

Starbuck United Church Annual Report for 2021



Starbuck United Church Annual Meeting

April 19, 2022

Agenda

- 1) Nomination of meeting Chair
- 2) Call to Order
- 3) Opening prayer
- 4) Minutes of annual meeting of 2020
- 5) Matters arising from minutes
- 6) Annual reports
 - *Minister (Pg. 8)
 - *Chairperson (Pg.9)
 - *Worship (Pg.9)
 - *Projects (Pg.10)
 - *Pastoral Care (Pg.10)
 - *Ministry and Personnel (Pg.10-11)
 - *Prairie to Pine (Pg.11)
- 8) Treasurers Report (Pg.12-13)
- 9) Proposed Budget for 2022 (Pg.12-13)
- 10) Proposed council or nominations for council for 2022
- 11) New Business
- 12) Benediction
- 13) Adjournment

Starbuck United Church Annual Meeting Minutes
Sunday January 19,2020

In attendance were Rev. James DeBeer, Janis McMorrان, Diane Trudeau, Colleen Norton, Kathleen Manness, Helen Kendall, Jean Johnson, Michele Ammeter, Helen Marshall, Margaret Porter, Sharon Masse, Ellen Saltiss and Melanie Mosset.

Nominations for Chairperson for this meeting. Michele Ammeter nominated Margaret Porter as chair, Seconded by Colleen Norton.

Carried

Nominations for recording Secretary for this meeting.

Michele Ammeter nominated Melanie Mosset as recording secretary, Seconded by Colleen Norton.

Carried

The meeting was called to order at 1:15

Rev. James began the meeting with a prayer.

Minutes from 2019 Annual Meeting

The minutes from the 2019 meeting were circulated before the meeting.

A motion to accept the minutes as circulated was made by Melanie Mosset seconded by Michele Ammeter.

Carried

Annual Reports

The annual reports were made available on Sunday January 12, 2019 for everyone to review them. The reports were not read at this AGM meeting but everyone was given an opportunity to ask questions and remark on them.

A motion to accept the reports, excluding the treasurers report, as circulated was made by Michele Ammeter seconded by Colleen Norton.

Carried

Treasurers Report

A motion to accept the treasurers report as prepared by Ann Pedersen was made by Sharon Masse, seconded by Michele Ammeter.

Carried

Proposed Budget 2020

Colleen Norton made a motion to add Knox United church to the donation list for \$1200, seconded by Michele Ammeter.

Carried

Janis McMorran moves that we give \$100 towards the Starbuck Area Christmas hamper, seconded by Helen Marshall.

Carried

A motion to set the mood disorders association donation to \$200 was made by Michele Ammeter, Seconded by Diane Trudeau.

Carried

We will wait to send out the donation to Rock Lake until later in the year.

A motion to adopt the proposed budget as amended for 2020 was made by Michele Ammeter, seconded by Ellen Saltiss

Carried

WE have agreed to defer the decision of how much money needs to be taken out of the term and what length to renew it at until a council meeting closer to October.

I have included the amended proposed budget. The agreed upon changes are in blue.

			Proposed Budget 2020
Expenses:			
	Meridian charge allocation	18,504.00	21000.00
	Taxes	761.32	800.00
	Website	2,512.13	0.00
	Office Supplies	183.29	300.00
	Music & Direction (2018 & 2019)	813.33	400.00
	Lutheran Church for worship space	2,675.00	3000.00
	Insurance on property and use of Lutheran church (2018 & 2019)	1,627.30	800.00
	Funeral	133.40	200.00
	Pancake Supper	92.00	100.00
	Pastoral Care	310.73	400.00
	Property Expenses	363.73	400.00
	Worship expenses	56.95	50.00
	Donations	2,442.73	2,300.00
	Meridian Mission & Service 2018	2,000.00	2000.00
	Transfer to Memorial	20.00	0.00
	Total	32,495.91	31,750.00
	Bank Balance at Dec. 31, 2019	19,122.02	
	Term deposit matures October 16, 2020	212,967.13	
			Proposed Budget 2020
	Donations	2019	
	Sanford Collegiate Scholarship	100.00	100.00

fund		
Meridian Arts Festival	75.00	75.00
Rock Lake Camp	100.00	100.00
Thrive Community		
Support	100.00	100.00
St Andrews College	100.00	100.00
Canadian Foodgrains	100.00	100.00
Camp Wasaga (family camp owned by UC of Canada)	100.00	100.00
One Just City	125.00	125.00
World Vision	351.00	0.00
Mood Disorders Association	391.73	200.00
Knox United Church	900.00	1,200.00
Starbuck Area Hamper		100.00
	2,442.73	2,300.00

Proposed council 2020

Executive

Chair	-Margaret Porter
Secretary	-Melanie Mosset
Treasurer	-Ann Pedersen and Len Pedersen

Committees

Projects	-Janis McMorran
M&P	-Michele Ammeter and Ellen Saltiss
Worship	-Colleen Norton
Pastoral Care	-Sharon Masse
Trustee	-Michele Ammeter

Trustees

Inga Livingston
Michele Ammeter
Ellen Saltiss

A motion to accept all the Council as acclaimed was made by Michele Ammeter, seconded by Helen Marshall.

Carried

Diane Trudeau volunteered to be vice chair for the meridian council.

New Business

- 1) Shrove Tuesday Feb. 25 – **A motion to donate** the proceeds from the pancake supper to the Bear Clan and the proceeds from the horticultural night to Katies Cottage was made by Diane Trudeau, seconded by Michele Ammeter.

Carried

- 2) Breakfast at the rink February 2 or 9 2020
- 3) Janis has made 3 food groups
- 4) We discussed setting up a donation box for Knox United for canned good and non perishables as well as toiletry items too. Colleen will put it in the coat room.
- 5) Phone tree will be updated
- 6) Melanie is still starting to put a directory together.
- 7) Funeral luncheon discussion- We do not have a fee for providing luncheon for people from our congregation. A donation to us is their own choice. We are not in a position to provide lunch for people outside our congregation.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Helen Marshall at 2:43.

Due to Covid restrictions we were unable to meet for the 2021 AGM.

Minister's Report

Pivot. Pivot seems to capture our actions required in 2021. Pivot to online worship. Pivot to in-person worship with restrictions. Pivot to adapt, carry-on, and survive.

We began 2021 under strict public health orders which meant worship was totally online for the first part of the year. We managed to have some outdoor fellowship before the July break. We returned to in-person worship in September, recording the services and posting them online for those who wished to participate virtually.

Christmas eve came under a cloud of a surge of new cases and new public health orders and I personally was showing some symptoms so unfortunately our in-person worship service was cancelled. I'm very very sorry about that. I made an online virtual Christmas Eve service for people to watch. I was able to get a rapid test and tested negative and got an N95 mask. Avonlea was comfortable with that so they went ahead with an in-person worship, livestreaming it and posting it to YouTube which seemed to be well received.

2021 has been, without a doubt, a struggle. I think we've managed to adapt but at times it feels like we're just surviving instead of thriving. It has been difficult to know what to do at times in terms of in-person worship and other programs. I've focused on Sunday worship, whether in-person or virtual, as the main connecting point with people. However I feel some people have drifted away a bit and I'm sorry if that has been due to my lack of connection.

Now at the beginning of 2022 there is still much uncertainty about how the year will unfold. If the last two years have taught us something it's not to have many expectations but take it one week at a time. I confess that although we are called to be people of hope, we've had our hopes dashed a few times. But I hope we can pivot again towards thriving and serving our community.

Rev. James

Starbuck chair Report 2021

In my last annual report I spoke of the anticipated return to “normal” for this year. Sadly that was optimistic to say the least. This year has felt a lot like the one before. We were able to meet in person finally but not without reservations. Now that may be on hold again. We do, however, continue to support all restrictions and hope that ultimately our diligence will lead to an end of this pandemic. Meanwhile we continue to pray for all who have been affected by the pandemic either by illness or loss and those affected indirectly by loss of services and income or delays in health care for other conditions.

We are again grateful for the tireless efforts of Rev. James who has kept things going both in person and on line. Also to the Lutheran church for continuing to accommodate and support us.

We are also grateful to the members of the council who continue to carry on the work of the church.

While we have had our share of trials and tribulations they pale in comparison to those who have suffered forest fires, floods and landslides in other parts of the country and it reminds us always to be aware of the blessings we have. Again we hope for better things next year and look forward to the day when we may properly resume fellowship.

Starbuck United Church has received a very generous bequest from the estate of Ken Wilcox a former resident.

Margaret Porter

Worship Report submitted by Michele Ammeter

Meridian Worship Committee annual meeting was held in Sanford August 31, 2021. All members were present. Starbuck chairs the committee this season, with Michele Ammeter as the chair until the next Meridian Pastoral Charge annual meeting.

Generally, most in person special dates in 2021 were cancelled, particularly in the winter. Services were held virtually during the times when public health orders for the COVID 19 pandemic either prevented in person services or made them not practical. 2021 scheduled dates were:

- 1) Scripture readings for the 2020 church year were from Year A until Advent 2020.
- 2) Communion dates were to be: January 3 (Epiphany), February 21 (1st Sunday in Lent), April 4 (Easter), May 23 (Pentecost), October 3 (WWC), November 28 (Advent 1),
- 3) Inter-church Advent Service event was scheduled for November 28.
- 4) MPC Blue Christmas Service was on Monday December 20.

ANNUAL PROJECTS REPORT 2021 submitted by Janis McMorran

November-December -

The "Community Christmas Cheer" collection was once again organized for the 2021 season. In lieu of Dry Goods and Food Items, Monetary Donations were requested to support individuals and families in the community and area. During November and December a committee of seven volunteers participated in the organizing, purchasing of items and delivery of hampers and gifts. Committee volunteers were representatives from the four local churches plus community members. Each hamper and gift was delivered about one week prior to Christmas Day.

Thank you is extended to all for their donations and support to provide a special Holiday Season for people, both young and older, in our community and area.

"Each delivery was received with appreciation, 'excitement' and much gratitude.

Pastoral Care Report

For the year 2021 – 2 Sympathy cards were sent and 1 Get Well fruit/gift basket delivered.

My apologies to those I may have missed.

Thank You to the members of council and the congregation who call to let me know when there is a need. I can be reached at 204 735 2809 or sgmasse@gmail.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Masse

SUC Ministry & Personnel Report 2020

Michèle Ammeter and Ellen Saltiss were the reps for Starbuck United Church on the Meridian Pastoral Charge Ministry & Personnel (M & P) committee. Julie Ringash is the current Chair until the next annual meeting of the Meridian Pastoral Charge after which Avonlea will chair.

M & P was able to meet in person once in August 2021. The COVID 19 pandemic prevented other in person meetings.

The Meridian board made the decision to cut back on the use of pulpit supply for the fall of 2020 by using lay leaders to cover the service Rev James could not be at. The trial went well and this system was continued with Rev James will supply his reflection and prayers for the lay leader for the week. A schedule was drafted with the regular rotation for Rev James in each of the congregations at 11am services. Each congregation then fills the services with lay leaders, when in person services are possible.

As mentioned in the Worship report, we are very grateful to Rev James all the additional effort that has been needed on our behalf to prepare and post services during the pandemic. In early 2021 Rev James received a Meridian Pastoral Charge laptop to facilitate the service preparation for online services.

Rev James completes the basic service and circulates the bulletins with Starbuck filling in the hymns and other sections particular to our service.

*Respectfully submitted by;
Michèle Ammeter*

Report for Prairie to Pine Rep

The Prairie to Pine weekly newsletters keeps Community of Faith (C.O.F.) membership current on church issues such as Covid guidelines, ongoing church issues, committee meeting dates, and updates on COF and the broader church initiatives.

On May 28 I attended the Regional Prairie to Pine annual meeting via zoom. It was an interesting meeting dealing with reconciliation issues and understanding the history of the First Nation peoples. There was also a fund raiser for M&S and an update on Covid guidelines.

Sept. 7 the meeting was a discussion on re-opening and brainstorming around problems the pandemic is causing or posing such as masks, vaccine mandates, capacity, singing and social distancing.

Regarding Public Health Orders – C.O.F. must adhere to them and may make their own stricter protocols as long as they are in line with the provincial public health orders.

Submitted by,
Diane Trudeau

Rep. For Prairie to Pine Regional Council

Starbuck United Church

Treasurers Report
Jan 1-Dec 31, 2021

Len/Ann Pedersen - Treasurer

General Fund - Chequing:	2021
Carryover from 2020	Actual
	10,479.50

Income:		
Offerings	10,825.00	
U C of Canada - Legacy gift (Fettermans)	3,682.88	
TD cashed in	4,185.40	
TD cashed in	25,229.06	
Education Tax Rebate	101.72	
Total	54,503.56	

		Proposed Budget 2022
Expenses:		
Meridian charge allocation	20,400.00	21,000.00
Lutheran Church occupation costs (2020)	3,000.00	0.00
Taxes	735.56	800.00
Office Supplies	25.71	200.00
Meridian Interchurch Council	100.00	400.00
Insurance on property and use of Lutheran church	943.74	900.00
Property Expenses (lawn care)	180.00	400.00
Minister		
Appreciation	75.00	50.00
Donations	600.00	?
Meridian - Mission & Service 2020	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total	28,060.01	?

Bank Balance at Dec. 31, 2021	26,443.55
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General Fund - Savings	25,449.74
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Term deposit matured October 16, 2020

212,967.13

Reinvested: 2 TDs: 1 @ \$25,000.00 to mature Oct, 16, 2022 @1.2% and 1@ \$168,294.38 @ 1.2%

General Fund - Shares

87.96

Memorial Fund:

Chequing	Carry Over from 2020	166.76
	Donations	0.00
	Bank Balance Dec. 31, 2021	<u>166.76</u>

	2021	Proposed Budget 2022
Past Donations		
Sanford Collegiate Scholarship fund		?
Meridian Arts Festival		?
Thrive Community Support		?
St Andrews College Canadian		?
Foodgrains		?
One Just City		?
Camp Wasaga (family camp owned by UC of Cda)		?
Starbuck Hamper Fund		?
Knox United		?
Bear Clan Patrol		?
Mood Disorders Association		?
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>