

STARBUCK UNITED CHURCH ANNUAL 2011 REPORT

Starbuck United Church Annual Meeting February 6, 2011

Our annual meeting was held on Sunday February 6, 2011 following a wonderful potluck lunch after the regular church service. In attendance this afternoon were Len and Joan Goldsborough, Les McIntosh, Len and Ann Pedersen, Janis McMorran, Colin Walley, Ben Ruosenholt, Obert and Jean Johnson, Keith Johnson, Shirley Weidman, Colleen Norton, Joanne Schrof, Ellen Saltiss, Helen Marshall, Phyllis Olson, Diane Trudeau, Rev. Cathy Maxwell and Melanie Mosset.

Rev. Cathy called the meeting to order at 12:55

Rev. Cathy asked for nominations for Chair for this meeting. Diane Trudeau was nominated by Len Pedersen. Diane accepted the position by acclimation.

A motion for Melanie Mosset to be recording secretary for the meeting was made by Diane Trudeau/seconded by Ann Pedersen.

Minutes from 2010 Annual Meeting

Melanie Mosset read the minutes from the 2010 annual meeting. It was noted that #4 under New business should have read Dawn til Dusk not Dusk til Dawn as well as #7 Susanne works from the White Plains Recreation office not the Ag. Office and Colin Walley's name was misspelled.

A motion to accept the minutes as amended was made by Melanie Mosset /seconded by Joanne Schrof

Carried

Matters arising from Minutes

- The family that we helped out last year has gotten back on their feet and are doing much better. It took 2 years but they are doing well. They have insisted on paying back the churches because they are so grateful for the help.
- A projector was donated to the church by the Mosses
- The visioning did not happen last year but Rev. Cathy still would like to do it sometime.
- Diane passed around the new Church letterhead she created for our church so we could all take a look.

Annual Reports

The annual reports were made available last week so the congregation could read through them prior to the meeting. The reports were not read aloud at the meeting but everyone was given an opportunity to ask questions regarding any of the reports.

- 1) From the worship report it was noted that Melanie Mosset should be added to the Sunday School committee for her involvement and that Alan Armstrong's name was misspelled.
- 2) Projects Financial it was noted that the 2010 Dinner Theatre Expenses should read \$5,771.56 not \$3,483.01 therefore making a Net loss of \$-937.30 not a Net Income of \$1,351.25

3) Christian Development report had the word recognition changed to recognize in the 5th paragraph and understand changed to understanding.

4) Pastoral Care –it was noted that Sharon has not submitted any receipts so Ann Pedersen will be contacting her.

5) M&P report. There was a misprint Rev. Cathy was part of the Pastoral Relations committee not the past relations committee. She informed us that she is no longer part of that committee.

A motion to accept the reports as amended was made by Janis McMorrان/seconded by Helen Marshall.

Carried

Financial Report

The financial report was reviewed. It was accepted on a motion by Colleen Norton/seconded by Len Pedersen.

Carried

Proposed Budget

The proposed budget was discussed for 2011. A motion to adopt the proposed 2011 budget was made by Ann Pedersen/seconded by Joanne Schrof.

Carried

Proposed Council for 2011

Diane Trudeau has accepted the position of Vice Chair. Pat Thomaschewski remains as chair for 2011. We currently do not have a Presbytery representative or an Interchurch council representative.

New Business

- 1) Sanford Church's struggles were discussed. Anyone wanting more information was asked to attend the Meridian Meeting Tuesday Feb 8, 2011
- 2) Janis McMorrان will be looking into another congregational dinner at Dawn til Dusk
- 3) Dinner Theatre ticket sales were down last year from past years. We are hoping to increase sales this year. Practices are going well.
- 4) Rev. Cathy asked for feedback on the use of the projector. Some of the congregation dislike the use of the projector because they feel they are being fed information and do not enjoy worshipping that way. They prefer to learn through stories and more traditional worship methods. They would rather focus on the minster and congregation or choir than a projector screen. Another view was that young people today are used to it and indeed it is their preferred method of learning so perhaps it is a useful tool.
It was mentioned that as an older congregation most would prefer not to use it during the services.

It was agreed that the projector should be fixed because it is a useful tool for other applications not just the church service. We will send it out and see how much it will cost to fix it then discuss it at the next meeting.

- 5) We discussed where the money from the Pancake Supper should be donated. There was a concern that we don't know what the money is spent on when donated to the Seniors center so we will be inviting Leanne to come to our next meeting to discuss it with us. A motion to donate the proceeds from our pancake supper to the Seniors center was made by Helen Marshall/seconded by Shirley Weidman.

Carried

- 6) Len Pedersen brought up the need to re-insulate and then drywall the north wall of the basement. Hopefully this can be done in summer. He will be gathering information on the cost of materials and other necessities.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:42 on a motion by Len Goldsborough.

Minister's report 2011

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

a time to be born, and a time to die;

a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;

a time to kill, and a time to heal;

a time to break down, and a time to build up;

a time to weep, and a time to laugh;

a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;

a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;

a time to seek, and a time to lose;

a time to keep, and a time to throw away;

a time to tear, and a time to sew;

a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

a time to love, and a time to hate;

a time for war, and a time for peace. Ecclesiastes 3: 1-6

This passage from Ecclesiastes is one which I read often and have used at various times throughout my years in ministry. It speaks of the cycles of life in God's creation and in human life. It reminds us that there is purpose to every action, every event in God's world. It helps me to keep life in perspective and keeps before me that all in this world is touched by the hand of God. So it is with the work of Church.

We have again completed another church year full of the seasons and cycles of life. We have come together to worship, to work, to play, to celebrate and to grieve. We have worshipped together both on Sunday mornings and in special services during Holy week, Advent and Christmas. We have been blessed with the wonderful music by our choir and organist. We have worshiped with our brothers and sisters from other churches in the Inter Church services as well as with our joint Cantata with the Lutheran church. Many worked extremely hard to do the Dinner Theatre. We have gathered to enjoy fellowship with the pancake supper, various activities and the horticultural evening. We have also done God's work through the work of our board and committees. We have also grieved the deaths of a few of our members and have continued to hold their families in our prayers. We have also reached out to others in need in both our community and our world. Major renovations have been done to the church basement. Thanks to Len Pedersen for all your hard work and to all who helped out.

Throughout all these seasons of our year together God's presence has been supporting us and giving us strength, inspiration and hope. Thank you to all who have helped to make this past year a success, your hard work and dedication is appreciated. My thanks for your continued support and prayers for me in my ministry with you. I look forward to continuing with you doing God's work in this place throughout the coming year.

Respectfully submitted

Rev. Cathy Maxwell

Starbuck United Church

Chairperson's 2011 Annual Report

This past year saw our Sunday Services shared by Rev. Cathy Maxwell and Rev. Alan Armstrong until June. Commencing in September, Rev. Cathy Maxwell lead our congregation in weekly services and will continue until June 2012. We were fortunate to have 2 wonderful caring ministers who truly love their job. The congregation continues to meet for coffee and fellowship after church with delicious snacks provided by generous parishioners. Also, it has been wonderful to have new members join our worship service.

Council Members for 2011

Executive:

Past chair	Diane Trudeau
Chair	Pat Thomaschewski
Vice Chair	Diane Trudeau
Secretary	Melanie Mosset

Treasurer Inga Livingston/Colleen Norton

Committees:

Projects	Janis McMorran
Projects Financial	Ann Pedersen
M&P	Ellie Saltiss
Presbytery	Colin Walley
Worship	Linda Virag
Property	Len Pedersen
Pastoral care	Sharon Masse
Inter Church	
Christian Dev.	Michele Ammeter/Melanie Mosset

CHURCH EVENTS

We continued to support our community with Breakfast at the rink and a Congregational Dinner at Dawn Til Dusk. We also held a Pancake Supper, Dinner Theatre, the Horticultural Evening and "Faith Night" at the Winnipeg Goldeyes games - this year opened attendance to congregation members from other churches.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our weekly Nursery Sunday School was taught by Melanie Mosset. Her children come faithfully but this year we have had some new pupils on an irregular basis.

SERVICES

This year saw two baptisms and 4 funerals. We reviewed parts of the Remit on the United Church Statement of Faith and Church Doctrine during selected church services. We hosted Maundy Thursday service. Inga Livingston shared pictures of her trip to Africa on Conference Sunday. Services were discontinued throughout July and August and commenced in September. Other services were Hanging of the Greens in November followed by a White Gift Service, as well as our annual Cantata with Trinity Lutheran Church. The choir sang in the annual Advent Choir Service this year in Brunkild.

DONATIONS

We continued to help communities in need. This year we supported the Langruth area, Circle Marsh, with our White Gifts and a monetary donation. Our annual donations to the Mental Health Association at Christmas were greatly appreciated. We also supported Rock Lake Camp, Pregnancy and Family Support, St. Andrew's College, Calling Lakes PCTC, Food Grains Bank, Camp Wasaga, Mission and Service fund and the Meridian Arts Festival.

CONSTRUCTION

Len Pedersen worked hard to structurally support the north and south wall of the church and had the electrical changed, moved the water line to prevent freezing and put in 2 floor drains. Len was helped by various church members so when completed the basement walls were well supported, insulated and freshly painted. Even the basement floor got a new coat of pain.

I would like to thank everyone who makes our church what it is. Our year was busy but we were pleased to do the work of God.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Trudeau
Co-chair with Pat Thomaschewski

Starbuck United Church Annual Property Committee Report January 2011

We started 2011 by replacing sump pump and shortly after having to replace water heater.

Spring brought basement water problems. During the summer, the north and south basement walls in the common area were removed, the concrete walls were cleaned and reinforced, new 2 inch R10 Styrofoam was applied, 2 x 4 walls and drywall was installed, a water line from the meter to kitchen ran was changed to run along ceiling, and 6 new electrical plugs were installed to new walls.

2 floor drains were installed, one to the elevator shaft and the second along the north wall by the stairs. We also built up the floor by the basement stairs. We will still have water in the basement but the drains should help it get away.

More drainage along the south property line is needed to get the water away from the church.

Norm Dyck was asked to build a cart to hold the extra tables.

The ceiling grid is now in at Steven's Lumber so the ceiling can be finished.

John Marshall repaired the heater at the front entrance and I replaced a basement light fixture (old fixture's ballast had a buzzing noise).

Thank you to Les, John, and Dan for all the help through the year and to everyone who helped painting and clean-up and putting the basement back in order.

Len Pedersen

Worship Committee Report – 2011

Members of the Worship Committee:

Linda Virag and Helen Marshall

Minister: Cathy Maxwell, organist: Joanne Schrof, choir director: Margaret Porter, Sunday School: Michelle Ammeter/Melanie Mosset

Duties of the Worship Committee:

- attend local council meetings and Meridian worship meetings
- organize special services and prepare these with the assistance of the minister

- prepare sanctuary for worship
- organize a list of scripture readers and greeters

The Meridian Worship committee met on Aug. 30, 2011 to organize the special services and events, communion dates, and scripture readings for the coming year. This was attended by Linda Virag and Helen Marshall. There were no Worship meetings held, at the local level throughout the year. Church was closed for the months of July and August.

Special Events during the year:

- Communion was held 6 times throughout the year.
- Mar. 13th – Communion and Liturgy of Ashes with Lenten symbols and readings throughout the season of Lent
- Apr. 21st – Maundy Thursday at Starbuck United – Communion took place, and the service was well attended by members from the other churches in our charge.
- Apr. 22nd – Good Friday service took place at Avonlea Church
- Apr. 24th – Easter Sunday and Communion
- May 29th Conference Sunday – Inga Livingstone did a presentation on her travels.
- June 19th – Baccalaureate Service for the high school grads in Oak Bluff
- Sept. 11th – Church services resume.
- Sept. 25th - Recovenanting Service – Dedication of Sunday School Teachers took place.
- On Oct. 2nd, World Wide Communion Day- a lesson and samples of different breads that are found throughout the world were used, to make the World Wide Communion more meaningful..
- Oct. 9th – Thanksgiving service with the sanctuary decorated with donated harvest items.
- Nov. 6th – a combined service for Remembrance Day and All Saints Day
- Nov. 20th – Hanging of the Greens took place, followed by a pot luck lunch. We had a large group participating and all enjoyed the meaningful and fun, decorating of the tree.
- Nov. 27th – 1st Sunday in Advent – Communion with Advent readings and the lighting of the Advent candles during the Advent season.
- Dec. 4th – White Gift service with gifts going to the Circle Marsh Charge, ie. Langruth – an area affected by the flooding of Lake Manitoba
- Dec. 11th – Cantata at the Lutheran Church with a combined choir from our United and the Lutheran churches in Starbuck.
- Dec. 24th at 5 p.m. – Christmas Eve candlelight service

This year there were funerals for Raymond Fetterman, Aggie Schrof, Obert Johnson, and Stanley Anderson.

There were no church services on Mar. 20th and Dec. 25th.

Thank you to our minister, Cathy Maxwell for her interesting and meaningful sermons, and her enthusiasm in all that she does. Thank you to Joanne Schrof for her willingness and huge commitment to our church and of course, her beautiful piano playing. Thank you to Margaret Porter for her huge amount of patience and hard work in directing our choir. Thank you to all those who sing in the choir, read scriptures, greet, help with communion, prepare coffee and goodies for after church visiting time, and decorate the church for special services. Thank you to all those who so generously give of their free time and talents.

Respectfully submitted by:
Linda Virag

Annual Projects Report
2011

January 30 Breakfast at the Starbuck Arena.
February 15 Shrove Tuesday "Pancake Supper"
March 6 Congregational Dinner at "Dawn til Dusk"
June 10 Group "Faith Night" at the "Winnipeg Goldeyes"
Baseball game.
October 23 Prepared and served lunch following the funeral for
Obert Johnson.
December 4 Congregational Christmas "Brunch" at "Bridges Golf
Course" restaurant.
Decemb 13 Prepared and served lunch following the funeral for
Stanley Anderson.

Submitted by: Janis McMorran

Starbuck United Church
Projects Income
Statement
January 1, 2011 -
December 31, 2011

REVENUE

2011 Dinner Theatre Ticket Sales & Advertising	10,970.00	
2011 Dinner Theatre Liquor Proceeds	460.00	
2011 Dinner Theatre Donations	377.48	
2011 Dinner Theatre		11,807.48
2012 Dinner Theatre Ticket Sales		3,540.00
Lunches		450.00
Pancake Supper Income		281.58
Interest		99.11

Dividends	0.05
Horticultural Evening Income	109.00
Hall Light Rental	100.00
Costume Rental	0.00

TOTAL REVENUE	<u>16,387.22</u>
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EXPENSES

2011 Dinner Theatre Lighting & bus/linen return	257.64
2011 Dinner Theatre Sets, Décor, Make-up, Etc	904.37
2011 Dinner Theatre Linens	320.54
2011 Dinner Theatre Hall Rental	1,522.50
2011 Dinner Theatre Programs, Tickets, Publicity	360.42
2011 Dinner Theatre Food	2,393.87
2011 Dinner Theatre Total	5,759.34
2012 Dinner Theatre World Vision (x 12) plus special donation \$50.00	351.05 420.00
Transfers: Mission & Service	1,117.47
Transfers: Gen Fund (incl. \$1000.00 for Langruth)	7,000.00
Pastoral Care	0.00
Pancake Supper	116.59
Horticultural Evening	30.00
Other - special housewarming gift for minister	55.99

TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>14,850.44</u>
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NET INCOME	<u>1,536.78</u>
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**Starbuck United Church
Projects Assets
December 31, 2011**

Chequing	7287.58
Term Deposit	6884.34
GIC	6190.82
Surplus Shares	1.05
Shares	5
Total	20368.79

Pastoral Care Report 2011

This year for Pastoral Care there were 8 Get Well basket/flower sent, and 6 sympathy card. I feel I failed to record some cards sent. I apologize if I have missed anyone. My thanks and appreciation goes out to those who keep me informed. I can be reached at 735 2809 or sgmasse@gmail.com

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Masse

Presbytery Report for 2011 Meetings

I would first like to express my appreciation to the congregation for the opportunity to represent you at the Aggasiz Presbytery. For the first time I was able to share in the vision of the larger church. I was gratified by the experience.

Meetings:

1. Oakville United Church, April 8-9
2. Kenora Rec Centre; Manitoba/Northwest Ontario Conference Annual Meeting, May 26-29
3. Rock Lake United Church Camp, September 16-17
4. Treherne United Church, November

Major Themes:

1. Role for youth in the Church: Presentations by YAAY, a Church youth organization.

2. Review of the 1940 doctrinal statement and a reminder of the review of doctrine to be undertaken leading up to the vote to be held May 2012.
3. Recognition of the role of the United Church as a UNITING CHURCH with a mission of inclusiveness.
4. Emphasis on DISCIPLESHIP as the unifying force within the Church eg. concern for the environment; poverty and homelessness; equality of the sexes; etc.

Ongoing Challenges:

1. Generating strategies for renewal: "The power of one".
2. EDGE: A resource for renewal; "Visioning".
3. Vote on doctrine, May 2012.
4. Exploring alternative forms of worship.
5. Reform of rules of governance.

Note: All of the above were conducted in a worshipful context with prayer and the lively singing of many new hymns.

Respectfully submitted,
Colin S. Walley, Lay Presbyterian, Starbuck United Church

Ministry and Personnel Report 2011

The committee met twice this year, both meetings taking place at Sanford United Church.

Our first meeting was held on March 24, 2011 at 7:30. A number of issues were discussed

- availability of ministerial support to church members
- repetition of services throughout the year
- Rev. Cathy's holidays and days off
- concerns about church services starting on time
- reviewed Rev. Cathy's 2010-2011 goals and concurred she was meeting these goals well.
- health concerns at Sanford church due to mildew and mold.

Our second meeting took place on November 3rd at 7:30. Topics discussed at this meeting were

- Rev. Cathy explained to us about a two day Continuing Education Course Dec. 14th and 15th for Ministry personnel to cover non violent crisis intervention to help members deal with non violent situations.
- We reviewed Rev. Cathy's progress of her 2011-2012 goals to date.
- it was discovered that church rosters are not up to date as far as current members. Rev. Cathy dealt with situations where former members called her when a death occurred –regarding a funeral and she could not find out who they were. We will strive to update these rosters.
- we spoke briefly on church visibility and prayer
- Rev. Cathy continues to counsel a number of members in crisis.

M & P will hold its next meeting on March 21, 2012 at 7:30 at Sanford.

God's continued blessings to your Church family.
Respectfully,
Ellen Saltiss
M & P Committee

Christian Development Report

We have 2 children who attend the Preschool Sunday School class on a very regular basis and we have had 2 children attend on an irregular basis. The lessons do not follow any particular curriculum. We use music, crafts and story time to introduce the children to God and the stories of the Bible. I try to keep the focus on one story for a few weeks because our Sunday School time is so short during the Church service. Last year we focused on Noah, Lent, the story of Jesus birth and the important events surrounding it and Jonah and the whale as well as some general lessons about who God is and what role He plays in our lives, Church, community and family.

The Sunday School class would like to thank Len Goldsborough for making us the toy box and the large paper stand. We would also like to thank Len Pedersen and everyone else who worked on the basement. The basement feels so bright and cheerful now.

Sunday School Account \$213.00
 \$33.00 needs to be deposited
 \$246.00 total

Submitted by:
Melanie Mosset

Proposed Budget 2012

	25,500.0
Meridian Charge Allocation	0
Electricity	1,000.00
Natural Gas	1,500.00
Sewer & Water	600.00
Maintenance & Repair	250.00
Office Supplies	200.00
Worship & Music	600.00
Insurance	730.00
Donations	1,400.00
Miscellaneous	200.00
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	31,980.0
Total Expense Budget	<hr/> <hr/> 0

Starbuck United Church Treasurer's Report to December 31, 2011

REVENUE

Offerings	Resident	19,768.03
	Non resident	775.00
Transferred from Projects		7,000.00
G.S.T. Rebate		69.67
Donation from Starbuck Art Group		210.00

27,822.70

Expenses	Meridian Charge Allocation	24,600.00
	Mainitoba Hydro	839.65
	Electricity	1,423.39
	Natural Gas	401.53
	Sewer & Water	137.03
	Maintenance & Repair	42.45
	floor paint	85.10
	floor paint	150.00
	cart	40.00
	Office Supplies	503.87
	Worship & Music	728.00
	Church Insurance	2,339.00
	Donations	80.00
	to M & S	0.43
	Line Interest	

31,370.45

General Funds		
Carryover from 2010		5,119.30
	Total Income	27,822.70
	Total Expenses	-31,370.45
	Balance of General Account	1,571.55
	Surplus shares	81.91
	Share	5.00

Benevolent Fund		
		<u>438.97</u>

Memorial Fund

Donations	2,029.69
Interest	1.57
	<u>0.00</u>
Sump Pump / Hot water tank	-430.00
Basement Improvements	-2,347.00
Paint Basement	-80.60
	<u>-2,857.60</u>
2011	-2,857.60

Bank Balance	1,520.55
GIC	5,343.19
1 year term	
2.50%	

Donations from General Account

Meridian Arts Festival	50.00
Sanford Collegiats Scholarship	75.00
M.S.S.I	164.00
Cody Remple Fund	100.00
Honorarium to Sanford U.C. Re Dinner Theatre	500.00
Rock Lake Camp	75.00
Pregnancy & Family Support	75.00
St. Andrews College	75.00
Calling Lakes Center	75.00
Canadian Food Grains Bank	75.00
Camp Wasage	75.00
Circle Marsh Pastoral Charge	1,000.00

2,339.00

Memorial Fund

Carryover from 2010	7,594.29
	180.69
	295.00
	25.00
	190.00
	570.00
	440.00
	25.00
	25.00
	20.00
	250.00
Donations	2,020.69
Sump Pump / Hot water tank	-430.00
Basement Improvements	-2,347.00
Paint Basement	-80.60
	0.23
	0.21
	0.23
	0.22
	0.23
	0.22
	0.23
Interest	1.57

Bank Balance	1,520.55
GIC	5,343.19

Total for 2011 \$2,500.00

Mission & Service

Carryover 2010	71.06
Revenue	
Offerings	1,438.29
10% from Dinner Theatre	767.47
From General A/c	50.00
	<u>2,326.82</u>

Cheques	1,635.53
	865.00
	<u>2,500.53</u>

account overdrawn -173.71