

**Annual General Meeting Minutes**  
**St Andrew's River Heights United Church**  
**Sunday, February 27, 2022 @ 11:30 am via Zoom**

1. Call to order (11:34am) and declaration of quorum-Anne Grewar
  - Quorum of (36) expected. Quorum achieved.
2. Election of meeting chair and secretary
  - Moved by Kathy Knowles, Seconded Rob Siddall, that Anne Grewar be elected Chair of the meeting and that Lisa Richards be elected Secretary. All in favour.
3. Opening prayer and time of remembrance- Rev. Karen Lumley
  - List of those who are remembered: David Drybrough, Janice Burke, Darlene Hay, Roger Jubinville, Michael Koots, Doreen Morrow, Eleanor Siddall, Pat Richtik, Helen Fearn, Joyce Barber, Robert Cleland, Peggy Phillips, Gordon McDiarmid, Bruce Holland & Judi Broeska
4. Motion allowing adherents to vote
  - Moved by Michael Duncan, Seconded by Glenn Neufeld. All in favour.
5. Acceptance of minutes of AGM, February 28, 2021
  - Moved by Bill Craddock, Seconded by Bernard Boland. All in favour.
6. Tabling of Group Reports
7. Report of the chair of the church council- Anne Grewar
  - Anne presented the report of the Chair (found in the Annual Report 2021).
    - a) Introduction of the Church Council
      - Rob Siddall
      - Lisa Richards
      - Bill Craddock
      - Michael Duncan
      - Sarah Witiuk
      - Kathy Knowles
      - Glenn Neufeld
      - Rev. Karen Lumley
8. Foundation report- Paul Webster
  - Paul Webster presented the foundation report (found in the Annual Report 2021).
9. Finance report- Bill Craddock
  - a) Independent reviewer's statement
    - This has been distributed, it will be attached to the eblast, and is on the website. It is a favourable report.
  - b) Finance Interest Group
    - Bill Craddock presented the treasurer's report (found in the Annual Report 2021).
    - Bill Craddock added that \$35,000 from the Foundation will help achieve a balanced budget.
  - c) Approval of 2022 budget

- Moved by Rob Siddall, Seconded by Carol Neufeld. All in favour.

11. Nominations-Glenn Neufeld

- Nominations are as follows:
  - Rob Siddall as our new Chair
  - Anne Grewar, Bill Craddock, Lisa Richards, Sarah Witiuk, Michael Duncan, Kathy Knowles and Glenn Neufeld as Council members
  - Rita Swan as our representative for Prairie to Pine
- Vote to elect the nominees above. All in favour.

12. Other business

- Rita Swan shared her experience of her Lay Worship leader course. She thanked the council and congregation for their support throughout her journey. A big thank you to Rev. Karen for her support and guidance, and to Fred Cross, Iris MacKay, Bill Muir, Vinny Ashton, Kay and Gord Shawcross for providing feedback. She is waiting to be interviewed for lay ministry and support.
- Katy Harmer introduced two musical pieces, one that she composed to use as a benediction for upcoming services in March.

13. Expressions of appreciation (video with choir music)

To all who have made church possible this past year.

- Karen Lumley for her moral guidance and leading by example
- Bill Craddock for his dedication in managing St Andrew's finances
- Charlotte Lindsay, our office manager and tech support
- Charlotte Lindsay and Michael Cuthbert for their professional recording and editing of the services
- Glenn Neufeld for his leadership with the return to in-person services
- Derek Morphy who ensured singers, soloists were available for each service
- The Music Director Search Committee.
- Katy Hamer who continues to showcase quality music at our church
- Wes Elias, our organist and pianist
- Tyler Craddock on the soundboard
- Soloists and Singers: Sarah Witiuk, Fred Cross, Chris Donlevy, Paul Forget, Nolan Kehler, Heather Kozak, Nikki LeGrand, Judith Oatway, Suzanne Reimer, Diane Wreford
- Colleen Watters who arranges readers each week
- Ruth Mackenzie who ensures everyone is signed in and Covid protocols are followed
- David Wreford who opens the church when needed
- Rita Swan who was a student in the lay workshop leadership program for her contributions

- Jan and Evan Demeduk for their contributions with the children and youth Christian education
- Allison Koots for her work coordinating the sale of wreaths
- Jeff Kramer for his efforts maintaining the building
- Greg Fearn and the Stewardship group for this year's campaign
- Fellowship group for re-inventing the cookie walk, and Meals on Wheels for delivering food to those at home
- Gord Shawcross and John Swan for going above and beyond the call of duty, and to all the members of the Property Committee for the hands-on work they do
- The interest groups who continue to work behind the scenes in different ways
- The members of the Church Council, a small but efficient group who have many gifts they voluntarily share, along with their hard work and dedication
- All the members of the congregation for continuing to participate in the Sunday services in many different ways
- The volunteers who phone members to check in with them
- The many volunteers who give freely of their time throughout the year
- A final big thank you to Anne Grewar, our Chair of Church Council for 3 years. Throughout it all Anne has led council through the many challenges over the last few years, organizing meetings, chairing and dealing with many issues that have come up during this time. We express our sincere thanks and gratitude!

14. Closing prayer and adjournment - Karen Lumley
  - Meeting adjourned at 12:13pm