

St. Paul's Anglican Church 2019 Annual Reports



ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

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Annual Meeting of Parishioners 2019

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2019 INCUMBENT'S REPORT

Part One: Statistics¹

Work Statistics:

Average Hours per Week: 59 hrs. 42 min.² 2016: 61 hrs. 59 min.

2017: 59 hrs. 8 min.

2018: 52 hrs. 45 min.

Total Work Days: 274³ 2016: 278

2017: 276.5 2018: 246⁴

Pastoral Visits:

Pastoral Visits: 188 2016: 295

2017: 274 2018: 199⁵

Average Visits per Week: 4.3 2016: 6.6

2017: 6.2 2018: 4.9

Services:

Sunday Morning Services:

	Officiating	Assisting	Preaching	Children's Talk
Fergus	45	43	40	11
Cyril	32	54	18	0
Norman	16	10	16	1
Bob	0	14	14	4
Other	2	0	4	30

Monday in Holy Week to Easter Sunrise Services:

	Officiating	Assisting	Preaching	Children's Talk
Fergus	3	4	3	0
Cyril	3	1	1	0
Norman	2	1	2	1

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Services:

	Officiating	Assisting	Preaching	Children's Talk
Fergus	2	0	1	1
Cyril	1	2	1	0
Norman	1	0	1	1

Sunday Afternoon or Evening, Wednesday A.M., and Other Mid-Week Services:

	Sun. Aftn.	Sun. Eve.	Wed. A.M.	Other M-W
Fergus	2	2	37	2
Cyril	0	0	3	0
Other ⁶	0	8	0	0

Services in the Community:

	AgeCare Seton	Father Lacombe	Seniors' Condo
Fergus	9	1	0
Norman	0	6	9
Bob	0	1	12

Holy Baptisms: 1 (Cyril: 4[l assisted at all of these⁷]; Other: 1)

Confirmation: 7 (Archbishop Greg presided, Cyril prepared the Candidates.)

Services of Holy Matrimony: 5 (Fergus: 3; Norman: 1; Other: 1)

House Blessing: 1

Funerals:

	Officiating	Assisting
Fergus	8	0
Cyril	0	6
Norman	0	1

Committees and Groups of Which I was a Member in 2019:

Parish:

Choir (I attend the tail end of practices)

MCES

Monday Prayer Group Parish Council **Prayer Chain**

Worship Committee

Ladies' Luncheon (Honorary!)

Men's Breakfast **Parish Corporation Pastoral Care Team** Prayer Chain St. Paul's Clergy Team⁸ Toddlers to Tweens (Facebook Manager) Wed. A.M. Coffee & Prayer

Youth Group (Facebook Manager)

I also participated in the Sept. 15 and Oct. 20 Ministry Sundays, representing Alpha and the Card Ministry, respectively.

Diocese:

Committee on Ministry Post-Ordination Training Team9 **Glenmore Deanery**

Community:

Young at Heart

Additional Community or Diocesan Activities I was Part of in 2019:

Marriage Canon Study Day at Holy Nativity, Calgary (Feb.23)

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Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper (Mar. 5) Town Hall at Holy Trinity, Calgary (Mar. 9) Ash Wed. Supper & Service at All Saints' Lutheran) 10

Variety Show (May 4)

The Parish also had these activities, which I didn't attend:
Stampede Sunday BBQ, with Line Dancing (Jul. 14) Heritage Sunday Potluck Lunch (Aug. 4)
Neil Brown's Historic Chapel Tour (Aug.) Sundance-on-the-Green Remembrance Day Tribute

Studies and Quiet Days I Led in 2019:

"Pilgrim Course 7: The Bible" (6 Wed. evenings, Jan. 16 – Feb. 27)

"Lenten Video Meditations" Ash Wednesday Study (Mar. 6)

"What Wondrous Love" Lenten DVD Study (5 Sessions on Wednesday Mornings & Evenings in Lent) Parish Council Focus Day (Mar. 23)

"Pilgrim Course 8: Church and Kingdom" (6 Wed. Evenings, May 8 - Jun. 12)

"Alpha Film Series" (Part 1 – 7 Wednesday Evenings, Sep. 18 – Oct. 30 + Sat. "Day Away" on Nov. 9)

"Faithful" Advent DVD Study (4 Wednesday Mornings and 3 Evenings, Nov. 27 – Dec. 18)

I also participated, with Hosts and Helpers, in the training provided by Alpha Canada for the Alpha Film Series. And I attended the Alzheimer Workshop on Ap. 6, hosted by Nicola Peden and our Pastoral Care Team; 2 Tours of the Historic Chapel, given by Jake Robinson on Sep. 29; and the "Growing Up Digital" Workshop for parents put on at St. Paul's by the Calgary Pregnancy Care Centre on Nov. 24.

Also in 2019, Cyril led a weekly Bible Study on Mondays. On Wednesday mornings, "Wednesdays with the Word" participants studied the Scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday. Après EfM (members of our Parish and Deanery who've taken EfM) gathered for study 2 Thursday evenings a month. And Margaret Anne Knowles led a Creative Group after each Celtic Service.

Pastor's Postings Blog Statistics:

Number of Views in 2019: 15,695

Number of Views (Total, as of Dec. 31, 2019): 262,806 Number of Countries in 2019 with at Least 1 View: 142

Number of Posts in 2019: 0 Number of Posts (Total): 813¹¹

Facebook Statistics:

St. Paul's, Calgary Facebook Page:

Number of Posts in 2019: 390 Number of Posts (Total): 2,191

St. Paul's Calgary Youth Facebook Page:

Number of Posts in 2019: 331 Number of Posts (Total): 1,240

St. Paul's Toddlers to Tweens Facebook Page:

Number of Posts in 2019: 347 Number of Posts (Total): 1,248

Historic St. Paul's Facebook Page: 12

Number of Posts in 2019: 41 Number of Posts (Total): 153

Alpha at St. Paul's Facebook Page:

Number of Posts in 2019: 51 Number of Posts (Total): 51

Twitter Statistics:

St. Paul's Calgary Twitter Account:

Number of Posts in 2019: 2,369 (Jan. 12, 2019 to Jan. 9, 2020)

Number of Posts (Total): 4,271 (as of Jan. 9, 2020) Number of Followers: 111 (as of Jan. 9, 2020)

Pastor Fergus Twitter Account:

Number of Tweets in 2019: 3,045 (Jan. 12, 2019 to Jan. 9, 2020)

Number of Tweets (Total): 14,055 (as of Jan. 9, 2020)

Number of Followers: 942 (as of Jan. 9, 2020)

My 2020 Salary:

Parish Corporation proposed a 1.2% increase from my 2019 salary to Parish Council on January 14, 2020, as part of the proposed 2020 Budget. Parish Council accepted this figure, and made it part of the Budget that Council will present at our Annual Meeting of Parishioners on January 26. This works out to a figure of \$82,125.14 for my 2020 salary.

This 2019 figure is an estimate, based on figures from 21 weeks of the year.

With great joy at the privilege of sharing the path of discipleship with you, this statistical portion of my 2019 Incumbent's Report is:

Respectfully Submitted by Your Brother in Jesus,

January 14, 2020



¹ I'll be presenting Part Two of my Incumbent's Report at our Annual Meeting of Parishioners.

I had 37 vacation days in the summer. The Diocesan Vacation Policy instituted in 2013 actually states that clergy with my experience are entitled to 6 weeks' vacation per year.

In 2018, Parish Council granted me 10 days of grief leave following the passing of my father, and 19 sick days in the summer, addition to my usual month's vacation.

Records for 2018 contain some gaps in information. There are written records for 169 visits, and 4.4 visits per week, but the estimates of 199 and 4.9 are the best estimates of the actual numbers.

⁶ Margaret Anne Knowles put together and led the Celtic Evening Services.

For the first 3 of these 4, I didn't feel sure enough on my feet to hold an infant.

In 2019, St. Paul's Clergy Team was Cyril Haynes, Norman Knowles, Bob Mummery, and I.

My fellow-P.O.T. Team member, Kersi Bird, and I coordinate Post-Ordination Training for the Diocese (training for all transitional deacons and priests for the first 3 years after ordination).

¹⁰ I preached and assisted at the Service.

¹¹ I posted my last planned posting for my blog on Apr. 22, 2017.

¹² I became one of the page's Administrators in the spring of 2016.

St. Paul's Anglican Church 2020 Proposed Budget (\$)

Ministry	Pro- posed20 20	Bal- anced 2020	Actual 2019	Notes for 2020
		0.82%		Increase in General Income re-
Income				quired to balance
General	216,425	217,622	216,425	Revenue required to balance
	·	·	·	budget
Open	4,300	4,300	4,319	2019 actual (rounded)
Sunday School Open	50	50	50	2019 actual (rounded)
Offering Total	220,775	221,972	220,793	
Other Income	11,100	11,100	11,126	2019 actual (rounded)
Youth Events fund transfer	0	0	500	2019 allocation to Youth events
Fund Transfers	0	0	358	\$350 from Chattel-Worship Items
Hospitality, Fellowship & Fundraising Events	4,100	4,100	4,113	2019 actual (rounded)
Interest Revenue	925	925	927	2019 actual (rounded)
Total Income	236,900	<u>238,097</u>	<u>237,817</u>	
Expense				
Utilities/Insurance	15,089	15,089	14,779	2019 actual + inflation adjustment
General Maintenance	12,481	12,481	12,224	2019 actual + salary & inflation adjustment
Administraton	26,452	26,452	27,803	2019 actual - 2019 treasurer + salary & inflation adjustment
Ministerial	116,872	116,872	115,556	2019 actual + salary adjustment
Apportionment	30,468	30,468	33,108	Diocesan number
Communication	1,284	1,284	1,258	2019 actual + inflation adjustment
Worship	8,143	8,143	8,008	2019 actual + salary & inflation adjustment
Christian Education	2,734	2,734	2,678	2019 actual + inflation adjustment
Hospitality, Fellowship	2,076	2,076	2,034	2019 actual + inflation adjustment
Outreach	22,079	22,079	22,326	Calculated (10% of 2019 Total offering)
Pastoral Care	417	417	409	2019 actual + inflation adjustment
Other	583	583	571	2019 actual + inflation adjustment
Total Expense	238,680	238,680	<u>240,753</u>	
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Net Operating Profit/Loss	<u>-1,780</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>-2,936</u>	
Other Expenses (transfer to project fund)			245	
Other Expenses (transfer to Directed fund)			0	
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Net Profit/Loss			<u>-3,181</u>	

St. Paul's 2019 Budget

The 2020 operating budget was prepared based on the Fiscal 2019 actual results and presented to Parish Council at our January 14th, 2020 meeting. Parish council supported the 2020 budget with the following assumptions:

- 1. 1.2% increase applied to salary components (while the Diocese is proposing a 2.4% baseline increase, we felt it prudent under our current financial circumstances to set our salary adjustment to 1.2%)
- 2. 2.1% inflation adjustment applied to non-salary operating expense components, based on the most recent Statistics Canada data
- 3. Outreach budget/tithe is 10% of 2019 Total offerings (Total offerings defined as: general, open & Sunday School). General offerings are received from two main sources: Sunday offerings and preauthorized donations. For 2020, Corporation decided to allocate 10% of the Outreach budget to the Incumbent's Outreach Discretionary fund.
- 4. The General Offerings budget figure for 2020 has been set at the 2019 General Offerings figure since we believe this is more realistic than setting it at the amount required to give St. Paul's a balanced/zero-deficit operating budget like we did in the past. Our objective over the long term, as a charitable/non-profit organization, would be to propose a break-even or balanced budget. In order to balance our 2020 budget, we would require an increase of 0.82% or \$1780 in general offerings during 2020.
- 5. We budgeted a similar amount of income for Hospitality, Fellowship & Fundraising for 2020. In 2019 we raised \$4113 through our hospitality, fellowship and fundraising events. Funds raised by our various fundraisers such as Shrove Tuesday, the Youth Hot Dogs for Veterans, the Christmas Market and our Variety Show were either donated to worthwhile outreach causes or used to support St. Paul's operations.
- 6. Interest revenue is the interest on our savings account (primarily Directed Funds) and the \$5000 GIC that secures our Visa account.

Other than the operational, administrative, & capital costs of running & maintaining the church building and grounds it's important to consider the many ministries that we are supporting:

- Worship Services, Prayer, and Music Ministry
- Adult education, Youth Programs, Nursery & Sunday School
- Community Connection/Hospitality Events such as the Stampede Breakfast, end-of-summer BBQ, and our annual family friendship picnic
- Outreach from St. Paul's (consider both our financial and volunteer support to the wider community) & inreach (Incumbent's discretionary funds, Pastoral Care/Shepherding ministries)
- Our apportionment supports not only the administrative costs of the Diocese, but also contributes to many of the Diocesan Outreach programmes as well
- PWRDF, CAWST and all of the organizations we support through our fundraisers
- Continued sponsorship/financial support of our foster child, Desta Keweti
- There are many people and groups who appreciate and use our church building facilities as meeting spaces, providing fellowship, or just passing through our grounds including ChildSafe Canada, TOPS, prayer groups, Diocesan events, EfM Alumni, Christian Education workshops, the people of Lake Sundance and surrounding communities and others.

Observations on St. Paul's Finances:

- St. Paul's cannot continue to sustain years of deficits as our retained earnings position has reduced significantly over the past years. Our Income will need to increase if we are to stop drawing on our depleting surplus. We will continue to monitor our expenses to more closely match our income.
- We have always been able to fully compensate our Incumbent within Diocesan Compensation Guidelines.

- We have always been in a position to pay the full amount of our allocated fair-share apportionment to the Diocese.
- We are able to achieve a 10% Outreach/tithe to support many organizations both locally and abroad.
- Our retained earnings position at the end of 2019 had a balance of \$8961. This represents our accumulated surplus. We also have no current debt, and our mortgage is fully paid.
- We have balances totaling \$22,681 in Directed Funds (general) and \$9707 (chattel) at the end of 2019. This includes \$15,070 in the Capital Improvement Fund, \$1,656 in the Equipment fund, and \$7,630 in the AV/Technology Fund.
- Our Net Assets at year-end are \$41,049 (current, savings & GIC account balances less accounts payable and other liabilities), and we have good liquidity with our funds. All principal and interest amounts are guaranteed by the bank.



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Balance Sheet

As at: 31 Dec 2019

\$7,630.29

Assets

Total Assets:	\$57,005.97
1210 Accounts Receivable	\$386.00
1150 GST Receivable	\$2,561.11
Total GICs	\$5,278.50
1132 Principal	\$5,149.09
1131 Accrued Interest	\$129.41
1130 GICs	
1120 Savings Account	\$44,781.06
1110 Chequing Account	\$3,999.30

Liabilities

2110 Business VISA	\$849.24
2211 Inreach - assistance for parishioners	\$3,783.42
2220 Payroll Liabilities	\$498.04
2240 PWRDF payable	\$1,540.40
2250 CAWST payable	\$870.86
2270 MCES Payable	\$5,322.50
2390 Accounts Payable	\$3,092.40
Total Liabilities:	\$15,956.86

Net Assets \$41,049.11

Equity

30100 Directed Funds	
30101 Capital Improvement	\$15,069.92
30103 Memorials	\$4,912.72
30104 Sunday School	\$55.00
30105 Youth Programs	\$2,293.47
30106 Cancer Bags - Donated Funds	\$350.00
Total Directed Funds	\$22,681.11
30200 Directed funds - Chattel	
30201 Chattel-Equipment	\$1,656.14
30202 Chattel-Furnishings	\$420.59

Total Directed funds - Chattel	\$9,707.02
3999 Historical Balancing/Retained Earnings	\$11,842.23
Retained Earnings	(\$3,181.25)

Total Equity: \$41,049.11

30204 Chattel-Audio-Visual/Technology

Dec 2019 YTD Comparative Income Statement		2019 Actual	2019 Budget Yr To Date	PercentageOver /Under Budget Yr To Date	2018 Actual	Year-to-year \$ Increase/Decrease	Year-to-year % Increase/Decrease
Income							
	General	\$216,425	\$226,301	-4.4%	\$222,943	-\$6,518	-2.9%
	Open	\$4,368	\$4,000	9.2%	\$3,935	\$433	11.0%
	Special	\$0		-100.0%	\$11,467	32	-100.0%
Offering Total		\$220,793		-8.7%	\$238,345		ACCOMPANIES OF THE PROPERTY OF
3	Other income	\$11,126			\$12,500		
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n n	Fund transfer (Youth events)	\$500			\$500		
2,	Fund Transfers	\$358		2.3%	\$1,000	-\$642	-64.2%
	Fundraising events	\$4,113	\$3,500	17.5%	\$2,382	\$1,731	0
Total income		\$236,890	\$254,251	-6.8%	\$254,727	-\$17,837	-7.0%
Expense							
	Utilities/insurance	\$14,778	\$16,371	-9.7%	\$16,019	-\$1,241	-7.7%
- F	General Maintenance	\$12,224	\$14,056	-13.0%	\$14,828	-\$2,604	-17.6%
	Administration	\$27,803			\$32,798		
	Ministerial	\$115,556	,		\$113,464	\$2,092	1.8%
	Apportionment	\$33,108	\$33,113	0.0%	\$35,992	-\$2,884	-8.0%
* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	Communications	\$1,258	\$1,536	-18.1%	\$910	\$348	38.2%
	Worship	\$8,008	\$7,907	1.3%	\$7,763	\$245	3.2%
8	Christian Education	\$2,678	\$5,499	-51.3%	\$9,992	-\$7,314	-73.2%
10	Hospitality, Fellowship	\$2,034	\$2,367	-14.1%	\$2,316	-\$282	-12.2%
	Outreach	\$22,326	\$23,835	-6.3%	\$22,227	\$99	0.4%
	Pastoral Care	\$409	\$600	-31.8%	\$243	\$166	68.3%
	Other	\$571	\$476	20.0%	\$476	\$95	20.0%
Total Expense		\$240,753	\$254,251	-5.3%	\$257,028	-\$16,275	-6.3%
Net Operating Income		-\$3,863	\$0		-\$2,301	-\$1,562	
Adjusted Operating Income		-\$3,863	\$0		<u>-\$2,301</u>	<u>-\$1,562</u>	
Other Income	Interest Revenue	\$927			\$839		
	Planned Giving/bequests	\$0			\$0		
Other Expenses	Transfer to Project Fund	\$245			\$1,666		
Other Expenses	Transfer to Directed Fund	\$0			\$2,016		
Net Due Sit							
Net Profit		-\$3,181			<u>-\$5,144</u>	\$1,963	
Pass- through/designated fund	PWRDF	\$1,540					
unough/uesignateu funu	CAWST	\$871					
=	Capital Improvement	\$0				V	
	Expansion fund	\$0					
	Youth-general funds	\$205		-	2 2 2		
	Chattel-Worship Items	\$0					
The state of the s	Chattel-AV/Technology	\$0			2.5.7. 25		1
	Inreach-assistance for	\$400					
	Cancer Bags - Donated Funds	\$50		-			
2	Sunday School	\$5					
Total pass- through/designated fund donations		<u>\$3,071</u>	-				

2019 Treasurer's Report

St. Paul's ended the 2019 year with an operating loss of \$3,181, which is an improvement over the 2018 operating loss of \$5,144.

The *Offering* in 2019 of \$220,793 was 7% lower than 2018 and 9% under budget. *Other Income* of \$11,126 was mainly from hall rentals, including the school which started renting in Sept 2019. Fundraising events provided \$4,113 in 2019, and interest on GIC's was \$927 due to the current low interest rates.

Total expenses in 2019 of \$240,753 were under budget by 5% and decreased from 2018 by 6%. Most expense categories were under budget due to efforts to decrease costs by the various ministries.

Outside of the 2019 operating budget, \$21,115 was spent on the purchase of a new furnace from the Capital Improvement Fund and over \$5000 from the Memorial Fund was used to purchase memorial benches and altar cloths. Approximately \$3500 was raised to provide in-reach assistance and for pass-through funds including PWRDF and CAWST.

From an overview perspective, and notwithstanding the operating loss, St. Paul's had a reasonably good year. We were able to meet all our obligations, provide Outreach contributions of approximately \$22,000, and direct significant amounts to meaningful funds. We also have no mortgage. We have much for which to be grateful.

That said, we need to continue to find ways to increase donations, such as the growth of our congregation, along with other revenues, such as rentals and the successful fundraising events held in 2019 (including the Talent Show, Yard Sale, Christmas Market & Dinner). On a positive note, offerings were up in December by about \$5000 over 2018 & the Giving Tuesday Canada Helps online donation campaign raised over \$2000, both of which significantly contributed to the lower operating loss in 2019.

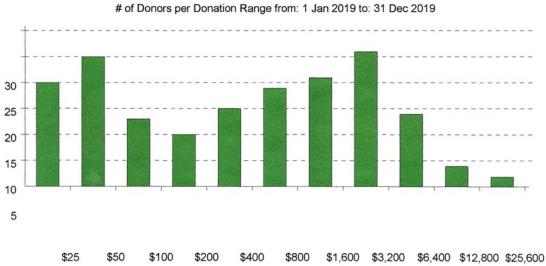
With continued commitment from all of our congregation, we hope to continue this trend & be able to decrease the loss in 2020 even further.

Karen Hug, Treasurer



Envelope Secretary Report 2019

St. Paul's has been blessed in 2019 with the following donations



Number of contributors with envelopes - 84, of these 20 are pre-authorized

Number of Shadow contributors (these are people who give to the church, but do not have envelopes) - 81, of these 14 are pre-authorized.

Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas donations are counted from special envelopes only and do not indicate the total amounts given on these days.

Respectively submitted Debra Brisbin Envelope Secretary

75,555					
Total Donations from: 1 Jan 2019 to: 31 Dec 2019					
General	134,633.93	\$134,633.93			
Pre-Authorized donations(PAD)	57,345.35	\$57,345.35			
Christian Ed.	74.43	\$74.43			
Nest Dental	640.00	\$640.00			
MCES	40.00	\$40.00			
Sunday School	55.00	\$55.00			
Cancer bags	50.00	\$50.00			
In Reach	2,280.00	\$2,280.00			
PWRDF	1,430.40	\$1,430.40			
CAWST	494.94	\$494.94			
Open	4,186.83	\$4,186.83			
Memorial	2,000.00	\$2,000.00			
Flowers	1,010.00	\$1,010.00			
Youth	55.00	\$55.00			
envelopes	95.00	\$95.00			
Thanksgiving	2,510.00	\$2,510.00			
Christmas	6,645.00	\$6,645.00			
Easter	5,007.00	\$5,007.00			
donation returns PAD/NSF (NR)	-535.00	-\$535.00			
Capital Improvements	3,240.00	\$3,240.00			
Total	\$221,257.88	\$221,257.88			

MCES (Midnapore Church of England Society) Summarized Financials as at Dec. 31/19

Assets (Bank Balances)

Basic Banking Chequing Account	\$6,900
GIC's (3 separate GIC's placed Mar. 12, 2019 all maturing Sep. 12, 2020 (18 months) @ 2.55% per annum	
#1 Accrued interest	\$2,054
Principal	\$100,000
Total GIC (#1)	\$102,054
#2 Accrued interest	\$2,054
Principal	\$100,000
Total GIC (#2)	\$102,054
#3 Accrued interest	\$2,054
Principal	\$100,000
Total GIC (#3)	\$102,054
GIC (1 separate GIC placed Sept. 13, 2019 maturing Jun. 13, 2020 (9-month) @ 2.08% per annum)	
#4 Accrued interest	\$321
Principal	\$51,671
Total GIC (#3)	\$51,992
Total GIC's (1,2,3&4)	\$358,154
St. Paul's (MCES funds) for receiving MCES online donations	\$4,306
Total assets	\$362,460



Midnapore Church of England Society

Report of the Midnapore Church of England Society for 2018

Dear Friends of MCES:

January 7, 2020

The Midnapore Church of England Society 2019 was a quiet one for the Society; which is carrying on with its mandate of maintaining the Chapel and cemetery grounds on behalf of the owner, the Parish of St. Paul's. In addition to the special services of Compline, Easter and King's College Carols in August the Chapel and grounds were brimming with many dozens of visitors for a lecture and tour sponsored by the Chinook Country Historical Society for Historic Calgary Week. The Chapel is also available for special services such as weddings or christenings by arrangements with Rev. Fergus. While the Chapel which was built in 1885 is noteworthy for being one of the three oldest buildings extant in the City of Calgary, its real significance comes from its role in the spiritual life of the Parish and we are



thankful for the continuing leadership of Rev. Fergus in making the Chapel and Cemetery a special part of the parish ministry, through his participation in our MCES meetings and the conduct of special services in the Chapel through the year. Many thanks to Robert Worden for heading our maintenance of the Chapel and Grounds and to Carol Ann Shaw for the cleaning of the interior of the Chapel.

Incorporated in 1995, the Society takes its name from that given by the original group of area residents who participated in building the original St. Paul's Church (Chapel). There is a formal agreement between the Parish and MCES whereby MCES agrees to raise funds and to carry on maintenance and repair of the Chapel and grounds on behalf of the Parish, while the Parish of St. Paul's agrees to hold any funds raised for those purposes in trust, while retaining control of the Chapel and of the Cemetery, as owner of the property. As a designated Historic Resource, any repairs or changes to the Chapel and Cemetery grounds must be approved by Alberta Culture and Tourism.

MCES absorbs the costs of contracted cemetery grounds maintenance, utilities including heat, light, and security system and building insurance. The Society welcomes the continued financial support of donors to ensure that we remain able to carry out our work on behalf of St. Paul's Parish. The Directors would particularly like to encourage donations in the coming year to assist in the replacement of the Chapel organ and reparation of some of the older headstones and grave markers in the Cemetery which are deteriorating badly. Donations can be made to "St. Paul's Anglican Church/MCES Trust Fund" 7 Sunmills Green S.E., Calgary, AB T2X 3P6 and are eligible for Charitable Tax Receipts.

Our Annual General Meeting and will take place on **Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at 7:30 pm at St. Paul's Church at 7 Sunmills Green SE**, to be followed by a New Year's Social. **Our Directors meetings are always open to all and we would warmly welcome any parishioner or any other interested persons to come along to our meeting or to be join in the work of our group.**

For further information on MCES or if you would like to be involved with our group in any way, please contact me at rneilbrown@aol.com or call or text message me at (403) 880-2918.

Sincerely, Neil Brown, Chair, MCES

Warden's Reports

INCUMBENT WARDEN REPORT 2019

The year 2019 was a year of changes at St. Paul's. First, I want to thank Fergus and Rick for their insight and support on corporation. I also want to thank members of parish council for their patience and support throughout 2019.

We need to give thanks for all those who were moved to volunteer their time at the church in 2019. In spite of fiscal challenges, the church was kept clean, the Sunday School had new teachers and the many people helped with fellowship opportunities. We are also thankful for new members that joined our community in 2019. We will miss those that left us in 2019. We are thankful for the opportunity to minister to the family and friends of those that passed on.

Another change in 2019, was renting our hall space to a home school group on Monday and Fridays. The rent is helpful and the space is being used by the community. Many thanks to the volunteers that worked on the Telus cell tower committee. Questions were answered and the project should be financially contributing in 2020.

In 2020, we will still have the two challenges of fiscal support and volunteer time. We need to walk together with the help of the Holy Spirit to meet these challenges/opportunities in the future.

I hope you feel that your donations to St. Paul's, in time, talent and treasure, were well spent in 2019. I urge you to consider the opportunity for 2020. Can you offer your time and talent to be a Sunday school teacher, a choir member, or a church cleaner? Can you offer some of your treasure to keep the building warm, the grass cut and the snow shoveled? I hope you will prayerfully consider your opportunities at St. Paul's in 2020.

Respectfully submitted, Murray Sykes

PEOPLE'S WARDEN REPORT 2019

2019 was another spiritual, busy and fun packed year for St. Paul's. Even though some of our parish members have taken their rest, and are now in GOD'S loving hands, other members of our parish have stepped up to continue with the work and ministry that our dearly departed where performing for our parish.

I would, again, like to personally thank all those members of our parish that contributed and helped out this year, including our Parish Council who are an amazing group of dedicated people.

As always if you have any concerns or questions about St. Paul's that you wish to discuss, in a confidential or non-confidential way, please don't hesitate to contact me, as your People's Warden, or you may contact our Rector Fergus Tyson, or Murray Sykes your Incumbent's Warden.

May 2020 be a very spiritual and blessed year for all of us at St. Paul's

Respectfully Submitted, Rick Coller People's Warden



ALTAR GUILD REPORT 2019

The St. Paul's Altar Guild teams prepare the Altar for the regular weekly services as well as baptisms, weddings, funerals, and any additional services connected to Lent, Holy Week, Easter and Christmas. The teams also prepare the communion vessels, candles, flowers, all linens and lectionary books in an efficient manner as a gift to God and to all who come seeking to worship at St. Paul's.

This year we have acquired 2 new altar cloths and they were dedicated in memory of Jane Sandul, our prior altar guild coordinator.

This past year has been a baptism by fire for myself as I assumed the role of altar guild coordinator rather suddenly last January. I first want to thank Fathers Fergus, Cyril and Norman and Laura Anne for being patient with our group and giving us great assistance and guidance this past year as we were on a rather steep learning curve. We are setting up teams of 2 – preferably 3 members – so that the duties are shared, there will be coverage if one team member is away and we only have 1 turn a

team member is away and we only have 1 turn a month....we are getting there but need about 6-7 more members to make this wish come true. If you feel you would like to be part of this ministry or would like more information, please contact Robbie Coller. Training and support are provided to everyone.

The following full time Altar Guild members are diligent and faithful stewards for all those who worshipped at the parish of St. Paul's for 2019: Nicola Peden, Kathleen Robinson, Laura O'Neil, Laura Anne Fink, Karla Manuel, Heather Johnson and Loret MacDonald. Mark Plummer also assists all of us when he is available and Joan McCartney, who steps in for me when I am away and not only does the set up, clean up but all the laundry as well! I want to say a big thank you to each of these members for being on this journey with me and for doing such a wonderful job- I appreciate each and everyone of you.

Respectfully submitted, Robbie Coller

BIBLE STUDY:

MONDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

We are a dedicated group of eleven members who meet on Monday evenings at 7 pm under the leadership of Rev. Cyril Haynes. Our focus is the study of a specific book of the Bible and our resulting discussions are varied and profound. New members are always welcome.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

A group of us get together on Wednesday mornings to set aside some time to read and to share our

thoughts about scripture. What we do is to take time to reflect on passages for the upcoming Sunday. There are no particular expectations – some like to read, others less so... some like to contribute, others to meditate! What we are trying to do is build an accepting and non-threatening atmosphere. "Drop-ins" from busy lives are always welcome. Several of us attend Holy Eucharist at 9:30 am., but others prefer to join us for coffee at about 10:15. We start each meeting with a brief time of prayer and conclude our time together at around 11:30. We do hope that some of you will join us; you are assured of a warm welcome!

Fergus leads us in Advent and Lenten studies in these seasons.

CARD MINISTRY

At St. Paul's, we send cards to member of our family who are hospitalized, recovering from surgery or an illness, or experiencing bereavement, as an expression of our caring as a parish family. The majority of those who receive cards are identified by the clergy and Laura Anne, but if you know of someone in our Parish family whom you believe would be encouraged by a card, please let the clergy or Laura Anne know.

Respectfully Submitted by Gail Munro

CASSEROLE MINISTRY

The casserole ministry is comprised of willing volunteers who prepare casseroles in their own homes for those experiencing short term hospitalization, sickness, or other situations where a casserole would be helpful. It is as simple as making extra when doing a regular family meal and then freezing it to be available when a need arises. A small list of volunteers is maintained and we will call upon them to provide a casserole from time to time.

In 2019, we have had an infusion of some new volunteers and we have also given out more casseroles than usual, approximately 20. This does not include casseroles given directly by you to one another (at least a dozen I am aware of, and probably more).

If you would be willing to join us in this very practical way of showing Christ's love to one another, or if you become aware of anyone who would benefit from receiving a casserole, please contact the church office or Linda Hubert.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Hubert

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

At St. Paul's there are a number of opportunities to grow in our understanding as we seek a deeper relationship with God.

Here are some of the opportunities that were available in 2019:

- -Sunday sermons (now available on our website)
- -Monday evening and Wednesday morning bible studies
- Alpha Film Series
- three tours of the Historic Chapel
- -Monthly Creative Group led by Margaret Anne Knowles
- Advent and Lenten DVD studies
- -Pilgrim courses, from the Church of England, given two times in 2019, to finish the series
- -two special workshops (on Alzheimer's and Growing Up Digital)
- -Stewardship videos
- -Thursday evening EFM Alum's studies
- -Pastor's Postings Blog and St. Paul's Facebook pages and Twitter feed
- -Parish library, Fergus's Book Nook, and Resource Table handouts

Many thanks go to Fergus, our clergy team and others that make these opportunities available. A thank you also goes to all those who participate in these opportunities to learn together.

Respectfully submitted, Murray Sykes

COMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY REPORT

Our website, www.stpaulscalgary.ca, is one of the ways in which we communicate with everyone. Weekly bulletins, Living Waters, service times, and special events are all posted on our site. 2019 was the first year of our awesome new website using the Ascend Collective church website platform. It is easy for Laura Anne and I to update and maintain, and looks great on any platform – desktop, laptop, tablet or smartphone. We are posting all of our upcoming events, and you can easily add them directly to your personal calendar on your own device. Recordings of the weekly sermons are available on our website, and you can now make secure online donations to the church from our website.

Many of our parish activities are also featured on our Facebook Page (stpaulscalgary) or you can follow us on Twitter (@stpaulscalgary or @Pastor_Fergus). Rev. Fergus's blog postings - http://pastorfergus.wordpress.com/-are still available, but are not currently being updated.

We continue to advertise in several monthly community newsletters but not on a monthly basis. We only advertise when we have specific events coming up or for Christmas and Easter. As well, special events notices are

sent to the Faith Pages where they are listed for free in both the Sun and the Herald.

Updating the information on our permanent sign is fairly easy to do, but it is better if two people do the update. The sign requires a thorough cleaning at least once every year as the spiders and bugs make quite a mess of the inside where the letters are posted. Volunteers for both activities would be appreciated. Please contact the church office if you can help out.

Submitted by

Paul Bourgeois, Parish Council Communications Liaison

COMMUNITY CONNECTION REPORT

At St. Paul's Anglican Church, we are committed to connecting with our community by organizing and involving in activities where we are able to meet with people and groups in our various communities.

At this year's St. Paul's Anglican Church Community BBQ (which focuses on connecting with the community) we had a very successful event with a good attendance from members of our parish and our immediate community; we missed having the residents of Sundance-on-the-Green (one of our biggest guests) as the information may not have reached them early. Activities were designed to suit all age groups that were at the event and we were able to deliver a fun atmosphere as we have done in previous years.

Our church participates and attends the South of Fish Creek Network (SFCN) Meetings where various social agencies and churches working together to improve and discuss social issues in the South of Fish Creek area of Calgary. Representatives from The Lutheran Church, City of Calgary, YWCA, Alberta Health Services, Calgary Public Library, South Calgary Family Resource Centre, The Food Bank, The Heart of South Calgary Family Centre are some of the groups and organizations at these meetings.

Connecting with our community is a crucial part of our calling as a Parish, and our hope is to continue to develop and deepen our connections in 2020 with various events, activities and programs.

Respectfully Submitted, Muyi Ekomwenrenren

FATHER LACOMBE CENTRE VOLUNTEERS

Father Lacombe Sing-along. Most Fridays throughout the year a group of us go to the Father Lacombe Home and sing with the residents for about an hour. This has been going on for about 35 years, started by Maymai Wilson, Betty Campbell, Norm Pemberton and others. The songs are well known ones, some a bit silly and some hymns. It is a lovely time, the residents, usually fifty or more really appreciate it and we love it. The WE generally are Barb and Lorne Eason, Joanne and Bob Plant, Helen Wheeler, re-

cently Jeff Wray and Kerry Peters. Our musical back up team is super, Renee tinkling the ivories, Jeff, Henry and occasionally Les on guitar we make a very joyful noise and are probably the most popular volunteer group at Father Lacombe.

We jokingly say we are going to sing for the "old folks" but The Eason's are close to ninety and I am no spring chicken, so we could use some reinforcements the younger the better. It does not take much time, it is probably one of the best ministries we have and after singing we go for lunch, what more can you ask for.

Don't worry about the singing bit we can handle it and just spending time with the residents is great. If you want to help, please do and it would be good if we could go more often or to more places.

Additionally on the fourth Sunday of the month we have a communion service for the residents, Kathleen Robinson keeps us on schedule and again Barb, Lorne, Joanne, Bob, Doreen, and Kerry do the helping and Norman [usually] helped by Bob, Cyril and Fergus perform the service. Kerry

FELLOWSHIP AND FOOD GROUP 2019

The Groups are 6 – 8 adults, depending on how many people register, who meet monthly to share food and fellowship.

If you would like to meet people in our church family in a casual and relaxed atmosphere, then this is for you!

There were three sessions in 2019 with eleven, nine, and ten couples respectively participating. In the future we will be having two sessions a year as summertime seems difficult for people. The first session will begin in February, and the second one in October. To register, contact Doreen Peters or the office.

Respectfully submitted, Doreen Peters.

HOSPITALITY REPORT

This past year in hospitality, was wonderful. There were many events planned: Mothering Sunday, New Members and Parish Potluck, Stampede BBQ, and the Christmas Dinner. These events do not include Coffee time and Baptisms.

The Christmas Dinner was a great success with 130 sign -ups and 124 attendees. All these events had positive feedback from the parish.

Respectfully submitted Angela Richardson

LADIES POTLUCK LUNCHEON

"Ladies Lunch brings ladies together the third Saturday of the month in a fun, casual setting. The result is our simple lunch becomes a feast and former strangers become our friends." (adapted from Ministry Minute by Kathleen Robinson)

The change to the third Saturday of the month seems to have worked remarkably well. So well, that there were 12 luncheons this year! A number of women wanted to meet during the summer months in order to include a picnic lunch at the old St. Paul's Midnapore, tiny church. We even had some history lessons on the church and area from Jake Robinson and Iona Shaw. This might become an annual event!

And 8 dedicated souls met December 21 where they heard the riotous instructions of how to make Spaghetti Sauce, by Kathleen Robinson.

We often have a scripture for our theme to feed our minds and souls while we indulge in food for our bodies. The scripture often is a springboard to share something of ourselves, our life stories. Sometimes, one or two women will prepare to share part of their life story with the group. I believe we are getting to know each other better, love each other better and just enjoy sharing our joys and sorrows better! How marvelous to know you will be accepted and supported, just as you are. **COME AND SEE**.

Respectfully submitted by, Gloria Ford

MAINTENANCE REPORT

This year we had a very busy year for maintenance. We had new furnaces installed; have a new security system; also acquired new benches for outside that we will be installing spring of 2020; had the window repaired in the office; and also found the smell in the woman's bathroom, it was the toilets, we have since removed and installed new wax rings solving the problem.

This year Telus will start to work on the new cell tower. When the furnace was replaced the hot air ductwork that is under the ground feeding the chapel has water in it, leaking from the ground into the ductwork, this is a problem that we will be addressing this year.

Submitted by Gerald de Vries

MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP

Men's Breakfast Group. The third Saturday of the month [except December] St Paul's parish men meet for breakfast at 8:30am. Usually fifteen or so come and enjoy a really good breakfast and even better fellowship and fun. For a number of years now we have had the pleasure of the St Pete's men's group join us and we go to their breakfasts. Our cooks are good and the time spent is very enjoyable and I encourage all who have not been to a breakfast to come, just once and check it out, you will enjoy. We always start the year with a breakfast in honour and love of Len Mountford and we wear our best football [soccer]

togs, those who don't have Liverpool stuff are also very welcome!! You'll Never Walk Alone.

Kerry

NEWCOMERS SUPPORT TEAM REPORT ("NeST")

The Newcomer Support Team (NeST) was a joint venture of the congregations of St. Paul's Anglican, St. Stephen's Anglican, and Cathedral Church of the Redeemer to sponsor a refugee family from Syria. NeST was formed in late 2015 with the support of the Diocesan Refugee Committee and began preparing and fundraising. After a very long wait due to processing delays, the oneyear term of our joint sponsorship agreement with the federal government began with the family's arrival in June of 2017. Since that time the Al Jbawis and their four children have been working hard to build their new life in Canada, with English language learning (ELL) key to that success. Teams of NeST volunteers have worked alongside them to offer support where needed. All four children are doing well in school. Both parents graduated from their ELL program in 2019. Khalil has started pre-trades language classes at SAIT while continuing to work part-time at his restaurant job. Other 2019 highlights were moving to a larger house, and a summer camping trip to the mountains. A deep grief was the loss of their dear friend Simon Evans.

Although NeST's financial commitment officially ended in mid-2018, outstanding health (dental) concerns carried over from that first year. Those were finally resolved in 2019. A generous response to a final fundraising appeal after drawing down the balance on the NeST fund for dental bills left the family with an affordable portion to pay themselves. The NeST fund was closed in 2019 with the direction that any excess funds be sent to the Diocesan Refugee Committee.

NeST's official mandate has ended but friendships will abide. Education/language mentoring visits continue by mutual agreement. An annual picnic celebrating the family's arrival anniversary has become a happy tradition, as have periodic invitations to "the group" of NeST volunteers to gather at their home for a Middle Eastern feast.

The family is very grateful to everyone who has helped them establish a new life here. In fact, they have recently begun to 'pay it forward' by helping another refugee family recently arrived. So if you have any household goods to donate...please email.

"I was a stranger, and you welcomed me..."

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Solem theclines@shaw.ca

NEW MEMBERS 2019

All new members at St. Paul's receive a Welcome email and Gift Bag containing: Welcome gifts, information about our Parish and upcoming events.

From June 24th, 2018 to June 23rd, 2019, St. Paul's has welcomed eleven new families (sixteen adults and thirteen children). Three of these families were welcomed at their children's Baptisms (five children). From June 23rd to year-end we have welcomed four new families (seven adults and three children) to St. Paul's.

All New Members were invited to attend our New Members Celebration on June 23rd, 2019. The celebration took place at both the 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM service. Each family received a Friendship Plant with a Welcome Basil Seed Card and a Membership Certificate to St. Paul's Anglican Church and a group photograph was taken. The Parish Picnic followed the celebration.

In the New Year we have decided to do three small more personal celebrations instead of one large celebration at the year's end. We hope this will give our New Members the opportunity to meet other new members and Parish Council in a more comfortable Meet and Greet setting.

We look forward to celebrating all our New Members and future new members in the coming New Year.

Respectfully Submitted, Julie Wilson New Members, Parish Council

NURSERY MINISTRY

In 2019 this ministry was offered to children not yet old enough for Sunday School every Sunday, excluding the Sundays in the Summer. Many thanks to all who served in this ministry of caring for our young children and their families so faithfully this past year. Others are welcome to join our Nursery Ministry Team. You must have a love of children, be at least 13 years of age, and if possible a baby-sitting course. We welcome Pamela Fleming, who is our new coordinator for this ministry.

OUTREACH REPORT 2019

St. Paul's continues to be blessed with many members committed to working generously on projects that benefit the wider community.

For 2019, St. Paul's continued the practice of designating 10% of general revenue to an Outreach Fund for charitable giving. There were 15 organizations with a mix of local and international focus that were identified to receive from this fund as described in the chart labeled St. Paul's Outreach Fund Donations 2019. In total they shared \$16,551 or 80% of the Outreach Fund.

The remaining 20% of the Outreach Fund wass distributed through the Rector's Discretionary Fund on a confidential basis with half of that portion allocated to Inreach for parishioners in need of financial assistance, and half allocated to Outreach for non-parishioners.

This year the Outreach guest speaker for Reign of Christ Sunday was Cliff from the Pregnancy Care Centre with the

St. Paul's Outreach Fund Donations 2019

PWRDF	International	Primate's World Relief and Development Fund is the Anglican Church of Canada's agency for sustainable development and relief.	\$3,000.00
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Salvation Army - Calgary	Local	Christian organization with a mission to help children and families access basic needs, and help transform communities around the world.	\$1,000.00
Mustard Seed	Provincial	A Christian organization that serves people experiencing poverty and homelessness in Calgary and Edmonton.	\$1,000.00
CUPS Calgary Society	Local	Helps people in Calgary overcome poverty (particularly homeless and those at high risk of homelessness) though health care, education and housing.	\$1,000.00
NeST	Local	Contribution to help offset cost of dental work for mother of our NeST-supported Syrian refugee family.	\$1,551.30
Calgary Pregnancy Care Centre	Local	Support/education for those facing unplanned pregnancies as well as parenting education. Provided 2019 Reign of Christ speaker & Growing Up Digital workshops facilitators.	\$500.00
Samaritan's Purse/Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes	International	Donation intended to cover \$10/box fee for parish & Sunday School participation in shoebox distributions.	\$500.00
St. Edmund's Foodbank /Christmas Hampers	Local	Supports emergency food distribution and Christmas hampers efforts by Calgary NE Anglican parish.	\$500.00
Alzheimer's Society Calgary	Local	Provides insight, education and empowerment to individuals, families and communities impacted by Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.	\$4,000.00
Inn from the Cold	Local	Homeless shelter in Calgary that caters to families by addressing the immediate needs, while also treating the root causes to create long-term solutions.	\$750.00
Prison Fellowship Canada	National	Offers reconciliation and restoration to inmates, ex-offenders, their families and victims using a faith-based approach to transformation.	\$750.00
CAWST	International	CAWST teaches people how to get safe drinking water, sanitation and hygiene in their own homes, using simple, affordable technologies.	\$500.00
Royal Canadian Legion Poppy Fund	Local/National	Supporting Veterans and their families in need.	\$500.00
Calgary Dream Centre	Local	Faith-based recovery organization aims to create transformative impact in the lives of Calgarians by breaking the cycle of addiction and homelessness.	\$500.00
Meals on Wheels	Local	Promotes health, independence and sense of community by providing healthy, affordable meals delivered by a visiting volunteer.	\$500.00

addition of Growing up Digital workshops held after the service.

But that only scratches the surface of the myriad types of outreach that happens in St. Paul's.

As you read reports from other ministries, you will notice a large number of projects that - while not organized by Outreach - certainly exhibit that same spirit of giving and caring for others, primarily outside of our congregation. I have included some of those below, not to try to bring them under the umbrella of Outreach, but rather to honour and applaud those efforts.

While no means an exhaustive list, here are some of the other forms of outreach that happened at St. Paul's in 2019.

Special events:

- Baby Bottle campaign raised \$1,135.25 for Pregnancy Care Centre thanks Laura Anne
- Pancake Supper raised \$245 for Calgary Food Bank thanks Kerry

- Mitten Basket collection three baskets for CUPS Calgary thanks Barbara Jean
- Samaritan's Purse/Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes - more than 40 boxes collected - thanks to Doreen for organizing packing and the Sunday School for very enthusiastic participation
- Produce from Community Garden donated to Calgary Food Bank thanks Kerry

Secret Friends/Ladies Christmas party fund raising for foster child Desti Keweti

Morales Orphanage fundraiser Men's Breakfast in memory of Len Mountford

Hotdogs for Heroes fundraiser for Sunday school and Youth raised \$327 for veterans

Food for Others Sunday collection for Calgary Food Bank when month has fifth Sunday

Participation in Interfaith Clothing Drive

Jacket Racket

Remembrance Day service at Sundance on the Green Alzheimer's Caregiver Workshop - thanks Nicola

Growing Up Digital workshops for teens and parents

Ongoing efforts:

- PWRDF education and awareness thanks to Doreen
- CAWST water filter collection for clean drinking water
- Food collection box for Calgary Food Bank
- Collection of coats etc. for Alpha House thanks Gina
- Calgary Humane Society clothing collection bin in parking lot
- Funding of foster child Desti Keweti by parish council Support of NeST-sponsored Syrian refugee family including tutoring and driving

Father Lacombe Ministries - weekly sing-a-longs and monthly Eucharist

Agecare Seton monthly service

submitted by Kathleen Robinson

PASTORAL CARE TEAM

We now have 6 lay Pastoral Care Team members:- Allison, Kathleen, Linda, Heather, Joan and myself. We were sad to see Gloria & Verna step down; this was due to other commitments which happened during the course of this year. The clergy, Fergus, Cyril, Norman & Bob continue to do visiting, which include, home, hospital and Senior Care facilities, or make a phone call.

We continue to meet once a month, taking a short break over the summer and in December. However, we are still available at these times.

The members continue to read the book called 'Nurturing Hope' by Lynne M. Baab. This is discussed during our meetings and proving to be an interesting book with thought provoking questions.

Approximately 10 Calendars and Christmas cards were given out to people who are immobile and unable to get out.

2 Chemo Care bags were given out this past year. Grief Support Group continued and concluded this year. Four people attended. It will be offered again this coming year.

In conjunction with the Health Care Apostolate Diocese of Calgary, we hosted an Alzheimer workshop on 6th April, 2019. This was very successful. The speaker/presenter from the Alzheimer Society was excellent. Feedback was very positive.

I would like to thank, Laura Anne for her leadership in the Grief Group Support, Fergus for his guidance and all our team members, for their commitment and time in these important and much needed ministries.

Respectfully submitted, Nicola Peden

PRAYER GROUP & PRAYER CHAIN ANNUAL REPORT 2019

IN 2018, Prayer Chain was combined with Prayer Group but operates separately. Prayer Chain members pray for various Prayer Requests , but do not attend Prayer Group .Dinah Breu is the contact for both, although all members can be approached to pass the request on.

St. Paul's Prayer Group marked its' 20th anniversary in November. The main purpose of this group is to pray for the well-being of our parish in every aspect of parish life. We are committed to pray for our spiritual leaders, Fergus, Cyril, Norman and Bob, as well as our Archbishop ,Gregory Kerr-Wilson. continuing to uphold them, their families and their ministries in prayer and for all parishioners in leadership roles in our parish. Our prayers include all those named in the weekly bulletin. We pray for all families in the parish as well. We especially pray for our long time members, Verna Hewitt and Marlene Wright who have not been able to attend due to health concerns. We were saddened at the passing of Betty Campbell, one of the original members of the group. Pat Cardwell and Kathy Marcine continue to pray as part of the group, even though they are not able to attend for health reasons. We are blessed to have Tosan Chigbo join us this past fall.

We pray for one another and for any needs, confidential or otherwise, which have been brought to us.

For our Lenten Reflections this year we used Henri Nouwen's "The Saving Passion" and for our Advent Reflections, Nouwen's "Let The Heavens Be Glad". Both Lent and Advent materials are shared extensively with parish members who have expressed an interest.

Members include:

Dinah Breu, Dan Brisbin, Tosan Chigbo, Gloria Ford, Linda Hubert, Eleanor Klein, Chris Lee, Nicola Peden, Loret MacDonald, Ashton St. Pierre, Jacquie Stoop and The Rev. Fergus Tyson.

Prayer Chain members are: Diane Ablett, Pat Cardwell, Barb Eason, Diana McLeod, Val Murray and Doreen Peters. All members of these ministries are dedicated and are much appreciated for their faithfulness and insight.

Respectfully submitted Dinah Breu Co-ordinator

ANGLICAN FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER 2019

The Anglican Fellowship of Prayer (Canada) exists to encourage and enable the ministry of prayer in Canada. It is inclusive of all forms of expressions of Christian church life, whether they be lay or clerical, catholic or evangelical, monastic or secular, formal or informal. AFP (Canada) seeks to be a teaching resource to assist both individuals

and congregations to grow in the life of prayer. It seeks to increase and strengthen the companionship of Christian prayer throughout the world.

Membership in AFP (Canada) is open to all praying people who are drawn to the organization, and who desire to be part of a growing body of people of prayer. All members will regularly receive news and access to a wide variety of resources, as well as other prayer related items.

Archbishop Greg is a strong supporter of Prayer in the Diocese (Prayer Period!!) and takes part in Diocesan Committee meetings and events. -

This fall, Archbishop Greg was the keynote speaker at a two day Christian Healing Conference at St. Luke's Parish (St. Luke's Day). Two members of our parish attended. A very positive experience.

AFP Resources

"Be alongside your clergy and your parish family. Offer resource material, encourage the value of a personal and corporate prayer life and initiate opportunities for Prayer events in consultation with your clergy."

The above quote comes from AFP Parish Rep. Guidelines. We can all be thankful that we are a praying parish and that we see what the Lord has done for us in answer to our prayers.

There is plenty of resource material available and some of it is already in use in our parish. (for example: all readers and intercessors (those doing Prayers of the People) have been supplied with instructional handbooks; all members of the Prayer Group and Prayer Ministry have been supplied with educational materials on Prayer Ministry, Intercessory Prayer and Pastoral Care and Praying for Your Spiritual Leaders. Material on Teaching Children to Pray and Family Prayer has been put into use in the Sunday School. Materials useful for those on our Pastoral Care Team have also been given out.

Although I have long been retired from the Diocesan Committee, I am in touch as Parish Rep. for St. Paul's and know that they would be more than pleased to increase their numbers if there is anyone who feels called to this ministry.

Respectfully submitted, Dinah Breu Parish Rep Anglican Fellowship of Prayer

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry met on the second Wednesday of each month. We worked on Baptismal squares for the first part of the year but since September we are back to making lap quilts. We are focusing on children's quilts so that we will have some quilts for our younger members. We have quilts and shawls to be handed out so please contact the Parish Office if you know of anyone would like to receive one.

Thank you to Linda Hubert, Heather Johnson, Allison Pierce, Loret MacDonald, Nicola Peden and Joan Barr (who just joined us), for all your help this year.

Respectfully submitted, Laura Anne Fink

SECRET FRIENDS MINISTRY ANNUAL REPORT 2018/2019

St. Paul's Secret Friends Ministry is open to all women of our parish. It is designed to bring the women of our parish closer together through the blessings of a "Secret Friend."

A secret friend will take time to try and get to know their new secret friend. They will lift them up in prayer and bless them with regular correspondence and perhaps a small gift for special occasions, all secretly, of course.

The Secret Friend Ministry begins and ends with the Annual Secret Friend Christmas Party. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend, and at the end of the evening have the option to participate in the upcoming years' Secret Friend Ministry.

December 11, 2018, twenty-five ladies of the Parish attended the annual party. We enjoyed a wonderful potluck dinner, played games and participated in raffles donated by women in our Parish. The proceeds of \$135.00 from the raffle items were donated to St. Paul's sponsored child, Desta Keweti. The evening closed with a gift exchange revealing the previous years twelve Secret Friends, the selection of eleven new Secret Friends for the upcoming year and the presentation of the annual ornament (an angel ornament from Peru) to each lady. All enjoyed great food and fellowship.

December 3, 2019 was the date of our most recent Annual Secret Friend Christmas Party. Twenty-one ladies attended the potluck dinner and ten (we had one lady move) Secret Friends were revealed from the past year. We created a new fundraiser called "Play a game for Desta" where everyone had the opportunity to make a donation to compete in a selection of games. We raised \$160.00 for our sponsored child Desta Keweti. The evening ended with the presentation of the annual ornament (an Ugly Christmas Sweater) and eight ladies became Secret Friends for the upcoming year of 2019/2020.

We look forward to another wonderful year of secret blessings.

Respectfully Submitted, Julie Wilson

SHEPHERDING MINISTRY

The Shepherding Ministry is in the process of being revamped. I want to thank Cyril for coordinating this ministry for so many years. He was instrumental in getting Shepherding started, and in maintaining it literally for decades! We all owe him a great debt of gratitude. In the fall, I took over coordinating this ministry. Robbie Coller offered her invaluable help for two months, and she and I worked through the Parish List and identified potential helpers.

At the start of 2020, the Parish List has continued to be worked through by Laura Anne, and will be worked through by a couple of others who've been associated with the Parish for many years. After this has happened, I shall be approaching people to ask them to participate in this ministry. For clarity's sake, and because we're doing a reset, we're going now to call this St. Paul's Caring Contact Ministry, instead of Shepherding. Carers will be asked to keep in contact with around ten households once a month, via email, phone, or in-person conversations, and to share any pastoral concerns (e.g., if someone has lost their job, or is having surgery) with me. The purpose is to help everyone feel cared for and loved as part of our Parish family. We don't want anyone to "fall through the cracks," and feel that no one knows or cares. If you'd like to be a Carer in the Caring Contact Ministry, please let me know.

Respectfully Submitted by Fergus+ January 15, 2019

STEWARDSHIP

Our stewardship in 2019 I believe has been very good, so thank you. I also appreciate the fine help from Bishop Hambidge. Giving in so many ways is good and it is what we do as Christians. We are giving back from the abundance we have been given by God. Our response to time, treasure, talents and creation requests has been super. Stewardship as we know covers everything we do in our church life, the good things like prayer chains/worship etc, the many ministries, pastoral care, men's, ladies brunches, youth activities and many more. Mundane but essential things like paying the gas bill buying toilet rolls. I was under the impression that our giving per person was going down, however, I think I am wrong we are simply losing parishioners and giving is probably increasing. We tend to focus on money probably too much and in the future I think we should really concentrate more on what we do. Sunday school and Youth programs come to mind and the great effort put in by our leaders, there are many lonely people who would probably appreciate companionship, having someone read a story or sing a song or just plain listen, run a regular coffee/tea get together. These are simple things and not that costly but the effect can be very special. We are entrusted to do God's work in this neck of the woods let's do our best and I think that if we build on our existing programs our congregation may prosper and they will come. Kerry

SUNDAY SCHOOL 2019

An amazing year for our St. Paul's Sunday School has just past with a new year promising to be even greater.

We now have three classes:

Preschool: Ages 3 and 4 Primary Class: K to Grade 3 Junior Class: Grades 4 to 6

After the Children's Talk in the Sanctuary, all children gather is the hall, teaching area where an

Order of Service is followed:

- 1. Light the candle
- 2. Faith Song
- 3. Song of the month (sung at the Triple C Service)
- 4. The Lord's Prayer
- 5. Sharing Circle & Friendship Prayer
- 6. Extinguish the candle

The singing is led by Ingrid Bolton or Kathleen Robinson. We have a boisterous and fun time before splitting off to each class.

Our faithful, awesome teachers, Rick Coller, Stephanie Evans, Angela Richardson and Frances Pike continued teaching January 2019. Then we had more additions to our rosters.

Just as I told our Heavenly Father in November 2018, that I couldn't be the Sunday School Co-ordinator, as Rick Coller thought I was supposed to be - GOD agreed! as I prayed for direction. God told me that I was right. I couldn't do the work. But He **could** and **would** - work through me. I just needed to **Trust** that He was doing a New Thing. But, but, just for a short while, I responded. Yes. God agreed. I was to have a replacement (co-ordinator in training). So God sent along Shannon Colle in March 2019. Shannon had a great desire to teach Sunday School and in particular, she wanted to teach the new Grades 4 to 6 class. Our roster of teachers was growing. Plus, Shannon is our Co-ordinator in training!!! PTL.

We now have Pat L'Ecuyer teaching the Junior Class once a month. And we have assistants. Evelyn Hart is helping in the Preschool and as of the end of 2019, a number of youth have volunteered to teach/assist.

Now, we are praying for more consistent attendance by our young families so that we have more and more children to teach!!! And we are *praying for 2 or more teachers* to make sure that no teacher feels burdened but delights in the opportunity to teach our children.

On Good Friday, the children friendly, Stations of the Cross Service, led by Father Norma Knowles was held at a later time, 4 pm. It was an amazing service. As we continued to each station, Aisling O'Neill played a Taize tune on her flute, which became more and more mesmerizing. Some of the children dressed in costume to follow Jesus' journey to the cross and His death. They heard deep questions from Father Knowles at each station. At the end of the stations, the tomb, in the Chapel, held the body of Jesus. The kids were instructed to "Come and See" the tomb Easter morning. Afterwards, whoever wanted, made Empty Tomb Buns - to be baked Easter Sunday. Fun!

Easter Sunday was our first annual **EASTER EGG HUNT.** The word got out and we had an amazing response. The Youth wanted to help out in the grassy outdoors and there were around 40 kids involved. As they say, "A great time was had by all." And the Risen Lord was honoured.

We decided to call the school year-end Sunday School Picnic, the *FRIENDSHIP FAMILY PICNIC*. Just as church does not stop at St. Paul's during the summer, Sunday School does not stop. Those families who have not gone away during the summer will have a place to come together to worship God, with a Sunday School nurturing friendships and the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ.

In September, the Blessing of Backpacks in the Sanctuary was so successful, we have decided to make it an annual event. Our Foster Child, Desta Keweta, has received a special book made for him, by the Sunday School kids. Shannon is hoping to keep more of an active and regular communication going with Desta and our kids. Operation Christmas Child in November was quite the "operation". With large amounts of donations, packing Sunday involved the Sunday School kids, teachers, youth and innocent bystanders. About 47 shoe boxes in total were packed! And then blessed in the Sanctuary.

Angela Richardson encouraged some Youth to write a Christmas pageant. ChiChi and Amara Chigbo took up the challenge and wrote a most wonderful pageant called "The Christmas Story". The pageant was the sermon on Sunday, December 15. Our Lord, Jesus Christ, was beautifully honoured by our Sunday School and Youth as they told the Story everyone longs to hear.

Respectfully submitted by Your volunteer Sunday School Co-ordinator, Gloria Ford

WORSHIP COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2019

The Worship Committee meets twice yearly to plan for both weekly and special services. Members of this committee represent those ministries necessary to the smooth operation of our services. This report cannot be written without noting the faithfulness of these coordinators and all the members of the groups they represent. Many of them have been involved in one form or another of Worship Ministry for years, and some of them wear two or more hats. The coordinators and their groups were able to cover the Christmas Eve Services and thanks go to all of them for their time and participation.

Our 10 am Sunday Service requires a full complement of people to run smoothly. Every one of these ministries would welcome more participants.

Rev. Fergus Tyson
Robbie Coller
Roxie Hall
- Incumbent
- Altar Guild
- Counters

Debra Brisbin - Envelope Secretary

Roxie Hall - Greeters

Paul Bourgeois - Music Ministry & Soundboard

Dinah Breu

 Prayers of the People & Prayer Ministry

Laura Anne Fink - Readers 8:30 am
Robbie Coller - Readers 10:30 am
Ed Mullaney - Sacramental Assistants

Suzanne Wray - Sidespeople
Karla Manuel - Servers
Gloria Ford - Sunday School

Each of these ministries has submitted an individual report.

COUNTERS OF THE OFFERING

This ministry is shared by two volunteers each week, each pair having the same Sunday each month.
Our helpers involve:

First Sunday of the Month is Rick and Robbie Coller, for the second service it is Pat Cardwell and Roxie Hall, Murray Sykes and Annette Pingot, Cec Sparrow and Ron Huber did the count for the following weeks respectively. When we have a 5 week month, Kerry and Doreen Peters share the honors.

A big thanks to Ella Viray who counted third Sunday of the Month for years.

A Very hearty thanks goes out to these faithful volunteers. If there is anyone who would like to help out please contact me. Thanks.

Respectfully submitted Roxie Hall

GREETERS

Many thanks to the folks who undertake one week per month opportunity to welcome the parishioners, both regular and visitors as they arrive. To cover this task well we have:

Dorothy Ann Bourgeois and Pat Cardwell on the first Sunday of the month; Angela Richardson and Francis Pike handling the second Sunday; Lorne and Barb Eason on the third week; and on the fourth Sunday, Mary-Etta Tutty, Chris Fernando and Roxie Hall are there to greet. The fifth Sundays are willingly handled by Roxie Hall. I could use some help with this and it is only 4 times a year. This concentrated wish to greet, shake a hand and lots of times offer hugs, comes prior to the 10:00 am service. It would be good to have more.

A big thanks to Alison Pierce for all the years she helped with the greeting on the fourth Sunday of the month.

Also, it would be great to have at least one greeter for each week of the 8:30 a.m. service.

Currently I have one greeter, which is Chris Fernando.
If there is anyone who would like to help out please contact me. Thanks

Respectfully submitted Roxie Hall

MUSIC MINISTRY

St. Paul's Music Group provides music and music leadership for our worship services. We lead music throughout the year at the main Sunday service as well as special seasonal services, in particular those held during the Christmas. Lent and Easter seasons.

I continue to be blessed with two capable leaders for our choir – Kathleen Robinson and John McIntyre. Their dedication to this role is greatly appreciated.

It is so nice now to have a full complement of choir members with Jeff Wray joining our male singers in the Fall. We now have three female voices on most Sundays including Kathleen Robinson, Ingrid Bolton and Colleen Eggertson. Our six regular male singers include John McIntyre, Frank Wong, Kerry Peters, Bob Plant, Richard Gray and Jeff Wray. It was great to have Brianna Harvie providing keyboard accompaniment for the 10:00 am service while I was away this past year and joining us to sing at our annual Good Friday Service, our Lessons and Carols Service on the 4th Sunday of Advent and the early Christmas Eve service. I really appreciate Brianna's help from time to time when I'm away.

Along with music selection, I provide keyboard and, on occasion, guitar accompaniment at the 10:00 am Sunday services with Chris Fink joining us on guitar when he is available. Ingrid also provides guitar accompaniment during Communion. Rev. Fergus Tyson leads the 8:30 am Sunday service congregation on guitar. If you are a musician and would like to provide accompaniment at the 8:30 am service or join us at 10:00 am, please speak to me after any Sunday service. Ingrid leads the Sunday School children on guitar each week during Sunday School, and Kathleen leads the children on Ukulele when Ingrid is away.

Maintaining our two music reprint licenses is another responsibility that I have. In addition to ensuring that our annual fees are paid to the licensing organizations, I maintain a database of our weekly music selections so that we can report our usage to these organizations on a regular basis.

This year we formed the "St. Paul's Stringers" with Rev. Fergus, Jeff, Chris, Ingrid and myself on guitar and Kathleen on ukulele. We performed at two Talent shows during the past year and have plans to find more occasions to perform – perhaps a monthly "Coffee House" in the Parish Hall – a fun time with refreshments, entertainment and sing-alongs. Let me know what you think of this idea.

We were very pleased to welcome new ringers to the Handchime group last year. We performed in the Talent Show in May, in the show after the Christmas dinner and between the services the 4th Sunday of Advent. In 2019, we started meeting for practice on the second Sunday of the month in the church after the 10am service. We will continue with this approach, having our first practice of 2020 on Jan. 12. If you are interested in this music ministry, please contact Annette Pingot.

Submitted by Paul Bourgeois, Music Director

PRAYER MINISTRY ANNUAL REPORT 2019

This confidential ministry which began in 2001, takes place every Sunday during and after communion at the 10 AM Service. (We look forward to the day when we can provide this at the earlier service)...

Its' purpose is to provide brief prayer (not counseling) to individuals who desire prayer for themselves or for those close to them—it can be for any concern on a person's heart. As we pray with those who come to us, we give thanks to God that He has made this ministry available in our parish. Each of us "pray-ers" have been deeply touched by this ministry and we give thanks to God that He puts His words in our mouths.

While we wait for those who desire prayer, we pray for all our spiritual leaders, including Archbishop Greg, (that the Lord will use their ministry in a powerful way), for all who are present and for the touch of the Holy Spirit upon all who need to know God's unconditional love in a very real way.

Once more, due to holidays, we were only able to provide Prayer Ministry twice a month during July and August.

As noted elsewhere, we have experienced changes in our group with Maymai Wilson moving away and Pat Cardwell having to step down re health concerns. Both of them have been with our group since it was first formed and were a vital part of the ministry.

This year we have been blessed to welcome Stacy Spoonheim and Tosan Chigbo as members of the Prayer Ministry

Others continuing to take part in this ministry are: Dinah Breu, Dan Brisbin, Gloria Ford, Linda Hubert, Nicola Peden & Loret McDonald.

Participants in this ministry are greatly appreciated. TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS MINISTRY, perhaps to join in, please contact the Rev. Fergus Tyson or Dinah Breu. We would welcome your participation. The main requirements are to have a desire to pray for those who come forward and to maintain confidentiality. Some training materials are provided.

Respectfully submitted, Dinah Breu Co-ordinator

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE REPORT 2019

The Prayers of The People are an expression of God's people gathered around Jesus as their head & Lord. They are joined in Him and with Him, in offering prayer to God through Him, with the world God has created and with the human family on their hearts.

These intercessory prayers focus on God's reconciling, transforming and healing love. The prayers of our Christian Community express our belief that both people and circumstances can be touched and changed through Jesus and the transforming work of the Holy Spirit.

Each Sunday, at the 10AM Service, a number of parishioners take turns being responsible for leading the

Prayers of The people: Dinah Breu, Brian Dean, Doreen Peters, Stacy Spoonheim, and Murray Sykes. Thanks to Keith Daye for stepping up to do the Prayers at the early Christmas Eve Service. Brian joined us this year. All participants in this ministry are very much appreciated.

We have experienced some changes in our numbers this year. We are without three much-loved members of our group. Maymai Wilson moved to North West Calgary to be near her family. Pat Cardwell has had to step down due to health & family concerns and most recently Simon Evans has gone to be with the Lord. Each of them was a longtime member.

We continue to pray for an increase in prayer leaders at the 10AM service and especially to find some parishioners who attend the earlier service who would be interested in doing the Prayers. A very good pamphlet is available on "How To" do the Prayers of the People.(It also includes a section on "How To" be a Reader.) It is much simpler than some may think . You could speak to The Rev. Fergus Tyson or to Dinah Breu.

Respectfully submitted, Dinah Breu Co-ordinator

READERS 8:30 am: Thank you to Denis Broadhurst, Lisa Jablonka, Michael Lawrence, Barbara-Jean Moore, Peter Ramsay, Jennifer Solem, Cam Cline and Janice Young for volunteering to read at the 8:30 am service. Your dedication and support is greatly appreciated.

2019 Readers (10 am service)

We currently have 21 readers and 5 spares in this great group. This past year, our ministry lost Simon Evans who was a faithful reader for many years – we dearly miss his wonderful voice and dedicated service.

On a positive note - we have gained 3 youth readers and 2 adult readers which is wonderful news. Those who dedicate their time to this ministry are; Dinah Breu, Dan and Debra Brisbin, Keith Daye, Colleen Eggertson, Gloria Ford, Andrea Haynes, John Lecuyer, Sofia Manuel, John McIntyre and Rhonda Trundle, Aisling O'Neil, Nicola Peden, Kerry and Doreen Peters, Bob and Joanne Plant, Stacy and Freddy Spoonheim and Murray Sykes. Our alternative readers are Ingrid Bolton, Sheila O'Shea, Jennifer Solem, Mary-Etta Tutty, and Pat Cardwell.

I would like to extend a big thank you to each of these members – your dedication and commitment is very much appreciated.

The time commitment for this ministry is minimal, so if you are interested in becoming part of this group or want more information about this ministry, please contact Robbie Coller.

Respectfully submitted, Robbie Coller

SACRAMENTAL ASSISTANTS:

We have 14 of the most dedicated people serving on our ministry. To all of these I have to say "thank you" for the devotion you have shown.

Thank you and God Bless, Ed Mullaney

SERVERS' REPORT

We currently have 11 young people on our Servers schedule. A schedule is done up on a three month period, with a new schedule out the month before the current schedule ends. Schedules are sent via email. If a server cannot attend their scheduled service time, it is up to them to find a replacement.

Thank you Chiamaka & Amara Chigbo, Osazemen and Osadolor Ekomwenrenren, Aiden & Alastaire Daye, Aisling and Declan O'Neill, Oma Madueke, Frederick Spoonheim, and Sofia Manuel.

Rev. Cyril Haynes will contact individuals directly for any special services when he requires additional servers.

If anyone is interested in becoming a server, please contact Rev. Cyril Haynes.

Submitted by Karla Manuel

SIDESPEOPLE REPORT

Thank you to everyone who volunteers their time to this important ministry.

It is so nice to see smiling faces greeting us as we enter the church for the morning services and having someone to guide new people and ensure the flow of the congregation is smooth during collection and communion time.

We are very fortunate to have such dedicated volunteers - thank you!!

If anyone is interested in joining this group, please speak to me after the service on Sundays or send an email to the office - always happy to have new members.

Respectfully submitted by Suzanne Wray

SOUNDBOARD/AV REPORT

Our team of core sound engineers for our Sunday Services is now down to one (Murray Sykes) as Jeff Wray has joined the choir. Murray does a great job balancing the voice levels of the choir and running the AV presentations on our screens. Doreen Peters, Laura Anne Fink and Suzanne Wray are also able to fill in. Occasionally I find myself pulling "double-duty" with both keyboard accompaniment and soundboard operation duties. Joy Kew and Peter Ramsay operate the soundboard at our 8:30 am services. If

anyone else is interested in joining our soundboard/AV team, please let me know. Operation of the soundboard and AV equipment is not difficult, and training is available.

We also use our recording equipment to record our weekly sermons so that they can be posted on our website. Further, our library of recorded keyboard accompaniment enables us to provide backup for times when no one is available to play keyboard. We hope to continue adding more recorded accompaniment to our library so that we will have a broader selection of recorded music to choose from.

Our weekly AV presentations, either simple PowerPoint slides or slides enhanced with videos, are prepared by Rev. Fergus with the assistance of Laura Anne Fink. Occasionally our worship experience has been enhanced with a selection of music videos before and after our services.

While we had hoped to upgrade the speakers in the hall and Quiet Room in 2019, we were unable to find the time to do so; we still hope to accomplish this in 2020. This should improve the quality and volume of the sound output in both these areas and will make it easier for us to enjoy recorded music at various events held throughout the year in our hall.

Submitted by Paul Bourgeois, Soundboard Coordinator

YOUTH GROUP REPORT

In 2019 changes were made to the Friday youth events with meeting once a month, to better accommodate the youth, and the leaders, schedules. The Sunday youth program continued as usual, and has been very successful. Each youth evening was based on an activity for the night, always followed by snacks and discussion. Teenagers never stop enjoying food!

February we met at the Fink home and enjoyed many games of ping pong and air hockey. Ever tried playing ping pong in the dark with a glow in the dark ball?!! So



much fun was had by everyone in attendance.

Spring break played havoc with our evening. No one was able to come. L But in April we played a rousing game of Hedbanz. So much enjoyment and fulfilling conversations happen when the group is small. We gathered again in May at the church.

We ended the year with a bang in June at Calaway Park. What a great turnout we had and a fun day!! Who doesn't like endless rides? By the end of the day we were all exhausted from such a great day. Pizza and pop was on the agenda for lunch. A great bunch of kids!!!

Joanne Wrigley resigned as youth leader at the end of June 2019. Keith Daye continues as leader of St. Paul's youth.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the leadership at St. Paul's for providing me the opportunity to share God's love with the youth. I truly enjoyed every minute of it, even if it didn't seem like it. lol To all of the young people, thank you for touching my life in such a special way. I wish you all the best wherever God leads your life. I will always remember the good times. Joanne

YOUTH MINISTRY December 2019 ONWARDS

It is very exciting to see our youth making commitments to help teach/assist in the Sunday School classes. In November, they hosted the "Hotdogs For Heros" event, which raised more than \$300 for war veteran families. They were instrumental in making the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes campaign a great success. And during November, Chiamaka and Amara Chigbo, wrote and started directing our Christmas pageant called, "The Christmas Story". The pageant, presented by the Youth and Sunday School, was the sermon on Sunday, December 15.

A new format for Youth Ministry on Sundays is starting in 2020. The **vision for 2020** is Youth involved in a teaching program First and Third Sundays or helping in the Sunday School. For the Second, Fourth and Fifth Sundays, Youth remain in the sanctuary to be part of the congregation.

Starting February 2, the Alpha Youth Course will begin for 14 sessions every First and Third Sunday. There will be at least 2 groups, one for Junior High and one for Senior High. At the end of the series, our Youth Sunday School will discuss topical questions based on the Bible readings for that Sunday.

We will be re-charging the Triple C Service which occurs the Fourth Sunday. The importance of our Youth being in our service will be emphasized at the Triple C Service. Youth and their family will be encourged to especially participate in the various roles of service: eg., Servers, Sidespersons, Soundboard, Readers, Music Ministry, Greeters, Prayer Leaders, Administrants. (Training will be provided, if necessary, so that everyone feels comfortable in their roles.) During the Triple C Service, one family per month will be honoured as Bearers of the elements to the altar and have first choice of their roles of service.

Respectfully submitted by, Gloria Ford



Missional Footprint Report

The Bishop and Diocese of Calgary tasked parishes in 2019 with conducting self-evaluation to build an effective strategy to move each parish "forward in its call to have an impact for Christ in the local community."

A simple way to express that is to look at how we live the love of God beyond the walls of St. Paul's. The term Missional Footprint is a measure of the outward impact that a church has, using as a framework Christ's commands in both Matthew 25 ("Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.") and Matthew 28 ("Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.")

We were challenged to try to inventory our existing Footprint, get to know our community and pray about these issues, and then finally use this information to make future plans.

The St. Paul's Missional Footprint Survey, which was distributed by email on May 30, was the first step in gathering information about missional footprint work our members are already doing, both with programs initiated by St. Paul's, and any volunteer or missional work by members that is not initiated to St. Paul's.

We received 68 responses and it was wondrous to see how giving St. Paul's members are of their time and energy in such a broad range of ways (and no doubt the survey responses only scratched the surface in recording that generosity.)

The results were published in Living Waters and used in the next step of the process, which was to prepare answers for the Diocesan report about what

St. Paul's is doing to respond to Christ's commands in Matthew 25 & 28, accessing needs, and thinking about the impact we are having.

The final step was to plan for the future - both to have an impact in the community and communicate the basics of the Christian faith.

The report was challenging in that it demanded that parish council be very specific in choosing only two programs to target for special attention in the final Mission Plan.

Parish Council approved the Mission Plan in December and the final eight-page report was submitted to the Diocese. All that work boiled down to the Mission Plan below.

Our Mission Plan: We recognize God's call for us to both share His love with acts of love and caring for the vulnerable (Matthew 25), and to share His Word and communicate our faith (Matthew 28). We will continue financial contributions to local charities and causes. We will celebrate the wide array of ways our congregation, and individual members already serve our community. We will also educate and invigorate our members to expand our engagement with the wider community, both welcoming others into our church, and going out into the community to serve. Specifically, working with the South of Fish Creek Interfaith group, we will provide members with more opportunities to serve. We will also expand our Alpha program as a way educate our members to be confident in their faith and share it with others. In these ways, we commit to purposefully expanding our Missional Footprint in our local community.

— submitted by Kathleen Robinson on behalf of Parish Council



PARISH STATISTICS OF INTEREST - 2018

Average Sunday Attendance (not including Easter & Christmas)	2018 109	2019 100
Average Mid-Week Attendance	10	10
Total Attendance at Special Services (Easter Vigil/Easter & Christmas Eve/Day)	618	672

Baptisms: 7

Avery Alexis Skiffington, Rowan William Burr, Sophia Maria Stoop, Stephen Gerald Snow, Theodore Grant Huettmeyer

Confirmation: 0 7

Alastaire Daye, Kai Bolton, Abuoma Chiedozie-Madueke, Chiamaka Chigbo, Amarachukwu Chigbo, Osayemen Ekomwenrenren, Aisling O'Neill

Weddings: 3

Maria Fredette & Kelly Brooke; Hannah Asselin & Josiah Goodbrand; Katie De Schutter & Gordon Flach; Eva Boda & David O'Brien; Nancy Randall & Daryn Page

Funerals: 9 8

Jane Sandul, Anne Meiring, Peter Meiring, Betty Campbell, Bonnie Cross, John Brisbin, Simon Evans, and Nina Robinson,





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