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2011 Annual Report

For we are God's servants,
working together.

1 Corinthians 3:9



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A Worship Service

Celebrating the Ministry We Do Together

Call to Worship

Inspired by Micah 4:2 and Luke 1:79

One: Come, let us go up to the house of God.

All: **God will teach us God's ways.
And we will walk in God's paths.**

One: Come, let us draw near to God.

All: **Even as God draws near to us,
gives hope to those who walk in despair,
grants courage to those who walk in fear
and guides our feet into the way of peace.**

Source: KAIROS: Ecumenical Peace Service, 2008,
www.kairoscanada.org



Opening Prayer

Holy God, our lives are so often measured and ruled by time. There never seems to be enough of it to accomplish the many things we want to do. As the world rushes past, help us to still our minds so that we might recognize holy, *kairos* moments. Draw us near at these times, Lord. Open our hearts to your presence. Show us your path, so that we might go and serve as we have been called to do.

Amen.

Hymns

Take time to be holy	638
Teach me O Lord your way of truth	80
Will you come and follow me	634
Those who wait on the Lord	662
God, whose giving knows no ending	663

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2

Benediction

Go now, into a world that is full of holy, *kairos* moments, and know that God is with you.

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you always.

Amen.



St. Andrew's Mission Statement

The Mission of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church is to glorify God and to share in the spreading of the good news of Jesus Christ under the guidance of the Holy Spirit; to be a faithful, enthusiastic and caring Christian community which seeks to involve all of its people in its ministry; and, through Christ-centered worship, education and programs, to meet the needs of people with the love of God in Jesus Christ.

A VISION FOR ST. ANDREW'S

"St. Andrew's is a vital growing Church, embracing change and discovery as it seeks opportunities to serve God."

(Adopted 1995)

A Vision for Mission for St. Andrew's

"The Church exists by mission just as fire exists by burning" – Emil Brunner

St. Andrew's is an intentional missional congregation in which mission is core to our purpose and identity. Consequently, we promote mission involvement in some way for everyone. Our involvement in mission is life-giving to us, giving vitality to our congregation, as we invest our lives in the lives of others for their sake. As we serve others in mission we know that we are serving God.

Mission for us is our response to Christ's call to love our neighbour. We "walk the talk": desiring to make a difference in our world and working to effect change where there is need. We apply ourselves in a way that is relevant to the need we see and by being generous in our response. Being motivated by our hope in Christ, part of our intention is to impart hope to those we help. Our mission work is visible to the wider community. They will appreciate what we are doing and why we are doing it. In this way our mission work will be a witness to Christ.

Values

As we seek to accomplish our goals, we express these values:

- **Education:** We intentionally work to nurture the faith of our St. Andrew's participants to strengthen their discipleship through every involvement in mission. We help them grow in their awareness of the issues behind the need and help them to understand the situation from a faith perspective.
- **Justice:** We address both the need (through acts of compassion) and also the causes of the need (through concern for justice).
- **Diversity:** We have a balance of mission involvements, such as local and global hands-on and advocacy, by fundraising and direct involvement, etc.
- **Meaningfulness:** We recognize and respect the gifts, strengths and passions of individuals desiring to be involved in mission, and connect them to projects that will be most meaningful to them. It is our desire that a person's mission involvement be enthusiastic.
- **Inclusivity:** We plan mission involvement in such a way to include the involvement of youth and whole families.
- **Partnerships:** When appropriate and possible, St. Andrew's acts in partnership with others.
- **Process:** The process of doing mission is as important as what we do in mission. We seek to create and strengthen relationships, foster team building among participants, be respectful of the culture of those we are helping, ensure that long-term support will continue after our involvement is ended, and that our contributions enhance the abilities of those we help and not replace them.

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Officers and Leaders 2011

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Officers and Leaders 2011

THE SESSION: Moderators: Rev. Dr. Peter Coutts, Rev. Janice Hazlett
Clerk: Jim Hope-Ross

Caroline Bain
 Merrill Blenman
 Ed Braun
 Elaine Cantlon
 Audrey Cole
 Judie Coleman
 Ann Conquergood**
 Sylvia Cummer**
 Debby Dorcas
 Randy Evans
 Brent Forcade
 Dolly Forcade
 Alex Grant
 Linda Haines
 Norman Haines
 John Hazlett

Valerie Hall
 Jim Hope-Ross
 Ron Horwood
 Neil Jamieson**
 Bill Judd
 Lynn Judd
 Barbara Kearnes**
 Sheila Kirkland
 Don Koch
 Marlene LaMontagne
 Pat Lomheim**
 Steve MacDonnell
 Kevin MacFarlane
 Hugh McFadzean
 Tom McIntyre
 Loran McVittie

Cathy Millar
 Craig Murray
 Inge Murray
 Christine Pepper
 David Platt
 Brenda Pudwell
 Janet Ridsdale
 Joan Rowe
 Mark Rowe
 Jean Sadler
 Annette Shaw
 Jean Spotowski
 Ineke Stewart
 Rhonda Wishart
 Arlene Young
 Muriel Young

** Resigned during the year

Elders Emeritus

Elders within the Congregation not in Session in 2011:

Jim Adams	Harry Eisenhauer	Bill McAuley
Eleanor Art	Ruth Eisenhauer	Willy Merchant (deceased Dec 25)
Bob Barclay	Paul Elliott	Elizabeth Munnoch
Brian Boonstra	John Flack	Rob Pollard
Ron Budd	Cathie Huber	Gail Prevost
Jim Christie	Wally Hunter	Duane Tritter
Ann Conquergood	Ed James	Pat Tritter
Donna Cornea	Neil Jamieson	Jim Watt
Sylvia Cummer	Morley Johnson	John Young
Shirley Davidson	Barbara Kearnes	Terry Zimmer
Joan Davies	Isabel Lidster	
Elly de Nooij	Pat Lomheim	

Our District Visitors who are not Session members

Shirley Allen	Joan Davies*	Wilfred Kangong	Anita Szott
Eleanor Art	Elva Ellergodt*	Fran Koenders*	Kathleen Tomie
Frank Breisch	Maureen Flack	Donna Kordich*	Phyllis Wolf
Les Champ*	Cathie Huber*	Dan Mullan	Terry Zimmer
Linda Crawford	Lesley Hubler	Mary Anne Quesnel	

*Resigned during the year

Director of Youth Ministry
Office Team Coordinator
Administrative Assistant
Maintenance Manager
Custodian
Nursery Caregiver
Envelope Secretaries

Sunday School Envelope Secretary
Director of Music/Organist
Leader, Musical Friends
Leader, Angels in the Infield

Leader, Youth In Harmony
Leader, Sounds of Joy

Ben Kroeker
Annika Koch
Dolly Forcade
Brad Chalmers
Oscar Salguero
Lindsay Judd
Dave Senior
Rob Pollard
Ineke Stewart
Cody Obst
Debby Dorcas
Nicola Cameron*
Elizabeth Kangong(Sept 2011)
Debby Dorcas
Debby Dorcas

* Resigned during the year

Congregational Statistics

<u>THE FAMILIES</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
Number of families associated	440	450
<u>THE MEMBERSHIP</u>		
Communicant Membership January 1	564	571
Added to the Roll	- by Profession of Faith	26 0
	- by Certificate of Transfer	2 27
	- by Resolution of Session	1 3
		29 30
Removed from the Roll	- by Death	10 9
	- by Certificate of Transfer	4 0
	- by Resolution of Session	3 0
	- own request (new category)	5 2
		22 11
Communicant Membership December 31	571	590
<u>BAPTISMS</u>		
	- Children	8 8
	- Adult	2 1
		10 9
<u>MARRIAGES</u>		
	- Members	1 1
	- Adherents	0 2
	- Other	4 2
		5 5
<u>FUNERALS</u>		
	- Members	11 7
	- Adherents	4 5
	- Other	3 2
		18 14

In Memoriam

The following members and adherents of our congregation were called to higher service during 2011

<p><i>Gladys Louise Bates</i> <i>Isabel Barber</i> <i>The Rev. J. Karl English</i> <i>Mary "May" Cummings Kilpatrick</i> <i>John "Jack" Carson Kilpatrick</i> <i>Martha "Betty" Elizabeth Leitch</i></p>	<p><i>Kirsten "Kay" Margrethe Mansbridge</i> <i>Wilhelmina "Willy" Johanna Merchant</i> <i>Anne Miller</i> <i>Beatrice Margaret Pirie</i> <i>Robert John Revoy</i> <i>Kathleen Elaine Roebuck</i> <i>John Skwirut</i> <i>Pearl Irene Terry</i></p>
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"Blessed are they which die in the Lord from henceforth; You, saith the spirit, that they may rest from their labours and their works do follow them."

In 2011, Memorial Donations were received in memory of the following people.

*Betty Amery
Ken Cole
Debbie & Percy Dutton
Bruce Davidson
The Rev J. Karl English
Mary & Orly Fuson
Gladys Greer
Ruth Grant
George Law*

*Bill Mogridge
Anne Miller
Charles Ogilvie
Margaret Pleskie
Roy Smith
Jason Tritter
Flora & Harry Taylor
Charlotte Weston
Ruth Young*

THE MEMORIAL FUND exists to provide an opportunity for people to make monetary gifts to the Church in memory of friends or relatives without having to specify how the money is to be used.

The Session is responsible for deciding how the money will be spent. In general, the money is used for special items for the Church or Church School. Gifts are deposited in a separate account.

Donations to this fund may be made by contacting the Church office, the Ministers, the Elders or the local funeral homes.

*Respectfully submitted,
Alex Grant*

Ministers' Message to the Congregation

***I thank God all the time, constantly praying with joy for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the One who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ.
(from Paul's letter to the Philippians 1:3-6)***

The following pages bear witness that 2011 has been a busy year as we continue the journey in faith together as St. Andrew's and point to the truth of God's continuing activity in our midst. We have been blessed, blessed by the presence, participation and contribution of all people associated with our congregation. With the spiritual gifts, with the hands on labour, with the contributions to the work of the church, with the love and service of many we have been able to care for the building and grounds, to visit homes, to provide programs, and to reach out to people in our congregation and beyond our walls. We are so thankful for each and every one of our people and to all who have contributed to God's work in this place.

A major change this year was our amalgamation with Trinity Presbyterian Church. We all became St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church together and named our fellowship hall downstairs Trinity Hall. We have expanded our mission, fellowship and service opportunities to include many from both congregations as we became one. As a congregation we now hold funds and are keepers of a vision for ministry south of Fish Creek.

We also have been impacted by changes in our neighbourhood. With the move of the YMCA from its building adjacent to our parking lot, Session appointed an Impact Team to consider the impact of this change on our parking situation, now and in the future. See the report in these pages.

We also tried out a new format for the annual Congregational Meeting, integrating it in a service of worship. Together we celebrated God's faithfulness over our past and as we made decision for our future. The congregational soup and bread lunch that followed was enjoyed by all.

Other firsts this year included an emergency evacuation drill, held as we continue to work to ensure a climate of safety for all using our Leading with Care Policy and participation in an ecumenical lunch and conversation during the week of prayer for Christian Unity.

Worship, whether Sunday mornings or special services, continues to be a highlight for our community. Together in faith and hope we continue to celebrate lives of our people. We are blessed by the continuing presence of the Sudanese congregation sharing our building. We have also been enlivened by our association with the YMCA LINC program.

Recognizing that this has been but one more step on our journey of faith, we will continue to build on the foundations so carefully laid by those who have gone on before us. We look forward with anticipation to the work that God will continue among us and through us in this next year and beyond.

JOIN US FOR OUR INTEGRATED CELEBRATION SERVICE AND CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AT THE COMBINED SERVICE ON FEBRUARY 12 AT 10:00 A.M. TO BE FOLLOWED BY A LIGHT LUNCH FOR ALL IN TRINITY HALL.

REV. JAN HAZLETT AND REV. PETER COUTTS

Minutes of Annual Congregational Meeting

Attendance

183 people gathered in the sanctuary of the church on Sunday, February 13, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. for worship and the 104th annual congregational meeting.

Constitution

The Rev. Jan Hazlett and the Rev. Dr. Peter Coutts acted as Co-Moderators of the meeting. Everyone was welcomed to the meeting and procedures were briefly explained.

Adoption of the Agenda and Appointment of Secretary

Moved by Ted Cantlon, seconded by Audrey Cole, that the order of worship as printed in the bulletin would serve as the a order of business for the meeting and that Jim Hope-Ross be appointed as Secretary for the meeting. CARRIED

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Call to Worship

We were called to worship through the responsive reading of a portion of Psalm 100.

Hymn

We sang Hymn 555: "Worship the Lord".

Prayer

A Prayer of Praise and Invocation was given in celebration of God's faithfulness in all times past, in the past year, and in times yet to come. The prayer closed with the Lord's Prayer, which was given in unison.

WE CELEBRATE OUR PAST

Scripture

John 1:1-5, 10-18 was read.

Minutes of the 103rd Annual Congregational Meeting

Moved by Marg Ormon, seconded by Jean Sadler, that the minutes of the 103rd annual congregational meeting held on February 13, 2010 be adopted. CARRIED

In Memoriam & Prayer

The names of those members and adherents of the congregation who had been called to higher service with the Lord in 2010 were read and we remembered them in prayer.

Adoption of Reports without Recommendations

Moved by Marlene LaMontagne, seconded by Pam Hawco, that the reports without recommendations, be received for information:

- Session and its Teams (pages 11 – 17 of the Annual Report)
- Youth & Children's Ministries (pages 18 – 21 of the Annual Report)
- Adult Ministries & Groups (pages 22 – 23 of the Annual Report)
- Heritage Seniors (pages 24 – 25 of the Annual Report)
- Ladies Guild (pages 25 – 26 of the Annual Report)
- WMS (pages 26 – 27 of the Annual Report)
- Other Adult Activities (pages 27 – 31 of the Annual Report)
- Music Ministry (pages 32 – 34 of the Annual Report).

CARRIED

These reports were highlighted for us through the presentation of a slide show.

Mission Team Highlight

Mark Rowe, on behalf of the Mission Team provided a presentation to highlight the activities undertaken by St. Andrew's in conjunction with Neighbourlink to serve three needy families in our community.

Hymn

We sang Hymn 324 "Great is Thy Faithfulness".

WE CELEBRATE OUR PRESENT

Scripture

Genesis 11: 31-32 & 12: 1- 4 were read.

Children's Time

Ben Kroeker, Director of Youth Ministry, led the children's time in worship.

Overview of 2010 Financial Statements

Dolly Forcade highlighted the 2010 financial statements through the use of slides.

Moved by Dolly Forcade, seconded by Jo-Anne Platt, that the financial statements for 2010 as presented be adopted. CARRIED

Adoption of the Auditor's Report

Moved by Dolly Forcade, seconded by Jim Christie, that the Auditor's Report, found at page 37 of the Annual Report, be adopted. CARRIED

The Giving of Our Offerings

The offerings were received and dedicated through our Prayer of Thanksgiving.

WE CELEBRATE OUR FUTURE

Hymn

We sang Hymn 474 "The Love of God Comes Close".

2011 Budget

The presentation of the 2011 budget was led by Dolly Forcade, once again through the very effective use of slides.

Moved by Dolly Forcade, seconded by Stephen Henrichsen, that the 2011 budget, as presented, be approved. CARRIED

Anthem

The Choir presented the anthem "Jesus Messiah".

The Board of Managers Thanks and Nominations

Moved by Brent Harding, seconded by Audrey Cole, that the following retired members of the Board be thanked for their service: Brad Chalmers, Les Champ, Gordon Forbes, Craig Murray, Noel White, and Dot Todd. CARRIED

Moved by Brent Harding, seconded by Rene Prevost, that the following persons be nominated to the Board of Managers for three year terms: Rob Cameron, Brad Chalmers, Dot Todd, George Amos, Lorne Kelly, and Bob Shaw; and for a one year term: Gordon Forbes. CARRIED

Scripture

Matthew 28: 16-20 was read.

Stewardship & Planning

In the absence of Convener Caroline Bain, Derek Wilkinson provided an outline of the Legacy Trust initiative and indicated that details of the trust would be developed in the coming year and rolled out to the congregation.

Derek also took the opportunity to remind us of the convenience to us and the benefits to the church through the use of the PAR giving program.

We Go Forward as an Amalgamated Congregation

Don Koch, on behalf of the team that helped to accomplish the amalgamation of the Trinity congregation with the St. Andrew's congregation, reported that the amalgamation was being successfully concluded and that all would be welcome to attend a worship service in celebration of the life and work of Trinity to be held in the evening, at 7:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving

The Moderators thanked all those who contributed to the activities in the life of the church over the past year and for the efforts that went into making this meeting a success.

On behalf of the congregation, Jim Hope-Ross thanked the Ministers for their dedication and untiring devotion and leadership in the Lord's service at St. Andrew's over the past year.

WE GO OUT TO WITNESS AND TO SERVE

Hymn

We sang Hymn 648 "I'm Gonna Live so God can Use Me".

Anthem

The Choir sang the closing anthem "Go Now in Peace".

Benediction

Worship and the meeting closed with the pronouncement of the benediction at 12:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Hope-Ross, Clerk of Session, Acting Secretary

Session Highlights

Members of Kirk Session at St. Andrew's are elected for life to the office of Ruling Elder. Those Elders of Session who resign from active service are designated as Elders Emeritus. During 2011, these elders attained the designation of "Elder Emeritus": Ann Conquergood, Sylvia Cummer, Neil Jamieson, Barbara Kearnes and Pat Lomheim. We are sorry to lose these fine people from active participation in the Session teams and governorship of our congregation, however we are grateful for their many years of dedicated service. We are pleased that they remain among us, where they continue to provide their wisdom and support.

We note with sadness, the passing of Willy Merchant, a beloved friend and Elder Emeritus.

There are nine standing teams of Session whose membership comprises both Elders and lay persons. The teams are: Christian Education, Communion & Districts, Congregational Life, Invitation & Welcome, Leading with Care, Mission, Personnel, Stewardship & Planning, and Worship. The Worship team was not staffed during 2011. In addition to these standing teams, Session also receives reports and provides direction to the congregational Pastoral Care team. Also, throughout 2011, Session oversaw the work of the Impact Team, which was created to consider the impacts of the closure of the YMCA's building upon our arrangement with the "Y" for the reciprocal use of our respective parking lots. The reports of the Session teams follow these Session highlights.

Some of the highlights of 2011 are as follows:

- The amalgamation of the Trinity and St. Andrew's congregations was successfully completed. A team was formed to work with the Presbytery of Calgary-Macleod to consider what form(s)

ministry south of Fish Creek might look like. In November, Session held a “day away” to consider some of the alternatives.

- Christian Education continued to thrive under its strong leadership and its staff support from Director of Youth Ministry, Ben Kroeker. Lindsay Judd was hired to staff the Nursery with notable success.
- Invitation & Welcome continued responsibility for the welcome of newcomers and the Men's Fellowship Breakfasts.
- Mission continued to provide leadership for a wide variety of worthwhile initiatives. These included continuation of work with Inn from the Cold, work with our Neighbourlink families and the No Crib for a Bed appeal, support for the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, support for the Veterans' Food Bank on Remembrance Day, the Poinsettia sales in support of the Doorway ministry, and many, many others. Trinity's foster child was “adopted” and two foster children are now under St. Andrew's sponsorship. Also, Trinity's second-Sunday-Foodbank initiative continues.
- Personnel attracted Lindsay Judd to fill the staff position in the Nursery, where Lindsay has excelled as a leadership resource for the nursery volunteers as well as a knowledgeable and well-loved care giver for the infants.
- The work of Stewardship & Planning to create a legacy trust endowment fund continues.
- Session received a visit from the Visitation Team of Presbytery in the Spring. Presbytery conducts periodic visits to its congregations to provide an objective assessment as to how the congregation is doing on a number of criteria. A report from the Presbytery team was received and reviewed. Generally, St. Andrew's was perceived as being a well-run, successful congregation. Some suggestions for improvement were provided. The chief of these was the need to better understand the pressures placed upon our Ministerial staff in the operation of such a large and dynamic church family. This remains a very important challenge for Session.

Following each month's Session Meeting, News from the Pews and the Sunday bulletins provide the highlights of the meeting. Your interest and feedback is desired and encouraged. Please continue to welcome your Elders and District Visitors into your lives and make your spiritual and pastoral needs known to us so that we may better serve you according to God's bidding.

*Respectfully submitted,
Jim Hope-Ross, Clerk of Session*

Session Teams

Christian Education

The CE Team is charged with the task of providing guidance and active support to the life-long Christian Education within the congregation. Within the Team's responsibility is the operation of the Nursery, all levels of Church School, all Youth events and programming, Adult Education including Alpha & Adult Bible Study, Summer Church School, Vacation Bible School and the child, youth and adult libraries. CE oversees special interest groups such as the Reading & Reflection and Coffee & Conversation groups as well as certain special events including ADVENTure, the annual Spring Fun Day, the presentation of gifts to graduating Grade 6 & 12 youth and the annual Teacher/Leader Appreciation Event. The CE Team selects the recipient of the Ogilvie Family Annual Scholarship which commenced in 2011.

In terms of Church School curriculum, Young Children & Worship saw its eleventh year at St. Andrew's for the younger children. In 2011, children from age 3 to Grade 5 attended church school in a multi-aged grouping with the YC@W program being used at 9:30 and “One Room School” curriculum being used at 11:15. Inge Murray continued as the Coordinator of Church School for this age group throughout 2011. Junior & Sr. High was taught at 9:30 utilizing “Faith in Motion” curriculum for Grades 6-12, for the first half of 2011 and a change in curriculum to “Faith Alive”, an online curriculum for the second half of the year. Pop Up High fellowship for all the youth continued between services in the Upper Room. Alfred MacRae was the Coordinator of the Jr./Sr. High Church School during the first half of 2011 and Jennifer and Bart Stolee assumed the role in Sept. 2011.

In terms of Youth Ministry, Ben Kroeker who was hired in the summer of 2010, continued on through 2011. We continue to have a connected group of teens meeting at the church on Friday nights, changing their name from Say Wham to Surge in late 2011. Bible Study took place on Wednesday nights throughout the first half of the year. Much fundraising by way of cookie sales and bottle drives commenced in the fall of 2011 with a view to raising sufficient funds to send our youth to CY2012 in the summer of 2012.

In 2011, our Nursery Coordinator was Anna Braun for the early part of the year after which the role was assumed by Stephanie Werle. We finally had the good fortune of being in the position to hire a staff person for the nursery to ease the burden of trying to find regular volunteers and to provide continuity to our little ones. Lindsay Judd filled this position commencing in mid 2011 and this has been a wonderful asset to St. Andrew's. A Newsletter "Splash" for families of nursery aged children was continued as an additional way of connecting families to St. Andrew's.

Judie Coleman assumed the role of Adult Library Coordinator after the retirement of Sue Hall. The CE Team plans and organizes the annual presentation of gifts to our graduating Grade 6 and 12 students – 9 from Grade 6 and 6 from Grade 12 in 2011 were presented with gifts. In addition, CE organized the annual Teacher/Leader Appreciation event, the annual Spring Fun Day and the informal family celebration of ADVENTure at Christmas, which had record attendance in 2011. Carl Murray was awarded the first Ogilvie Family Scholarship.

Two groups under the guidance of Rev. Jan Hazlett were back by popular demand in 2011, Reading and Reflection and Coffee & Conversation. Our Mission funds for 2011 were directed to the Church School's Foster Child, the Food Grain's Program and the PWS&D Sunday School Challenge "Supporting Farmers in Pakistan".

The CE Team can only accomplish the work it is called to do by the continuing response of members of the congregation to serve in teaching & leadership roles. We are very appreciative of all who assist in the work of Christian Education at St. Andrew's. More detailed reports of the various groups overseen by the CE Team can be found in other sections of this Annual Report.

*Respectfully submitted,
Rhonda Wishart, Convenor*

Communion and Districts

We give grateful thanks to all those Elders who respond so readily when requested to help serve Communion and who help with preparation of the Communion ware for next Services. Regular Communion Services are held on the first Sunday of March, June, October, and December as well as on Christmas Eve and the evening of Maundy Thursday. In addition, we assist with providing Communion for the Sudanese Community who worship at St. Andrew's on Sunday afternoons.

We also thank God for the dedication of those Elders and District Visitors who keep in contact with the hundreds of Members and Adherents who are part of our congregation. Allotment of each individual to an Elder's/Visitor's District is competently organized by Sheila Kirkland, who has carried out this onerous task for several years. She and Ineke Stewart, with the generous assistance of the Office staff, keep our Official Rolls in order so they can be reviewed annually by Presbytery. We always pass with flying colors.

Thank you to Sylvia Cummer, who served on our Committee (the last three years as Chair) until she retired from the Session of St. Andrew's this past year. We will miss her capable and efficient help in the continuing work of our Committee in bringing Glory to our Lord, Jesus Christ.

*Respectfully submitted,
Marlene LaMontagne, Convenor*

Congregational Life

Congregational Life Team has had another busy year providing social and fellowship opportunities for members of our congregation.

This fall, Roger Cole accepted the position of Convenor of this team, allowing Rev. Jan to step down from the position of acting convenor.

Team members over the year have been: Desiree Henrichsen, Dot Todd, Roger and Audrey Cole, Val Hall, Muriel Young and Rev. Jan Hazlett and Annika Koch.

Over the years activities have included:

- The Burns Supper held on January 15. Thanks to all who contributed to this successful evening.
- This year we completed production of a new photo directory. Although at the end of 2010 we thought we had completed the photography we reconsidered early in 2011 when the congregations of St. Andrew's and Trinity Presbyterian churches amalgamated. Provision was made for members and adherents from Trinity to include their photographs in the directory. This meant that the project took longer and completion of the directories took longer than anticipated. We appreciate the participation of so many of our people that have made this directory as complete as possible. Special thanks to Don Koch who helped co-ordinate this effort and the members of the team who contributed significant time and effort to make this happen.
- In response to the Session's direction Congregational Life Team has organized more informal opportunities for people to get together. Over the year these less formal events included a pot luck dinner on Saturday June 4 and a Grey cup dinner on November 19.
- The Annual Stampede Breakfast took place on July 10. This year the team took on the organization and cooking for this meal. This allowed us to be more flexible and we could invite people until the last minute. We were pushed to the limit of our resources when we fed over 200 people, more than double the number who purchased tickets in advance. All were fed, and a good time was had at this event. We appreciate the many hands that contributed to the success of this event.
- Working with other teams on the congregational Food Grains Bank Dinner. Thank you to Loran McVittie for his organizational effort.
- The Team again organized the "ADVENTure" supper December 3. The simple dinner was enjoyed by over 100 people.
- Sincere thanks and appreciation go to all who volunteered their help in events and projects over the year. And special thanks to the small but committed group of volunteers who make up the Congregational Life Team—without their ideas and hard work, the above mentioned events would not have been the success they were.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Jan Hazlett Past acting Convenor &
Roger Cole present Convenor.*

Invitation and Welcome

We continue to assist to provide an inviting atmosphere for all who are new to St. Andrew's as well as long time members.

The Men's Fellowship, under the leadership of Don Koch and his team, hold monthly breakfast meetings for all men of our congregation. Invitations are extended to the ladies to some of their breakfasts. A separate report is included prepared by Don Koch.

A New Comers Connect social was held at which many former members of Trinity attended. Information packets were prepared for all.

Holy Week Services cards were printed listing all the special Holy Week Services. These were dropped in several communities surrounding St. Andrew's. They were also available for elders/visitors to give to members in their district. Crosses were again displayed during Holy Week.

Canadian Foodgrains Fundraiser Dinner was well received and our team assisted with the setup and decorations.

Ladies Guild Bazaar – we made and served hot apple cider in the Foyer, which was well received by visitors and members. Bookmarks were prepared indicating all our Christmas Services and events were also given out to all as they entered. The bookmarks were available for elders/visitors to give to members and also placed on the Welcome Desk.

Again, thank you to ALL MEMBERS of St. Andrew's for being diligent in keeping an eye on visitors and recent members, and making them feel welcome. Do invite them for coffee and encourage them to become active in some of our activities.

*Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor Art, Convenor*

The Impact Team

“WHERE TO PARK”

When it became clear that St. Andrew's would face challenges in having enough parking space with the closure of the YMCA as of December 31/2010, at its January meeting the Session of St. Andrew's created an Impact Team. The Team's purpose was to find a way to replace 32 parking spaces lost in the close down of the Y who had been our neighbours and our friends since 1964. Our Church sold the Y land to create parking space and Volleyball, Basketball courts in 1967.

The City of Calgary intends to see all the old Y property become a Transit Oriented Development, or TOD. It permits elimination of a lot of parking space to be used in high rise condominiums or mid-rise housing or office structures and the like. We learned a lot in 2011. We learned a TOD plan had been created to dramatically change our environment as early as 2006 but we were not aware of that. We learned the Y would only sell their land to the City and not to us. We learned we could not be part of TOD planning unless we wanted to be part of a costly development process.

We learned that we needed 32 parking spaces at a cost of \$18,000 per space. It was suggested we buy two to three homes next to our alleyway and tear them down to turn into parking. The cost of each one of those would be at least \$650,000....not an acceptable move forward.

At the end of 2011 and having met and discussed our concerns with the area Alderman and others we decided to create a small change to permit our Team to be known as the Impact Vision Team to explore a wider framework of options.

The Team including Mark Row, Bob Sadler, John Hazlett, Cathy Millar, David Platt, Jim Hope-Ross, Jan Hazlett and Peter Coutts were outstanding. We have a new Team to help us cope with these issues in 2012. They include Bob Sadler, Mark Rowe, Brent Harding, Gordon Forbes, Tom McIntyre, Peter Coutts, and Jan Hazlett.

We have a lot to do and it must be done in 2012. The core issue is resolving parking matters.

*Respectfully submitted,
Norman Haines, Chairman*

Leading with Care

Team Members: Muriel Young, Rob Cameron, Jan Hazlett

The Leading with Care Team continues to act to reduce risk here at St. Andrew's and to provide a safe environment for all, including our most vulnerable. We act in compliance with the Presbyterian Church in Canada's leading with Care Policy and in co-operation with the direction of the Pastoral Effectiveness Committee of the Presbytery of Calgary Macleod.

Over the year our activities have included:

- Providing training and support for leaders
- Ensuring required Police Information Checks are completed for all who take part in ministries with children, youth and vulnerable adults.
- With the help of the office staff, keeping records of ministry position descriptions, covenants and reference checks.
- Updating of Forms and continuing update of Police Records Checks
- Conducting regular facility checks (at least twice annually) and requesting and overseeing changes where necessary.
- Reviewing critical incident reports and taking action needed
- Reviewing procedures and revising as necessary.
- Continue recruit, schedule and train Sunday morning Shepherds to monitor the building during worship times, offering support for the nursery, Sunday School leaders, being aware of guests who enter the building but don't enter the Worship service, offer help to those who leave the worship service early, and are prepared and familiar with protocol to offer leadership in case of emergency. Special thanks to Craig Murray who has taken over scheduling of the Shepherds.

Fire Drill during worship: In compliance with the Presbytery mandate "*That all congregations conduct an evacuation fire drill during a morning worship service between September 15 and June 30, 2011 and report the date of this fire drill to the Clerk of Presbytery.*" Emergency evacuations were held during worship at both worship services on June 19. The evacuations were achieved quickly with complete evacuation of the sanctuary in under 2 minutes and the building evacuated, checked and all people congregated at the rally point in under 5 minutes. The shepherds were well prepared and facilitated the evacuation and the nursing ministry provided back up support for those who could not walk to the rally point and in case of medical emergency.

I would like to thank the members of the Team for their on-going work to ensure St. Andrew's is a safe place for all people.

*Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Jan Hazlett*

Mission

This has been another busy year for the Mission Team. As an intentionally Missional Congregation, mission is core to our purpose and identity. The mission team is tasked with highlighting and educating about mission as well as planning, promoting and co-ordinating projects to provide opportunities for involvement in mission in some way for everyone.

We acknowledge and thank all of the enthusiastic team members for their time and dedication to Mission at St. Andrew's; Joan and Mark Rowe, Emma and Tom McIntyre, Cathy Millar, Reverend Jan, Rhona Cowx, Annette Shaw, Loran McVittie, Bill Judd and Annika Koch.

Our projects this year included:

Inn From the Cold: We continued our involvement every fifth Sunday in a month at Southwood United Church. Without the many who contribute their time and efforts, this ministry would not be possible. Thank you to Cathy Millar who continues to coordinate this.

Veteran's Food Bank: Again on Remembrance Day we had a drive for the Veterans Food Bank. Many boxes of food and over \$900 was collected for this cause.

No Crib for a Bed: As our Advent project we again participated in No Crib for a Bed, that provides cribs and essential baby items like diapers and formula for families in need. The Congregation gave generously so that representatives from NeighbourLink picked up two cribs and supplies like diapers, baby wipes, lotions, food, clothing blankets and money for those in need in our community.

Our Families: Continued association with families we befriended through NeighbourLink's All Roads Lead Home. Although the program no longer exists, the friendships with two of our families continue, a big thank

you to Mark and Joan Rowe who continue to co-ordinate this, but thank you also to the many that are involved in the offering of support when needed.

Regal Catalogue Sales This Mission fundraiser continued in 2011. Monies raised through sales go to support hands on Mission. Thank you to Val Hall for her time and effort in this project.

Mission Awareness Boards: In the lounge we have a Mission Wall, to increase awareness in our congregation of local and global issues and mission initiatives of the congregation. Thank you to all who have contributed, special thanks to Annette Shaw for her ongoing work on these.

The Doorway: This year we again sold Poinsettias in support of the Doorway – a charity that focuses on integrating “street youth” back into mainstream society through education and wise decision making. Our thanks goes once again to Rhona Cowx for organizing this.

Healing and Reconciliation: Over the years we continue to raise awareness of the need for Healing and reconciliation with our aboriginal neighbours in the wake of our past participation in Residential Schools. Annette Shaw works behind the scenes to educate, raise awareness and find opportunities for us to participate in this essential ministry.

And New Initiatives this Year:

Acadia Place: We have begun an association with Acadia place with thanks to Bill Judd as our liaison. Acadia Place - a 58-unit apartment complex in southeast Calgary, where families at risk of or experiencing homelessness are rehoused with support. This is a joint project of KAIROS Calgary and the Calgary Homeless Foundation (CHF). KAIROS Calgary represents 10 Christian denominations and about 130 churches and CHF oversees implementation of the 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness in Calgary. **Together, their goal is to:** raise \$1.5 million toward the mortgage on Acadia Place to provide lower rents for those most in need, and engage volunteers in building projects and tenant support. In October, a group from St. Andrew's built a badly needed fence along the Macleod Trail side of the property to increase safety for the residents.

Community Kitchen: After much planning our first Community Kitchen organizational meeting was held in November, under the direction of Gwynneth Gourley. Community kitchens give people the opportunity to get together to share the cost, planning and preparation of healthy meals. Members usually meet twice a month, once to plan four or five entrées and to organize the purchase of food, and once to prepare the meals. This is a good support for families, and we hope once established will be a good outreach to our community and Acadia Place.

Chicken Dinner in support of Canadian Foodgrains Bank: Although our support of Canadian Foodgrains Bank through PWS&D is not new, the chicken dinner was new for St. Andrew's. We thank Loran McVittie for conceiving of this project and orchestrating the involvement of most of our congregation. This event raised awareness of the work of the Food Grains Bank as well as capping our fundraising campaign. Over \$6,000 was raised, which with the 4 to 1 match of the Canadian Government provided a total of \$30,000 for relief of hunger around the globe.

Second Sunday is Food Bank Donation Day: The mission team was happy to continue monthly collection of food for the Food Bank that was a habit of the Trinity congregation. So the second Sunday of each month is our designated day for collection of donations for the Food Bank. Thank you to Tom and Emma McIntyre for coordinating this effort.

Other Activities: The Mission team discussed and submitted an on-line response to the PCC-Mission: Possible questionnaire, which was circulated nationally to each congregation for individual group input. The intent was for PCC to collect information in order to discern, define and articulate a Vision and Mission Statement for the national church as mandated by the General Assembly.

*Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Jan Hazlett for the Mission Team*

Personnel

The Personnel Team provides support to the congregation and the ministers by providing oversight and advice on all personnel matters concerning church staff. The team is made up of members from Session, the Board of Managers and the congregation at large. One new member, Bob Shaw, was added to the team this year and represents the Board. The balance of the membership is made up of Ann Conquergood, Craig Murray and Steve MacDonnell, all from Session, and Rob Beatt from the congregation at large. Peter Coutts continues his caring assistance and guidance to the team.

Early in the year, with support of the Christian Education Team, we were successful in adding Lindsay Judd to the church staff in the new part-time position of Nursery Caregiver. Brad Chalmers, our former church caretaker, was brought back on a part-time basis as Maintenance Manager.

Besides responding to staffing requirements, annual performance reviews of the seven non-clergy staff are carried out and budgetary salary figures are developed and presented to the Board and Session. The team also maintains personnel policies and procedures and consults with other Presbyterian churches concerning personnel functions and issues.

*Respectfully submitted,
Steve MacDonnell, Convenor*

Stewardship and Planning

Stewardship and Planning's main focus this year has been establishing the St. Andrews Legacy Trust Fund. This is an endowment fund that will help support the work of our church. The fund capital will be invested and the interest used to support three areas of church life – our facility, our mission and our worship. This is truly a gift that keeps on giving!! There are many different ways to support this project and more information will be coming in the near future.

*Respectfully submitted,
Caroline Bain, Convenor*

Youth & Children's Ministries

Director of Youth Ministry

Introduction.

Well it's been another year. When you do youth ministry, it's hard to think of a year in terms of January to January. A year in the life of a High schooler goes from September to June, with a nice two month break. And those seem to be the lenses that I view a year through. Our group looks differently in September than it did in June, and I'll get into that shortly. But I'd like to start by highlighting some of the events that transpired over the last year.

Highlights

- 1) The Missions trip to Mexico - A number of our students and parents headed down to Mexico in April to build a few homes. This trip allowed our students to gain a wider perspective of how others in our world are living.
- 2) The May Lock in – This event went off flawlessly. We were all very tired but we had a great time playing games and watching movies. We even had a talk about pursuing Holiness rather than just the bare minimum in our faith.
- 3) The 1st rally of Legacy Youth Conference @ Ambrose – We were led in worship by Ambrose's talented band.
- 4) A backpacking trip to Kananaskis – There were three of us that logged about 30Km on the trail in two days. We hit the trail hard!
- 5) A very exciting fall retreat – The Hilarious Randy Carter spent the weekend discussing with us why having a faith community is so important.

Changes

The start of this school year saw some changes to our group. The first was the name of the group. In the last year end review, I had mentioned that we were looking into the possibility of moving away from acronym driven names and moving toward a title that communicated an idea. After some discussion this summer, we revealed in September that the new name for the group is Surge Student Ministries. The idea behind the word Surge comes from Matthew 11:12 which says, "From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven has been forcefully advancing, and forceful men lay hold of it." One of the ways in which a surge can take shape is in the form of a Tsunami. It's this power forward movement that is continuously growing. That's the Kingdom of God and that's what we want to be a part of. This is our Mission Statement "Surge Student Ministries is a group of students from grades 6-12 who are passionate about joining the movement of God's kingdom. We desire to grow in understanding of how Jesus' life impacts our lives. We want to move with the Holy Spirit to bring the truth of God's redemption to the world around us. We aim to join in the advancing Kingdom movement."

Something that I kept hearing over the past year and a half was how disgruntled the students were with the colour of the Upper Room. We wanted something that was livelier and more youthful. So with the approval of the board of managers we settled on a new colour for the room and will be painting that very shortly.

Looking to the Future

One of the things that we've been trying to get started again is the "Pop up high" program which takes place in between the Sunday services. Our hope is that this will be a time for new and younger students to make strong connections within our group.

We're still trying to work on our music program. We had some really promising jam sessions over the summer. What we are looking for now is an appropriate venue to start introducing music to the group since we've shifted our efforts from the Wednesday night study to Pop Up High.

A big goal for us this year is to send as many students as we can down to CY 2012 which takes place in St. Catherine's Ontario. This is not a cheap endeavour but we believe it is a valuable one. I want to thank you for supporting us thus far and thank you in advance for your continued support. We'll be putting on more fundraising events throughout the year. And you can always count on the Perpetual Bottle drive. Any time you are headed to the Church, please bring your returnables and leave them in the office.

As the excitement of this year closes, we look forward to what God has in store for us in 2012! Thank you for your support and your prayers for the Youth of St Andrew's.

*Respectfully submitted,
Ben Kroeker, Director of Youth Ministry*

Cradle Roll Department

On our register for the year 2011, we have 3 new members.
Birthday cards were sent out to 16 of our children, 3 years of age and younger.

*Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Elspeth McFadzean, Cradle Roll Secretary*

Nursery

Early in the year, I, Stephanie Werle, took over the role as Nursery Coordinator, while Anna Braun has taken on the Co-Coordinator role.

This year, our St. Andrew's Nursery saw significant changes, in the hiring of a weekly Nursery Caregiver. In February, Lindsay Judd was hired for this position. She works in the nursery every week during both the 09:30 and 11:15 services to ensure there is consistent, quality care for our littlest members. This initiative has been very successful, as we have seen an increase in our weekly attendance and have also now seen children in the nursery during the 11:15 service. Lindsay, who is First Aid Certified, has brought new ideas and done an excellent job of organizing the nursery to make it a fun, efficient and friendly environment for our children. The consistency of having Lindsay there every week is reassuring for both the little ones and their parents, who are now able to attend service on a more regular basis.

Finding volunteers is an area in which we continue to struggle. We are very appreciative of everyone who has given of their time this year to allow our parents a needed break, providing them an opportunity to participate in worship. In an effort to add to our volunteer roster, we held an Open House early this year in addition to a couple of Volunteer Sign Up days, which brought in a few new volunteers. Although Lindsay is working in the nursery each week, we have many small ones, requiring a second pair of helping hands, to ensure safe and quality care. These volunteers are considered 'stand-by' volunteers who can be released to attend service if their help is not required.

In the New Year, we are looking forward to the creation of a new mural in the nursery by both Lindsay and Sherri Coutts. We are very grateful for their contribution to enhancing our nursery space.

*Respectfully submitted,
Stephanie Werle, Coordinator*

Church School

Pre-school and Elementary Departments

Many leaders and helpers continued to offer their gifts in leading, teaching and assisting the younger children of St. Andrew's church school. We thank Rev. Jan Hazlett for her leadership and support to the leaders and helpers.

Curriculum:

At 9:15 the Young Children and Worship program by Sonja Stewart and Jerome Berryman was used for children aged 3 to grade 5. The grade 6 students joined the youth for the "up high" program.

At 11:15 the One Room Sunday School Curriculum was used for children aged 3 to grade 6 and some grade 7 students continued to be part of this group.

During the summer the One Room Sunday School curriculum was used and members of the Christian Education (CE) Team and volunteers from the congregation led these lessons.

Communion has become part of the curriculum for the children in grades 4, 5 & 6. Rev. Peter Coutts provided instruction and discussion within the regular church school class time on Sunday November 20, 2011 and the children were invited to attend Communion on December 4, 2011.

Mission:

St. Andrew's Church school made 3 blankets to send to the 3 families in Mexico that the 2011 Mexico Mission Team built houses for.

Kathleen Tomie and Lois Kerslake provided an informative lesson on the work of our Church in Mission.

The Children were involved in making posters for the Foodgrains Bank project.

Celebrations:

The annual spring fun day had 12 children attend. The morning consisted of making crafts, watching a puppet show presented by some of the St Andrew's youth and lots of fun was had with the parachute games.

The elementary church school participated in a palm procession at the beginning of the Palm Sunday service.

There were nine grade 6 students who received annotated bibles from the CE Team.

The church school leaders and helpers were invited to an informal "leader appreciation coffee" in between services that was catered by the CE team. We thank the CE team for organizing the gathering and the Sounds of Joy Choir for their singing.

An end of school year celebration with ice-cream sundaes was held at the beginning of June for all the church school children.

Many children and their families participated in the Advent ADVENTure where lovely Christmas crafts were created and the "Sounds of Joy" and "Musical Friends" choirs presented a musical to round off the evening.

The Christmas Pageant involved many of the younger children of St. Andrew's Church School.

There was no end of year celebration planned this year as both Christmas and New Years day were on a Sunday and there was no church school on those Sundays.

Fire Drill:

The children practiced a fire drill together with the congregation this year.

On behalf of St. Andrew's I would like to thank all the leaders and helpers for using their gifts in ministry and sharing their faith with the young people of St. Andrew's.

*Respectfully submitted,
Inge Murray, Pre-School and Elementary Church School Coordinator*

PRE-SCHOOL/ELEMENTARY TEACHERS

Pre-school and Elementary Coordinator..... Inge Murray
Registrar..... Audrey Cole
Resource Coordinator..... Inge Murray
Church School Envelope Secretary.....Ineke Stewart

Leaders and helpers

Lucy Aburto (Sept - Dec)
Marianne Attridge (Jan-Dec)
Aileen Braun (Jan-Dec)
Audrey Cole (Jan-Dec)
Desiree Henrichsen (Jan-Dec)
Leslie Hubler (Jan-Dec)
Carolyn Jerrard (Jan-Jun)
Lorna Kearnes (Jan-Dec)

Tammy Laryea-Adjei (Sept-Dec)
Jane MacDonnell (Jan-Dec)
Usha Mohan (Jan-Dec)
Inge Murray (Jan-Dec)
Lauren Platt (Sept-Dec)
Linda Ripley (Jan-Dec)
Annette Shaw (Jan-Jun)
Stephanie Werle (Sept-Dec)
Rhonda Wishart (Jan-Dec)

Junior & Senior High Church School

The "Up High" Class meets in the "Upper Room" during the 9:30 worship service on Sunday mornings. This year the class includes youth in grades 6 to 12 with the group often being split for discussions into older and younger groups. Special thanks to Jennifer Stolee for agreeing to co-ordinate the teachers and the lessons.

Until June, the group continued to use the curriculum series "Faith in Motion" that deals with topics that integrate faith and everyday life. With the rapid change in culture and in our society, this curriculum although good is now a little dated. After looking through what was available, a new online curriculum was chosen, is Live Curriculum from Simply Youth Ministry. It is a discussion based curriculum.

There is a regular attendance of 8-10 youth who enjoy their time together. On behalf of St. Andrew's I would like to thank all the leaders for using their gifts in ministry, for sharing their faith, for their dedication, and commitment to our youth.

Leaders

Tajali Hall (Jan - June)
Lynn MacRae (Jan - June)
Alfred MacRae (Jan - June)
Jennifer Stolee (Jan - Dec)
Bart Stolee (Jan - Dec)
Mary Jane Curran (Jan - Dec)
Christine Pepper (Sept - Dec)
Yvonne Kangong (Sept - Dec)
Carl Murray (Sept - Dec)
Simon Feigs (Sept - Dec)

*Respectfully submitted by
Rev. Jan Hazlett for the Jr. Sr. High Group*

Resource Coordinator

The Resource Coordinator maintains the supplies needed by the church school. The main responsibilities of the Resource Coordinator are to order church school curriculum and to keep the supply cupboard stocked with craft supplies.

*Respectfully submitted,
Inge Murray*

Adult Ministries & Groups

Adult Study Groups

The adult studies groups met on Sunday mornings, one group at 9:30 am and the other group at 11:15 am. All previous study resources have been catalogued and are available for use.

The Spiritual Reflection study group met at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings and had 20 regular participants. This year the group continued to work through Philip Yancey's bible study and DVD curriculum: "The Jesus I Never Knew". The group started a new study: "End Times" by Paul Stevens. Bill Judd leads the group, and the participants enjoyed the fellowship and opportunity for in-depth discussions around these topics.

The SOS (Students of Scripture) group met at 11:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings and had 5-7 regular participants. This year the group worked through a study by John Ortberg, "If you want to walk on water, you've got to get out of the boat". The group started the Philip Yancey's bible study and DVD curriculum: "The Jesus I Never Knew". Stuart Hall, Lois Kerslake and Val Hall facilitate leading the group discussions. The group enjoyed coming together in fellowship and study of God's word.

*Respectfully submitted,
Inge Murray*

Coffee and Conversation

This year, our 'coffee and conversation' group has continued to meet on Tuesday mornings. The group numbers about a dozen (usually women) who meet to discuss scripture, faith and life. We begin our morning, gathering at 9:30 for tea/coffee and a light snack provided by members of the group. At 10 we begin an intentional conversation about faith that most often I lead. Over the year we have finished John Bell's book "10 Things they never told me about Jesus" and moved into a study of the Holy Spirit and Spiritual gifts this fall. Together we ask questions and explore what living our faith can mean for us and for this community. We close with prayer for each other, our community and our global community. The group is always open to new participants.

*Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Jan Hazlett*

Alpha

Alpha is a course that looks at basic Christian beliefs originally intended for new people to the Church, it is also helpful to those who have been long time church members. It causes us to look critically at our faith, coming to see our faith anew, it is also a great way to develop new friendships in the church. It is a program that is used by Christians around the world in almost every denomination. In Calgary there are many churches that offer the program.

We offer two different ALPHA courses, which we refer to as Alpha I and Alpha II.

The **Alpha I** course is entitled "Questions of Life" it encourages people to examine and to discuss their faith and share their ideas with others.

The **Alpha II** course is a different series of videos, a study based on Paul's letter to the Philippians, entitled "A Life Worth Living", it focuses on our daily approach to living our Christian faith.

At St. Andrew's, we have offered Alpha courses since January 2001. Our courses are held in the Lower Hall on Wednesday nights, beginning with snacks, beverages and fellowship at 6:30pm. We then move to a time

of devotions about 7:00 p.m. followed by a video on an aspect of the Christian faith by Rev. Nicky Gumble, a very engaging and humorous speaker. After the video we break into groups to discuss our thoughts on the subject of the evening. An integral part of the course is a weekend retreat that has usually been held at St. Andrew's.

Both Alpha courses run for 12 weeks, including the Introductory Dinner and Celebration Dinner. In 2012 we start on January 18th and also mid September is anticipated for starting in the fall. Every June we also try to get all former Alpha alumni together for an indoor barbecue of fun and fellowship. This event is usually well attended.

Coupled with Alpha we have Small Groups. These are Bible Study groups that meet for study and discussion (also on Wednesday evenings). Most of these people have taken Alpha courses and want to continue to study and grow in their Christian faith. It is not required to have been on an Alpha course to attend. Some of these people also enjoy the opportunity for fellowship and devotions with the Alpha groups. The Alpha Team is pleased to have these Small Groups as an integral part of the Wednesday program.

Many people from both inside and outside St. Andrew's have enjoyed the Alpha program. It serves both to bring new people to the faith and also helps support existing members who would like to develop and challenge their Christian faith and enhance their relationship with Jesus and other Christians.

To register for courses, or obtain further information please phone the church office 403-255-0001, Randy Evans 403-257-5300 or Rhona Cowx 403-640-4119.

*Respectfully submitted,
Rhona Cowx*

Flower Calendar

WHAT IS THE STORY BEHIND THE FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH?

Flowers are used to symbolize many occasions in the church. Most often, they are used to cheer our lives during difficult times; but also enhance the Easter and Christmas seasons. Sometimes, they are used to say thank you to people or to celebrate occasions such as special anniversaries and birthdays.

HOW ARE THE FLOWERS USED IN THE CHURCH?

During each Sunday service the flowers are placed at the front of the sanctuary. In addition, the Sunday bulletin will identify the name(s) of those who purchased the flowers and for what occasion, if desired.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

In the lounge there is a Flower Calendar. Print your name beside the appropriate date when to place flowers in the sanctuary. Below the calendar is a form to fill out to indicate your wishes regarding whether you will take the flowers home or if you would like them given to someone else. Leave the completed form in the office.

HOW MUCH DO THE FLOWERS COST?

The flowers are purchased at a cost of \$30.00 per arrangement. Cheques are made payable to "St. Andrew's Church with flowers on the memo line". If you wish to purchase the flowers from another florist, please notify the church office.

MAY I JUST MAKE A DONATION?

As an alternative, individuals can make a donation to the St. Andrew's Church Memorial Fund. A special silk bouquet will be used for these Sundays.

MAY I TAKE THE FLOWERS HOME AFTER THE SERVICE?

Yes, just advise the church office of your intentions.

WHAT HAPPENS TO THE FLOWERS IF I DON'T TAKE THEM HOME?

The flowers will be delivered to the individuals who are ill, shut-in, or just need some cheer in their lives.

WHO MAKES THIS ALL HAPPEN?

First and foremost, the individuals who purchase the flowers. The office does the ordering, and the flowers are picked up at the florist and delivered to the church by Olive Schwab. Church elders deliver the flowers after the 11:15 service when required.

*Respectfully submitted,
Dolly Forcade, Administrative Assistant*

Heritage Seniors

Heritage Seniors is a 55+ years from the surrounding district. Our membership is open from 1 September to 31st July. Annual membership is \$15.00 per year.

Club members meet Mondays and Thursday for aerobics and carpet bowling. Other activities are line dancing, music makers, bridge, art classes, walking, golf and card socials. Monthly luncheons and fun days are held once a month. We enjoyed trips to Rosebud, Waterton Park, Stage West and St. Peters Players.

This year at the Christmas lunch, wrapped gifts for young children were donated by the seniors. These gifts were given to Ronald MacDonald House and the Mustard Seed.

Another successful Strawberry Tea was held in May. Through the dedicated efforts of our seniors and friends a wonderful time was had. A picnic was held in June and due to inclement weather it was held in Trinity Hall with games and food.

Donations were made to the Lung Association and the Homeless Foundation. Also a donation is made to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church to cover the cost of expenses such as paper, snow removal, heat and lights.

We express our gratitude to the office staff for their continuing help and guidance with our various needs in operating the Heritage Seniors. Special thanks to the many volunteers of the club who serve on various committees, provide instruction and help in many other ways.

*Respectfully submitted,
John Young, Heritage Seniors President*

Ladies Afternoon Guild

President: Anne Rainbow
Vice-president: Penny Bailey
Secretary: Mary Astle
Treasurer: Marg Forbes
Card Secretary: Olive Schwab
Kitchen: Pam Livingston/ Rita Elliot/ Sheena Barclay

The Ladies Guild meet in the Lounge from 1:30pm to 3:30pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, excluding July, August and November. The Guild is made up of 3 groups: each group takes turns at being responsible for the monthly meetings, funerals and receptions.

Activities

Shannon Gilbert - interior designer with Nu-Way Floors
June wind-up luncheon at Glenmore Inn - 25 people attended
Christmas post Bazaar luncheon held in Lower Hall - 45 attended

Donations and Community Service

Alzheimer Society	\$100.00
Camp Kannawin	\$500.00
CY-12	\$300.00
Mexico Mission	\$300.00
Pregnancy Care	\$300.00
Pres. World Service	\$1000.00
Pres. Record	\$100.00

Church donations

St. Andrew's Board - \$12000.00 - partial payment of Lounge flooring
Hook up of dishwasher in Lounge - \$500.00
Coffee break muffins, fruit and cheese for Presbytery Mtg. at St. Giles. 15 pies donated to Canadian Foodgrains Dinner.

Christmas Donations

Scarves, mitts and hats to Salvation Army
Gingerbread cookies were donated to Care Share Christmas trays. Socks, toiletries, bus tickets to Mustard Seed. Baby knitted products given to "Crib" project.

Bazaar

I'd like to thank all who helped with the Bazaar - bakers, sewers, canners, knitters, team leaders, tea room workers, the Youth group for helping us on the big day and of course the buyers. This is the Church's biggest fund raiser of the year and we'd like you to know that we can successfully pay for the rest of the floor in the Lounge and we can continue to look into furniture ideas to present to the Board because of the effort of these people. Many thanks to Dianne Wilkinson and her team.

A gift of a Children's Bible was given to each child that was baptized. The Guild catered to 10 funeral receptions. 10 dinners were cooked and served at Ronald MacDonald House. Numerous Get Well, Sympathy and Special Birthday cards were sent during the year to members of the congregation.

*Respectfully submitted,
Anne Rainbow, President, Ladies Guild*

Library Committees – Adult, Teen & Children's

We sincerely wish to thank Sue Hall for her many years as coordinator of the Adult Library and Taj Hall for the time and energy she spent on the Youth and Children's Library.

The Adult Library has been located in the Inner Hall for several years. In September, part of the library was moved into the southwest corner of the Lounge to make it more visible and more accessible to the congregation. With the help of many, especially Audrey Cole and Linda Crawford, all the Adult and Youth books have been inventoried, catalogued and carded. There is a 'feature' shelf in the bookcase on the east side of the Lounge which is changed as time permits. Some books have been donated since the library moved into the lounge and several new books have been purchased. The Library data base has been updated to reflect the culled books as well as the recently added books.

Ben Kroeker and some of the youth moved the Youth Library from the Inner Hall to the Youth Lounge to make it more accessible. Several books were culled and all books were catalogued and carded thanks to Audrey, Shelby and Lauren Cole.

The Children's Library in the Christian Education Wing will be organized and catalogued in the new year.

*Respectfully submitted,
Judie Coleman, Librarian*

Men's Fellowship

The St. Andrew's Men's Fellowship evolved from a need identified by Invitation and Welcome Team in 2008 to provide an opportunity for men in our congregation to gather regularly and informally for fellowship.

In 2011 Men's Fellowship meetings were held in Trinity Hall on the fourth Saturday morning of each month from January through May and September through November. At each meeting Fellowship teams took turns preparing a delicious breakfast, followed by a presentation from a guest speaker. We normally conclude with a short devotional. Attendance at our Saturday morning breakfasts in 2011 averaged approximately 37 men. Our guest speakers presented a wide variety of subjects of interest. Speakers and topics in the spring included Dr. Blake Sinclair from "Dentistry for All", Lorne Kelly who spoke about risk management, and Louise Gallagher from the Drop-in and Rehab Centre.

On March 26th, our Fellowship members enjoyed a field trip to Viking Air aircraft production facility at the airport plus a tour of the SATT Aviation Campus. On May 29th, a special breakfast was held at which Fellowship members invited ladies in our congregation to join us for a gourmet breakfast, followed by a very entertaining talk by Bryce Paton, Senior Director Marketing & Communications with the United Way of Calgary.

Terry Hathaway from Calgary Crime Stoppers joined us on September 24th. All present enjoyed a humorous and informative presentation by well known Calgary meteorologist David Spence at the October meeting, and we learned about the outreach of Calgary based "Operation Eyesight" through a presentation by Jennifer Diggins and Glenys Jenkyns who visited us on November 26th. During 2011 we also welcomed men from Trinity Presbyterian Church into our meetings, and invited the Men's club at McDougall United Church to our October 22nd meeting.

Although the primary goal of the St. Andrew's Men's Fellowship is to provide men in our congregation with an opportunity to gather for friendship, we also focused on contributing to the life and work of our church. It is our hope that in 2012 that we can continue to use the energy and the giving hearts of our men in support of the life and work of St. Andrew's.

Thanks to Lloyd Allen, Craig Murray, Rob Pollard, Bob Shaw, and Bob Sadler for participating in a steering committee to recruit speakers, and to schedule and promote the breakfasts. Thank you as well to Clayton Howe for his great efforts at publicizing each breakfast. If you are a St. Andrew's man, young or young-at-heart, please consider joining us at an upcoming Fellowship breakfast. We want to get to know you better!

*Respectfully submitted,
Don Koch, Coordinator*

News From the Pews

This newsletter is published every month, except for July and August with a December/January issue combined, for the congregation of St. Andrew's.

The purpose of this newsletter is for communication, for building up fellowship, by sharing news, pastoral needs, mission initiatives or whatever helps us to be an active church within the community. There are also

requests for help listed allowing members of the congregation to share their God-given talents in areas of need.

Within these guidelines submissions of interesting articles by the congregation are encouraged. There is a letter each month from our minister and associate minister. There is space set aside for our very active Heritage Seniors outlining their fun activities.

This newsletter would not be possible without the tremendous and loyal support of the office staff, the collators and distributors.

*Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Pudwell, Editor*

Pastoral Care Teams

Pastoral Care

*May the knowledge of the love and grace of God sink from my head
down into my heart so that it flows out of my hands, my mouth, my ears,
and my eyes so that this body becomes the body of Christ in the world.*

This prayer reveals one of the most important aspects of pastoral care -- engaging our physical being in the service of caring for others. We do this through our hands as we reach out and touch or refrain from touching, our mouths as we speak or remain silent, our ears as we listen to the voices of those who cry out or speak softly, and our eyes as we see things from the perspective of our faith. The church becomes the body of Christ in the way we care for one another.

There were several presentations this year on the topic of dementia. Our Companion Ministry looked at several ways to offer support to the caregivers in our congregation and in the wider community.

- In January, the Alzheimer's Society of Calgary presented "Boost Your Marvelous Brain" which was designed to give you the knowledge and tools to create your own brain health strategies.
- On April 28 a workshop was held on "Dementia: Caregiving Resources and Supports". The presentation focused on caregiver issues and on available resources in the community. The theme was on prevention of caregiver burnout and burden. We would like to thank Gail Prevost for organizing the January and April events.
- In November a "Pain and Dementia Workshop" focused on undiagnosed and untreated pain which continues to be a significant issue that causes unnecessary suffering for persons with dementia and their family members. Jari-Lynn Eckert-Henry, Nurse Clinician for Alberta Health Services, Acute Pain Services and Parish Nurse for St. Andrew's was the facilitator.

In May and June a group gathered under the leadership of Rev. Jan Hazlett to study the book "Listening for the Soul" by Jean Stairs. The group continued in the fall with "Conversations about Pastoral Care" in regard to visits either as an elder, district visitor or home and shut-in visitor.

The CareNotes located in the Lounge have been restocked several times during the year. This is encouraging and indicates a need is being filled.

Bethany Care has invited St. Andrew's to be a pilot project in the creation of a church-based, volunteer drop-in respite care ministry. Bethany Care will help us design the ministry and help with the training of volunteers. Rev. Peter, Rev. Jan, myself and a small team have begun looking into developing a family respite ministry for family members with dementia in our congregation. Plans are to have it operational by March/April 2012.

Pastoral Care is made up of many teams. Each has a specific task and yet they often overlap. As you read the following reports from each individual team, please be open to ways that you might offer care to others.

*Respectfully submitted,
Judie Coleman, Coordinator*

Bereavement Team

The four members of this team, continue to provide pastoral support to members of the congregation who have lost loved ones. This support comes in many forms : sympathy cards at the time of the loss and on the first anniversary, an initial six to eight week phone call after the funeral and subsequent calls as deemed appropriate and on an " as needed " basis and pertinent information sessions related to dealing with the loss of a loved one.

23 cards marking the first anniversary date were sent out in 2011.

This year we held an information session on May 10, titled " Dealing with loss : A positive Approach." Our guest speaker was Ms. Laurel-Anne Millis from the Rockyview Hospital Grief Support team. Despite extensive advertising, the turn out was disappointing as only 10 people attended, all from our congregation.

In October, Anne Rainbow resigned her position on the team and in her place we welcomed Winn Cole. The remaining team members are : Muriel Young, Elva Ellergodt and Alice Williams.

The 16th annual " Celebration of Life Service ", was held on Monday December 5, 2011 at 7:30pm. This year our guest speaker was Rev. Christine Conkin, Associate Priest at St. Peter's Anglican Church on Elbow Drive. A total of 31 people attended this inspirational service.

The team wishes to acknowledge the following people for their continued support.

Ministers :

Reverend Jan Hazlett for support and guidance

Reverend Peter Coutts for conducting the Celebration of Life Service in Jan's absence

Office Staff :

Annika Koch and Dolly Forcade for wonderful office support and guidance

Celebration of Life Service volunteers :

Ann Davidson for musical support, Rob Cameron for sound board expertise, greeters John Young and Carl Weston and Anne Rainbow for helping with refreshments.

*Respectfully submitted,
Alice M. Williams, Convener*

Care Share

Care Share is one aspect of the Pastoral Care Team Ministry. Volunteers who have "signed-up" are asked to assist during times of unexpected needs – usually meal preparation and/or transportation. These 44 volunteers have given generously of their time and talents over this past year in providing 36 meals and meeting 4 transportation requests. The Christmas cookie plate delivery (to shut-ins and others) by the congregation at large was organized by Lois Kerslake, as part of the Care Share committee, with cookies mainly donated from the Women's Missionary Society.

On behalf of co-coordinators Jean Spotowski and Vanessa Davidson, I would like to extend a very sincere thank you to all who support the Care Share program.

*Respectfully submitted,
Vanessa Davidson, Co-coordinator*

Home and Shut-In Visitation Ministry

The Home & Shut-In Visitation Ministry has seen many changes in the visitors and those being visited this year. We are very grateful to those who have come forward to say that they would be willing to visit a homebound person.

The need for these home visitors is ever increasing as our congregation ages. Our church has a great need for more volunteers who are willing and able to make home visits. We ask that visitors make these very important visits four times per year, though many choose to visit more often. We continue to look for new visitors.

Will you help?

This ministry is intended to provide visitation to those people associated with St. Andrew's who are homebound and who are no longer able to attend services. These are people who want and need to feel connected to their church.

Our present awesome visitors have continued to visit many folks over the past year and their dedication is very much appreciated.

On behalf of the congregation of St. Andrew's – thank you to all the amazing folks who continue to support and to provide care in this most necessary ministry.

*Respectfully submitted,
Gail Prevost, Coordinator
Lee Bridge, Coordinator*

Nursing Health Ministry

The purpose of the Nursing Health Ministry of St Andrew's, is to provide congregational support, in the form of " Nurse on duty " on a Sunday morning, from 10.30am until 11.15am between services, in the small "YWCA office " within the main church office.

During the past year, the Registered Nurses on the team, have provided support in a number of ways. Blood pressure monitoring remains the number one reason for accessing this service.

- Blood pressure monitoring : 99 in 2011
- Nutritional counseling
- Psychological support and encouragement
- Bereavement support
- Questions related to medication metabolism and reactions, diabetic related concerns, cardiovascular disorders and pre and post operative procedures.

In October 2011, Kathleen Tomie, the long time convener of this ministry, resigned after many years of dedicated service. Alice Williams has taken over this role and joins the following members of the team as current Alberta Association of Registered Nurses (AARN) in this Health Ministry.

Anne Greco : Lynn Judd : Jari-Lynn Eckert -Henry : Judy McVittie : Barbara Kearnes
This team has a wide variety of experience and expertise in many areas of nursing care to adequately address congregational health concerns.

*Respectfully submitted,
Alice M. Williams RN BN SCM
Convener*

Prayer Ministry

In the morning, O Lord, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait in expectation. -Psalm 5:3 NIVI

PRAYING AND WAITING - we understand that. It would be wonderful if God blessed us immediately with the answers we're looking for. Most of us realize, however, that prayer is not a snap-your-fingers experience. We're used to praying and not getting an instant response. We're used to waiting. But this statement in one of David's psalms seems to indicate that there's more to prayer than just laying our requests before God and waiting. David has something much more proactive in mind. He's referring here to an attitude that anticipates God's response and intervention. It's an attitude of expectation.

Scripture encourages us to confidently believe that God hears and answers our prayers. That's what David does, despite lots of ups and downs in his life. He prays daily and then eagerly watches to see God's intervention. It may not come in the form he requested or desired at the time, but he anticipates God's response.

As you move forward in your prayer life, learn to pray with expectation. Believe that God wants to do more for you, in you, and through you than you can imagine. You may have been previously disappointed, but don't give up on him. He understands your vulnerabilities, which is why he treasures your faith so greatly. Ask him today to lead you in praying, waiting, and expecting:

O LORD, thank you for hearing me when I pray. Help me to really believe in you when I pray and to anticipate your response. Teach me what it means to wait in expectation. I'm excited about seeing you work for me, in me, and through me.

An excerpt from: *40 Days to Your Best Life*

*Respectfully submitted,
Judie Coleman, Coordinator*

Prayer Chain Ministry

Let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

Hebrews 10:23 NIV

Sometimes we're hit with things that seem too hard to overcome even with strong faith. That's a great time to fall back into the ocean of God's hope. It's the foundation block that faith is built on. Prayer offers us hope and we can offer hope to others by praying for them.

The Prayer Chain's ministry is to seek God in all situations. We pray for God's guidance, support and peace; for healing for those who are ill - physically, mentally or emotionally. We offer praise for blessings in people's lives and for answers to our prayers. A simple prayer asking God to heal, comfort, protect or support someone is adequate. God knows the details of the need.

We ask you to consider becoming a member of the Prayer Chain. Prayers are offered up in the privacy of your own home and at a time that is convenient to you. All prayer requests are confidential. This past year many dedicated women and men received over 100 prayer requests, updates and praise reports either electronically or by telephone.

*Respectfully submitted,
Judie Coleman, Coordinator*

Prayer Shawl Ministry:

Our Prayer Shawl ministry that began in 2008 continues to be a meaningful ministry today. Prayer shawls are knit by women attached to this congregation. As they are knit, the women pray for the person who will receive the shawl and for all who have received shawls. The shawls are kept in the office and given out to those who are experiencing difficult times, such as times of bereavement or illness. They are also given out to those who are experiencing major changes such as welcoming a new baby.

When the shawls are given they are accompanied by a card that includes a verse from Psalm 139 message: "This shawl was made just for you/ To bring comfort/ To know you are loved/ To share in your joy./This shawl is to wrap you up/ When you're cold/ When you're hurting/ When you need to snuggle. /As you wear this shawl, may you feel the warm embrace of our Triune God. /Knitted or crocheted with blessings, love and prayers by Women of St. Andrews."

In addition to shawls, for children stuffed animals have been knit for children in hospital. Many thanks to the women who have knitted, prayed and continue this ministry.

*Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Jan Hazlett*

Spiritual Care Services

At the start of the year Shirley Davidson and Muriel Young continued to visit all Presbyterian patients at Rocky View Hospital. These names were obtained from the list provided by the Hospital. Muriel visited on Tuesdays and Shirley on Fridays. Unfortunately, Shirley encountered some health problems during the year and was not able to carry out the visits on her allotted day.

Towards the year end Judie Coleman joined the Team and carried out her visits on Wednesdays.

If possible, when being admitted to hospital, ensure you are listed as Presbyterian and therefore your name will appear on that list.

*Respectfully submitted,
Muriel Young*

Sound Board

Once again we are indebted to the Sound System Team for their volunteer dedication each Sunday, ensuring that the members of the congregation clearly follow the order of service. These dedicated members are Robert Cameron, Tom Spoering, Craig Murray, Rob Pollard, Ron Quick and Les Champ. Unfortunately Les was not able to complete the year.

Requests for additional sound operators were placed in the Weekly Bulletin. One young lad came forward - Ethan Gourley. His training will be underway at the beginning of the year. The Sound System Team still has room for more members. Contact the church office for details.

*Respectively submitted,
Muriel Young, Coordinator*

Women's Missionary Society

The WMS of St. Andrew's is a dedicated group of 15 regular members and 8 inactive/ associate members. Our purpose within the church is to encourage all to be involved in mission whether it is local or world mission "through prayer, study, service and fellowship". We meet on the first Tuesday of each month (with the exception of July and August) at 1:30 PM in the church lounge.

We learn about mission in a variety of ways. During 2011 we completed the study **Making Connections: Staying Rooted in an Uprooted World** and began our latest study entitled **Making Connections: Ride the Cariboo Trail**. This study is local in nature in that it focuses on the ministry of the Cariboo Presbyterian Church whose responsibilities spread out over a very large area of the interior of British Columbia. In January we were pleased to hear Lara Quarterman, Co-ordinator of the Action Coalition on Human Trafficking and in June Ann Greco, a member of our congregation, shared her experiences as a RN providing assistance in Haiti. At many of our monthly meetings we spend a few minutes learning about current overseas Presbyterian missionaries or ongoing mission projects across the country.

We support mission through our monthly offerings (which are sent to the WMS General Fund and distributed from there for various causes), and we continue to collect our pennies and prayers for the Fellowship of the Least Coin organization (a worldwide organization supporting women's causes). We also continue to collect used postal stamps for the Leprosy Society to sell. This year we decided to help support a medical clinic in the Gaza Strip with individual donations from our members as well as contributions from the church school and from some members of the congregation. Personal hygiene items were collected at our December Christmas meeting and given to the Salvation Army's Pregnancy and Parenting Support group. Extra holiday baking was collected for Care Share for their annual plates of sweets given to those who are confined to their homes.

Knitted and crocheted items made by some WMS members and others continue to be collected and distributed a number of times each year. Pneumonia vests and baby caps are sent on to hospitals where they are needed in Africa and India. Blankets, toques, slippers, mittens and scarves have been donated to the Brenda Stafford Centre. Prayer shawls are provided to those who are in need of emotional support and spiritual uplifting. This year we have introduced two new projects to our members and the congregation – knitted dolls and teddies which will accompany Anne Greco on her next trip to Haiti (Feb. 2012) to give to the children there.

As in the past we assisted by participating and attending the yearly World Day of Prayer service held the first Friday of March. Three members taught a church school class in May with a focus on refugee families returning to their homes. In late May we led the Mission Awareness Sunday service with the much appreciated help of members of the Mission Team, the Mexico Mission Team and the Rev. Jan Hazlett.

Our major new undertaking of 2011 was hosting a Citizenship Court in May. We supplied refreshments (many thanks once again to the congregation for the dozen of cookies donated) and as well were able to have on hand Welcome Bibles for those new Canadians who chose to take one. It was a privilege to witness the new citizens be granted their citizenship and to offer our personal congratulations afterwards.

Fellowship is also an important aspect to the WMS and while we always have time for tea and chat after each of our meetings there are 2 times each year that we strive to make it special. In June we had our wind-up function. This time it took the form of a high tea. What fun we had dressing up and being served tea from silver tea services and enjoying scones with jam and cream on fine china plates. At Christmas we once again invited the ESL students from the YMCA program and their instructors to join us for a time of singing Christmas songs (accompanied by the Rev. Peter Coutts on his guitar), conversation and of course Christmas goodies.

We welcome all who are interested or even just curious to join us.

*Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Tomie, President*

Music Ministry

Angels in the Infield

Angels in the Infield is a choir for children ages 2 to 9 years old. Since I took over from Nicola, we have performed twice singing at both services. We have also taken part in the Annual Christmas Pageant where we invited everyone to join in singing one of our songs. The objective of Angels in the Infield is to build the children's confidence, to serve as God called us to do, and to have fun. We normally practice on Sunday mornings at 10:30 in the Fireside Room so the children learn the meaning of the words which they are singing. Thanks to the parents and grandparents who bring the children to church so faithfully. We pray that God will also touch the hearts of other children to join us in singing and raising voices in praise to Him now and forever.

*Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Kangong*

Youth in Harmony, Sounds of Joy, Musical Friends

2011

Sounds of Joy 🎵 Youth In Harmony 🎵 Musical Friends

We love singing – we love dancing – we love acting – good thing we get to do all three in our musicals! In the spring we presented “**God of This City**”, and during Advent our presentation was called “**Chris-myth Busters**”.

In **God of This City** we were reminded that God is:

*The God of this city, the **light** in this darkness,
the **hope** to the hopeless, the **peace** to the restless.
Light – hope – peace – wonderful gifts, all!*

Chris-myth Busters asked us to:

*Let ev'ry heart prepare room – God has come, God has come to us.
When we consider all God has done for us, preparing room in our hearts
for God is the least – and the most – we can do!*

Youth In Harmony

Harmonizing youthfully in 2011 was **Haylee Thompson**. Haylee, you are a delight to work with and oh-so-talented!

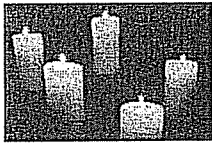
Sounds of Joy

*Sounding joyous in 2011 were **Shona Murray, Shelby Cole, and Lauren Cole.** Shona, Shelby, and Lauren – I love Tuesdays nights, and always look forward to spending time with 3 wonderful and talented young women who bring so much energy, enthusiasm, and spirit to the music ministry at St. Andrew's!*

Musical Friends

*Be-Friending us in 2011 were **Alice Post, Bill Judd, Caroline Bain, David Jefferies, Elaine Cantlon, Gail Prevost, Inge Murray, John Hazlett, Judy Roberts, Lynn Judd, Merrill Blenman, Pat Pollard, Sheri Coutts, Sylvia Cummer.** And Be-Friending behind the scenes were **Audrey Cole, Judy Waldron, Rob Cameron, and Roger Cole.** To ALL our friends – you make me laugh, you make me proud, you make me realize that friends come in all ages and stages of life – and we are so grateful that you take the time to help us sing, dance, and speak God's word.*

**Living our lives for you,
We are living our lives for you,
Shining the light for all the world to see.**



***Singing, dancing, speaking God's word!
If anyone would like to join any of our
choirs, we'd love to have you!***

On a personal note, I'd like to thank each of those involved in all our choirs for enriching my life and the worship of St. Andrew's. Blessed am I! Blessed is St. Andrew's!!

Respectfully submitted,
Debby Dorcas

ANNUAL REPORT 2011 ADDITIONS

Reading and Reflection

Once a month a group of people meet for discussion of faith and culture using books as a starting point. The books chosen range from explicitly spiritual in focus to current literature, fiction to non-fiction, and fantasy to biography. The group is open to everyone, and each month is a new mix of regular, occasional and new participants. Over 2011 books included **The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society**, **28 stories of AIDS in Africa**, **The Bishop's Man**, **The Tipping Point**, **Hope Will Find You**, **The Memory Keeper's Daughter** and **I shall Not Hate**. Discussions have been lively and as diverse in content as the issues covered in the books. Although I lead many of the discussions, when this is not possible, different members of the group are called on and capably lead the discussions. The group of 18-20 is open to male and female, but the experience of the group is that there are few men who participate.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Jan Hazlett (group leader)*

Music Ministry

I have always believed that in order to have a vibrant, thriving church music program you need to have a wide variety of music, involving many people from the congregation and community, and performed at the highest calibre possible. I hope that you all feel 2011 was no exception.

Duke Ellington said "every man prays in his own language." What Ellington was referring to was his love of jazz and how it was prayer for him. He was saying that any kind of music can be to God's glory if it is done with the right intent. (You may know Duke Ellington's series of concerts in the late sixties and early seventies. The Sacred Music Concerts" were full-length jazz masses performed in church and remain well loved to this day.) At St. Andrew's we worship God with many different musical genres to try to give everyone that magical moment where they experience or understand God a bit better. In 2011 the choir engaged the congregation in worship using traditional hymn melodies, modern praise songs, gospel, celtic, jazz, Classical music, country and spirituals. We prayed to god in many musical languages!

Here are some of the highlights of 2011:

- January 16th – The *Master's Singers* joined us in a musical worship service. The sixty or so men sang six anthems led by the estimable Muriel Wiebe.
- March 27th – We sang *Mozart's Ave Verum Corpus* and *Laudate Dominum* with soprano, Michèle Cusson, in a traditional service of classics.
- April 10th – *Mike Gardner* added an improvised soprano saxophone part to the anthem *Deep Peace* by Bill Douglas. In thanks, St. Andrew's was able to give a scholarship to a promising music student at Central Memorial High School!
- April 22nd (Good Friday) – The concluding piece of the service involved Cody conducting using a full-length staff and the choir recessing singing the anthem, *Even the Heavens are Weeping*. The song concluded with a natural fade-out when the choir marched out of the Sanctuary and right out the front door until the music faded away completely. Rob Maciak played snare drum, and David Holoboff played piano.
- April 24th (Easter) – Once again we had a celebration with *brass quintet*, organ, and choir.
- May 8th – Youth in Harmony and Sounds of Joy treated the congregation with the musical, *God of this City*.
- July 10th (Stampede Sunday) – *Barb Olorenshaw (fiddle)* and *Penni Sanborn (accordion)* made sure everyone's toes were tapping both during the service and at the pancake breakfast.
- September 11th – John Hazlett's rendition of *What Do I Know of Holy?* was a truly moving and thought provoking moment in this worship service.
- October 2nd – *Flautists, Lucie Jones* and principal flute player of the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra, *Sara Hahn*, joined the choir in two anthems: Simple Gifts and Shepherd King. We finished these services with a new favourite: *Draw the Circle Wide* with the entire congregation joining hands and singing together!
- October 23rd – The Men's Quartet led worship this day, singing a Gaither favourite: *The Longer I Serve Him*.
- November 6th (Remembrance Sunday) – The choir joined forces with *Knox Presbyterian Church Choir* and *Paul Gindlay* to present the *John Rutter Requiem* with chamber orchestra including: flute, oboe, cello, harp, organ, glockenspiel, and timpani. Young, *Declan Todd* played Amazing Grace on the bagpipes. And *Peter Waldron* gave the traditional Remembrance Day Reveille and Last Post on trumpet.
- November 9th (ProArts @ Noon) – The same Remembrance Sunday Requiem was presented as part of the *ProArts @ Noon concert series* at the Anglican Cathedral Church of the Redeemer. St. Andrew's was able to outreach to an audience of about 200 who showed up to enjoy the amazing sounds of music in a cathedral acoustic.
- November 27th (Advent I) – The *Quarter Notes Handbell Ensemble* joined us again to begin our look toward Christmas.

- December 4th (Advent II/Communion) – Members of the congregation joined the choir to sing the mass piece *Hope for Resolution*. This creative piece combined a 13th century chant with and African freedom song, sung the day Nelson Mandela was released from prison. Choir member, Jim Crane, played flute and soprano saxophone; Rob Maciak played congas and marimba; and Colleen Athparia joined in on the piano. The collaboration was astounding!
- December 11th (Advent III/*Music Sunday*) – Sounds of Joy, Brian Hawco (whistler), Ben Kroeker, and the choir all presented special music in this annual service. Cody enhanced some of the traditional Christmas carols, with us own musical preludes and interludes. (Yes, the trumpets, bells, and angelic choir aah's all came out through the organ on this day!)
- December 18th (Advent IV) – The *Savridi Singers, Calgary Women's Chorus, and the women of St. Andrew's Church Choir* (all groups led by Cody) joined forces to create a large women's choir, singing four anthems during the service!
- December 25th (Christmas Day) – *Nicola Cameron* played two duets with Cody: Twas in the Moon of Wintertime and The Magi Came. Cody sang The Birthday of a King with a phantom organist (he recorded the organ part earlier and sang along to it.)

Looking back, we did a lot (and this is only some of it!) Praise be to God for the beauty of music and all it brings to our lives!

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The music program was able to acquire a new digital piano thanks to a donation from Linda Flanagan's mother, Dorothy Kayser, who passed away this year. Her support to the music of St. Andrew's is graciously and gratefully acknowledged! Thank you!

I was also able to travel for the second time, to Norfolk Virginia to Wesleyan Virginia College's Sacred Music Summer Conference. I met and learned from many, many church music leaders, editors, publishers, composers, and conductors to learn more and become an even better Music Director. This non-denominational church music conference allowed me to meet and discuss the church music program with other professionals in the field. The two highlights for me were to learn from respected church musician John Bell and also from Mack Willberg (the conductor of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir.)

There were many more people than those listed here who contributed to the music at St. Andrew's this year! There just isn't enough room to list it all! I thank each and every person who has added to our worship experience! Thanks again to Debby Dorcas (for your musical direction), Shirley Howe (for maintaining the choir gowns), and Michael Henry (for looking after the choir library.) And we ask for continued support in the choirs fundraising efforts to continue to meet the demands of the music program!

*Respectfully submitted,*  
 CODY OBST, Director of Music

# Board of Managers

## A Year of Unusual Challenges

**F**or the board of managers, 2011 proved to be a year of unusual challenges. In a normal year, the board's basic challenge is to balance the flow of offerings against the various costs of running St. Andrew's with the occasional emergency thrown in.

Two thousand eleven was a year in which the financial challenge of operating our church took on a different perspective with the amalgamation of Trinity Presbyterian. Reverend Coutts had been steering the process of bringing the two congregations together and was about to embark on the task of dealing with the Trinity property.

Recognizing that real estate matters can become very complex and time consuming the board established a committee to deal with the Midnapore property owned by the Trinity congregation. This allowed Reverend Coutts to deal with more spiritual matters.

The committee was able to quickly identify several interested buyers and negotiate sale of the property creating a new challenge for the board – what to do with some \$1.7 million?

Within the proceeds of the sale were a number of obligations: paying expenses involved in the sale, forwarding its share to the national church, and addressing various commitments with the remaining funds. The first two items were quickly dealt with, addressing the balance of the funds was more of a problem since the programs for which those monies were committed had yet to be put in place.

Rather than having a substantial amount of money simply sitting in a bank account, paying minimal interest, the board turned the funds over to its investment committee which has been managing surplus funds from various St. Andrew's accounts. (A report from the committee appears at the end of this report.)

Normally, the board has serious discussions about how it will find the resources to meet certain expenses. In 2011 the board's debate addressed dealing with surplus funds. One of these discussions is only slightly more serious than the other.

### **An aging building**

In 2012 St. Andrew's will celebrate 50 years on Heritage Drive. Our congregation has much to celebrate but there is a flip side that must be addressed on a weekly basis by the board. A 50-year-old building requires more upkeep than younger buildings and the board has been looking at some substantial costs to maintain or replace aging infrastructure.

One of the most serious elements was the likelihood that the boiler would need to be replaced. Considerable discussion went into subjects such as waiting for the equipment to fail or replacing it before it reached the end of its life-cycle.

The board commissioned an assessment that will be finished early in 2012 but the initial findings are that the current boiler system still has about ten years left. That information alone was a relief for the board because it allows us to continue planning for the eventual replacement. With this lead time the board will be able to set funds aside and develop a plan for the actual replacement. (Members of the congregation who wish to make a contribution to the eventual boiler replacement can be assured their donation will be held for that specific purpose.)

## **The Ladies Guild**

Anyone who is around St. Andrew's during the week realizes how active the congregation and building are every day. If you look around there are places that show the wear and the board is continually discussing repairs and replacements.

One of the most notable upgrades in 2011 was sponsored by the Ladies Guild of St. Andrew's. The Guild has long provided financial support to St. Andrew's. But in 2011 a feisty group of ladies decided that rather than throwing money at the board, they wanted to undertake a project on which they could be front and centre. Some suggestions were passed to the Guild like replacing the boiler – hardly a Guild type of project. New carpeting – good idea but a project without much glamour. Painting the upstairs meeting room – getting close but still lacking that certain something.

After working through a list, Guild members finally struck upon a project that had pizzazz – remodeling the upstairs lounge! Eureka! A Guild committee met with a board representative and the negotiations got underway.

Phase one, the new flooring, was completed in the fall and earned rave reviews. The next phase, involving new furnishings, is underway for completion in 2012.

As much as the board always appreciated the Guild's financial contributions we are equally delighted to have the Guild undertaking specific, visible projects within the building. The board looks forward to continuing a relationship that shows another lively aspect of the congregation of St. Andrew's.

Indeed, there are other groups, such as the Heritage Seniors, who also make financial contributions to St. Andrew's while serving as a vital part of the life of the congregation.

## **Year's end**

Unlike the new lounge floor, much of the work of the board, and the issues it members address, goes unnoticed unless something goes wrong. The congregation of St. Andrew's has every right to be proud of the members of its board of managers. We receive top quality input which would, under normal circumstances, cost many thousands of dollars.

Board discussions are always thorough and thoughtful, never rancorous. The focus is on what God and his son would decide is in the best interests of their church.

Below are the names of the current members of the board along with some of the general areas in which they have provided input or worked during the year. If you have questions, comments, or suggestions, do speak to a board member. It is how they keep in touch with the needs of our congregation.

George Amos – administration and real estate  
Rob Cameron – technology and energy  
Gordon Forbes – financial management and governance  
Dolly Forcade – financial management and Session liaison  
Brent Harding – governance and Stewardship and Planning liaison  
Stephen Henrichsen – financial management and investment programs  
Lorne Kelly – real estate and capital projects  
Sean Pepper – building and grounds  
Bob Shaw – personnel and grounds  
Dot Todd – Ladies' Guild  
Peter Coutts – divine guidance and other

Board of Managers



**Investment Committee of the Board**

The Investment Committee of the Board of Managers was established as an independent group of financial professionals to provide advice on and manage surplus financial assets of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. The committee reports to the board through the chairman of the finance committee.

The following is the status of funds managed by the committee to the end of November of 2011.

| <b>TOTALS</b>               | <b>Balance</b>        | <b>Accrued</b>    | <b>Total<br/>Income</b> |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Cash</b>                 | \$77,896.15           |                   |                         |
| <b>Preferred<br/>shares</b> | \$149,786.00          |                   | \$6,856.26              |
| <b>Fixed income</b>         | \$96,114.71           | \$1,632.42        | \$491.44                |
| <b>Property sale</b>        | \$1,697,000.00        |                   | \$4,091.40              |
| <b>Totals</b>               | <b>\$2,020,796.86</b> | <b>\$1,632.42</b> | <b>\$11,439.10</b>      |

*Respectfully submitted,  
Brent Harding  
Board of Managers, Chairman*

# **St. Andrews Presbyterian Church**

Unaudited Financial Statements

December 31, 2011

# Review Engagement Report

## **To the Members of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church**

I have reviewed the statement of financial position of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church as of December 31, 2011, the statements of revenue and expenditures, changes in member's equity and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of Session and the Board of Managers of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. My review was made in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements and accordingly consisted of enquiry, analytical procedures and discussion related to information supplied to me by session and management.

A review does not constitute an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

In common with many not-for-profit organizations, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church derives revenues from donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory verification. Accordingly my review of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the organization and I was not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to donations, excess of revenue over expenditures, assets, liabilities or members' equity.

I am satisfied that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the various statements present fairly the financial affairs of the church for the year ended December 31, 2011.

**Calgary, Canada  
January 26, 2012**

**Signed  
" Doreen Richards "**

**Treasurer, Grace Presbyterian Church**

**St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church**  
**Unaudited Statement of Financial Position**  
As at

|                                                | December 31,<br>2011<br>\$ | December 31,<br>2010<br>\$ |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                                  |                            |                            |
| <b>Current</b>                                 |                            |                            |
| Cash and cash equivalents                      | 77,403                     | 34,057                     |
| Investments                                    | 1,814,669                  | 216,264                    |
| Interest receivable                            | 8,288                      | 1,250                      |
| GST receivable                                 | 2,847                      | 2,485                      |
| Prepaid expenses                               | <u>14,670</u>              | <u>11,945</u>              |
|                                                | 1,917,877                  | 266,001                    |
| Capital assets (Note 4)                        | 1,094,321                  | 1,130,733                  |
| Other assets (Note 5)                          | <u>18,884</u>              | <u>16,604</u>              |
|                                                | <u><u>3,031,082</u></u>    | <u><u>1,413,338</u></u>    |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>                             |                            |                            |
| <b>Current</b>                                 |                            |                            |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities       | 22,797                     | 10,262                     |
| Sudanese fund                                  | 23,995                     | 22,311                     |
| Other accounts owing                           | <u>24,646</u>              | <u>22,794</u>              |
|                                                | <u>71,438</u>              | <u>55,367</u>              |
| <b>Long term debt</b>                          |                            |                            |
| Faith Bonds (Note 8)                           | 148,000                    | 154,000                    |
| Personal loan (Note 8)                         | <u>20,000</u>              | <u>30,000</u>              |
|                                                | <u>168,000</u>             | <u>184,000</u>             |
| <b>Total liabilities</b>                       | <u>239,438</u>             | <u>239,367</u>             |
| <b>Members' Equity</b>                         |                            |                            |
| Invested in capital assets (Note 9)            | 926,321                    | 946,733                    |
| Internally and externally restricted (Note 10) | 1,751,872                  | 157,392                    |
| Unrestricted                                   | <u>113,451</u>             | <u>69,863</u>              |
|                                                | <u>2,791,644</u>           | <u>1,173,971</u>           |
|                                                | <u><u>3,031,082</u></u>    | <u><u>1,413,338</u></u>    |

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**St. Andrews Presbyterian Church**  
**Unaudited Statement of Changes in Members' Equity**  
For the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

|                                                      | 2011                                              |                                               |                    |                  |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
|                                                      | Invested in<br>Capital Assets<br>Note ( 9 )<br>\$ | Internally<br>Restricted<br>Note ( 10 )<br>\$ | Unrestricted<br>\$ | Total<br>\$      |
| Balance – Beginning of year                          | 946,733                                           | 157,392                                       | 66,429             | 1,173,988        |
| Net Change in investment in<br>capital assets        | 16,000                                            | -                                             | (16,000)           | -                |
| Excess of (deficit) of revenues over<br>expenditures | <u>(36,412)</u>                                   | <u>1,594,480</u>                              | <u>59,588</u>      | <u>1,617,656</u> |
| Balance – End of year                                | <u>926,321</u>                                    | <u>1,751,872</u>                              | <u>113,451</u>     | <u>2,791,644</u> |

|                                                   | 2010                                              |                                               |                    |                  |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
|                                                   | Invested in<br>Capital Assets<br>Note ( 9 )<br>\$ | Internally<br>Restricted<br>Note ( 10 )<br>\$ | Unrestricted<br>\$ | Total<br>\$      |
| Balance – Beginning of year                       | 913,274                                           | 130,958                                       | 63,941             | 1,108,173        |
| Net Change in investment in<br>capital assets     | 69,871                                            | -                                             | (69,871)           | -                |
| Excess of (deficit) revenues over<br>expenditures | <u>(36,412)</u>                                   | <u>26,417</u>                                 | <u>75,793</u>      | <u>65,798</u>    |
| Balance – End of year                             | <u>946,733</u>                                    | <u>157,375</u>                                | <u>69,863</u>      | <u>1,173,971</u> |

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**St. Andrews Presbyterian Church**  
**STATEMENTS OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES**  
**FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31**

|                                                                                  | 2011                    | 2010                 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
|                                                                                  | \$                      | \$                   |
| <b>Revenues</b>                                                                  |                         |                      |
| Donations -                                                                      |                         |                      |
| Current                                                                          | 211,603                 | 198,366              |
| PAR                                                                              | 312,417                 | 281,201              |
| Envelope and other                                                               | <u>524,0020</u>         | <u>479,567</u>       |
| Total                                                                            | 51,492                  | 81,670               |
| Building donations                                                               |                         |                      |
| Memorial fund                                                                    | 3,450                   | 12,003               |
| Rental and other receipts                                                        | 81,030                  | 67,737               |
| Benevolent giving                                                                | 39,830                  | 22,708               |
| Interest and other income                                                        | <u>20,875</u>           | <u>6,506</u>         |
|                                                                                  | <u>720,787</u>          | <u>670,191</u>       |
| <b>Expenditures</b>                                                              |                         |                      |
| The Work of St Andrews                                                           | 29,969                  | 29,690               |
| Memorial fund                                                                    | 888                     | 2,185                |
| St Andrews People                                                                | 329,319                 | 307,124              |
| Administrative expenses                                                          | 29,033                  | 30,193               |
| Maintenance and operations                                                       | 124,613                 | 124,855              |
| We Reach Out                                                                     | <u>149,499</u>          | <u>110,346</u>       |
|                                                                                  | <u>663,321</u>          | <u>604,393</u>       |
| <b>Excess of revenues over expenditures on operating account</b>                 | 57,466                  | 65,798               |
| <b>Increase in equity resulting from merger with Trinity Presbyterian Church</b> |                         |                      |
| Net proceeds from the sale of the Trinity property                               | 1,695,708               | -                    |
| Less portion paid to Presbyterian Church in Canada                               | (169,571)               | -                    |
| Retained Earnings of Trinity Presbyterian Church                                 | <u>34,053</u>           | <u>-</u>             |
| <b>Excess of revenues over expenditures</b>                                      | <u><u>1,617,656</u></u> | <u><u>65,798</u></u> |

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**St. Andrews Presbyterian Church**  
**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31**

|                                                         | 2011                    | 2010                  |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
|                                                         | \$                      | \$                    |
| <b>Cash provided by (used for):</b>                     |                         |                       |
| <b>Operating activities:</b>                            |                         |                       |
| Excess of revenues over expenditures for the year       | 1,617,676               | 65,798                |
| Items not affecting cash –                              |                         |                       |
| <br>                                                    |                         |                       |
| Amortization of capital assets                          | <u>36,412</u>           | <u>36,412</u>         |
|                                                         | 1,654,088               | 102,210               |
| <br>                                                    |                         |                       |
| Changes in non-cash working capital items -             |                         |                       |
| Decrease (increase) in GST receivable                   | (362)                   | (1,196)               |
| Decrease (increase) in accrued interest                 | (7,038)                 | 3,623                 |
| Increase (decrease) in prepaid expenses                 | (2,725)                 | (1,510)               |
| Increase in current liabilities                         | <u>16,070</u>           | <u>12,601</u>         |
|                                                         | <u>1,660,033</u>        | <u>115,728</u>        |
| <br>                                                    |                         |                       |
| <b>Investing activities:</b>                            |                         |                       |
| Purchase of capital assets                              | -                       | -                     |
| Increase in other assets                                | <u>(2,280)</u>          | <u>(1,216)</u>        |
|                                                         | <u>(2,280)</u>          | <u>(1,216)</u>        |
| <br>                                                    |                         |                       |
| <b>Cash provided by (used in) financing activities:</b> |                         |                       |
| Faith Bonds issued                                      | -                       | 205,000               |
| Faith Bonds redeemed                                    | (6,000)                 | (51,000)              |
| Repayment of long term debt                             | <u>(10,000)</u>         | <u>(223,871)</u>      |
|                                                         | <u>(26,000)</u>         | <u>(69,871)</u>       |
| <b>Increase(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>  | <u>1,641,753</u>        | <u>44,641</u>         |
| <br>                                                    |                         |                       |
| <b>Cash and cash equivalents</b>                        |                         |                       |
| Beginning of period                                     | <u>250,321</u>          | <u>205,679</u>        |
| <br>                                                    |                         |                       |
| End of period                                           | <u><u>1,892,072</u></u> | <u><u>250,321</u></u> |

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

# St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

## Notes to Unaudited Financial Statements

### December 31, 2011

#### 1 Purpose of the organization

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church ("St. Andrews") is an intentional missional congregation in which mission is core to our purpose and identity. We promote mission involvement in some way for everyone. Our involvement in mission is life-giving to us, giving vitality to our congregation, as we invest our lives in the lives of others for their sake. As we serve others in mission we know that we are serving God.

Mission for us is our response to Christ's call to love our neighbor. We will "walk the talk", desiring to make a difference in our world and working to effect change where there is need. We apply ourselves in a way that is relevant to the need we see and by being generous in our response. Being motivated by our hope in Christ, part of our intention is to impart hope to those we help. Our mission work will be visible to the wider community. They will appreciate not only what we are doing but also why we are doing it. In this way our mission is a witness to Christ.

#### 2 Basis of presentation

These financial statements include only the assets, liabilities, revenue and expenditures of St. Andrew's including the memorial fund. They do not include the assets or activities of various self-sustaining groups and organizations associated with St. Andrew's.

#### 3 Accounting policies

##### Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires the making of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of the assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenditures during the period. Future actual results could differ from those estimates.

##### Investments and marketable securities

Investments, including marketable securities, are carried at cost except where the market value of the investments becomes lower than cost and the decline in value is considered other than temporary, in which case the investments are written down to market value. Investment income is recorded annually.

##### Capital assets and amortization

Purchased capital assets are recorded at cost. Contributed capital assets are recorded at fair market value at the date of contribution. Amortization is provided over the estimated useful lives of the assets using the straight-line method as follows:

|                         |          |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Building                | 50 years |
| Furniture and equipment | 20 years |

##### Financial instruments

- a) The fair value of cash and cash equivalents, term deposits, interest receivable, GST receivable, prepaid expenses and current liabilities approximate their carrying value due to the relatively short term to maturity of the instruments. The fair value of the term deposits approximate their carrying value since the interest rate earned thereon approximates market rates. The fair value of the interest free personal loan cannot be determined as it has no fixed due date.
- b) Interest, currency risk and credit risk

It is management's opinion that St. Andrew's is not exposed to significant interest rate, currency or credit risk arising from its financial instruments.



**St. Andrews Presbyterian Church**  
**Notes to Unaudited Financial Statements**  
**December 31, 2011**

**Revenue recognition**

St. Andrew's follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Restricted investment income is recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted investment income is recognized as revenue when earned.

**Capital contributions**

Capital contributions restricted for the purpose of long term debt retirement are recorded in income in the year received.

**Donations in kind**

Donations in kind are recorded at the fair market value of the goods donated.

**Contributed services**

St. Andrews receives a significant benefit in carrying out its activities from services contributed by volunteers. Because of the difficulty of determining their fair value, contributed services are not recognized in the financial statements.

**4 Capital assets**

|                         | <u>2011</u>      |                             | <u>2010</u>      |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                         | Cost             | Accumulated<br>Amortization | Net              | Net              |
|                         | \$               | \$                          | \$               | \$               |
| Land                    | 27,000           | -                           | 27,000           | 27,000           |
| Building                | 1,683,323        | 630,852                     | 1,079,470        | 1,108,329        |
| Furniture and Equipment | <u>151,071</u>   | <u>136,220</u>              | <u>14,850</u>    | <u>22,404</u>    |
|                         | <u>1,861,393</u> | <u>730,660</u>              | <u>1,094,320</u> | <u>1,130,733</u> |

**5 Other assets**

|                                                                                    | <u>2011</u>   | <u>2010</u>   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                                                                    | \$            | \$            |
| Cash surrender value of life insurance policies (face value \$38,364)<br>(Note 6). | <u>18,884</u> | <u>16,604</u> |

**6 Future pledge**

St. Andrew's is named as the owner and beneficiary of life insurance policies on the life of a member who funds the annual payments required by the policy. As at December 31, 2011 the cash surrender value of the policy has been reflected as an asset in the accompanying financial statements.

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church  
**Notes to Unaudited Financial Statements**  
**December 31, 2011**

**7 Personal loan and Faith Bonds**

The personal loan is an interest free loan received from a member and is repayable at the rate of \$10,000 per year.

The Faith Bonds were issued during the year are interest free and are redeemable in 2015.

**8 Investment in Capital Assets**

The investment in capital assets consists of the following:

|                      | 2011<br>\$     | 2010<br>\$     |
|----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Capital Assets       | 1,094,321      | 1,130,733      |
| Less: Long term debt | <u>168,000</u> | <u>184,000</u> |
|                      | <u>926,321</u> | <u>946,733</u> |

The net change in the investment in capital assets is represented by:

|                                       | 2011<br>\$    | 2010<br>\$     |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Capital asset additions               | -             | -              |
| Faith Bonds issued net of redemptions | -             | (154,000)      |
| Repayment of long term debt           | <u>16,000</u> | <u>223,871</u> |
|                                       | <u>16,000</u> | <u>69,871</u>  |

The excess (deficit) of revenue over expenditures is represented by:

|                               | 2011<br>\$    | 2010<br>\$    |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Amortization of capital asset | <u>36,412</u> | <u>36,412</u> |

**St. Andrews Presbyterian Church**  
**Notes to Unaudited Financial Statements**  
**December 31, 2011**

**9 Internally restricted members' equity**

The internally restricted members' equity is comprised of the following

|                                 | 2011             | 2010           |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
|                                 | \$               | \$             |
| Building fund                   | 82,444           | 46,952         |
| Reserve for major repairs       | 20,319           | 1,493          |
| Bequests received and not spent | 50,905           | 45,905         |
| Memorial Fund                   | 32,419           | 29,767         |
| Continuing Education Fund       | 6,728            | 6,252          |
| Youth Conferences Fund          | 6,413            | 5,913          |
| Mission Fund                    | 21,110           | 21,110         |
| Legacy Fund                     | 508,712          | -              |
| South of Fish Creek Fund        | <u>1,022,425</u> | <u>-</u>       |
|                                 | <u>1,751,872</u> | <u>157,392</u> |

The excess (deficit) of revenue over expenditures is represented by:

|                                                    | 2011             | 2010          |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------|
|                                                    | \$               | \$            |
| Building fund - donations                          | 51,492           | 81,670        |
| Building fund - debt service                       | (16,000)         | (71,862)      |
| Major repairs - reserve                            | 40,000           | 36,000        |
| Major repairs - spent                              | (21,174)         | (29,428)      |
| Bequests received                                  | 5,000            | -             |
| Bequests- spent                                    | -                | (1,059)       |
| Memorial fund - gifts received and interest earned | 3,540            | 12,003        |
| Memorial fund - spent                              | (888)            | (2,185)       |
| Continuing education fund - reserved               | 1,000            | 1,000         |
| Continuing education fund - spent                  | (127)            | (222)         |
| Youth conferences fund - reserved                  | 500              | 500           |
| Youth conferences fund - spent                     | -                | -             |
| Mission funds - raised                             | 39,830           | 22,708        |
| Mission funds - spent                              | (39,830)         | (22,708)      |
| Legacy funds - received                            | 508,712          | -             |
| South of Fish Creek funds - received               | <u>1,022,425</u> | <u>-</u>      |
|                                                    | <u>1,594,480</u> | <u>26,400</u> |

**10 Income tax status**

St. Andrew's is a registered charity under the Income Tax Act ("the Act"). As such, it is exempt from income taxes and is allowed to issue donation receipts for income tax purposes. In order to maintain its status as a registered charitable organization, St. Andrew's must continue to meet certain requirements within the Act.

ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
2012 OPERATING BUDGET

|                                     | 2012           | 2011           | 2011           | 2010           | Budget<br>Change<br>over 2011<br>Actual | Actual<br>Change<br>2011 over<br>2010 |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
|                                     | Budget         | Budget         | Actual         | Actual         |                                         |                                       |
| <b>Receipts</b>                     |                |                |                |                |                                         |                                       |
| <b>Our Sharing</b>                  |                |                |                |                |                                         |                                       |
| Church Support                      | 303,511        | 268,000        | 300,482        | 268,891        | 3,029                                   | 31,591                                |
| Church Support (PAR)                | 213,924        | 208,548        | 211,604        | 198,366        | 2,320                                   | 13,238                                |
|                                     | <u>517,435</u> | <u>476,548</u> | <u>512,086</u> | <u>467,257</u> | <u>5,349</u>                            | <u>44,829</u>                         |
|                                     |                |                |                |                | 1.04%                                   |                                       |
| Church School                       | 700            | 700            | 402            | 650            | 298                                     | (248)                                 |
| Open Plate                          | 12,000         | 12,000         | 11,534         | 11,660         | 466                                     | (126)                                 |
| Interest income                     | 25,000         | 14,500         | 20,875         | 6,506          | 4,125                                   | 14,369                                |
| Use of space                        | 16,000         | 45,000         | 44,631         | 27,840         | (28,631)                                | 16,791                                |
| Other donations                     | 30,000         | 30,000         | 36,399         | 39,897         | (6,399)                                 | (3,498)                               |
|                                     | <u>83,700</u>  | <u>102,200</u> | <u>113,840</u> | <u>86,553</u>  | <u>-30,140</u>                          | <u>27,287</u>                         |
| <b>Total Receipts</b>               | <u>601,135</u> | <u>578,748</u> | <u>625,926</u> | <u>553,810</u> | <u>-24,791</u>                          | <u>72,116</u>                         |
| <b>Expenditures</b>                 |                |                |                |                |                                         |                                       |
| <b>The Work of St. Andrew's</b>     |                |                |                |                |                                         |                                       |
| <b>Choir Music &amp; Expenses</b>   |                |                |                |                |                                         |                                       |
| Music and registration              | 8,700          | 8,700          | 4,452          | 5,412          | 4,248                                   | (960)                                 |
| Guest Musicians and other           | 6,550          | 6,550          | 11,322         | 9,554          | (4,772)                                 | 1,768                                 |
|                                     | <u>15,250</u>  | <u>15,250</u>  | <u>15,774</u>  | <u>14,966</u>  | <u>(524)</u>                            | <u>808</u>                            |
| <b>Congregational Teams</b>         |                |                |                |                |                                         |                                       |
| Missions                            | 2,000          | 2,000          | 2,470          | 2,910          | (470)                                   | (440)                                 |
| Pastoral Care /Bereavement          | 1,000          | 1,000          | 926            | 709            | 74                                      | 217                                   |
| Christian Education                 | 10,350         | 10,000         | 8,280          | 8,823          | 2,070                                   | (543)                                 |
| Communion & Districts               | 100            | 100            | 28             | 406            | 72                                      | (378)                                 |
| Congregational Life                 | 400            | 400            | 998            | 362            | (598)                                   | 636                                   |
| Invitation and Welcome              | 1,000          | 1,000          | 348            | 810            | 652                                     | (462)                                 |
| Worship & Nurture                   | 1,200          | 1,200          | 1,146          | 704            | 54                                      | 442                                   |
|                                     | <u>16,050</u>  | <u>15,700</u>  | <u>14,195</u>  | <u>14,724</u>  | <u>1,855</u>                            | <u>(529)</u>                          |
| <b>St. Andrew's People</b>          |                |                |                |                |                                         |                                       |
| Ministers & Ministerial support (4) | 200,655        | 188,210        | 188,209        | 183,795        | 12,446                                  | 4,414                                 |
| Continuing Education-Ministers      | 2,000          | 2,000          | 127            | 222            | 1,873                                   | (95)                                  |
| Continuing Education-Members        | 2,300          | 2,300          | 397            | 726            | 1,903                                   | (329)                                 |
| Support Staff remuneration (5)      | 112,912        | 103,889        | 108,826        | 88,359         | 4,086                                   | 20,467                                |
| Employment benefits                 | 37,677         | 36,597         | 31,521         | 33,837         | 6,156                                   | (2,316)                               |
| Leading & Leader Resources          | 500            | 500            | 239            | 183            | 261                                     | 56                                    |
|                                     | <u>356,044</u> | <u>333,496</u> | <u>329,319</u> | <u>307,122</u> | <u>26,725</u>                           | <u>22,197</u>                         |
| <b>Administrative Expenses</b>      |                |                |                |                |                                         |                                       |
| Bank Charges                        | 1,000          | 1,000          | 882            | 339            | 118                                     | 543                                   |
| Insurance                           | 16,263         | 12,935         | 13,641         | 13,190         | 2,622                                   | 451                                   |
| Office Supplies & Expenses          | 14,900         | 16,000         | 14,509         | 14,680         | 391                                     | (171)                                 |
| Transportation                      | 600            | 1,200          | 0              | 1,385          | 600                                     | (1,385)                               |
|                                     | <u>32,763</u>  | <u>31,135</u>  | <u>29,033</u>  | <u>29,594</u>  | <u>3,730</u>                            | <u>(561)</u>                          |

ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
2012 OPERATING BUDGET

|                                                                                   | 2012           | 2011           | 2011           | 2010           | Budget<br>Change<br>over 2011 | Actual<br>Change<br>2011 over<br>2010 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
|                                                                                   | Budget         | Budget         | Actual         | Actual         | Actual                        | 2010                                  |
| <b>Maintenance &amp; Operations</b>                                               |                |                |                |                |                               |                                       |
| Building/Grounds Maintenance                                                      | 33,000         | 28,000         | 38,389         | 27,223         | (5,389)                       | 11,166                                |
| Reserve for major repairs                                                         | 35,000         | 40,000         | 21,174         | 29,428         | 13,826                        | (8,254)                               |
| Computer enhancements                                                             | 1,000          | 1,200          | 3,050          | 1,168          | (2,050)                       | 1,882                                 |
| Utilities                                                                         | 28,000         | 28,000         | 25,588         | 27,574         | 2,412                         | (1,986)                               |
|                                                                                   | <u>97,000</u>  | <u>97,200</u>  | <u>88,201</u>  | <u>85,393</u>  | <u>8,799</u>                  | <u>2,808</u>                          |
| <b>We Reach Out</b>                                                               |                |                |                |                |                               |                                       |
| Advertising                                                                       | 1,500          | 1,500          | 541            | 1,872          | 959                           | (1,331)                               |
| Presbyterians Sharing<br>Bridge the Gap                                           | 52,222         | 55,077         | 55,077         | 57,146         | (2,855)                       | (2,069)                               |
| Presbytery & Synod Dues                                                           | 29,806         | 29,390         | 30,504         | 28,620         | (698)                         | 1,884                                 |
| Youth Conferences                                                                 | 500            | 500            | 500            |                | 0                             | 500                                   |
|                                                                                   | <u>84,028</u>  | <u>86,467</u>  | <u>110,168</u> | <u>87,638</u>  | <u>3,610</u>                  | <u>22,530</u>                         |
| <b>Total Expenditures on operation account</b>                                    | <b>601,135</b> | <b>579,248</b> | <b>586,690</b> | <b>539,437</b> | <b>14,445</b>                 | <b>47,253</b>                         |
| <b>Excess (Deficiency) of receipts<br/>over expenditures on operation account</b> | <b>0</b>       | <b>-500</b>    | <b>39,236</b>  | <b>14,373</b>  | <b>(39,236)</b>               | <b>24,863</b>                         |
| <b>Building Account</b>                                                           |                |                |                |                |                               |                                       |
| Faith bond subscriptions                                                          |                |                |                | 205,000        |                               |                                       |
| Faith bond donations                                                              | 52,000         | 60,000         | 51,492         | 81,670         | 508                           | (30,178)                              |
| <b>Total building receipts</b>                                                    | <b>52,000</b>  | <b>60,000</b>  | <b>51,492</b>  | <b>286,670</b> |                               |                                       |
| Building - Bank interest                                                          |                |                |                | 1,991          |                               |                                       |
| Building - Principal payments                                                     |                |                |                | 213,871        |                               |                                       |
| Building - Personal repayments                                                    | 10,000         | 10,000         | 10,000         | 10,000         |                               |                                       |
| Faith bond redemptions                                                            |                |                |                | 46,000         |                               |                                       |
| Faith bond conversions                                                            |                |                | 6,000          | 5,000          |                               |                                       |
|                                                                                   | <u>10,000</u>  | <u>10,000</u>  | <u>16,000</u>  | <u>276,862</u> |                               |                                       |
| <b>Excess (Deficiency) of receipts<br/>over expenditures on building account</b>  | <b>42,000</b>  | <b>50,000</b>  | <b>35,492</b>  | <b>9,808</b>   |                               |                                       |
| <b>Excess (Deficiency) of receipts<br/>over expenditures</b>                      | <b>42,000</b>  | <b>49,500</b>  | <b>74,728</b>  | <b>24,181</b>  |                               |                                       |

## Reflection: Kairos – God’s Time



While studying at theological college, my classmates and I got to explore the importance of words and the intricacies of translating the Word from its original language. There were basic language courses, exegesis (exploring translation and interpretation), and hermeneutics (the study of the theory and practice of interpretation). During these courses ideas behind the translation of Greek words and phrases were debated. In particular we learned that the ancient Greeks had two words to describe time, *chronos* and *kairos*.

The first, *chronos*, refers to linear time, time with a beginning and ending, time which can be measured in seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks and years.

*Kairos* time is more qualitative than quantitative. The Greeks used *kairos* to refer to a decisive moment in time – positive or negative.

Paul uses *chronos* and *kairos* frequently in his letters. Paul uses *karios* to refer to God’s time, decisive events or moments which are divinely ordained. *Kairos* operates within chronological human time but mainly as the focus of the fulfillment of God’s ultimate purposes. It is a time that is both the past, the present and the future, a time which stands still and a time which never

ends. *Kairos* moments are teachable moments when we are open to God. II Corinthians 6:2 reminds us that God’s time is occurring right now. With practice and intentionality we can glimpse – and even participate in – God’s time, in *kairos*.

Think about those moments in our lives when time seems to stand still – those are God moments. It could be when you are amazed at the beauty of Creation, when you are praying fervently. It could be when you are holding a new born baby or saying good-bye to a loved one. It could even be when you are lost in thought brought on by a particularly good sermon! Regardless, all of us have experienced *kairos*. We simply may not have recognized it as such. I would encourage you to seek out and discern *kairos* time in your own lives and see it as the gift that it is.

I would like to share two recent *kairos* moments with you. I had a meeting early one morning with the new General Secretary of the Blantyre Synod. I left home in a flurry at 8:15am to walk over to the Synod offices, and as I exited my gate I was struck dumb by the carpet of purple-blue flowers on the road. I had been admiring the blooms on the jacaranda trees for the past few weeks, but the carpet of flowers was amazing. I stopped dead in my tracks and gazed in wonder, saying a quick prayer thanking God for the beauty of Creation.

The second *kairos* moment was at Tidzalerana Club – a place for those with disabilities. You can usually find me there every Tuesday afternoon from 2pm to 4pm but it had been on summer break and I had not seen or interacted with most of the children for three months.

My usual job at the Club is to do light physio work with many of the children with disabilities. I do not pretend to be an expert, but we have a list of exercises and stretches for each child and I have had some lessons from some amazing professional physiotherapists. It is pretty basic stuff, but in many ways it is more about getting to know the child and the caregiver (usually the mother). It is not an easy place to be – surrounded by children with disabilities that we simply do not see in Canada. Add in the chaos of upwards of 150 adults and children in a small space with craft time happening at the back, families visiting and eating in the middle, adults working out the past week’s knitting payments, and one or two of us doing physio on our knees. That day, my first child was brought by his mother, and as she handed him to me I was rewarded with a big beautiful smile – he remembered and missed me! And I remembered and missed him.

As we work together with God, in mission and ministry, in our own congregations and communities, may we take time to stop and be aware of where and when God is speaking to us. In Malawi they say, “*Mulungu alinafe!*” which in Chichewa means “God is with us.” God is indeed with us and we have but to stop and recognize and enter into *kairos*.

Rev. Mike Burns, St. James Presbyterian Church, Malawi



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