



**HILLSIDE FREE
METHODIST CHURCH**

ANNUAL SOCIETY MEETING REPORT 2026



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AGENDA

1. Opening Devotional and Prayer
 2. Statement of Mission and Vision
 3. Confirmation of Quorum (25% of Membership).
 4. Adoption of Agenda
 5. Appointment of Tellers
 6. Board Recommendation Re: Election Process
 7. Elections
 - a. Board member
 - b. Nominating Committee
 - c. Potential elections (based on election process vote)
 8. Ministry Leaders Reports
 - a. Treasurer
 - b. Delegate
 - c. Nominating Committee
 9. Pastor's Reports
 - a. Lead Pastor
 - b. Lay Pastor
 10. Board Chair
 - a. Thoughts from the Chair
 - b. Time of Remembrance for Loved Ones Lost.
 - i. Grace Turner
 11. Questions
- Prayer and Adjournment



MISSION AND VISION

OUR MISSION

Helping one another know God's love, grow in God's love, and show God's love.

OUR VISION

To become growing worshippers of God who reach out in love with Christ through means that are relevant to our world today!



BOARD RECOMMENDATION RE: ELECTION PROCESS

Each year the Society (that is, the members of HFMC) must elect (or reaffirm by vote) the Official Board and the Nominating Committee. Beyond that, there are options for the selection and appointment of other positions, including board secretary, treasurer, delegate, reserve delegate, financial officers (treasurer assistants), signing officers, auditor, Pastor's Cabinet, and Trustees. According to the Manual (3.2), all these positions, except those of Pastor's Cabinet or Trustees, must be held by persons who are members of the HFMC.

The options are:

1. The Society annually elects or affirms by vote each of these positions.
2. The Society annually votes to grant (or not) authority to the Board to appoint all of these positions.

For this 2026 ASM, the board-appointed positions would be:

- board secretary (appointed from among board members)
- treasurer (Roxanne Boudreau)
- delegate (Dave Kreutzweiser)
- reserve delegate (Carol McDowell)
- bookkeeper assistants to treasurer (Brenda Devries, Chris Pomeroy)
- signing officers (Kenny Bonnell, Chris Pomeroy)
- auditor (we hire the external auditor Priddle-Luck)
- Pastor's Cabinet (Andrea Miller, Connie Kreutzweiser, Kenny Bonnell)
- Trustees (members of the Official Board)

The Board recommends option #2. We suggest this option provides the greatest degree of consistency and efficiency. We will ask the Society to choose an option by majority (50% +1) vote. We will do this by paper ballot so that you can vote for the option you are most comfortable with. Please indicate on your ballot the number of the option that you vote to approve. If the majority votes to approve option #1, we will then go through the election of each position separately. If the majority votes to approve option #2, the appointments will be made at the first Board meeting after this ASM and will be reported to the congregation.

PASTOR'S REPORT

KEVIN BISHOP

“Deep and wide, deep and wide. There’s a fountain flowing deep and wide...”

Sorry if I’ve got you singing, but I wanted to share my personal ministry mission for this coming year:

Encouraging us to **connect deeply** with God and with each other, and to **reach wide** as we connect with our community and beyond.

I hope it sounds a bit familiar as it echoes Hillside’s present ministry focus (the 3Cs):

Joining God in His reconciling mission by **connecting**...

- with Him
- with each other
- with our community and beyond

And “deep and wide” doesn’t just echo our ministry focus, it expands on it. To be honest, I started out with the phrase: “more active and engaged...” and that’s really my heartbeat for all of us this year. Be more active and engaged in connecting... Dig into the rich relationship God wants to have with you. Discover the fullness of authentic friendships with your church family. Experience the joy of sharing God’s love with those in our neighbourhoods who so desperately need it.

And when we do these things, I believe there is nothing God can’t do in and through us.

A word of thanks...

Thank you Board Members, Ministry Team Leaders, Harriet, and volunteers – you keep us moving toward loving God and loving each other and I am very grateful for the hours and hours of work you do to that end.

Thank you, church family, for continuing to make our family feel very welcome here in the Sault. And a special note of thanks for all the prayers and concern shown for my medical issue this past year – I feel very much cared for.

Responsibility: Vision and Mission

Activities: Apply vision and mission principles; Communicate vision and mission; Evaluate vision and mission

1. It was refreshing to start to flesh out our ministry focus (i.e., the 3Cs – see above).

Some initiatives that flowed directly out of the 3Cs were:

- a. Plus One
 - i. Neighbourhood Prayer Walk
 - ii. BHAG – intentional authentic relationship with your “one”

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- b. Connection Point
 - i. Weekly encouragement to practice the 3Cs
- c. Encouraging deeper prayer/devotional life
 - i. Healing prayer night
 - ii. Devotional resources highlighted and made readily available (e.g., Right Now Media, YouVersion Bible app, Daily Bread, Lectio 365)
 - iii. Advent/Lent family devotional materials
- d. Engaging with our community and beyond
 - i. EFC Welcome Church event
 - ii. Refresh of website/nametags (for newcomers to be more at ease)
 - iii. Fort Creek Clean Up
 - iv. Step Up Sault (Salvation Army)
 - v. Hosted two elections
 - vi. Youth leaf raking (Pregnancy Care and neighbour)

2. What's next?

- a. Strategic Implementation Team
 - i. Board, as usual, sets vision/mission
 - ii. SI Team helps the pastor put the vision/mission into practice; helps develop framework/strategies for implementation
- b. Church Health Survey
 - i. For congregation to help give a snapshot of overall ministry health

Responsibility: Leadership Development

Activities: Identify and recruit ministry leaders; Develop and deploy leaders

- 1. Preschool
 - a. Kudos to Heather and Tracey for working together to create our Preschool/Kindergarten kidsmin program!
- 2. What's Next?
 - a. Prayer for leaders (ongoing/specific)
 - b. Ministry Lead/Team needs: Outreach, Care, Discipleship, Youth
 - c. Ministry Training (ministry specific/general learning, e.g., spiritual gifts, welcoming)

Responsibility: Spiritual Growth/Discipleship

Activities: Relevant bible-based preaching; Prayer leadership; Meaningful worship opportunities; Lead discipleship process

- 1. Prayer
 - a. Prayer Room – office move to make space for a quiet place for prayer on Sundays as well as during the week

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- b. Sunday Morning Prayer – increased congregational involvement
- 2. Small Groups – approximately 60 in regular outside of Sunday AM connection
- 3. Special Events/Services – Gather25, Wesley Renewal Service, FMCiC Week of Prayer and Fasting
- 4. What's Next?
 - a. Discipleship framework/strategy for implementation
 - b. Next steps – from pre-decision to feeling part of the family
 - c. Digital Resource Hub – online discipleship
 - d. 3C Sundays - 4 weeks of unique experiences of connecting with God, with each other, and with our community
 - i. What if we gave people a taste of deeper engagement at a time they are already here? What if we cast a wider net and show people who we are and what we do in their environment?
 - ii. What about worship? While it might look and feel a bit different, the elements of singing, praying, and hearing from the Word will remain. The goal of providing a meaningful time of worship will always be there regardless of format.
 - 1. March 29: 1st Century Church – Letters and Lunch
A chance to worship and gather as the first Christians did. We'll share brunch together, we'll worship and hear God's Word, and we'll connect with each other.
 - 2. May 31: Creating Relationship with our Community
We're looking to connect with our adjacent neighbours – creatively combining a meaningful worship service with acts of service.
 - 3. August 30: Hillside Outside
We hope to do a regular worship service in a park setting.
 - 4. Nov 29: 1st Century Church – Advent Edition
Similar to the March setting with a pre-Christmas twist.

Responsibility: Outreach

Activities: Evangelistic preaching; Outreach focus; Evangelism training; Celebration

- 1. Things to celebrate!
 - a. Operation Christmas Child (shoebboxes), Raise the Roof, Tearfund, Crafts for a Cause, Community Needs Box, Salvation Army (backpacks and bell ringing), Christmas Cheer, ICCM (child sponsorship), Pregnancy Care Centre (baby bottles and trivia night)
- 2. What's Coming?
 - a. Reimagining ROC – We are great at going out and meeting needs – thank you all! Next steps: to look at how to bring people in.

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Responsibility: Church Life

Activities: Pastoral Care/crises response; Integration of people into church life; Fellowship; Communication; Stewardship

1. Father Frank – What a blessing to have Frank care for us. Thank you for all you do!!!
2. Life Moments – 3 Weddings and a Celebration of Life (we miss you, Grace)
3. Membership/Baptism – 12 baptisms!
4. Fellowship – PieFest, Volunteer Sundae
5. Stewardship – Thank you for your continued generosity!
6. What's Coming?
 - a. Congregational Care framework/strategy for implementation (crises and ongoing)



LAY PASTOR REPORT

FRANK FIORAMANTE

Hello to our church congregation.

Another year has gone by, and I'm very thankful to our Lord for allowing me to be in this position as your Lay Pastor.

My official time in the church office remains on Fridays from 9:30 AM until 2:30 PM. However, I can continue to be reached on my cell phone throughout the week.

Phone calls, text messages, and in-person church visits (planned or not) are the ways I keep in touch with people. I reach out to congregants, shut-ins, people who previously attended our church, and whoever God places in my path. People need to talk, and I need to listen. There are many hurting people in our world today.

I am very thankful for the opportunity to work alongside Pastor Kevin.

Thank you to everyone who prays for me in this position.



DELEGATE REPORT

DAVE KREUTZWEISER

The work of the Free Methodist Church in Canada continues under the general leadership of Bishop Linda Adams. She continues to show strong, effective, compassionate, and sensible leadership, working well with the national Board of Administration (BOA) and other denominational and church leaders. Over the past year, she has focused on revamping and reinvigorating our denomination's emphasis and activities in global missions, while continuing to work on improving our Canadian-based intercultural missions among indigenous peoples, new-comers, and francophones in Quebec. She has also assembled two working groups, consisting of pastors from across the denomination, to help her with overall strategic planning and program implementation to assist local churches in achieving their objectives. From reports that our BOA gets from across the denomination, it is clear that Bishop Linda continues to be well received and highly regarded.

Bishop Linda has also been working with our new Director of Ministerial Formation, Rev. Kevin Stenhouse, to overhaul the credentialing and development of pastors in the FMCiC. The goal is to achieve greater efficiencies, cost-effectiveness, and some streamlining of the process, while maintaining assurances of high quality and integrity.

In the past year, the BOA and National Leadership Team (NLT) made the decision to sell our previous Ministry Centre building in Mississauga. Since the Covid-19 pandemic, most of our Ministry Centre staff and NLT have been working from home most of the time, leaving the building largely unoccupied. We believed the value of that property would be of greater use if we converted it to funds that can be used to further the work of the FMCiC. Under the guidance of Deva Ratnam (Director of Finance and Operations), we took advantage of the high property values in that neighbourhood at the time and sold when it was optimum. Those funds have been invested, and the investment income is being put to use in ministry efforts. We now lease a small space in Etobicoke, very near the airport and the location where our General Conference has been held over the past number of years.

In last year's report I mentioned that one of the most important but challenging, and at times confrontational, projects the BOA and NLT were engaged in was the LGBTQ2S+ Task Force work. The angst across our denomination around that work has largely subsided, but the issues have not gone away. The BOA recently endorsed a position statement that our Study Commission on Doctrine (SCOD) developed that re-articulates our theological position on human sexuality but with strong emphasis on gracious, loving, and effective ministry among LGBTQ2S+ people and their families. If you would like a copy of that position statement, you can reach out to the office here at HFMC, or to me.

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Regional Gatherings are annual events between General Conference years, in which churches in various regions across the country gather to foster fellowship, encouragement and unity, and to be updated on our national office activities. Bishop Linda has reduced the number of Gatherings by combining several in order to reduce travel costs and workload for the national team, but that resulted in our region losing its Gathering and having to travel to southern Ontario. I am pleased to say that the national team has been reminded of our geographical remoteness, and Regional Gathering in 2026 will be coming back to Sault Ste Marie and St Joseph Island. Over the course of that event, Bishop Linda will be visiting us here at HFMC.

The Ministry Centre, NLT and BOA have begun early planning for General Conference 2027, which will be held in downtown Ottawa for the first time. Stay tuned for more on that.

Thank you for the opportunity of serving as your local delegate to the General Conference. If you have any questions on any of this or other aspects of the denomination, please feel free to reach out to me.



NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

ALLISON POMEROY, CAROL MACDOWELL
AND FRANK FIORAMANTE

We are thankful again this year for the work the Nominating Committee has been able to do preparing for this year's Society meeting. Thankyou Pastor Kevin for being part of this years process. His input was much appreciated.

This year there is only one position on the Board that needs to be filled.

Jason Devries is coming off the Board after serving his full six year term.

We are very thankful to Jason for his years serving as Board Chairman. He was an excellent leader and very dedicated to that position.

All other positions, the people are allowing their names to stand for another year.

We, as your Nominating Committee would like to bring to you Ashley Hooey as the person prayerfully chosen to fill the open Board position.

Thankyou to all our congregation who prayed for us and the process.

TREASURER'S REPORT

ROXANNE BOUDREAU

We give thanks for your sacrificial giving to your church which allows us to meet our financial responsibilities both here at home and to meet our obligations to The FMCiC.

Below is the outline of our Finances (rounded) with the year ending December 31, 2025:

Total Amount Received: \$248,871

- **above** 2024 by \$2,549

This is significant as some churches continue to be significantly below their projected targets.

Thank you so much for our church's part in continuing to support both our commitments as well our Core expectations which helps in carrying out the vision to see a healthy church within the reach of all people in Canada and beyond.

Regular Expenses:

- Benevolence \$3,926
- Ministry Related \$4,831
- Designated Funds \$32,881
- Pastoral/Administrative \$106,739
- Office Expenses \$19,603
- Church Groups \$2,647
- Worship \$7,107
- Building \$41,822

Giving Streams:

Child Sponsorship

met our target of \$2,040

Core Ministries:

met our target of \$26,802

Giving streams consist of Core Ministries and Child Sponsorship. We continue to contribute above our required 10%. If you are interested in getting more information about giving streams please go to www.fmcic.ca.

Total Donations for this fiscal less Expenses results in a surplus in the amount of \$836

Notes:

- Decembers core remittance was paid out in January 2026
- We were able to purchase much needed sound equipment this year
- We were able to meet the significant needs of two church families
- We purchased an AED for the church.

Bank Balances - December 31, 2025 as follows:

- Child Sponsorship \$92,718.69
- Core Ministries: \$12,948.01

If you have any questions about this report, please do not hesitate to contact me.

WORSHIP REPORT

LORILEE BISHOP, ALLISON POMEROY

2025 was a good year of continued stability, development, and growth within our worship team. We were encouraged to welcome new members and remain deeply grateful for the youth of our church who have generously contributed their time and musical gifts during special services and throughout key seasons of the church year.

The Worship Ministries budget supports ministry needs, including the decor ministry, communion elements, required CCLI licensing for worship music, and electronic, video, and audio equipment necessary for the production of weekly Sunday worship services. In 2025, we are especially thankful to the Church Board for approving expenditures beyond the annual budget to allow for the purchase of overhead speakers and a subwoofer. This upgrade has resulted in a significant improvement in sound quality and represents a long-term investment in the worship life of our congregation.

Looking ahead to 2026, we are focused on continued growth and sustainability. Priorities include further development of ministry processes, ongoing musical development and growth, and continued, strategic updates to sanctuary sound equipment as needed.

We are grateful for the continued support, encouragement, and partnership of our church community.



PRAYER REPORT

ED ADSHEAD

The year 2025 has been an exciting one for the prayer ministry. We have a new prayer room, thanks to the generosity of Pastor Kevin. In June of the past year, we swapped offices with the pastor and are in the process of refurbishing the prayer room. This should be completed sometime in March of 2026. The Prayer Room is the third room on the left as you leave the sanctuary.

We next moved to a prayer leadership team which consists of Ashley Hooey, Lorilee Bishop, Joanne Viau. We are in the process of developing a prayer teaching package and hope to have a small group either later in the spring or early in the fall.

We have a team of prayer warriors who man the prayer office on Sundays to meet with those with prayer needs. This prayer time has offered many members of Hillside to have access to someone to talk and pray with. If anyone is interested we have openings for this ministry.

Also, on Sunday mornings we have opportunities for members to pray for our church or any other matter, at the end of the praise and worship time before the sermon begins. We would like to take this opportunity to invite all, as prayer is a simple communication with our Lord. If we consider ourselves children of God and friends, how can we maintain an open relationship without communication. Prayer is the communication media available for our relationship with God.

We have other opportunities for you to pray in community:

Prayer for revival at Noon – Mon to Sat- 12:00-12:30 pm. On Zoom

Meeting ID 885 3284 1873

Passcode 105833

Intercessory Prayer Groups one Wed each week of the Month, 7:00-8:30 pm, call Ed if interested
705-971-1655

Hillside FMC Wednesday evening prayer 7:00-8:00 on zoom

All other information is also available in Hillside FMC E-newsletter or on the church website -
hillsidefmc.org



KIDMIN REPORT

TRACEY BERNARD

We have had a pretty amazing year in KidMin.

Some of kids have moved up to Junior High, but we still have a core group of 5-8 kids.

This year, we focused on not just reading the Bible but trying to understand what God is teaching us. This has led to a lot of great discussions.

One of the highlights for me was being able to witness a few of the kids get baptized.

This year we were also able to start a much-needed Preschool Class. Heather Verslpe has been such a blessing in this role. She keeps the kids engaged while learning and having fun.

Our Team is a little smaller this year, but I couldn't do this without each one of them. A big thank you to Journey, Heather, Barbie, Lisa, Wes, Norma and our newest team member, Chantal.



ALPHA REPORT

LAUREEN BRUNI

The Alpha Film Series was presented at the church starting in March 2025. It was well attended, with many enthusiastic participants, most of which also took part in the Holy Spirit Saturday. Following the completion of the course, people were encouraged to continue digging deeper, with Pastor Kevin as their guide. They were also invited to connect with the Hillside church family and join small groups.

The Alpha Film Series will likely be presented again at Hillside FMC beginning in March 2026. The traditional format begins with a full meal, cooked and served at the church, followed by a short video and discussion. The program runs one evening per week for 11 weeks and includes one full weekend day for an in-depth experience of the Holy Spirit around the midpoint. Please pray that many will attend and we will be blessed with a full team of enthusiastic helpers.

Also, please pray about how you can participate in this ministry. Many people have attended in response to a personal invitation. Is there someone you are aware of - a new person at church, a family member, coworker, neighbour, or friend - whom you can invite into an encounter with Jesus? We have heard stories of God moving through prayer to touch lives in meaningful ways, especially through Alpha.

I would like to acknowledge the many years Grace Turner participated in this ministry. She served in many roles both at the church and at the Jamestown Soup Kitchen. Her real gift was in leading the small groups where her love for Jesus shone on all around her. She will be sadly missed.

Please consider becoming involved with Made For This, an Alpha initiative inviting churches to adopt a local high school and commit to praying for students and staff.

Alpha creates space for honest conversations about faith, life, and Jesus. If you have a heart to listen to welcome, listen, and walk alongside others, we would love for you to be part of the Alpha team.

Thank you!

SMALL GROUPS REPORT

CAROL MCDOWELL

Once again, not much has changed from last year in the number of small groups. However, there have been a few new people added to some of the groups.

We still have five formal small groups, most functioning on a regular basis.

Personal support through life's challenges, as well as feeling connected to the church body, is most often mentioned when I speak to individuals about what being a member of a small group means to them.

The total number associated with the various groups is 58 at the present time.

There is a women's group meeting every second week, right after the church service, covering assorted topics and led by myself. We recently completed Celebration of Discipline by Richard Foster and are currently following a teaching from N. T. Wright on the Cross—The Day the Revolution Began.

A co-ed group of older adults meets at Frank and Brenda Fioramante's home every week, with an average of 8–10 attending out of a possible 20. Not all can attend each week, so the number is fluid. They usually follow a study by Dr. David Jeremiah on assorted topics.

Don and Gwen Burditt lead a small group on an irregular basis, but they stay connected when not meeting in person, often using material from RightNow Media.

Another co-ed group of mixed ages meets with Allison and Chris Pomeroy at their home every second week, with assorted topics chosen by the group, again often using RightNow Media material.

Brenda and Jason DeVries host a co-ed group at their home every two weeks, with some of those in attendance taking the lead at times.

More informally, a small group of male retirees meets at Tim Hortons most Wednesdays for a time of coffee and connection.

Most exciting for me to notice is that a small group of men now also meets every Sunday after service to pray together. This started organically, without a structured beginning, but continues to thrive.

The young adults' group is currently meeting once a month at the church right after service, with myself and Ben Miller giving leadership. The current topic is prayer, based on the book How to Pray: A Simple Guide for Normal People.

Staying connected outside of Sunday mornings is always extremely important in order to feel part of, and effectively function as, the Body as a whole. I am always incredibly grateful for the resolute

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leaders who keep these groups active and connected so this can occur. They are essential to our functioning effectively as a church and help members continue to grow spiritually.

More stand-alone groups would be an option if leaders were available to lead a specific group for a limited number of weeks on a specific topic or book.

As we go into another new year, I can only pray that these groups continue to do what they have done—discipling others to grow deeper in their relationship with Jesus so they can pass that on to others.

There is always a need for more groups so more people can be connected. Those with young children are always a challenge to find ways to connect. Again, that would require leadership, but this group does need connection and support from others like them.

So, pray with me that more will listen to the call to step into leadership, enabling others to mature, grow, develop, and use their spiritual gifts to reach out to the hurting community around them.



SOCIAL CONCERNS REPORT

PAUL MATHEWSON

The purpose of the Social Concerns Ministry is basically to enlighten our church population about the issues that negatively affect Christian living in our current cultural climate. Further, it is an attempt to suggest ways and means to counter the narrative of the world as we represent the Jesus alternative.

The work required to explain the issues that impede this purpose is basic research followed with simplified presentations to our church body.

Unfortunately, I have been unable to devote much time to this assignment having been through extensive medical treatments and recovery plus getting caught up on business activities. It is my intention to work more diligently on this during 2026.

- Here are a few “social concerns” that may need to be considered:
- Threats to free speech, “Censorship”
- Medical Assistance in Dying, or assisted suicide
- Sex Education curriculum in grade school
- Restrictions to parental overview of public school education
- Attempts to remove the “charitable tax deduction” status of churches
- Refusal to visit the subject of abortion
- Growing movement towards “consensual pedophilia”
- Federal debt expansion and no repayment plan

It is my intention to take a poll on which of these social issues really concern you as an individual believer after which I will assemble relevant information to better explain what is at risk. Then I will explain how you can respond in a polite manner to suggest improvements to how these social concerns may unfold.

Here's hoping I will be able to spend more time on these subjects and gather responses from our church audience in order to move forward. May God help us to live like Jesus in this dark world and God grant that others might be drawn into the family of God.

T.E.A.M.S. NEWSLETTER REPORT

TIM HOWARD (slowpocketim@shaw.ca)

Since the beginning of the church year in September, three newsletters - each in online and print versions - were published and made available to our congregation: September, October/November, and December. A January/February issue is currently in the works, with a focus on prayer. March/April will be devoted to Lent and Easter, and May/June will focus on moms, dads, and grads.

If the TEAM Report is a newsletter at all, it is only in the sense that it proclaims the Good News of Our Lord. Looking back over some of my writing, I remarked to a friend that I've been saying the same thing now for over thirty years. It's been my privilege to share with others the things that God has taught me in my own journey of faith - and I hope to do so for as long as ability and inspiration permit.

Thanks, everyone, for your readership and support of this ministry over the years. It's always gratifying to hear when something I've shared is a comfort or encouragement to someone. Suggestions and submissions from our church family are always welcome - and please remember that our pages are available to each and every one of you, any time you need them, to promote your ministries or just to share some inspiration.

As always, take care - and May God Bless!

HOSPITALITY REPORT

GWEN BURDITT

A big thank you to those who have hosted the coffee times and helped out in the kitchen in various ways.

This is a great way to meet people in the church and there are still opportunities for others to volunteer to host following church every second Sunday. There is no cost to anyone involved as everything is provided. The hospitality ministry also includes helping out or hosting receptions following celebrations of life. We at Hillside FMC enjoy eating and have had a few pot lucks in the last year.

If you are a person who would love to use your gift of hospitality or just want to be involved please speak to me.

Blessings



FACILITIES REPORT

TODD GILBERT

Current Ministry Update

For 2025, the following maintenance has been required:

- We had another small leak in the steel roof this past September. Josh discovered that the valley overtop of the youth room was leaking again. He caulked along the entire valley, which stopped the leak. We have also discovered, from looking in the attic, that you can see daylight through the top capping, meaning it needs to be replaced, along with replacing all the screws to prevent future leaks.
- Recharged several fire extinguishers.
- Parking lot spray/sealing.
- Prayer Room updating.
- Main upstairs furnace replacement.
- Started main foyer updating/improving (ongoing). Installed a new mini fridge and water cooler for the temporary coffee bar as the first step.

Challenges

- The biggest challenge has been the furnace main gas valve for the upstairs foyer and offices, which failed right before winter. We replaced the furnace with a new one due to the high cost of replacing the valve and the age of the furnace. There is another furnace right next to the updated one that supplies heating/cooling to the new section of the basement. It is also due to be replaced due to its age (20-plus years).
- The air conditioning units that supply cooling to the furnaces also need replacing (20+ years old) in the very near future.

Successes

- We had a great crew that helped cut the grass this year. Thank you!
- A big thank you to the Decorating Committee for all their hard work in developing a new toddler room, storage purging, Christmas decorating, and foyer redesigning (ongoing), along with other small projects.
- Thank you to all the individuals who cleared snow from the front entrance.

How I work to know, grow, and show God's love

- By taking the time to do the job to the best of my ability and being willing to share any knowledge or help with others.
- I aim to make the maintenance work required at the church a top priority.

Thank you to all the volunteers who have been more than willing to help out. Much appreciated!

DECORATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Decorating Committee consists of Laura Moss Haase, Sharon Gilbert, Michelle Litalien, and Brenda Fioramante, along with many helping hands.

The committee is notified of a need or if an update is necessary in the decor of the church.

2025 :

The basement storage room was successfully transformed into a much needed Sunday School room.

Our outdoor storage room was then revamped to store our seasonal decorations.

Pastor Kevin's office was moved into the smaller office and the larger office refurbished to make a comfortable and inviting prayer room/office.

2026:

We are looking forward to continuing with updates to our large upstairs welcome/gathering space.

We are also looking ahead to reorganizing the upstairs youth room.

Thank you.

