

Meridian Pastoral Charge 2025 Annual Report

Sanford United
Church



Avonlea United
Church



Starbuck United
Church



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Mission Statement

FOR MERIDIAN PASTORAL CHARGE: Through its faith in God and Jesus Christ, is committed to supporting its member churches:

To worship;

To celebrate the church year;

To be a loving presence in our community during crisis and joy;

To nurture the Christian Faith to individuals of all ages.

Meridian Pastoral Charge (MPC) Annual Meeting Agenda

February 24, 2026

Call Meeting to Order

Opening Prayer

Appointment of chairperson and recording secretary

Review and Adoption of the Agenda

Review last year's minutes

- Corrections and Adoption
- Business arising from the minutes

Annual Reports

Minister's Report

Chairperson's Report

Committee Reports:

- o Worship
- o Ministry and Personnel
- o Regional Council - Prairie to Pine
- o Interchurch
- o Trustee Report

Church Reports

Avonlea

Sanford

Starbuck

Financial Reports

2025 Year End Financial Report

Financial Projections & Longer term financial scenarios

MPC Budget for 2026

Old Business

Correspondence

New Business

- Appointment of Auditor
- Determine MPC Board Members for 2026
- Confirm MPC Meeting Dates
- Set date for next years AGM

Call for Adjournment

2024 Meridian Pastoral Charge Annual Meeting Minutes

Meridian Pastoral Charge (MPC)

2024 Annual Meeting

February 18, 2025

Sanford United Church

Draft Minutes

Present: Diane Trudeau, Cathy Beavis, Stuart Manness, Jane Manness, Shelley Robson, Georges Cormier, Cliff Harrison, Janice Harrison, Barb Kirk, Nancy Langlois, Marc Nolette, Onalee Scharf, Jamie Scharf, Kelly Epler, Margaret Porter. Rev. James DeBeer via Zoom link.

Meeting Chairperson: Jamie Scharf

Meeting Secretary: Shelley Robson

Call to Order at 7:08 p.m.

Opening Prayer by Rev. DeBeer

MOTION: Diane/Georges that the 2024 AGM meeting agenda be accepted as presented. Carried.

2023 MPC AGM minutes: **Correction** – add Shelley Robson and Marc Nolette to the attendance.

MOTION: Stuart/Nancy that 2023 AGM minutes be accepted with correction as noted. Carried.

Business arising from 2023 AGM meeting: None

REPORTS

Minister

Written report as presented. Rev. James expressed his gratefulness for the congregations.

Chairperson

Written report as presented. Diane thanked all who worked on the MPC Board.

Committee Reports

Worship

Written report as presented.

Ministry and Personnel

Written report as presented. Janice reports that the Charge received a compliment from a former parishioner for our online church services.

Prairie to Pine Regional Council

No report

Interchurch

Written report as presented. Cathy added that she has tickets to the Matt Falk fundraiser event to be held in March. Let her know before March 11 for numbers. Each church has been asked to provide 3 dozen cookies.

Trustee

Written report presented. **Note correction:** Nancy Langlois should stand as trustee for Sanford United NOT Jamie Scharf as written.

Church Reports

Avonlea

Written report as presented.

Sanford

Written report as presented.

Starbuck

Written report as presented.

MOTION: Marc/Georges that all reports be accepted as presented or amended. Carried.

Financial

Written report as presented. Georges referred to his added notes on page 16 of the Annual Report. A question was asked where the “manse” money is- answer- it is denoted under “term deposit”.

MOTION: Georges/Margaret that the financial report be accepted as presented. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

100 Anniversary for the United Church

Jane reports that Georges applied for a grant through Prairie to Pine and received \$600 (\$200 /church) for this event.

There will be a meeting on March 11 at 7 p.m. in Sanford to discuss planning for the June 8 event to be held at the Sanford United Church. Topics to be discussed:

- Special offering
- Choir/music
- Menu
- Communion
- History of our churches/displays
- Period dress
- List of invites

The committee will consist of 2 reps/church at present- likely to start off with the Worship Committee members.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

MPC BUDGET FOR 2025

Written report as presented.

Much discussion about the financial future of the MPC finances- several scenarios were presented by Georges. At present, the plan will be to increase church allocations.

MOTION: Jane/Margaret that each church raise their monthly allocation by \$150 for the next 10 months. Carried.

In view of this discussion, it has been **recommended** that local church treasurers meet prior to the next MPC AGM. It was suggested they meet **prior** to the November 2025 regular MPC Board meeting, with a plan to report at the November Board meeting.

MOTION: Stuart/Marc that the MPC budget be approved as presented. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment of Auditor for 2025: Issac Ringash

MPC BOARD FOR 2025

Chair

Jamie Scharf (Sanford)

Local Chairs

Margaret Porter (Starbuck)

Jamie Scharf (Sanford)

Janice Harrison (Avonlea)

Vice Chair

Stuart Manness (Avonlea)

Treasurer

Georges Cormier (Avonlea)

Local Treasurers

Michele Ammeter (Starbuck)

Norm Dyck (Sanford)

Connie Arran (Avonlea)

Secretary

Melanie Stanley (Starbuck)

Ministry and Personnel

Michele Ammeter-chair (Starbuck)

Julie Ringash/Barb Kirk (Sanford)

Judy Cormier/TBD (Avonlea)

Worship

Jane Manness/Angie Cormier -chairs (Avonlea)

Barb Kirk (Sanford)

Diane Trudeau (Starbuck)

Interchurch

Cathy Beavis

Members At Large

Diane Trudeau (Starbuck)

Nancy Langlois (Sanford)

Cathy Beavis (Avonlea)

Prairie to Pine

Vacant

Discussion on each congregation taking responsibility to read the newsletters and report any pertinent information to the MPC Board. Diane pointed out that it leaves the “contact person” blank and this needs to be filled. **To be discussed at the next regular MPC Board meeting:** a need to give Prairie to Pine a contact email address.

MEETING DATES

April 8, 2025 at 7 p.m. at Sanford

September 9, 2025 at 7 p.m. at Sanford

November 18, 2025 at 7 p.m. via Zoom

Reminder that local treasurers are to meet prior to November 18th.

MPC Annual General Meeting February 17, 2026

Cliff adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Shelley Robson

Secretary

Minister's Report for 2025

Meridian Pastoral Charge
AGM February 2026
Minister's Report

One of my dad's greatest passions is fishing. From as early as I can remember, we spent countless hours fishing: as a family, with my uncles, or just the two of us. Our targets were, of course, the premiere sport fish of Manitoba: Walleye (AKA Pickerel). Almost always with a jig and a salted minnow, we'd try to entice them to take a bite and reel them in. I've been fortunate enough to catch a master angler walleye, smallmouth bass and sauger. I've had so many delicious shore lunches of pan-fried fish, as fresh as it could possibly be. We also had many, many fishing trips when we got skunked—not a fish to be caught, not even a bite. As disappointing as that could be, we still felt grateful for a day of fun spent in God's beautiful creation.

All of the first disciples of Jesus were fishermen. Simon, Andrew, James, and John were multi-generational fishermen whom Jesus plucked directly from the shore. When Jesus approached, Simon and Andrew were "casting a net into the sea." James and John were mending their nets. "Immediately," the text says, they followed (Matthew 4:18–20).

In a book called *Jesus for Farmers and Fishers*, Gary Nabhan describes what fishing was like on the Sea of Galilee in the first century. The future disciples were likely fishing for a species of fish which was a kind of tilapia—unique to that body of water. Nabhan describes the fish as "mildly sweet" with a flaky texture. To catch these fish, fishers would find freshwater springs within the salt water lake and put down their nets there.

Because of the pressure brought to bear by the Roman Empire and its desire to squeeze every last penny from the people of Galilee, the residents of that region faced one of the worst farming and fishing crises "recorded in the Western world." The Romans were demanding new taxes, fees, tributes, rents, and tithes. They employed enforcers throughout the land, meaning that the people, especially the working class, were suffering under new forms of oppression. "Within a span of a single generation, the Galileans had seen nearly two-thirds of their annual catch at sea and their harvest from the land shunted from them in order to support the urban elite and a distant aristocracy in Rome," Nabhan writes.

In this midst of this crisis, Jesus called his first disciples away from the waters. Why did he call fishers first? What was so special about fishing? There were other vocations from which the first disciples could have been called. The primary metaphor for Jesus himself is shepherd, so why weren't the first disciples shepherds? Jesus was a carpenter, so why not carpenters? Many of Jesus' parables were about farming, so why were those first called not farmers?

Fishing is an interesting metaphor for the call to follow Jesus. Fishing is nothing if not unpredictable. There are no guarantees, and you are subject to a large number of factors outside your control. At the same time, fishing is a form of constant discernment. Reading the water, assessing temperature and light, noting the invertebrate food sources that are hatching. Successful fishing isn't dumb luck. It's a way of combining careful observation with intuition — with inner knowing.

Some of this perception and intuition is surely reflected in the fact that the future disciples respond to Jesus "immediately," the way one immediately responds to that tug on a line or the weight in a net. Their response may have come from the fact that things had become so bad in the fishing industry that they didn't feel they had anything to lose. But it also may have been that they saw something in Jesus that they immediately trusted and understood, a quality of relationship that spoke to them even more deeply than the waters of the sea they'd known all their lives. It may have been a wondering about this "kingdom of heaven" that Jesus said was so near.

I'd venture to say that these attributes of observation and attention, a willingness to be surprised, a trusting of our own intuition, and long patience are all attributes of the spiritual life as it is revealed to us in Jesus' own life. If the disciples were going to be able to recognize the proximity of the kingdom of heaven, these were things they would need.

The tilapia that people fished for on the Sea of Galilee have a remarkable trait that is referenced in another story in Matthew 17. These fish are called "mouth-brooders": they lay their eggs in their own mouths, then they spew the fry out when it is time for them to swim on their own. In order to prevent the fry from returning to the mouth of the adult fish, the mother picks up pebbles or other objects from the sea floor and stores them in her mouth. When fishers brought fish in from the shore, they would habitually check the fishes' mouths for hidden treasures. If they found such a treasure, the fishers would take it back to their village for a celebration called *haflat samar*, a storytelling event where among other things, they would recount the history of treasures found in fishes' mouths over the decades and centuries.

In Matthew 17, Jesus and the disciples arrive again in Capernaum, the place where they first met. Simon (now Peter) is confronted by a tax collector, a messenger of the Roman government, demanding that Jesus pay a tax. (The Romans collected taxes on those who preached in the synagogues. Even though Jesus was mostly a street preacher, they still wanted his money.) When Peter returns to Jesus, anxious about this encounter and about his telling the tax collector that Jesus would pay the tax, Jesus tells him to go fishing. In the mouth of the first fish that he catches, he will find a coin. "Take that and give it to them for you and me," he says (Matthew 17:27).

Even if fishing is primarily a form of seeking, the question of finding remains pertinent. When Jesus calls the fishers from the shore, he calls them from deprivation to abundance, from fear to joy, from the ordinary to the extraordinary. This is the path they are now asked to walk.

We are living in uncertain times. It feels Imperialism is once again flexing its muscle in our world. It feels like there's been a movement away from alliances and friendships and a spirit of 'making the world safe for democracy' and justice, towards a spirit of might is right. It makes me feel anxious and angry. When we're scared or angry our flight or fight response kicks in and our decisions become less informed by wisdom which inevitably effects our discipleship. I take inspiration from the fact that our call to discipleship is a call to be fishers—like Peter, Andrew, James and John. Perhaps we could look to fishing as a way to navigate our lives; to read the 'signs of the times' through the light of the Gospel and adjust our lives accordingly. In particular, the Gospel illuminates our vision to see and celebrate the dignity inherent to every human person, and to resist that which dehumanizes individuals or entire communities of people. The life and teachings of Jesus call us to stand for justice.

As we continue into 2026, I invite us to keep our wits about us and, like fisherman, discern the conditions around us to see how we can bring peace, hope, love and justice to the world through all we say and do.

Respectfully submitted by Rev. James deBeer

Please Note:

Regional Council Meeting: The 2026 Prairie to Pine Regional Council Meeting will take place from May 28 to 31, 2026, at Selkirk United Church.

The planning team has started preparing for this in-person meeting. The registration fee has been set at \$200. More details to come.

Meridian Worship Committee Report 2025

It is always a challenge trying to decide where to start the worship report. The Church year begins with Advent in Nov/ Dec., the calendar year begins with Epiphany in January, and the Worship Committee have their yearly mtg in September after the summer months.

The highlight of this year was the celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the United Church of Canada - June 10, 1925. Our three congregations, past ministers and friends gathered at Sanford United Church on June 8th. A special musical ensemble set the tone for the event. Rev James led us in worship, we shared Communion, sang old and new songs, recalled memories and of course shared a meal. It was such a joyous occasion that we hope to do 'United 101' in 2026.

Our Worship Team: Rev James deBeer, Sanford - Barb Kirk, Julie Ringash Starbuck - Diane Trudeau, Margaret Trudeau. Avonlea - Angie Cormier, Jane Manness(chairperson). In 2025 with the 100th Celebration this worship team grew to include chairpersons and many others. Thank you everyone for your contribution.

Thank you to M&P Committee who make up the in person and streaming leadership schedule. Rev James offered Lay-led worship material as an option for any church. MPC will pay for one pulpit supply per church per year.

We held 6 Communion Sundays determined by each congregation:
Worldwide/Thanksgiving, Advent, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, Pentecost.
Resources used are from UCC Worship Planner "gathering".

2025 Lectionary: Year C / Advent 1 (Nov 30, 2025) Year A

Lent and Advent were celebrated with candles and readings provided by Rev James. Each congregation determined the activities, collections and offerings to highlight these seasons.

Easter Sunday: Rev James in Starbuck & Avonlea

Christmas Eve: Rev James in Starbuck & Avonlea

Thank you Rev James for helping us celebrate the many special Sundays in the year. You keep us grounded in the Word and encourage us to daily walk the way of Jesus.

Respectfully submitted: Jane Manness (Avonlea chairperson)

Meridian Pastoral Charge (MPC) Ministry & Personnel Report

The Meridian Pastoral Charge (MPC) Ministry & Personnel (M&P) committee members in 2025 were Judy Cormier, Stuart Manness, Julie Ringash and Michele Ammeter. Michele is chair until the Annual meeting in February 2026. Chair position will then rotate to Sanford.

The MPC M&P held a Zoom meeting, hosted by Rev James, on May 8. The leadership schedule was the primary agenda item. Rev James will be in Starbuck every week starting September 2025 until June 2026, apart from the second Sunday each month when Starbuck United joins Trinity Lutheran. On those Sundays Rev James will be in Avonlea at 11:00 am from September through to January. From February to June, he will be in Sanford at 11:00 am. Pulpit supply will be used by Sanford on Christmas Eve. Starting September 2026, Rev James will be in Sanford every Sunday.

Should you know of anyone requiring pastoral care please pass the information to Rev James. He can be reached by email, text or phone.

Respectfully Submitted
Michele Ammeter

MPC Trustees Board

Meridian Pastoral Charge Trustee Board members are:

Reverend James de Beer
Michèle Ammeter (Starbuck United),
Ron Manness (Avonlea United)
Nancy Langois (Sanford United)

The pastoral charge is responsible for deciding on the number of its trustees. There must be a minimum of three and a maximum of 15. Meridian Pastoral Charge has appointed 1 Trustee from each congregation plus the required member (Rev James), for 4 members.

The Trustees did not meet in 2025 because there was no outstanding business, but all trustees are expected to continue in their positions.

Respectfully submitted:
Michèle Ammeter

Meridian Pastoral Charge Annual Meeting Prairie to Pine Rep. Report

No report for 2025 as we had no representative.

Avonlea United Church Report

Avonlea Chairperson Report 2025

Our Church Board for 2025

Chair Janice Harrison; **Vice-chair** Charlotte Kirkpatrick

Secretary/Treasurer Connie Arran, **Maintenance:** Ron Manness, Brad Arran

Sunday School: Angie Cormier plus Judy Cormier, Jane Manness, Carol Pasieczka

Pastoral Care: Laurette Manson **Cemetery:** Shelley Robson

We met as a Board for 3 meetings with an additional 3 called for needed decisions after the morning service. As a small but dedicated congregation, we say thanks to each other for contributing. To Jane Manness for her organ playing, to Board members, audio/tech man Stuart, maintenance crew, coffee time providers, weekly cleaners, Sunday school teachers, Bible readers, lay worship leaders, church yard maintenance—the list of contributors is endless.

Events: February 1st funeral for Lynn Elder

April 8th late evening wedding for Logan Warkentin and Kailin Peppinger.

June 22nd Confirmations for **Luc Cormier, Mary Jane Cormier, Will Cormier, Nolan Harrison** and **Griffin Harrison**. Special gift for **Luc Cormier** as a **grade 12 grad**. That morning there was special welcome for two babies. We welcomed **Marcella Anna -Lynn Foderaro** and her parents Matt & Alundra (Elder) and **Ollie Lange Saukko Kjell** with his parents Kristian and Cody (Keith).

After our summer break, services continued and now we approach the end of the year. Carol Pasieczka and Judy Cormier have asked to take a break from the Church Board. Thanks for your contributions ladies.

The Christmas services were once again a time of great fellowship. Thanks to Rev James for his guidance and creativity throughout our church year.

In closing, I think back on our June 8th celebration of the 100th anniversary of the United Church of Canada. This was a true celebration of our unique connections as Meridian Charge. Gathering in Sanford United, sharing communion with our family churches of Sanford and Starbuck, emphasized how we all benefit by sharing our faith with congregation. Respectfully Janice Harrison chair Avonlea United

Sanford United Church Report

Sanford United Church - Chairperson Report for 2025

For the year 2025, we had a very quiet year for business items. And yet, our life and work in the church is as busy as ever. The highlight was certainly the June 8th pastoral charge wide service hosted in our building to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the United Church of Canada. Not only was it great to come together as a charge to plan it out together but also very uplifting to see so many familiar faces from our past join us that day. And now looking forward, I know we have to begin taking a closer look at our finances to find a way to continue to operate as a church and as a pastoral charge. I trust God to guide us and help us make decisions that allow us to continue for many years to come.

Below is our list of volunteers who keep our church running. Thanks to everyone for their dedicated service Sanford United.

Official Board:

Chairperson: Jamie Scharf

Secretary: Nancy Langlois

Treasurer: Norm Dyck

Member at Large: Tammy Klippenstein

Board of Trustees: Rev. James deBeer, Nancy Langlois, Carolyn Johnson

Worship Committee: Barb K. (chair), Nancy L., Kelly E., Tammy K.

Sunday School Teachers: Onnolee S. and Anne K.

Property and Maintenance: Norm D., Todd R., Marc N., and Blair J.

Congregational Fundraising Committee: Nancy Dyck, Pat Schnell, Nancy Langlois, Kelly Epler, Tammy Klippenstein and Marc Nolette.

Rentals: Jamie Scharf

Cards: Nancy Langlois

M & P Representative: Julie Ringash

Prairie to Pin Region Representative: _____

Outreach Committee: Barb Batulla, Barb Kirk, Onnolee Scharf, and Julie Ringash.

Starbuck United Church Report

Starbuck United Church Report 2025

2025 has been another successful year for us. We have particularly enjoyed having James every week since September. Our attendance has remained fairly constant and though small has been appreciative. Again, thanks to all the dedicated volunteers who are responsible for keeping us going.

We had a successful horticulture night which featured a talk from our local Jam manufacturer with samples which were greatly enjoyed. Thanks to the organizers.

Our pancake supper was also very successful with a great attendance. Always a good evening and thanks are due to all those who make it happen.

Our Christmas Cantata with the Lutherans was very well received this year. Thanks to all who took part and special thanks to the clergy for a unique take on the Christmas story.

The 100 year anniversary get together with our fellow churches was a particular highlight of this year. It was a very enjoyable reminder of our connection with each other.

We look forward to the coming year and hope for a great year for everyone.
Margaret Porter

Meridian Inter-Church Council Report for 2025

Our mission as the Meridian Inter-Church Council is to be a visible sign of unity of the body of Christ to our church communities through scripture, prayer, worship and service. Nine churches in southern Manitoba make up this council. We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 10:30 at the churches in a rotational schedule. We don't have meetings in December or during the summer months. At each meeting we share what is happening in each of our churches. As a committee we focus on Christian unity regardless of the differences that separate the churches. Our committee begins with a psalm reading and we discuss the reading and how it is relevant to our churches. We have had nine meetings since the last annual meeting. Some of the highlights have been:

- Matt Falk, a Christian comedian, performed at La Salle Fellowship Church on March 21st. 175 people attended and 200 tickets were sold. It was very well received and it was a nice evening of fellowship.
- Two students applied for the MICC Grade 12 Scholarship. The funds(\$1000) were divided equally and they received a \$500 Scholarship at the Baseball BBQ on June 4th.
- We had our annual MICC baseball tournament/barbecue at St. Paul's Church in Brunkikd on Wednesday, June 4th at 6 pm. We had a good crowd and the event was enjoyed by all.

- The Advent Service was held on Sunday, November 30th at Springstein Church. It was a beautiful service with special music that entertained a large audience. The offering collected went to the local cheer board. A total of \$1234 was collected.
- It is my intention to remain on the committee for another year.

Respectfully submitted January 10, 2026 by Cathy Beavis

Meridian Pastoral Charge Financial Report

NOTES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025

FOR THE REGULAR MPC ACCOUNTING

RECEIPTS

- ALLOCATIONS - The proposed budget had allocations from each church as \$2450 per month. The allocation amount has been increased to \$2,600 per church. Some churches started paying the new rate as at January 1st while others started paying after their board approved the increase.
- M&S/WD - The projections were based on previous years. The Starbuck United Church reduced their contribution by \$225.00 to account for their share that was being contributed to UCC from the 100th anniversary profit.
- OTHER - consists of:
 - 1) \$225.00 which is \$75.00 from each church for James appreciation gift.
 - 2) \$5,000 from Sanford United Church as a repayment to MPC for funds advanced to them years ago when they were in financial difficulty

DISBURSEMENTS

- PAYROLL OTHER - Cheque to Peter Mitchell for December 24 in Sanford
- WORLD DEVELOPMENT AND MISSIONS AND SERVICE, offset of receipts above.

PULPIT SUPPLIES, - palms

TRAVEL EXPENSES OTHER, - Peter Mitchell for December 24.

MISC, - James gift of \$350.00 and Daryl's gift of \$25.00

OFFICE SUPPLIES, -

- 1) Zoom Platform of 240.69
- 2) Annual Gathering Magazine of \$84.00
- 3) Micro Soft Office of \$162.60

FOR THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY ACCOUNTING

Receipts

- Donations of \$490 consists of cheques given for the anniversary expenses .
- Silver collection collected during lunch was for the anniversary expenses
- M&S & 1Justcity were \$ received during the service.

Disbursements

- Food - \$1000 to the Hutterites for the meal, \$98.90 for Iced tea, coffee, condiments, \$71.24 for cake, potato salad, coleslaw, \$59.04 for ice cream, etc.
- Other - 78.65 for plates napkins, etc
- Donations of \$1562 half to 1Justcity and half to M&S.

December 31, 2025, Meridian Financial Statement

RECEIPTS	ACTUAL	PROJECTED	DIFFERENCE	NOTES	
INTEREST	\$3937.50	1200	2737.5	Same as 2024	Renewed the TD, interest to be paid at end of 1 year term.
AVONLEA MPC	\$31200.00	29400	1800		
STARBUCK MPC	\$30900.00	29400	1500		
SANFORD MPC	\$30750.00	29400	1350		
AVONLEA M&S/WD	\$3000.00	2900	100		
STARBUCK M&S/WD	\$1775.00	2000	-225		
SANFORD M&S/WD	\$3131.00	2000	1131		
100th Anniversary profit	\$0.00	0	0		
S/H Dividend	\$0.00	25.32	-25.32		
Other	\$5225.00	225	5000		
			0		
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$109918.50	96550.32	13368.18		
DISBURSEMENTS					
PAYROLL JAMES	\$101517.63	98209.56	-3308.07		
PAYROLL OTHER	\$254.00	741	487	1 pulpit Supply for each church	
UCC ASSESSMENT	\$4715.00	4588	-127		
WORLD DEVELOPMENT	\$1500.00	1700	200		
MISSION AND SERVICE	\$6405.00	5200	-1205		
PULPIT SUPPLY EXPENSES	\$238.01	300	61.99		
MILEAGE EXPENSES JAMES	\$4579.29	5020	440.71	.55/km	
TRAVEL EXPENSES OTHER	\$35.20	300	264.8		
MISC	\$375.00	500	125		
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$487.09	550	\$62.91		
WEBSITE DOMAIN	\$0.00	136.50	136.50		
MEETINGS AND WORKSHOP	\$0.00	500	500		
Capital	\$0.00	500	500		
Banking Fees	\$16.00	30	14		
Sunday school/ Children	\$0.00	300	300		
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$120122.22	118575.06	1547.16		
			0		
RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	-\$10203.72	-22024.74	11821.02		
TRANSFER FROM MANSE	\$10000.00	5000	5000		
RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	-\$203.72	-17024.74	16821.02		

Meridian Pastoral Charge 31 December 2025 Bank Reconciliation

Table 1

		December
	January 1, 2025 Reconciled Bank Balance	\$14803.73
	Add Receipts from General Activity	119918.50
	Add Receipts from 100th anniversary	3602
	Less Disbursements from General Activity	120122.22
	Less disbursements form 100th anniversary	3101.58
	Bank Balance per books	15100.43
	Bank statement balance	15100.43
	Plus o/s withdrawals	
	Less o/s rec	
	Rec Bank Bal	15100.43
	Difference	0.00
December 31, 2025 balances		
Checking account	\$15,100.43	
Term Deposit	\$65,000.00	

December 31,2025, Meridian Pastoral Charge 100th Anniversary Profit and Loss Statement

		NOTES		
INCOME				
<i>UCC GRANT</i>	\$600.00			
<i>BUSINESS SPONSORS</i>	\$350.00			
<i>DONATIONS</i>	\$490.00			
<i>SILVER COLLECTION</i>	\$600.00			
<i>M&S/ONE JUST CITY</i>	\$1562.00			
Receivables	\$0.00			
TOTAL INCOME	\$3602.00			
EXPENSES				
<i>FOOD</i>	\$1228.18	\$1000 to Hutterites for pulled pork and salad, others for potato salad, coleslaw, cakes, condiments, coffee, etc		
<i>ADVERTISING</i>	\$0.00			
<i>TOILET</i>	\$225.75	Got To Go porto toilets		
<i>BANK CHARGES</i>	\$7.00			
<i>OTHER</i>	\$78.65	Plates, napkins etc		
<i>DONATIONS</i>	\$1562.00	\$781 to 1just city AND M&S each		
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3101.58			
INCOME / EXPENSES	\$500.42	profit		

The Multi year projection includes the actual figures from the years 2024 and 2025 in order to have a base and show the progression.

On the receipts portion of the document, everything stays constant except for the interest income earned from the Manse term deposit, which decreases every year, as we use a portion of the term deposit to finance our losses.

The only change to the disbursements is an increase in James payroll each year. From 2025 to 2026, there was an increase of 3% to his salary.

Everything else stayed constant.

In the receipts section I have WORLD AND DEVELOPMENT AND MISSION AND SERVICE broken down, but in the disbursements portion of the spreadsheet, I combined them all into MISSION AND SERVICE for simplicity purposes.

You will see in the disbursements for PAYROLL OTHER, where we have been paying for one service ministered by an outside minister, in 2028 the expense amount was moved two lines down. The reason for this was something went wrong with my cell on the spreadsheet and I could not figure out how to fix it.

In 2026, before the added amount of \$15,000.00 from the Manse term deposit, there is a deficit of \$18,727.00. That deficit grows each year due to the interest income decrease and the increase in the salary expense.

This is a recap of the bank balances.

YEAR DEC 31	CHEQUING ACCOUNT	MANSE TERM DEPOSIT
2025	\$15,100.00	\$65,000.00
2026	\$11,373.00	\$50,000.00
2027	\$8,646.00	\$30,000.00
2028	\$6,919.00	\$5,000.00
2029	(\$15,808.00)	\$0

Meridian Pastoral Charge 5 year projection stating 2026

RECEIPTS	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
INTEREST	\$3690.00	\$3937.50	\$3000.00	\$2000.00	\$1000.00	\$0.00
AVONLEA MPC	\$29400.00	\$31200.00	\$31200.00	\$31200.00	\$31200.00	\$31200.00
STARBUCK MPC	\$29400.00	\$30900.00	\$31200.00	\$31200.00	\$31200.00	\$31200.00
SANFORD MPC	\$29400.00	\$30750.00	\$31200.00	\$31200.00	\$31200.00	\$31200.00
AVONLEA M&S/WD	\$3436.00	\$3000.00	\$3000.00	\$3000.00	\$3000.00	\$3000.00
STARBUCK M&S/ WD	\$2000.00	\$1775.00	\$2000.00	\$2000.00	\$2000.00	\$2000.00
SANFORD M&S/ WD	\$1806.00	\$3131.00	\$3000.00	\$3000.00	\$3000.00	\$3000.00
Other	\$225.00	\$5225.00	\$225.00	\$225.00	\$225.00	\$225.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$99357.00	\$109918.50	\$104825.00	\$103825.00	\$102825.00	\$101825.00
DISBURSEMENTS						
PAYROLL JAMES	\$98088.00	\$101517.63	\$104000.00	\$107000.00	\$110000.00	113000
PAYROLL OTHER	\$247.00	\$254.00	\$260.00	\$260.00		
UCC ASSESSMENT	\$4588.00	\$4715.00	\$4700.00	\$4700.00	\$4700.00	\$4700.00
WORLD DEVELOPMENT	\$1840.00	\$1500.00			\$260.00	\$260.00
MISSION AND SERVICE	\$5402.00	\$6405.00	\$8000.00	\$8000.00	\$8000.00	\$8000.00
PULPIT SUPPLY EXPENSES		\$238.01	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
MILEAGE EXPENSES JAMES	\$4936.00	\$4579.29	\$5000.00	\$5000.00	\$5000.00	\$5000.00
TRAVEL EXPENSES OTHER		\$35.20	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
MISC	\$450.00	\$375.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$694.00	\$487.09	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
WEBSITE DOMAIN	\$136.00	\$0.00	\$272.00	\$272.00	\$272.00	\$272.00
MEETINGS AND WORKSHOP		\$0.00				
Capital		\$0.00				
Banking Fees	\$17.00	\$16.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
Sunday school/ Children		\$0.00				
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$116398.00	\$120122.22	\$123552.00	\$126552.00	\$129552.00	\$132552.00
RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	-\$17041.00	-\$10203.72	-\$18727.00	-\$22727.00	-\$26727.00	-\$30727.00
TRANSFER FROM MANSE	\$5000.00	\$10000.00	\$15000.00	\$20000.00	\$25000.00	\$5000.00
RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	-\$12041.00	-\$203.72	-\$3727.00	-\$2727.00	-\$1727.00	-\$25727.00
Beginning Bank Balance	\$26832.00	\$14804.00	\$15100.00	\$11373.00	\$8646.00	\$6919.00
Loss/income	\$12041.00	\$204.00	\$3727.00	\$2727.00	\$1727.00	\$22727.00
100 ann profit		\$500.00				
Ending Bank Balance	\$14804.00	\$15100.00	\$11373.00	\$8646.00	\$6919.00	-\$15808.00
Balance Term Depos	\$75000.00	\$65000.00	\$50000.00	\$30000.00	\$5000.00	

Meridian Pastoral Charge 8 year projection stating 2026

RECEIPTS	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033
INTEREST	CAD3690,00	CAD3937,50	CAD3000,00	CAD2500,00	CAD2000,00	CAD1500,00	CAD1000,00	CAD800,00	CAD500,00	CAD0,00
AVONLEA MPC	CAD29400,00	CAD31200,00	CAD31200,00	CAD33800,00	CAD35900,00	CAD37600,00	CAD41240,00	CAD42573,00	CAD43900,00	CAD43900,00
STARBUCK MPC	CAD29400,00	CAD30900,00	CAD31200,00	CAD33800,00	CAD35900,00	CAD37600,00	CAD41240,00	CAD42573,00	CAD43900,00	CAD43900,00
SANFORD MPC	CAD29400,00	CAD30750,00	CAD31200,00	CAD33800,00	CAD35900,00	CAD37600,00	CAD41240,00	CAD42573,00	CAD43900,00	CAD43900,00
AVONLEA M&S/CAMP	CAD3436,00	CAD3000,00	CAD3000,00	CAD3000,00	CAD3000,00	CAD3000,00	CAD3000,00	CAD3000,00	CAD3000,00	CAD3000,00
STARBUCK M&S/WD	CAD2000,00	CAD1775,00	CAD2000,00	CAD2000,00	CAD2000,00	CAD2000,00	CAD2000,00	CAD2000,00	CAD2000,00	CAD2000,00
SANFORD M&S/WD	CAD1806,00	CAD3131,00	CAD3000,00	CAD3000,00	CAD3000,00	CAD3000,00	CAD3000,00	CAD3000,00	CAD3000,00	CAD3000,00
Other	CAD225,00	CAD5225,00	CAD225,00	CAD225,00	CAD225,00	CAD225,00	CAD225,00	CAD225,00	CAD225,00	CAD225,00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	CAD99357,00	CAD109918,50	CAD104825,00	CAD112125,00	CAD117925,00	CAD122525,00	CAD132945,00	CAD136744,00	CAD140425,00	CAD139925,00
DISBURSEMENT										
PAYROLL JAMES	CAD98088,00	CAD101517,63	CAD104000,00	CAD107000,00	CAD110000,00	113000	CAD116390,00	CAD119881,70	CAD123478,15	CAD127182,50
PAYROLL OTHER	CAD247,00	CAD254,00	CAD260,00	CAD260,00						
UCC ASSESSMENT	CAD4588,00	CAD4715,00	CAD4700,00	CAD4700,00	CAD4700,00	CAD4700,00	CAD4700,00	CAD4700,00	CAD4700,00	CAD4700,00
WORLD DEVELOPMENT	CAD1840,00	CAD1500,00			CAD260,00	CAD260,00	CAD260,00	CAD260,00	CAD260,00	CAD260,00
MISSION AND SERVICE	CAD5402,00	CAD6405,00	CAD8000,00	CAD8000,00	CAD8000,00	CAD8000,00	CAD8000,00	CAD8000,00	CAD8000,00	CAD8000,00
PULPIT SUPPLY EXPENSES		CAD238,01	CAD250,00	CAD250,00	CAD250,00	CAD250,00	CAD250,00	CAD250,00	CAD250,00	CAD250,00

	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033
MILEAGE EXPENSES	CAD4936,00	CAD4579,29	CAD5000,00	CAD5000,00	CAD5000,00	CAD5000,00	CAD5000,00	CAD5000,00	CAD5000,00	CAD5000,00
JAMES TRAVEL EXPENSES		CAD35,20	CAD50,00	CAD50,00	CAD50,00	CAD50,00	CAD50,00	CAD50,00	CAD50,00	CAD50,00
OTHER MISC	CAD450,00	CAD375,00	CAD400,00	CAD400,00	CAD400,00	CAD400,00	CAD400,00	CAD400,00	CAD400,00	CAD400,00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	CAD694,00	CAD487,09	CAD600,00	CAD600,00	CAD600,00	CAD600,00	CAD600,00	CAD600,00	CAD600,00	CAD600,00
WEBSITE	CAD136,00	CAD0,00	CAD272,00	CAD272,00	CAD272,00	CAD272,00	CAD272,00	CAD272,00	CAD272,00	CAD272,00
DOMAIN MEETINGS AND WORKSHOP		CAD0,00								
Capital		CAD0,00								
Banking Fees	CAD17,00	CAD16,00	CAD20,00	CAD20,00	CAD20,00	CAD20,00	CAD20,00	CAD20,00	CAD20,00	CAD20,00
Sunday school/Children		CAD0,00								
TOTAL DISBURSEMENT	CAD116398,00	CAD120122,22	CAD123552,00	CAD126552,00	CAD129552,00	CAD132552,00	CAD135942,00	CAD139433,70	CAD143030,15	CAD146734,50
RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENT	-CAD17041,00	-CAD10203,72	-CAD18727,00	-CAD14427,00	-CAD11627,00	-CAD10027,00	-CAD2997,00	-CAD2689,70	-CAD2605,15	-CAD6809,50
TRANSFER FROM MANSE	CAD5000,00	CAD10000,00	CAD8000,00	CAD8000,00	CAD8000,00	CAD8000,00	CAD8000,00	CAD8000,00	CAD8000,00	CAD9000,00
RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENT	-CAD12041,00	-CAD203,72	-CAD10727,00	-CAD6427,00	-CAD3627,00	-CAD2027,00	CAD5003,00	CAD5310,30	CAD5394,85	CAD2190,50
Beginning Bank Balance	CAD26832,00	CAD14804,00	CAD15100,00	CAD11373,00	CAD8646,00	CAD6919,00				
Loss/income	CAD12041,00	CAD204,00	CAD10727,00	CAD6427,00	CAD3627,00	CAD2027,00	-CAD5003,00	-CAD5310,30	-CAD5394,85	-CAD2190,50
100 ann profit		CAD500,00								
Ending Bank Balance	CAD14804,00	CAD15100,00	CAD4373,00	CAD4946,00	CAD5019,00	CAD4892,00	CAD5003,00	CAD5310,30	CAD5394,85	CAD2190,50
Balance Term Depx	CAD75000,00	CAD65000,00	CAD57000,00	CAD49000,00	CAD41000,00	CAD33000,00	CAD25000,00	CAD17000,00	CAD9000,00	CAD0,00

New Business

1. Appointment of Auditor

2. Determine MPC Board Members for 2026 - 2026 Board Members

Chair

Vice Chair

Minister James deBeer

Secretary

Treasurer

Avonlea

Sanford

Starbuck

Region 5 Prairie to Pine Rep.

Worship:

Sanford

Starbuck

Avonlea

M&P:

Avonlea

Sanford

Starbuck

Inter-Church

Avonlea Chair

Starbuck Chair

Sanford Chair

Members at Large

Avonlea

Sanford

Starbuck

3. Confirm MPC Meeting Dates

4. Set date for next years AGM