

Saint Helen's Anglican Church

**"A wonderful place to be together as family and friends
where we bring the inclusive light of Christ
to reflect God's light in the world.**

**We reach out in love, in gratitude for God's love for us,
serving our neighbours as friends"**



**2022 Annual Reports
and Financial Statements
to the
Annual Vestry Meeting, February 26th, 2023**

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Agenda St. Helen's Annual Vestry Meeting - February 26th, 2023

1. Call to Order
2. Opening Prayer
3. Appointment of Vestry Secretary
4. Adoption of Agenda
5. Adoption of Vestry Minutes February 27, 2022
6. Discussion of Annual Reports
7. Motion to Receive Annual Reports
8. Financial Report and 2023 Draft Budget
9. Motion to Approve 2023 Draft Budget
10. Election of Parish Council
 - People's Warden
 - 2 Synod Delegates
 - Youth Synod Delegate
 - Alternate Synod Delegates
 - Council Members at Large
11. Election of Parish Trustees
12. Appointment of Parish Officers
 - Rector's Warden
 - Treasurer
13. Election of Lay Administrators
14. New Business
15. Commissioning of Lay Ministries in the Church
- 16. Motion to Adjourn**

Minutes - St. Helen's Annual Vestry Meeting - February 27th, 2022

1/ **Meeting called to order** at 11:30am with Opening Prayer and Opening Remarks by Rev Philippa.

2/ **Attendee List** was circulated.

3/ Appointment of **Scrutineers** - Wendy Russell and Carol. Moved by Judy, seconded by Anne. All in favor; Motioned carried.

4/ Appointment of **Vestry Secretary** – Simon. **Moved** by Wendy, **seconded** by Kelly. All in favour; Motion carried.

5/ **Adoption of the Agenda.** Philippa explained that we do not have “New Business” in the proposed agenda, as we have lots to report. And that “New Business” is something we would bring up in Parish Council meetings. **Motion** to adopt Agenda made by Les and **seconded** by Jackie. All in favor; motion carried.

6/ Adoption of the **Minutes** of the **Annual Vestry Meeting of February 28th 2021**
Motion to adopt made by John Palmer; seconded by Judy Nicholson. Motion passed.

7/ **Annual Reports 2021** (Excluding Financials)
Spare copies were available to those who need one.

Report by Interim Priest in Charge.

Questions on report by interim Priest in Charge, or anything in general.

Judy enquired on the role of the Parish Administrator?

Philippa spoke briefly about the various tasks that Administrators in other parishes have done and mentioned that we are in process of drawing up a job description to be reviewed by Trustees and Council.

Questions on Rector's Warden's report.

John Palmer requested Rector's warden to elaborate on the “long list of unfinished business”.

Lynn explained that mainly it includes office administration, face for the congregation, building upkeep, care for our 100+yr aging building, rectory. And also our challenge in recruiting volunteers for small maintenance/repair jobs that can save us money.

Rev Philippa added that if everyone can participate to take on a small job, then it won't later turn into a big job. Perhaps we do a Ministry fair to explain some of the various roles better, not to assume that everybody knows what everybody else does.

Questions on report by People's Warden.

Zoltan enquired on the status of the litigation regarding our previous Day Care?

Philippa explained that the case is officially still active. Our diocese lawyer is confident that they will back off and drop the charges. Unfortunately it has cost us some legal fees. But it is a good reminder for us to get contracts in place for all our renters for the benefit and protection of all parties involved.

Report of the PWRDF. Paulette was not present at meeting. No questions raised.

Grounds and Cemetery Report. There were no questions for Jane, however Jane announced that there will be a Grounds Work Party in April and encouraged everyone to step up to help. Philippa also took the opportunity to thank Leo Sotana for all his work on our property.

ACW Report 2021

No questions raised on ACW report. However Zoltan commented the sheer level of activity by the ACW.

Motion to **adopt Annual Reports of 2021** by: Ian Mulcaster, seconded by Heather, all in favor. There were no objections, no abstentions; Motion carried.

8/ Treasurers Report and Financial Statements for 2021

Copies were attached with the Annual Reports distributed.

Philippa gave the floor to Mareen who presented her 2021 financial statements for 2022.

Mareen and Philippa fielded questions from Wendy, John, Judy, Les, Zoltan and Carol.

Questions related to interests earned, apportionment, government loan, operating expense, stewardship, land use, rents in arrear, etc.

Philippa thanked Mareen for her diligent work and also the congregation for their financial support.

Despite the difficult times during Covid, we are in the black and not red.

Motion to accept Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements made by **Mareen**, seconded by **Jane**,

with no objections or abstentions. Motion carried.

9/ Appointments and Elections

a/ Appointment of **Rector's Warden: Lynn Turner**

b/ Election of **People's Warden: Roy Francis**

Moved by: Glenda, seconded by: Wendy, with no objections or abstentions, all in favor; so Moved.

c/ Election of **Treasurer: Mareen Mathew** is staying on for one more year.

Moved by: Pat, seconded by: Heather, with no objections or abstentions, all in favor; so Moved.

d/ Election of **Secretary to Church Council: Cathy**

Simon has requested to step down. Philippa expressed thanks to Simon for his ministry.

Moved by: Kelly, seconded by: Anne, with no objections or abstentions, all in favor; so Carried.

e/ **Synod Delegates:** Nomination of Cathy Anderson and Jane Denton

Moved by: Glenda, seconded by: Ian, with no objections or abstentions, all in favor; so Moved.

f/ Election of **Synod Alternates:** Nomination of Roy Francis and Ian Mulcaster (Lynda stepping down).

Eileen Mathew offered to be **Alternate Youth Synod Delegate**.

Motioned by: Wayne, seconded by: Zoltan, with no objections or abstentions, all in favor; so Carried.

g/ **Youth Synod Delegate:** Nomination of Lynda Herbert

Moved by: Anne, seconded by: Cathy, with no objections or abstentions, all in favor; so Moved.

h/ Election of **Members-at-Large.** Nomination of Simon Lee, Anil Richards, Tom Beneteau, Ian Mulcaster, Cathy Anderson, Jane Denton.

Moved by: Kelly, seconded by: Jackie, with no objections or abstentions, all in favor; so Moved.

i/ Election of **Trustees:** Jacquie Stinson, Judy Nicholson, Anne Nelitz (Fil stepping down).

Fil was presented with a bouquet in appreciation.

Moved by: Roy, seconded by: Judy, with no objections or abstentions, all in favor; so Moved.

j/ Appointment of **Screening in Faith Officer:** Cathy Anderson volunteered for this position.

One of the duties of this officer is to maintain the list of Criminal Record checks (which expires every 5yr).

10/ Lay Administrators for 2022

Motion: That Bishop John Stephens be asked to authorize the following persons as Lay Administrators in the Parish of St. Helen, Surrey for the year 2022.

Cathy Anderson	Roshan Mathew	Wendy Russell	Edward Villar
Mareen Mathew	Vee Villar	Janette Bulkan	Ian Mulcaster
Angelita Sotana	Cynthia Richards	John Palmer	Jacquie Stinson
Anil Richards	Kelly Foulds	Lynn Turner	Judy Nicholson
Carol Young	William Lah	Maureen Thompson	

Moved by: **Lynn**, seconded by: **Pat Nociar**, with no objections or abstentions, all in favor; so Moved.

11/ Presentation of the **Forecast Budget for 2022** by Mareen.

Mareen fielded some questions, and thanked everyone for their contributions and reminded everyone of the convenience of etransfer.

Moved to accept Budget Forecast: Lynn, seconded by: Cynthia, with no objections or abstentions, all in favor; so Moved.

Bouquet was presented to Mareen in appreciation of her service.

12/ **Votes of Thanks.** Rev Philippa expressed thanks to congregation, Council and Wardens for giving her the support since she started 4 months ago, as she was going through a stressful period with the sudden passing of her sister.

People's Warden Roy thanked Rev Philippa for her guidance during this transition period as we search of a permanent rector.

13/ **Motion to Adjourn** by Tom Beneteau.

14/ Meeting closed with prayer at 12:55pm.

Parish Statistics 2022

Category	2022	2021
Total Households on the Roll	165 (Active families 87)	165 (Active families 95)
Total Members on the Roll	311 (Active members 143)	311 (Active members 123)
Number of Identifiable Givers	81	81
Average Sunday Attendance	49	47
Average Livestream	Not recorded	123
Christmas Attendance	24	71
Christmas Livestream Views	Not recorded	311
Easter Livestream Views	Not recorded	231
Sunday School Attendance	0	0
Baptisms	2	4
Confirmations	0	0
Weddings	1	0
Funeral/Memorials	10	1

In Memoriam

We remember those who have died this past year, especially members of this faith community:

Jordan Foulds

Arthur Edward Miller Walton

Elizabeth Frances Fancy

Kendelle Crotty

Brownee Hamilton

May they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

Annual Reports 2022

Rector's Report

Greetings to you all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. It does seem strange to be writing a Vestry Report from myself as Rector in that I have only just begun my ministry with you. But on the other hand, this offers a great opportunity for me to offer some of my own thoughts and reflections as we anticipate the year ahead of us.

For me as I begin my first year as your Rector I see two priorities for us. The first is Connection. As we continue as a Church and society to rebuild and renew ourselves and practices from the pandemic experiences of the past two years, connection is important. We need to continue to connect to one another, build and strengthen our relationships together. One way in which this is happening is through the Fireside Chats where there is an opportunity for you and I to get to know one another better and for us as a congregation to re-connect and get to know each other more deeply.

Connections with one another and building our relationship as a parish community also extends to our neighbourhood community as we begin to listen and discern the needs of our neighbours and our corner of Surrey.

As we continue to build our parish relationships and community relationships we do so by also strengthening our relationship with the Holy Spirit. In all we do we approach our ministry with an open heart and an open mind ever attentive to how God is calling us to respond to the needs of the parish and community.

The second priority for this year is to Seize the Opportunity of 'Now'. The pandemic has taught us many things and revealed that we are nimble, agile and can pivot to adapt to the changing needs of the world. We have learned to live-stream our worship, connect via Zoom and other online platforms, and have incorporated so many other creative ways of continuing our ministry has developed. Some of these 'experiments' have worked well, while others have not. Regardless of their success, they have all helped in our learning to pivot and adapt to a changing world. The learnings we have gained from the past three years will better equip us with the courage and energy to seize the opportunities that come to us now, this month, this summer, and this year as we continue to be a church that is relevant and vibrant for the world of today and for future generations.

When we pay attention and live into these two priorities I believe we will continue to grow and develop as a Church. We will continue to offer meaningful and vital ministry in Surrey and the larger diocesan community. May we join together in unity for the ministry that God is calling us into for 2023 and beyond.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Reverend Robin Ruder Celiz

Rector's Warden Report for 2022

The following is a quote from last year's report: "now two years into virtual or on and off shut down, the number of people actively caring for the Church and doing the ongoing work has been left to just a few. So, one of the first things that we can report to the parish is that we need many more people to help out. There are many short and/or long-term duties that you can take on, so please consider joining a committee or take on one or two small things that will help out in a huge way. " Unfortunately, this comment is still true.

We are now fully open and sadly we have had very few people asking what they can do to help look after their Church home. This has been our prime concern. Lately we have been working hard to comply with Fraser Health and Fire Services guidelines. A huge thank you to the small group of people who, when asked, stepped forward - the ladies who cleaned and cleared the kitchen, those who dealt with the fire service needs, those who have lifted, carried, cleared and continue to do so. A huge job is the cleaning and sorting of the Hall chairs, thank you so much to Tom for facilitating this. When the parish was not able to meet openly and enjoy the fellowship that our Church life affords us, it depleted us and it certainly has depleted our coffers. We know that we need to have events that bring us together, this was certainly evident by the response to our Christmas Bazaar. We would welcome any ideas from anyone who would be willing to provide and take leadership for social times, fundraising events, working on small short-term maintenance jobs, serving on Parish Council.

This coming year we will have Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper and there is a Parking Lot/Garage Sale planned for the Spring.

Having an Office Administrator in place has been a huge benefit, we are so grateful to Matthew for taking on this job on a temporary basis, yet a year later we have not filled the position - but we are confident this will happen very soon. We can also be pleased that the grounds are kept tidy and the buildings well cleaned, this is part of the look that is reflected in the neighborhood made possible by Leo who goes above and beyond in this role.

Live streaming the worship services has proven to be beneficial and it is encouraging that we have several hundred people watching our services. While this is a convenience for some, we still need people in the pews, these are the ones who might be more inclined to take part in the care of our campus. It is a very sad fact that our members are not contributing to the upkeep of the buildings, which includes the monthly bills, to the same extent as they do when they attend Church. The Church is maintained by the giving of the people. This year we can report that all renters have signed new annual agreements which saw the allowable 10% increase. These take effect March 1 and April 1, 2023. The Junior Einstein's Academy has proven to be a perfect tenant, they are co-operative and kind in their dealings with us and this is also evident in their care of the children attending the before and after school, daycare, and play school programs. We are pleased that they have indicated that they hope to have a long term home here at St. Helen's.

The Search committee, with due care and diligence completed their work and with the approval of the Bishop, was pleased to announce that the Rev. Robin A. Ruder Celiz will begin his tenure at St. Helen's on February 1, 2023. Once again we owe a great deal of thanks to the Venerable Rev. Philippa Pride, now our Archdeacon, and to the Rev. Mark Munn for the care and attention they gave us during our transition. We have been extremely fortunate that our interim Priests-in-Charge have shared truly meaningful worship and generous counsel.

At the time of writing this report, the Warden's and Rector will be meeting soon with an organization interested in using some of our land for a specific project. The results of these talks will be relayed to the parish as soon as something concrete can be shared.

Corinthians 12:14: "The body of Christ, or the people that are the whole of humanity, are a team. The body is not supported by one person, but by all of us. We are one, we are strongest working together in unity. Teamwork is the key to living life in harmony, so that we can do God's will."

Lynn Turner

Peoples Warden's Report for 2022

The year started as always with the gradual return to in person attendance of services by most of our congregation indicating a confidence for their health and safety at St. Helen's.

The Fire Dept did the annual inspection and advised that we needed to have Occupancy Load Limits displayed in the hall and church buildings. I went to three different architects and building engineers and their quotes for doing this was in \$2,000 to \$2,500 range as there was no structure plans available. Phillipa received names from the Dept. of companies doing this and I was able to contact one prepared to quote \$1500. I met with their rep at the church and she did all the required measurements needed to calculate the Occupancy Limits and the actual cost was about \$1100 + tax for their work. I took this to the Fire Dept. who was satisfied with the calculations and issued our Occupancy Load Limit certificates now displayed in the church and upper and lower hall locations. Instead of the separate cost of three they only billed St. Helen's for one , saving of about \$1,300.

At the end of April I was diagnosed with cardiac issues and was hospitalized at SMH and then transferred to VGH where they performed open heart quintuple by-pass surgery. After about 2 weeks I was sent home for recovery. While home an infection occurred in the wound, and I lapsed into a coma. When admitted to SMH by ambulance, cardiologist there that I also had a serious bacterial infection in my blood and was again hospitalized there for two weeks. They then transferred me to VGH for more cardiac surgery and also flap-over plastic surgery. The result of this was the loss of use of both hands and strength in both arms resulting from nerve damage. The surgeon told me that the hands and arm will recover but over a long period of time. While in hospital I had visits from Phillipa and also Les and was discharged from VGH on

19th July to recover for three more months at home. I want to thank all who were concerned and prayed for my recovery and well-being.

I was still able to partake in most of the search committee meetings and once the final decision was made had the pleasure of meeting the candidate.

Fire-pro did the annual safety inspection and quoted about \$1,800 for the needed upgrade and replacement of the extinguishers and batteries. Simon and I discussed this and he said he could do these replacements with new units. With the help of Christine he obtained new units and installed them as required for \$800 + thus saving about \$1,000 for St. Helen's.

I am still in discussion with ICBC about the barrier gate on 107A that was damaged on Phillipa's last Sunday with us but they claim the plate # was not insured by them.

We need to thank Leo for his hard work in keeping the grounds neat and tidy and also the cleaning in the church and hall. Tom offered to clean the chairs in the hall and he is still at it and we thank him for that and the other jobs he does when needed.

We thank Les for all the maintenance work he does at St. Helen's and also Simon who also does lots. Lynn and myself were able to have all the rental leases done with our renters for this year.

We lost Brownie Hamilton, Jordan Foulds and Elsie Foulds this year and may they rest in eternal peace.

I thank all those who put in the effort and their time to help at St. Helen's as there is always strength in numbers. May the grace of God shine on St. Helen's this coming year.

Roy Francis

Altar Guild Report

This is an enjoyable Ministry. We only have 8 members and would surely welcome more on our 4 teams. Some of our duties are keeping all the altar linens clean , changing the Frontals (colors), keeping the brass polished and are truly lucky to have talented ladies that arrange our flowers on the Altar for all our Sunday services. We do dusting and straighten the books so when you come into the church it looks absolutely beautiful and we are proud to keep it that way.

On special occasions such as Christmas, Easter and Thanksgiving we get to decorate the church, which is so much fun. It takes my breath away as our church looks so beautiful. What a beautiful place to come and worship .

Yours in Christ , Heather Herd

Deacon Report

It is my great pleasure to be back at St. Helen's. People are still as welcoming when I did my internship back in 2011. I thank you all for that.

I wasn't really looking for a position when I started back to corporate worship, but was asked by Rev'd Phillippa to help out and the rest is history.

I am looking forward to expanding what I am doing at the Sunday service. Hopefully our new Rector and I can work things out to our satisfaction, and yours. I do not want to take away any one's ministry or to interfere with it.

Hopefully 2023 will be a blessed year for St. Helen's.

Yours in Christ

Rev. Steve

Screening in Faith Report

It is the policy of the Diocese of New Westminster that everyone who comes into contact with vulnerable persons by their volunteer or paid position be screened. The goal is a safe environment in parishes, in diocesan ministries, in activities for children, seniors, the physically, emotionally, and/or spiritually vulnerable persons.

St. Helen's Parish Council members and those in volunteer and/or paid positions have been asked to provide Criminal Records Checks, and in some cases where the level of responsibility requires, undergo online training to ensure they are aware of the requirements to protect and sensitivities to consider in vulnerable populations. "Screening in Faith helps us to fulfill a fundamental obligation; to look after the welfare of all members of the community, especially those who are vulnerable through age, infirmity or any other form of dependency".

"Screening volunteers and paid staff addresses our responsibility to offer the best to those we serve and that we insure that those we place in positions of power and trust be selected, trained and supported so that their ministries be life-giving."

Submitted by

Cathy Anderson

St. Helens Screening in Faith Coordinator

Report of the Primate's World Relief Development Fund

In the Past year board staff members have connected virtually keeping the message and goal of the primates world relief development fund alive.

Despite the pandemic our supporters have raised more than \$5 milliona time both difficult financially and physically. This has allowed us to fund partners around the world and in Canada. The annual report ..on line...includes many stories of men and women and families who are engaged in the work of sustaining their communities . Thank you St Helen's —\$1,080 was collected pre Christmas and another \$300 sent individually.

From April '21 to March '2280 projects in 33 countries were supported from floods and fires in Canada...water projects in Africa...the war in Ukraine and so so many more.

Thank you for caring. Thanks be to God

Paulette Smith

Grounds and Cemetery Report

We sadly have lost some dear family and friends. This past year we have had eight burials in St. Helen's cemetery including our last full body burial site which had been reserved for Albert Edward Walton. From now on we will only have plots for cremated remains.

Several people have made the decision this year that their final resting place will be at St. Helens cemetery and have reserved a plot for themselves and in some cases for their loved ones. If you have any questions about this, please leave a message at the church office and I will return your call and give you the information about this process.

This past year has been difficult to keep the cemetery in good shape. Thank you, Leo, for your work to keep the cemetery tidy. There have been work parties that have not happened due to extreme temperature. Several members of the parish have taken on the work in segments of the gardens and have worked at their own pace. All in all the gardens have looked reasonably attractive and I would like to thank those who have worked on this task.

Respectfully Submitted , Cemetery Committee , Jane Denton

Prayer Circle Annual Report

The members of St. Helen's Prayer Circle are called to a ministry of prayer. They have committed themselves to pray for the needs of others and form part of a chain through which God's love flows.

Prayers are offered at home, work, or whenever the Holy Spirit leads them to do so. This ministry operates 'behind the scenes' and provides comfort and support in times of need, as well as, a means of celebrating God's many blessings.

Prayers are offered, upon request, for parishioners, family members, friends, co-workers, and others living locally and far away.

Our practice upon receiving a prayer request is to record the details and relay the information by email. A spirit of caring prevails.

Confidentiality is most important and we respect the need to deal with certain issues in a quiet way. If asked, we do not automatically include these requests on the 'Prayers of the People' list at the back of the church on Sunday.

If you wish to request prayer for others, please ensure they are in agreement, then contact me directly with the details. This will ensure accuracy. Please see me following the 10 am service, at coffee hour, give me at 604-594-8562 or by email at bnichols@dccnet.com.

Progress reports are most appreciated. If not further advised, prayers will be continued for one to two months.

Our wardens, Lynn Turner and Roy Francis, and the following parishioners participated in this ministry with Rev'ds. Philippa, Mark and me in 2022:

Pat Clegg	Jane Denton	Kelly Foulds
Jos Laskey	Ann Matthew	Pat Nociar
John Palmer	Paulette Smith	Jacquie Stinson

I offer my thanks to them for their faithfulness to this ministry.

If you have further questions or wish to have the support of the Prayer Circle, please let me know. Your prayer requests are always welcome.

Faithfully yours,

Judy Nicholson

St. Helen's Anglican Church Women

Annual Report for 2022

In Memory of Brownee Hamilton

October 20, 1927 to October 4, 2022

In 2022, the ACW members, along with the parish, said a fond farewell to our fellow parishioner, ACW member and friend, Brownee Hamilton. We celebrated her welcoming smile, cheerful nature and life lived to the fullest. She was appreciated by all who met her and always had a story to tell and an ear to listen. We will miss her many hugs. Rest in peace, dear friend.

Called together in faith, our **ACW (Anglican Church Women)** continues to meet once a month (1st Wednesday) at 11:30am for lunch, fellowship, devotions and a business meeting. Enabled by the Holy Spirit, we feel called to reveal God's love through prayer, work and stewardship.

Each year, most members select a **Secret Prayer Partner**. We are grateful to know someone else is remembering us in their prayers. Receiving a greeting card or small gift on special occasions is always a welcome surprise. We reveal our identities and exchange gifts at our annual Christmas party. In the new year, the process begins again. This is one of the ways we deepen our personal and group relationships.

It is most encouraging to see our **numbers remain constant**. With many ACW and Fellowship Groups in our Diocese closing, we are blessed to continue meeting, supporting one another, the parish and other organizations.

It has been our pleasure to welcome both of our interim-priests-in charge to our meetings. **Rev'ds. Philippa and Mark** shared their backgrounds with us, as well as, a few light hearted moments. We wish them and their families every happiness and success in their spiritual journeys.

At each of our meetings, we make a point of having **Devotions**. A wide variety of topics, such as the People of the Ukraine, Being Moulded by Scripture, the 1975 Riot at the BC Pen, and All Saints Day give us food for thought. By including the National ACW Prayer and The Grace, we confirm our call to faith and service.

With parish support, we continue to **reach out and support others**. At our annual **Dorcas Shower**, we gather brand new baby items including sleepers, hooded bath towels, onesies, diaper pins, toddler tee's & pants, socks, toys, dresses, comb/brush sets, travel-size toiletries, and small books. These were blessed by Rev'd. Philippa at our October meeting before being donated to the Diocesan ACW for inclusion in the **Bales** of clothing to needy parishes in Northern BC and the Yukon, as well as, to fill emergency calls for single moms/families who have limited resources. You may be interested to know, the name Dorcas (also called Tabitha) is mentioned in the Bible as a woman known for her good works and charitable deeds.

I'm sure you have heard the words, **The Bales**, mentioned in conversations or during Coffee Hour and wondered what does that refer to? Hopefully, the following words will give you a clearer picture. One of the **outreach projects of the Diocesan ACW, the Bales, has a long history.** In the 1950's, the women of the WA (Women's Auxiliary) in Vancouver recognized the needs of Northern Parishes in BC and the Yukon and started providing 'bales' of clothing, blankets, layettes, and warm socks and shipping them to these needy areas where access to shopping was limited and costs were out of reach for most residents. **This work** began in Vancouver with the purchase of a house and now **continues** in Burnaby at a warehouse aptly called ACW Place. Three times a year, 25-30 bales are shipped via Canadian Freightways. They are greatly received.

YOU can support this work. If gently used clothes (baby, child, youth, adult), bedding, towels, tablecloths, placemats, clothing with tags still on (sent in the 'Christmas Bales'), purses, men's suits, belts, warm winter coats, business attire, sleeping bags, new cosmetic bags and small unused toiletries are taking up space in your closets or drawers, or that of family or friends, **why not donate** them to this worthwhile cause? Weight can be an issue with shipping so shoes/boots are not encouraged unless they are suitable for an office environment (ladies or men's) or construction site. Items not sent in the Bales always find a welcome home and are re-directed to other organizations. If you are interested in seeing the process of sorting donations, shelving them and making BALES, you are always welcome. This work is done on Monday mornings at ACW Place at Unit B, 7012 Merritt Avenue, Burnaby, BC 604-876-3720. Also, if you have donations, delivery can be arranged.

The Diocesan ACW also supports:

Mission to Seafarers: An international organization which provides spiritual and practical support to men and women working on ships that arrive at the ports of Vancouver & Delta. Donations of new warm, wool socks, knitted toques & cowls, souvenirs, toiletries, and chocolate are welcome.

Dress for Success: A not for profit organization offering services to help clients find jobs, remain employed....and providing clothing for job interviews and workplace. Imagine if you need to re-enter the workplace and have nothing suitable to wear!

Working Gear for Men: A volunteer charity that provides clothing, gear, and support to those in need of employment.

SPCA: If towels, flannel sheets & blankets are clean but not suitable for 'people' use, they will still keep an animal warm and cozy during recovery and stay at the SPCA.

Friendship Centre in Williams Lake: provides free women's and children's clothing, support and services to all women and children in the area.

Covenant House: Provides hope, accommodation, clothing, and support to Vancouver's homeless and at-risk youth (ages 16 – 24).

Street/Homeless Ministries:are welcome to select items at the warehouse. Donations of toques, scarfs and clothing have been given to Surrey Urban Mission and Night Shift Ministry in Whalley.

As the parish connects with the Diocese and National Church, our St. Helen's ACW also has a bond with the **Diocesan ACW and National ACW** and keeps up-to-date on their activities. In May, we took part in the Diocesan AGM followed in September by their Fall Gathering. Both events brought women together from parishes across the diocese. The President of Diocesan ACW also attended the national meeting of presidents. A major 2022 donation of \$100,000.00 was given by the Diocesan ACW to the Anglican Foundation to administer for retired clergy in the Council of the North.

Our ACW continues to provide **Church Calendars** and **Devotional Booklets**. One of our members faithfully sends **greeting cards** on behalf of the parish to those who are not well, celebrating special birthdays, grieving, and needing to know someone is thinking about them. Special Easter and Christmas mailings of 35-40 cards are sent as well. Our ACW provides cards and postage stamps. Several of our ACW members use their **knitting** skills to make baby sweater sets for Layettes, Toddler & Child sweaters, and slippers. These are currently donated to the Diocesan ACW.

Catering receptions for Memorial Services and Celebrations of Life is a ministry we continue to provide. Over the years, things have changed. Our members bake, set up the hall, prepare and pour tea and coffee and clean up for a per person fee. We no longer make sandwiches. These are ordered at the families' request and cost. A welcoming and caring atmosphere is always provided free of charge.

In 2022, we made **financial donations** to the Parish Strawberry Tea and Christmas Bazaar Raffles, Altar Flowers, PWRDF, Mission to Seafarers (warm wool socks), Diocesan ACW retiring President's Purse, and parish priest's Discretionary Fund.

In June and December, we put 'business' aside and enjoyed potluck meals, each other's company, lot of laughs and a good time.

2023 will be a new and exciting time for our parish. We look forward to offering our support to our new priest, Rev'd Robin Celiz, as well as our fellow parishioners.

We will also be hosting the annual **World Day of Prayer Service** focused on the country of Taiwan on Friday, March 3, at 1pm. All are welcome. Invite your family, neighbours, & friends.

New members are always welcome. Ladies, please join us anytime your schedule permits. You'll be glad you did. Many thanks to you our fellow parishioners for your ongoing support. It is most appreciated.

May God continue to bless each of us as we walk side-by-side to bring about His Kingdom.

Judy Nicholson President

ST. HELEN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN

Financial Statement as of December 31, 2022

Balance forward December 31, 2021	\$ 411.33
<u>Revenue</u>	
Membership Fees 2022/2023	420.00
2022/2023 Church Calendar Sales	105.00
Catering - Funeral/Memorial/Celebration of Life Receptions	\$2,000.00
Donations to ACW	20.00
United Thank Offering/Devotional Booklets	83.00
Bank Interest	.13
Total	\$ 2,628.13
<u>Expenses</u>	
2023 Church Calendars	222.00
Sunshine/Family Life (Greeting Cards/Postage/Gifts)	92.61
Diocesan ACW Fall Gathering – Registration & Lunch Fees	75.00
Diocese of New Westminster ACW – 9 memberships	108.00
Farewell Gift to Rev'd. Philippa Segrave-Pride	50.00
Thank You Gifts – Pat Nociar & Wendy Russell	30.00
Total	\$ 577.61
<u>Donations</u>	
St. Helen's Church – Priest's Discretionary Fund	100.00
Strawberry Tea Raffle	100.00
Christmas Bazaar Raffle	250.00
Altar Flowers	100.00
Primate's World Relief & Development Fund (PWRDF)	250.00
Diocesan ACW – President's Purse	75.00
Diocesan ACW – Memorial Roll (Brownee Hamilton)	25.00
Mission to Seafarers – Hot Sox	125.00
Total	\$ 1,025.00
Balance December 31, 2021	\$ 411.33
Receipts	\$ 2,628.13
Expenses & Donations	-\$1,602.61
Balance December 31, 2022	\$ 1,436.85

Respectfully Submitted
Judy Nicholson

St Helen's Anglican Church

Comparative Balance Sheet

	As at 2022-12-31	As at 2021-12-31	Percent
ASSET			
Current Assets			
Bank of Montreal	9,247.05	56,002.35	-83.49
Bank of Montreal - Remy	0.00	0.00	0.00
Vancity	175,555.39	154,166.64	13.87
Net Cash	184,802.44	210,168.99	-12.07
CTF - Land Account	372.85	419.31	-11.08
Land - Cemetery	34,128.28	38,386.15	-11.09
Total Current Assets	<u>219,303.57</u>	<u>248,974.45</u>	-11.92
TOTAL ASSET	<u>219,303.57</u>	<u>248,974.45</u>	-11.92
LIABILITY			
Current Liabilities			
Unrealized Gain/Loss	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Current Liabilities	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	0.00
Long Term Liabilities			
Loan from Diocese	0.00	0.00	0.00
Loan from Govt (CEBA) through BMO	9,870.00	24,280.00	-59.35
Total Current Liabilities	<u>9,870.00</u>	<u>24,280.00</u>	-59.35
TOTAL LIABILITY	<u>9,870.00</u>	<u>24,280.00</u>	-59.35
EQUITY			
Surplus			
Current Earnings	-15,260.88	128,813.25	-111.85
Congregational Equity	224,694.45	95,881.20	134.35
Total Equity	<u>209,433.57</u>	<u>224,694.45</u>	-6.79
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>209,433.57</u>	<u>224,694.45</u>	-6.79
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u>219,303.57</u>	<u>248,974.45</u>	-11.92

St Helen's Anglican Church Comparative Income Statement

	Actual 2022-01-01 to 2022-12-31	Actual 2021-01-01 to 2021-12-31	Percent
REVENUE			
Total Revenue			
Open Collection	3,860.00	1,035.00	272.95
Envelopes - General	75,431.40	83,268.00	-9.41
PWRDF	0.00	0.00	0.00
Flowers	1,795.00	1,875.00	-4.27
Refugee Sponsorship	0.00	0.00	0.00
Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Envelope Giving	77,226.40	85,143.00	-9.30
Parish Fundraisers	1,335.32	300.00	345.11
Strawberry Tea	2,091.00	0.00	0.00
Bazaar	4,001.10	3,864.95	3.52
Fundraiser - Refugee	0.00	0.00	0.00
Funerals - Plots	6,300.00	3,050.00	106.56
Funeral services	4,225.00	350.00	1,107.14
Rental - Rectory	35,843.75	5,812.50	516.67
Rentals - Church	21,850.00	20,400.00	7.11
Rentals - Hall	48,750.00	30,360.00	60.57
Rentals - Film/TV	500.00	23,350.00	-97.86
Total Rental Income	71,100.00	74,110.00	-4.06
Revenue from Other Charities	0.00	117,867.89	-100.00
GST Rebate	1,511.69	1,017.00	48.64
Revenue from Federal government	0.00	34,882.71	-100.00
Gain/Loss CTFs	-4,304.33	3,942.45	-209.18
Total Revenue	203,189.93	331,375.50	-38.68
TOTAL REVENUE	203,189.93	331,375.50	-38.68
EXPENSE			
Operating Expenses			
Apportionment	23,991.03	23,127.36	3.73
Clergy Salary	100,571.24	100,285.41	0.29
Clergy - Conferences	345.36	0.00	0.00
Clergy - Short Term Replacement	841.50	846.76	-0.62
Clergy - Disability Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Clergy Costs	101,758.10	101,132.17	0.62
Contracts - Music	11,400.00	11,400.00	0.00
Contracts - Office	11,395.00	5,160.00	120.83
Contracts - Janitorial	3,900.00	1,552.00	151.29
Total Contracts Expense	26,695.00	18,112.00	47.39
Advertising	0.00	0.00	0.00

Office expense - Computer	1,170.40	876.96	33.46
Office expense - Photocopier	6,187.05	4,010.68	54.26
Office expense - paper	101.81	338.43	-69.92
Office expense - Supplies	18.88	15.75	19.87
Office expense - Postage	<u>0.00</u>	<u>298.08</u>	-100.00
Total Office expense	7,478.14	5,539.90	34.99
Church supplies - flowers	1,411.77	1,859.99	-24.10
Church supplies - misc	<u>1,458.84</u>	<u>1,733.37</u>	-15.84
Total Church Supplies	2,870.61	3,593.36	-20.11
Utilities - Telephone	1,678.68	1,382.92	21.39
Utilities - Gas Church & Hall	10,036.36	8,952.53	12.11
Utilities - Gas Rectory	0.00	0.00	0.00
Utilities - Electricity	3,451.74	3,083.00	11.96
Utilities - City of Surrey	<u>384.67</u>	<u>485.03</u>	-20.69
Total Utilities Expense	15,551.45	13,903.48	11.85
Repairs & Maintance - Garbage	2,696.88	2,670.37	0.99
Repairs & Maintenance - Grounds	1,991.18	1,488.00	33.82
Repairs & Maintenance - Lawn Care	2,462.09	0.00	0.00
Repair & Maintenance - Church	1,210.40	339.38	256.65
Repair & Maintenance - Rectory	108.00	1,000.00	-89.20
Repair & Maintenance - Hall	<u>11,649.74</u>	<u>13,468.27</u>	-13.50
Total Repairs & Maintenance	20,118.29	18,966.02	6.08
Property Taxes	3,042.27	2,677.86	13.61
Insurance Costs	15,511.00	13,073.00	18.65
Security	345.88	432.35	-20.00
Loan Interest Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
Funds for Transfer - Diocese	0.00	0.00	0.00
Funds for Transfer - PWRDF	0.00	0.00	0.00
Funds for Transfer - Other	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	0.00
Total Funds for Transfer	0.00	0.00	0.00
Programs - Fellowship	486.70	36.98	1,216.12
Programs - Christian Development	0.00	0.00	0.00
Programs - Community Outreach	0.00	0.00	0.00
Programs - Music	100.00	100.00	0.00
Programs-Sunday School/Children's M	0.00	0.00	0.00
Programs - Communications	33.87	0.00	0.00
Programs - Stewardship	0.00	0.00	0.00
Programs - Refugee	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	0.00
Total Program Expenses	620.57	136.98	353.04
Misc - Bank Charges	450.36	392.02	14.88
misc-synod costs	0.00	0.00	0.00
Misc - Other	<u>18.11</u>	<u>1,475.75</u>	-98.77
Total Misc Expenses	468.47	1,867.77	-74.92
Total Expense	<u>218,450.81</u>	<u>202,562.25</u>	7.84
NET INCOME	<u>-15,260.88</u>	<u>128,813.25</u>	-111.85

Notes to the Revenue 2022

Total Envelope Receipts -\$77,226.40.00

Parish Fundraisers - \$1,335.32, received from bottle drive \$775 , pancake supper \$500 & clothing drive \$60.32

We made \$4,001.10 from Bazaar this year.

CTF Gain/Loss

The Consolidated Trust Fund held at the diocese usually gains interest each year. The interest made can be either acknowledged in the Balance Sheet or in the Comparative Financial Statement. For quite a few years it was indicated on the Balance Sheet which allowed for a reporting of lower overall revenue which lowered our assessment to the diocese. It was a way to defer assessment. For the past few years we have brought this interest to Income Statement as revenue.

In 2019, the CTF Gain/Loss was a positive figure, \$4,454.83. This figure changes with the ebb and flow of the investment markets. For the last few years the parish has withdrawn monies from the fund to go to our annual budget to do grounds work on the cemetery. In 2019 we budgeted \$2,000 to be withdrawn and did so toward the end of the year to cover the expenditures.

In 2020, the CTF gain/loss was a positive amount, \$4,125.90. We made \$3,942.45 towards CTF gain in 2021 and shown under revenue. We, however, did not withdraw any money from the fund for the past three years.

In 2022 with the market down, there is a loss of \$4,304.33.

Notes to the Expense 2022

There was a relief for apportionment fees payable to diocese for three months, from January to March 2022. Hence the apportionment fee totals to only \$23,991.03 for the nine months paid to the diocese.

Utilities Gas Church & Hall - \$10,036.36. These are Fortis BC charges for Church & Hall

Repairs & Maintenance Hall - \$11,649.74

Major expenses include legal fees paid to Boughton Law for \$7,017.50 (50/50 split with Diocese) towards Creative zone childcare.

Notes to the Balance Sheet 2022

The money that we received from the Non profit Society \$117,867.89 is held in trust in Vancity.

A government loan (CEBA) was applied and obtained for \$40,000 in 2020, with zero interest, partially forgivable up to \$10,000, if we repay the principal amount of \$30,000 by Dec 2022. We repaid \$30,130 by Nov 2022, therefore forgivable amount in hand is \$9,870.

St. Helen's Anglican Church		
Budget 2023	2023 Budget	2022 Budget
Revenue		
Open Collection	1,500.00	1,500.00
Envelopes General	95,000.00	95,000.00
Flowers	1,500.00	1,500.00
Total Donations	98,000.00	98,000.00
Fundraising	7,500.00	5,000.00
Total Fundraising	7,500.00	5,000.00
Cemetery	1,500.00	1,500.00
Weddings	250.00	250.00
Rectory Rental	23,250.00	23,250.00
Church rental	23,740.00	21,600.00
Hall Rental	44,400.00	44,400.00
Film/TV	-	15,000.00
Total Rentals	91,640.00	104,500.00
GST/HST Rebate	1,500.00	1,000.00
Transfer Cemetery Acc.	-	-
CTF gain/loss	- 2,000.00	2,000.00
Total	- 500.00	3,000.00
Total Revenue	198,140.00	212,000.00
Expenses		
Apportionment	32,000.00	32,000.00
Clergy Stipend, & CRA Employer Costs	105,000.00	105,000.00
Clergy Conferences	500.00	250.00
Clergy Short term Replacement	2,000.00	12,000.00
Clergy Disability Ins.	-	-
Total Clergy Costs	107,500.00	117,250.00
Contract Music	13,000.00	13,000.00
Contract Office Administrator	12,000.00	12,000.00
Contract Janitorial	4,000.00	4,000.00
Grounds Keeping Person	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total Contracts	31,000.00	31,000.00
Advertising	50.00	50.00
Office Expenses Computer	1,200.00	1,000.00
Office Expenses Copier	5,000.00	4,500.00
Office Expense Paper	350.00	350.00
Office Expense Supplies	150.00	150.00
Office Expense Postage	100.00	300.00
Total Office Exps	6,800.00	6,300.00
Church Supplies Flowers	1,500.00	1,500.00
Church Supplies Misc.	1,500.00	1,500.00
Total Church Supplies	3,000.00	3,000.00

Utilities Telephone	1,700.00		1,500.00
Utilities Gas Church & Hall	11,000.00		9,500.00
Utilities Gas Rectory	-		-
Utilities Electricity	4,000.00		4,000.00
Utilities City of Surrey	600.00		600.00
Total Utilities Expenses	17,300.00		15,600.00
Repairs & Maint. Garbage	3,000.00		3,000.00
Repairs & Main. Grounds	2,000.00		3,000.00
Repairs & Maint. Lawn Care	3,000.00		200.00
Repairs & Main. Church	7,000.00		7,000.00
Repairs and Maint. Rectory	1,500.00		1,500.00
Repairs and Maint. Hall	5,000.00		3,000.00
Total Repairs & Maint.	21,500.00		17,700.00
Property Taxes	4,000.00		3,000.00
Insurance Costs	17,000.00		15,600.00
Security	450.00		450.00
Programs Fellowship	100.00		100.00
Programs Christian Development	200.00		200.00
Programs Community Outreach	200.00		200.00
Programs Music	200.00		200.00
Programs Sunday School	100.00		100.00
Children's/Youth Ministry Program	100.00		100.00
Programs Stewardship	200.00		200.00
Total Program Expenses	1,100.00		1,100.00
Misc. Other	100.00		100.00
Loan repayment CEBA	-		14,280.00
Misc. Bank Charges	450.00		450.00
Misc. Synod/Conference	100.00		100.00
Total Misc. Expenses	650.00		14,930.00
Total Expenses	242,350.00		257,980.00
Total Revenue	198,140.00		212,000.00
Total Expenses	242,350.00		257,980.00
Net Profit (Deficit)	- 44,210.00	-	45,980.00