

# Starbuck United Church Annual Report for 2024



## **Starbuck United Church Annual Meeting**

**January 19, 2025**

### **Agenda**

- 1) Nomination of meeting Chair**
- 2) Call to Order**
- 3) Opening prayer**
- 4) Minutes of annual meeting of 2024**
- 5) Matters arising from minutes**
- 6) Annual reports**
  - \*Minister (Pg. 5 & 6)**
  - \*Chairperson (Pg. 6 )**
  - \*Worship (Pg. 7)**
  - \*Projects (Pg. 7)**
  - \*Pastoral Care (Pg. 8)**
  - \*Ministry and Personnel (Pg. 8)**
  - \*Trustee (Pg. 9)**
- 7) Financial Statement 2024 (Pg. 10)**
- 8) Proposed Budget for 2025 (Pg. 12)**
- 9) Proposed council or nominations for council for 2025**
- 10) New Business**
- 11) Benediction**
- 12) Adjournment**

Sunday January 21, 2024

In attendance were Janis McMorran, Diane Trudeau, Sharon Masse, Margaret Porter, Ellen Saltiss, Len Pedersen, Ann Pedersen, Rev. James DeBeer, Michele Ammeter, Melanie Stanley

**Nominations for chairperson** for this meeting. Michele Ammeter nominates Margaret Porter seconded Ellen Saltiss.

**Carried**

**Nominations for Secretary**

Michele Ammeter nominated Melanie Stanley for secretary seconded by Sharon Masse.

**Carried**

The meeting was called to order at 12:42

Rev. James began the meeting with a prayer.

**Minutes from 2023 Annual Meeting**

**Matters arising from minutes**

Sharon Masse is pastoral care but her name was missed on the proposed budget.

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

**Carried**

**Annual Reports**

The annual reports were made available on January 15, 2024 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 for 2023, excluding the treasurers report, as circulated was made by Ann Pedersen, seconded Diane Trudeau

**Carried**

**Treasurers Report**

**A motion** to accept the treasurers report for 2023 as circulated and presented was made by Michele Ammeter, seconded Ann Pedersen.

**Carried**

## Proposed Budget 2023

### Donations

Sanford Collegiate Scholarship Fund	\$200
Thrive Community Support	\$200
St. Andrews College	\$500
Canadian Food Grains Bank	\$1,000
One Just City	\$1,500
Starbuck community Christmas cheer	\$1,000
Knox United Church	\$1,500
Bear Clan Patrol	\$500
Resource Assistance for Youth RAY	\$1,000
Manitoba Harvest	\$500
Discretionary fund	\$1,000

**Melanie Stanley moves** to accept the donation list for a total of \$7,900 plus \$1000 discretionary fund seconded by Michele Ammeter.

**Carried**

Donations will increase from \$6,100 to \$7,900. Transfer from reserves will be \$30,300. Revenue will increase to \$45,300

**A motion to accept** the amended proposed budget of \$45,300 moved by Michele Ammeter seconded by Ann Pedersen

**Carried**

## Proposed Council 2024

### Executive

Chair	-Margaret Porter
Secretary	-Melanie Stanley
Treasurer	-Michele Ammeter and Margaret Porter

### Committees

Projects	-Janis McMorran
M&P	-Michele Ammeter
Worship	-Diane Trudeau
Trustee	-Michele Ammeter
Pastoral Care	-Sharon Masse

### Trustees

Inga Livingston  
Michele Ammeter  
Ellen Saltiss

**A motion to reinstate** Worship and M&P as separate committees was made by Michele Ammeter, seconded Sharon Masse.

**Carried**

**A motion to accept the council** as proposed was made by Michele Ammeter, seconded by Len Pedersen.

**Carried**

### **Old Business**

- 1) There are no updates on the Starbuck foundation beginning.

### **New Business**

- 1) SUC needs to provide the Chair for Meridian Pastoral Charge. Diane has graciously offered to be Chair for Meridian Pastoral Charge.
- 2) Clarifying information for funerals, weddings and baptisms food.

In general Starbuck United Church is unable to provide food for celebrations unless there is an exceptional circumstance. In these exceptional circumstances the council will make decisions on each request. For people from our church family we will provide dainties and coffee. If they would like a luncheon they would need to provide it themselves.

**Moved by Michele Ammeter, seconded by Ann Pedersen.**

**Carried**

- 3) Shrove Tuesday Feb 13. Donations to be sent to Harvest Mb.
- 4) Horticultural Evening TBA

**A motion to adjourn the meeting** was made by Ellen Saltiss at 2:03

### **Minister's Report**

As I sit down to write this Minister's Report for the Meridian AGM, I'm sipping on a cup of hot coffee and taking bites of one of the many treats I was given. I can't help but reflect in gratitude, not only for how yummy your holiday baking is, but how you all take time out of your busy lives to share something meaningful and from the heart. Many home cooks and bakers say it's no big deal but I bake and cook and I know it takes work and diligence and intentional effort to make something special for loved ones, for family and friends or for the minister 😊. Your hard work and kind consideration is truly appreciated. And I don't just mean Christmas baking...

2024 was a really busy year for everyone it seems. Even if your to-do lists weren't that long, there was so much going on to think about, to be aware of, to contemplate. Despite this business and uncertainty, you've all stepped up and then some to continue the ministry of Meridian Pastoral Charge and the communities of Avonlea, Sanford and Starbuck United Churches. It can be disheartening at times, to see lower attendance at worship services and

there seems to be fewer 'hands on deck' to do the tasks needed to run our churches. Yet you've all gone above and beyond in keeping our Sunday Services prayerful and rich in meaning. You've looked after our church. You've provided outreach and support for people in need in our communities and around the world.

I know a lot of us are tired and uncertain about what the future holds. As we embark upon 2025 and the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the United Church of Canada, I can't help but think what it was like back then for people: changes in the church, economic uncertainty, global unrest and conflict. Not unlike today. Through it all they stuck to their faith in Jesus and the support of their communities, doing what they could where and when they could. And here we are today, inheritors of their hard work and faith. So as we continue our ministry as Starbuck United into 2025, I think the vibe is: 'keep calm and carry on.' We will try our best each day to live our ministry rooted in our faith in Jesus, with the abilities and resources that we have. We continue with pride for all we've accomplished together, knowing in hope that we will continue to help build God's Kingdom in the years ahead.

Respectfully submitted  
Rev. James DeBeer

#### **Chair report 2024**

We are fortunate to have achieved another year of worship and fellowship guided by our Minister whose value cannot be overstated. We are grateful also to our council members and the volunteers who keep us functioning.

This year we have had our usual successes. The pancake supper and the Horticulture night were both much enjoyed by many. Again, thanks to all involved.

We were privileged to house the Inter Church Advent service which was hosted by the Meridian Pastoral Charge and which proved to be a wonderful service with great music and diverse contributions by all churches involved.

The joint Lutheran/ United cantata also was much enjoyed and it was made special by having both Rev. James and Pastor Deb present. The choir, as usual, was stunning. Thanks to all involved for a very meaningful service.

We look forward to another year of helping those in need and providing fellowship and worship for all.

Margaret Porter  
Chair

## **Worship Report**

The Meridian Pastoral Charge Worship Committee met on August 27th at Sanford church chaired by Jane Manness and Angie Cormier. Rev. James attended. Diane Trudeau and Margaret Porter represented Starbuck United Church.

5 Communion dates in 2024:

Epiphany -January 7, Lent 1 – February 18, Easter – May 12,World Wide Communion/Thanksgiving - October 6, Advent 1 -December 1.

Re-covenanting Service – in a Sept service.

Lectionary Year: Sept - Year B / Advent 1 - Year C

Service info: Time change: fallback - Nov 3rd, Hanging of Greens – November 24, Inter-church Advent Service (Meridian Pastoral Charge hosted at Trinity Lutheran Church), December 1, Blue Christmas service – December 20th created by Pastor Debra from Trinity Lutheran Church and Rev. James, Christmas Eve : Joint Christmas Eve service with Trinity Lutheran Church at 5:00 p.m., December 29th: no church service.

Respectfully submitted by:

Diane Trudeau

## **Projects Report 2024**

The following is a list of the Project Events in which the Starbuck United Church participated in during 2024

January 31-Memorial luncheon for Jean Johnson

February 13- Shrove Tuesday pancake supper

May 13-Horticultural evening

November/December-Participation in the Community Christmas Cheer 2024 Collection

To note: Thanks was extended to the many volunteers who willingly offered and participated in the several projects this year.

Respectfully submitted by Janis McMorran

## **Pastoral Care Report**

For 2024, on behalf of the Starbuck United Church 2 sympathy cards were sent, 0 birthday cards, 5 get well flowers/gift baskets.

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](mailto:sgmasse@gmail.com).

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Masse

## **SUC Ministry & Personnel Report 2024**

The Ministry & Personnel (M & P) and Worship Committees were again divided as Diane took over as chair for the Worship committee in 2024. Michèle Ammeter chaired the M & P committee. The work of the 2 committees had not changed in the combined committee, but with someone available to chair the worship committee, the committees were again split.

The Meridian Pastoral Charge Ministry & Personnel committee current Chair is Michèle Ammeter (until Feb 2026) it will then rotate to Sanford. The Meridian M & P committee has not met since the annual meeting.

Rev. James will be in Avonlea every Sunday at 9:30 am and alternating Sundays at Starbuck and Sanford until the end of June. In September 2025 the rotation shifts again, and Rev James is in Starbuck every Sunday.

In 2024, Starbuck services were Sunday at 11:30 am. The second Sunday of the month is a joint service with the Lutheran congregation, and we have lay leaders as needed. While the Meridian M & P committee arranges the schedule for Rev James, Worship committee arranges the schedule of lay leaders for Starbuck.

Rev James continues to complete the basic service and circulates the bulletins for all 3 charges and Starbuck fills in the announcements if they haven't been past to Rev James in time for inclusion, otherwise they are added prior to printing.

*Respectfully Submitted by;*  
*Michele Ammeter*



## **SUC Trustees Report 2024**

Starbuck United Church Trustees are:

Inga Livingston,  
Michèle Ammeter,  
Ellen Saltiss,  
and Reverend James de Beer

Michèle Ammeter is the current chair of the Trustee Board.

The former site of the SUC church building at 15 River Ave was sold in 2023.

### Proposed Council for 2025

Chair – Margaret Porter  
Secretary – Melanie Stanley  
Treasurer – Margaret Porter and Michele Ammeter  
M&P – Michele Ammeter  
Worship – Diane Trudeau  
Projects – Janis McMorran  
Pastoral Care – Sharon Masse

Trustee Board- Inga Livingston  
Ellen Saltiss  
Michele Ammeter

**Starbuck United Church**  
**2024 Income Statement (January 1 - December 31, 2024)**

<b>Revenue</b>	
Offering	\$ 11,833.11
Offering M & S	\$ 50.00
Gifts	\$ 5,751.00
Donations	\$ 580.00
Interest Term deposit	\$ 9,968.29
Interest Savings & Dividend	\$ 1,124.91
Projects (pancake Supper & Hort Night)	\$ 742.00
Misc Other	\$ 89.94
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 30,139.25</b>

<b>Expenses</b>	
Allocation	\$ 29,400.00
TLC Rent	\$ 3,000.00
Donations	\$ 8,875.00
Mission & Service	\$ 2,000.00
Pancake supper	\$ 180.41
Horticulture Night	\$ 25.00
Pastoral care	\$ 278.79
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,100.50
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 44,859.70</b>

<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 30,139.25</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 44,859.70</b>
<b>Net income (Loss)</b>	<b>-\$ 14,720.45</b>

**Bank Balance**

<b>Balance January 1, 2024</b>	
	<b>\$ 234,583.18</b>
General Account	\$ 17,257.54
Outstanding cheques	
Outstanding deposit	
Term Deposit 116040218889	\$ 180,746.35
Platinum Savings	\$ 36,579.29

<b>Transfers from Accounts</b>			
Transfer from	Transfer to	Date	Amount
Savings	Cheque	Sept 17	\$ 15,000.00
GIC	Savings	Oct 16	\$ 20,714.30

<b>Closing Balance (Dec 31, 2024)</b>		<b>\$ 219,962.73</b>
General Account		\$ 6,493.89
Outstanding cheques		\$ 50.00
Outstanding deposit		\$ -
Term deposit 116040218889		\$ 170,000.00
Platinum Savings		\$ 43,418.84
Total Balance Change		<b>-\$ 14,620.45</b>

Current Outstanding Check #: 161

Current outstanding deposit: 0

Check # 158 & 159 used for 2025 expenses

**SUC Balance Sheet**

Bank Balance at December 31 (ACU)	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
Checking (-outstanding)	\$ 17,257.54	\$ 6,443.89
Platinum savings	\$ 36,579.29	\$ 43,418.84
Term Deposit	\$ 180,746.35	\$ 170,000.00
	<u>\$ 234,583.18</u>	
Plus 2024 Net Income	-\$ 14,720.45	
	<u><u>\$ 219,862.73</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 219,862.73</u></u>
Total Assets	\$ 219,862.73	\$ 219,862.73

GIC term	Principal	15-Oct	\$ 180,746.35
	Interest	15-Oct	\$ 9,968.29
			<u>\$ 190,714.64</u>

GIC term      Principal      16-Oct    \$ 170,000.00 (1 year term @ 4.3%)  
 Transferred to savings    \$ 20,714.64 (= \$9,968.29 interest + \$10,746.35 from principal)

# Starbuck United Church

## Budget 2025

	Budget 2024	Actual 2024	Difference	Budget 2025
<b>Revenue</b>				
Offering	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 11,833.11	\$ 1,833.11	\$ 10,000.00
Offering M&S		\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ -
Gifts	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,751.00	\$ 751.00	\$ 4,500.00
Donation		\$ 580.00	\$ 580.00	\$ -
Interest Term	\$ -	\$ 9,968.29	\$ 9,968.29	\$ 6,800.00
Interest Savings	\$ -	\$ 1,124.91	\$ 1,124.91	\$ -
Projects		\$ 742.00	\$ 742.00	\$ -
Misc other		\$ 89.94	\$ 89.94	\$ -
Transfer from Reserves	\$ 30,300.00	\$ 15,000.00	-\$ 15,300.00	\$ 22,600.00
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 45,300.00</b>	<b>\$ 45,139.25</b>	<b>-\$ 160.75</b>	<b>\$ 43,900.00</b>

<b>Expenses</b>				
Allocation	\$ 31,000.00	\$ 29,400.00	-\$ 1,600.00	\$ 29,400.00
TLC Rent	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00
Donations (difference is individual donations to CCC)	\$ 7,900.00	\$ 8,875.00	\$ 975.00	\$ 7,900.00
Miscellaneous (tax, insurance, minister appreciation, interchurch)	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,100.50	-\$ 99.50	\$ 1,100.00
Pancake Supper		\$ 180.41	\$ 180.41	\$ -
Hort Night		\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -
Office supplies	\$ 200.00	\$ -	-\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
M & S	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00
Pastoral Care expenses		\$ 278.79	\$ 278.79	\$ 300.00
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 45,300.00</b>	<b>\$ 44,859.70</b>	<b>-\$ 440.30</b>	<b>\$ 43,900.00</b>

<b>Total Revenue</b>	\$ 45,300.00	\$ 45,139.25	-\$ 160.75	\$ 43,900.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$ 45,300.00	\$ 44,859.70	-\$ 440.30	\$ 43,900.00
<b>Net income (Loss)</b>	\$ -	\$ 279.55	\$ 279.55	\$ -

December 31, 2024