clickers' who greet our customers and keep a tally of the day. Thank you to St. Andrew's River Heights United Church for their financial and moral support. And finally, thank you to our loyal customers. We love serving you and seeing you each week.

Achievements for 2013:

 We are good at maintaining a friendly, welcoming place for families and visitors to purchase quality, locally grown and crafted goods.

- We can now be found on Twitter.
- New vendors continue to be attracted to the market.
- This is the first season that all regular vendors stayed until the end of August.
- We are now a part of the Central Corydon Community Centre's programming. This gave us an advantage in advertising.
- There is a Steering Committee, which organizes the market. The committee is composed of vendor representatives, coordinators, and a representative from St. Andrew's River Heights United Church.
- We have funds to carry over into 2014.
- Many of our vendors return each year.

On-going Challenges:

- The weather always presents challenges to farmers, bakers, and crafters.
- Canopy maintenance is ongoing.
- We had to turn away three quality new vendors because they needed access to electricity at our site.
- It is always difficult to advertise the market thoroughly to residents in our primary postal code areas (R3M and R3N).
- Making people aware of the market and what we offer.

Suggestions for 2014:

- Discussion with the community centre regarding our electrical needs for continued growth.
- Add a few more vendors for variety.
- Increase our advertising.

Visitor and Vendor Count:

Year	Avg. No. Visitors* July/August	Avg. No. Vendors July/August	Avg. No. Visitors* for Season	Avg. No. Vendors for Season
2013	459	14	419	13
2012	438	15	388	13
2011	465	12	412	11
2010	250	4	229	4

^{*}Visitors – Anyone who is walking/biking into the market area, including kids.

Vendor Survey: As always, our vendors give us wonderful feedback at the end of each season. The Steering Committee needs time to consider their suggestions. For more information, please contact the Steering committee for details.

Financial Information:

Beginning Balance	-0-	
Revenue		
Comm. Centre Participation Fees	300.00	
Regular Vendors Fees	1,440.00	
Casual Fees	135.00	
Canopy Sale	150.00	
Canopy Rental Fees	219.00	
Donation – St. Andrew's RE: Windup	81.20	
Total Revenue	2,345.20	
Expenses		
Comm. Centre Participation Fees	300.00	
Canopy Refund	25.00	
FMAM Dues	195.00	
Advertising & Copying	260.60	
Miscellaneous	6.59	
Canopy Maintenance	138.89	
Market Insurance	55.00	
September Windup	100.40	
Total Expenses	1,081.48	
Balance to Date	<u>\$1,263.72</u>	

For further questions, contact Barbara Coombs or Stephanie Barke at: farmersmarket@centralcorydoncc.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Coombs

Market Coordinator

Worship Report

The Worship Committee provides support and assistance to the ministerial staff in connection with worship services. The committee arranges for the weekly scripture readers and ushers, decorates the church for special services, prepares the communion elements, arranges for communion servers, and assists with the baptisms. The committee also discusses matters of policy regarding worship services, baptisms, weddings, funerals and music.

The Music programs in our church continue to thrive. Our music director, Derek Morphy, leads the Senior Choir, and the Scholarship program continues to be offered to several young singers. Wes Elias provides music leadership in his role as Organist. As

well, Olivia Arnason continues her dedicated work with the Handbell Choir. The committee wishes to thank each of these leaders, and the many members of these groups who give of their time in rehearsals and church services.

Following the departure of Rev Dr. Lesley Fox in June we were delighted to welcome Rev. Judy Limpright as our new half-time supply minister in September. We thank her, along with Rev. Karen Lumley, our full-time Minister, for sharing their gifts of inspiration, guidance, humour and spirituality with us.

For the fourth consecutive year the congregation was welcomed back to worship with an outdoor Celebration Sunday in early September. Karen, along with members of the Christian Education Committee, planned an exciting worship service followed by children's games and activities. Invitations were extended to the St. Andrew's community.

I wish to thank the members of the committee for their assistance through the year: Ruth McKenzie, Rita Swan, new member, Barb Macdonald, and ex-officio members, Karen Lumley, Judy Limpright, Derek Morphy and Wes Elias.

Worship services at our church could not take place without the work of many volunteers who enrich our services by sharing their time and talents on our behalf. They order flowers, decorate the church for every new season (Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas), prepare the communion elements, and arrange for communion servers. As well, they ensure that people are welcomed into the church each Sunday, with a bulletin and a welcoming smile. Others arrange for greeters at the church door, collect the offering, read scripture, usher, and serve communion. Thanks also to those volunteers who have taken on the job of monitoring the sound during Sunday worship services.

Special thanks go out to our caretaker, Lou Jubinville, who offers his services to help decorate the church and for his skill at managing the sound system during Sunday worship services.

The Worship Committee welcomes your comments about worship services. Please feel free to talk with any of the members or to write to the committee. We would also welcome new members to the committee or people who would like to assist with any of the committee tasks.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Quinn Chair, Worship Committee

Winnipeg Presbytery – Highlights of 2013

February – Our General Meeting was an all-day meeting that was held at The United Church in Meadowood. The co-hosts of the meeting were Trinity United Church, Charleswood United Church, Westminster United Church, McClure United Church and Oak Table Community Ministry. The Affirming Presbytery Task Group presented a Draft Vision Statement for Winnipeg Presbytery. Part of the focus for the February meeting was on naming and sharing our gifts.

March – Our General Meeting was held at Atlantic-Garden City United Church with cohosts of the meeting being Sparling United Church, Kildonan United Church and Fred Douglas Lodge. Our Conference President, Ken DeLisle, brought greetings from the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario and spoke briefly about the role of the Conference President. He shared some of his amazing experiences during the past year. Kathryn and Jordan Basso gave a presentation on the programming being offered at Rock Lake United Church Camp this year.

April – Our General Meeting was held at Windsor Park United Church with co-hosts of the meeting being Transcona United Church, Grey St. United Church and Rainbow Ministry. We welcomed Richard Manley-Tannis who will assume the position of Presbytery Minister of Evangelism, Mission and Church Development on July 1, 2013. There was an update given on the work of Rainbow Ministry - its structure, the lines of accountability and support, and its mission statement.

May – Our General Meeting was held at Crestview United Church with co-hosts of the meeting being Kirkfield Park United Church, Silver Heights United Church, Sturgeon Creek United Church and St. Charles United Church/ Headingley United Church. It was reported that the vote at the April General Meeting was 97% in favour of becoming an Affirming Presbytery. The application and fee has since been submitted and a celebration was being planned. A presentation was given by the Task Group on Informal Resolutions of Sexual Abuse Complaints with table conversations afterwards.

June – Our General Meeting was held at St. Mary's Road United Church with co-hosts of the meeting being Churchill Park United Church, Korean United Church, Hungarian United Church and St. Matthew's-Maryland Community Ministry. Irene Greenwood was installed as the new Chair of the Presbytery. Maggie Zoske was introduced as the new Office Administrator for Winnipeg Presbytery effective July 1, 2013. Carol Scott reported on the Annual Report of Church Development Inc. (CDI). They recommended, and Presbytery approved, a revised investment policy as the investments were not earning enough to keep up with inflation. Winnipeg Presbytery passed a motion to indicate to General Council sub-executive its disapproval of the devolution of the Faculty of Theology to a Centre for Theological Studies. The Winnipeg Presbytery also passed the following motion: "that Winnipeg Presbytery request that Conference of

Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario to name a Commission to: review the decisions and actions of Winnipeg Presbytery and its Executive related to the request for an apology for harm caused by its practice of recording in its minutes the names of Respondents under the Sexual Abuse Prevention and Response Policy and Procedures and to take such action as it deems necessary to resolve the matter effectively".

September – Our General Meeting was held at Broadway Disciples United Church with co-hosts Augustine United Church, Knox United Church, Young United Church and West Broadway Community Ministry. The Winnipeg Presbytery Affirming Task Group led worship which celebrated the Winnipeg Presbytery becoming an Affirming Ministry of The United Church of Canada. Ken DeLisle, of Affirm United, presented the Winnipeg Presbytery with a framed certificate. Mary Best presented the new process for Joint Needs and Joint Searches which now falls under the supervision of the Settlement Commission of the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario.

October – Our General Meeting was held at Westworth United Church with co-hosts St. Andrew's River Heights United Church, Harrow United Church, Fort Garry United Church and Crescent Fort Rouge United Church. The new President of Conference, Cheryl Kinney Matheson, brought greetings from Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario and spoke on her recent pilgrimage - walking the Camino in Spain. Nancy Hardy, the recent recipient of the McGeachy Scholarship, was introduced. She is in Winnipeg working on her project – putting together resources for worship in urban settings. It was announced that 1Hope Winnipeg would be included on Page 7 of the Gifts with Vision Catalogue for 2013.

November – Our General Meeting was held at Immanuel United Church with co-hosts John Black United Church, Gordon-King Memorial United Church, North Kildonan United Church and North End Stella Community Ministry. Discussion and voting on the GC remits #1-6 took place. Joan Jarvis, the Relations and Social Justice Minister from the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario, gave a presentation on her trip to the Philippines and Korea to study mining issues in these two countries. She highlighted the many challenges these two countries face surrounding this issue. Diwa Marcelino presented a report from the National Mining Consultation. The consultation seeks to strengthen relationships across The United Church of Canada and advocacy efforts that address the negative effects of Canadian mining activities overseas and to develop effective strategies to contribute to a more just and sustainable world.

St. Andrew's River Heights United Church Foundation Report

The St. Andrew's River Heights United Church Foundation was established in 1975. The Foundation was initially funded with funds derived from special gifts and the sale of the church manses. Since its inception the Foundation's assets have grown as a result of bequests, memorial gifts and donations. A minimum of 80% of the annual and/or accrued income derived from the Foundation is distributed annually to St. Andrew's United Church to be employed in the ongoing mission and work of the church.

The Foundation has been primarily invested in fixed income investments such as Guaranteed Investment Certificates, bonds and deposit notes/certificates of deposit. As at December 31, 2013, 61% of the market value of the Foundation's assets were invested in fixed income or equivalent investments (comprised of Guaranteed Investment Certificates and provincial, municipal and corporate bonds ranging in duration from 1 to 9 years and with 31% being invested in mutual funds, common stocks, preferred shares and real estate trust units (comprised primarily of large cap Canadian companies, US and international growth and dividend funds and a Canadian real estate investment trust). The remaining balance (approximately 8%) was held in cash.

Over the past number of years, due to relatively high percentage of fixed income investments, the Foundation's balance sheet and rate of return has been quite stable. The table below indicates the *approximate* market value of the Foundation * (inclusive of accrued interest) as at December 31 in each of the following years:

2009	\$758,000
2010	\$789,000
2011	\$815,000
2012	\$864,000
2013	\$886,000

Although the market value of the Foundation has been increasing, the income earned by investments has been declining due to an ongoing low fixed interest rate environment. For the past three years the foundation has crystallized some capital gains upon the disposition of several investments that had appreciated in value. In the 2013 year the Foundation continued to move a larger portion of investments from bonds into preferred shares and large cap equities in an effort to improve yield as well as underlying growth on the portfolio.

The Foundation's investment advisors (CIBC Wood Gundy) have confirmed that the

annualized rates of return for the foundation investment portfolio as at January 8, 2014 were as follows:

From 1998 to 01-2014	5.744%
01-2009 to 01-2014 (5 year)	6.592%
01-2011 to 01-2014 (3 year)	6.084%
01-2013 – 01-2014 (1 year)	6.223%

During the 2013 calendar year, Foundation investments earned interest and dividend income of approximately \$33,000.00. From this income the Foundation contributed \$40,000.00 to the operation of St. Andrew's Church during the 2013 calendar year. These contributions were paid during mid-summer and in early December 2013. During the 2014 calendar year the Foundation projects earnings of slightly over \$35,000.00. The slight increase in income comes at the risk of moving some assets from bonds to preferred shares and large cap equities, which provide a higher yield than current bond yields. At the Foundation Annual Meeting held in November of 2013, the Board committed to make a gift of \$40,000.00 to the operation of the St. Andrew's during the 2014 calendar year. Audit costs and income tax filing costs for 2013 (payable in 2014) are anticipated to be in the neighborhood of \$3,500.00 plus taxes.

The specific gifts received by the Foundation during 2013 are set forth in Schedule 'A' to this Foundation Annual Report.

Once again, the Foundation expresses sincere thanks to all who gave so generously to the Foundation during the 2013 calendar year. As Chair, I would encourage all members of the church to make annual contributions to the Foundation and I would challenge all members to consider their part in attempting to increase the value of the foundation assets to 1 million dollars over the course of the next few years.

As Chair of the Board of the Foundation, I wish to thank all the members of the Board for their valuable assistance. The Foundation welcomes Tom Brown as a new member of the Board. Again, this year, I wish to express thanks for the tireless efforts and contributions of David Wreford as secretary of the Foundation and to thank Jim Cristall, Hart Pollack and Mark Braun of CIBC Wood Gundy for their investment counsel.

Once again, the Foundation wishes to encourage members of St. Andrew's United Church and other individuals or organizations who utilize the church building for the advancement of community objectives and activities, to make a donation to the Foundation. All gifts to the Foundation receive a charitable donation tax receipt, which reduces the out of pocket cost of the gift. It is particularly useful in estate planning to

consider gifting registered investments such as an RRSP or RRIF to a charity (if such investments are not eligible to be 'rolled over' to a surviving spouse as beneficiary). In situations where the registered investment cannot be gifted or 'rolled over' to a surviving spouse, the donor's estate will receive a significant reduction in tax that would otherwise be payable to Canada Revenue Agency upon collapse of the registered investment. Money that would otherwise go to Canada Revenue Agency may thereby find its way into the Foundation to serve the broader purposes of the Foundation and the church. Please speak with your investment advisor, accountant or lawyer for more information in planning your charitable estate gifts. Your gifts enable the Foundation to contribute financially to the ability of St. Andrew's River Heights United Church to serve both the community of faith within the church and the broader outreach work of The United Church of Canada. Gifts to the Foundation truly are gifts that 'keep on giving' - while you are alive and after you have departed this world. The Foundation encourages gifts made at any time during your lifetime or as a charitable beguest under your will. Please direct any enquiries or questions to any member of the Foundation or to Deborah Metcalfe at 204-470-3051.

As at December 31, 2013 the following persons were members of the Board of the Foundation:

Rev. Karen Lumley, David Wreford, Bill Craddock, Deborah Metcalfe, Linda Paul, Paul Webster, Ross Johnston, Tom Brown and John Barber

Respectfully submitted,

*Deborah Metcalfe*Chair

*cash + interest receivable + market values of investments

Schedule "A"

St. Andrew's River Heights United Church Foundation Annual Report 2013

NATURE OF GIFT: DONOR:

SPECIFIC GIFTS Eleanor Gibson

Ross Johnston Anna Blair Circle

BEQUESTS Estate of Francis Wickberg

IN RECOGNITION OF MARY CAMPBELL'S Iris McKay

90TH BIRTHDAY

IN MEMORY OF DR. HAROLD G. HURST Shirley Lush

IN MEMORY OF JOHN STANDING Audrey Belyea

IN MEMORY OF CHRISTINE MACLEOD Marjorie Eckert

APPENDIX A

St. Andrew's River Heights United Church Annual General Meeting February 24, 2013 Attendance: 65 persons

- **1.** Call to order and declaration of quorum. Chairperson Linda Paul called the meeting to order at 12:10 pm followed by noting that the number in attendance constituted a quorum.
- **2. Opening Prayer and Time of Remembrance.** Lesley Fox opened the meeting with prayer. Immediately thereafter, Karen Lumley and Lesley Fox asked people to reflect for a moment of silence to honour the memory of those whose funerals were conducted during the past year at St. Andrew's.
- **3. Motion to allow adherents to vote**. **Moved**: B. Jubinville/R. Swan that adherents be permitted to vote during this meeting. **Carried**
- **4. Motion to accept the Agenda. Moved:** H. Quinn/ C. Brownlee that the agenda is accepted as amended to include the addition of the 'Affirming Ministry' presentation under New Business. **Carried**
- **5. Motion to accept minutes. Moved**: J. Rich/C. Watters that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting, February 26, 2012 are accepted as presented. **Carried**
- **6.** Acceptance of Committee Reports. Motion: D. McKeag/D. Bewell that the committee Reports are accepted as presented in the Annual General Meeting Report Document. Carried
- 7. Report of the Chair of the Board.
 - In addition to her report, Linda Paul involved those present in a short exercise that illustrated the point that all individuals are important and all have a role to play in the work and functioning of the church.
 - The Board members who were present were asked to stand as the names of all Board Members and their current positions were read aloud. L. Paul thanked everyone for their work over the past year(s).
 - Prior to sitting down those present read aloud the St. Andrew's Mission Statement.
- **8. Foundation Committee Report:** John Barber (full report, p. 49)
 - John thanked the committee members for their work: Rev. Karen Lumley, David Wreford, Bill Craddock, Deborah Metcalfe, Linda Paul, Paul Webster, Ross Johnston, and Tom Brown.

Other comments are as follows:

- o special expression of thanks to Eleanor Gibson for her long standing service as a member of the Foundation and who retired from the Board in 2012
- o welcome to Ross Johnston who joined the committee in 2012 and to Tom Brown who has recently become a member of the Foundation Committee
- o thank you to Deborah Metcalfe who has agreed to be chair person in 2014

• Further to the details in his written report, John Barber stated that this has been an exceptional year for the Foundation due to a few generous gifts. In the upcoming year, \$40.000 from the Foundation has been committed to St. Andrew's.

9. Financial Report: Paul Webster, Bill Craddock

Members of the Finance Committee for 2012 were: either one of the Ministers, Lesley Fox or Karen Lumley, Bill Craddock, David Bergman, Diane Bowles, David Wreford and Paul Webster

- <u>Independent Reviewer's Statement</u>. Paul Webster, Chair of the Finance Committee reported that the statement of the financial position of St. Andrew's for the year ending December 31, 2012 has been reviewed by Frostiak & Leslie, Chartered Accountants Inc.
- <u>Finance Committee Report</u>. See report, page 14. **Moved:** P. Webster/D. Metcalfe that the congregation accept the year- end financial Statement for the year ending December 31, 2012 as presented and circulated. **Carried**
- <u>Presentation of 20143Budget</u>. **Moved**: P. Webster/B. Jubinville that the congregation accept the 2013 operating budget as presented with a \$12,952.00 deficit. **Carried**.
- Bill Craddock stated that the outstanding amount on the <u>Shelter Project</u> loan is approximately \$11,000. Bill further commented that he hopes that this can be retired by the end of 2013.

10. Constitutional Amendments/Policies: Linda Paul

Linda explained that the plan for this AGM had been to propose two motions to the Congregation.

- The first motion was to amend the existing constitution so that in the event of a vacant position, the Board would be allowed to appoint someone to the Board after the AGM.
- o <u>The second motion</u> was to propose a Fundraising/Revenue Generating Policy which prior to this time has not existed.

Linda explained that unfortunately, due process had not been followed regarding providing advance notice of the intention to propose motions at the AGM.

Motion from the floor: Moved by Bill Muir, seconded by Marianne Ward that the Proposals regarding the amendment to the Constitution and regarding the acceptance of the Fundraising/Revenue Generating Policy be adopted subject to final confirmation at the 2014 AGM. **Carried**. The number of people opposed is two.

11. Report of the Nominating Committee: Marianne Ward

- The members of this committee are: Karen Lumley, Lesley Fox, Linda Paul, Anne Grewar and Marianne Ward.
- The Slate of Officers for the term February 2013-February 2014 is as follows:

Board Chair – Linda Paul Board Vice-Chair – Anne Grewar Secretary – Joan Stevenson Ministry & Personnel – Gary Hamilton Past Chair, Nominating – Marianne Ward Treasurer – Bill Craddock Finance – Paul Webster

Outreach –Co-chairs:

Joan Stevenson and Karen Merkel-Kopp

Property & Administration – David Wreford **Stewardship** – Jeff Ward

Moved: M. Ward/L. Miller that the Nominating Committee Report is accepted as presented .**Carried**

- **12. New Business:** Heather Quinn presented introductory information regarding <u>Affirming Ministry</u> and what this might mean for St. Andrew's River Heights United Church. A colorful brochure entitled 'There is Room for All...' plus a handout called 'Inclusion is simply not enough' were distributed for all to read and reflect upon. The members joined in singing the Hymn, 'Draw the Circle Wide'. Heather gave a brief overview of the preparation that the Affirming Ministry group has done to date and presented dates for upcoming Education Sessions as follows:
 - March 17: Patrick Woodbeck, A Personal History
 - April 14: Panel Discussion with Q & A time.
 - On a date TBA, this group will be inviting the *Rainbow Harmony Choir* to join us for a special engagement.

13. Expressions of Appreciation:

- 1. Anne Grewar thanked Linda Paul for her leadership and guidance as chair of the Board. Other words of appreciation are as follows:
 - to the members of the ABC who prepared and served such a fine lunch for the AGM
 - to Karen Lumley, Lesley Fox, Maggie Zoske and Lou Jubinville for their help and kindness
 - to Tara McCallum and the Sunday School teachers for their Christian Education leadership
 - to the many people in St. Andrew's who continue to work very hard during the course of each year
- **14.** Closing prayer: The Meeting was closed with a prayer led by Karen Lumley.
- **15. Adjournment :** 1:20 pm

Respectfully submitted by Joan Stevenson, Recording Secretary

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