

Annesley United Church



Annual Report 2024

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION OF ANNESLEY UNITED CHURCH
MARKDALE, ONTARIO – March 16, 2025**

Annesley United Church Mission Statement:

To bring people to a knowledge and love of God, through Christ, incorporate them into the Annesley family, and assist them to love as Christians and fulfil their ministry in the world.

Agenda

1. Welcome and Memorial Prayer
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Voting Privileges
4. Approval of the Minutes of the 2024 Annual Meeting
5. Approval of the 2024 Annual Financial Statement
6. Approval of 2024 Program Reports – one resolution covering all reports
7. Acceptance of the Proposed Budget for 2025
8. Mission and Service Objective for 2025 – **\$15,000.00**
9. Nominating Committee Report
10. New Business - Visioning
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11. Benediction

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Minutes of the Annual Congregational Meeting
April 7, 2024

The Annual Congregational Meeting of Annesley United Church was held on Sunday, April 7, 2024, beginning at 11:54 a.m., following the morning worship service.

1.0 Call of Meeting: The notice of this meeting was printed in our Sunday Worship folders on the following dates – March 7, 14, 21, 31, and April 7. Copies of the 2023 Annesley United Church Annual Report were made available for pickup on March 31, 2024.

2.0 Welcome:

Rev. Christine Smaller welcomed and thanked everyone attending this meeting.

3.0 Attendance:

The Record of Attendance is included at the end of these minutes (page 7) as Appendix “A”

4.0 In Memoriam:

Reverend Christine Smaller read the names of the beloved people who have passed on during the year 2023, as printed on page 18 of the Annual Report Booklet. Rev. Smaller led a prayer in memory of those dearly departed. Thanks was expressed for the successful business of the year passed and prayers for this Annual Meeting and for successful church operations in the year 2024.

5.0 Nominations for Chair and Secretary for this meeting:

5.1 Rev. Christine Smaller called the meeting to order and opened the floor for nominations for Chair of this Annual Congregational Meeting.

Mel Chamberlain was nominated for Chair by Dale Beare.

There were no other nominations for the Chair.

Mel Chamberlain agreed to be the Chair for this Annual Meeting.

MOTION#01: (Dale Beare/Linda Waugh) that nominations for Chair be closed.

MOTION CARRIED

5.2 Reverend Christine Smaller opened the floor for nominations for Secretary for this Annual Congregational Meeting.

Patti Shaw was nominated for Secretary by Dale Beare. There were no other nominations for Secretary.

Patti Shaw agreed to be Secretary for this Annual Meeting.

MOTION#02: (Dale Beare/John Lewis) that nominations for the Secretary be closed.

MOTION CARRIED

6.0 Call to Order:

The Chair, Mel Chamberlain, called this Annual Meeting to order at 11:59 a.m. and thanked the members of the Board of Elders for planning the meeting and providing pizza for lunch, and thanked Karen Smith for cleaning up afterward.

7.0 Adoption of the Agenda:

MOTION#03: (Ray Robertson/Donna Hutton) that the Agenda for this meeting be adopted as printed on the inside front cover of the 2023 Annual Report booklet.

Voting Privileges:

MOTION#04: (Donna Hutton/Linda Waugh) that Voting Privileges as described in The Manual 2013 of The United Church of Canada in Sections 3.7.2 and 3.7.3 on page #56 and in Section 3.4 on page #54 be extended as follows:

a) the full members decide to allow Adherents to Vote and

b) the vote is on a financial or administrative matter. **MOTION CARRIED**

Minutes of the 2023 Annual Congregational Meeting:

(Minutes as found on pages 1 to 6 of the 2023 Annual Meeting Report booklet).

MOTION#05: (Peter Dimoff/Donna Hutton) that the Minutes of the Annual Congregational Meeting of Annesley United Church held on April 7, 2024 be adopted with no changes. **MOTION CARRIED**

10.0 ANNUAL OPERATING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND THE MEMORIAL/INVESTMENT FUND STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR 2023

(Please refer to the operations statement on pages #24 to 29 of the 2023 Annual Reports booklet) submitted by Sharon Murray, Church Treasurer, these operations financial statements were reviewed and found correct by Dawn Dawe and Ray Dawe. Also, please refer to page 27 of the Annual Reports booklet for the Annesley United Church Memorial/Investment Fund Statement, submitted by Menno Smith and reviewed and found correct by Dawn and Ray Dawe. There was a short discussion about the items on the Financial Statements and the Budget. There was a question about how the \$200 Library Budget was determined: It was established based on the previous year's purchases of books for the library.

There was a question about the revenue for the meat sales (Harriston Meat Packer Fundraiser) – the amount on the revenue page is gross sales, there is a line for the same fundraiser on the expense page of the Financial Statements.

There was a question about whether Annesley receives anything from the events run by Middle Grey Events (the name was changed from Annesley Events to avoid confusion.): a goal of Middle Grey Events is to help sustain the Annesley building by eventually paying the expenses of the building, but to date there have been no profits to help in this regard. Starting March 2024, Annesley has requested that a rental amount be received for each event, until a contract between Events and Annesley can be drawn up that is satisfactory to both parties.

MOTION#06: (John Lewis /Peter Dimoff) that the Annesley United Church Annual Operating Financial Statement and the Memorial/Investment Fund Statements for the year ended December 31, 2023 be accepted as printed in the reports booklet for this meeting. **MOTION CARRIED**

11.0 PROGRAMS AND RELATED FINANCIAL REPORTS AND STATISTICS:

- a) The Pastoral Charge Supervisor's Report on page 7 / Board Committees / Small Groups / Cemetery Report / Statistics and Membership Changes) will be approved in **Omnibus Motion #07** to be brought forth at the end of the review of these reports.
- b) The Chair, Mel Chamberlain, invited the authors of the reports to comment on their report if they wished to do so at the given time.

- 11.1 **Board of Elders Chairman's Report** (page 8) by Dale Beare;
- 11.2 **Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council Report** (page 9);
- 11.3 **Board of Trustees Report** (page 9);
- 11.4 **Music Director's Report 2023** (page 11), by Brenda Dimoff;
- 11.4 **Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council Report** (page 11)
- 11.5 **United Church Women/Shalom Report** (page 11);
- 11.6 **Pastor's Benevolent Fund Report** (page12);
- 11.7 **Pastoral Care Team** (page 13);
- 11.8 **Affirming Ministry Team Report** (page 13) ;

11.10 SMALL GROUPS:

- 11.10.1 **Knit Wits Ministry & Prayer Shawl Ministry** (page14);
- 11.10.2 **Annesley Quilt Makers** (page 15) submitted by
Nancy Edwards & Mary Muir, co-conveners ;
- 11.10.3 **Annesley Woodworkers' Guild** (page 15);

- 11.10.4 **Centering Prayer** (page 15);
- 11.10.5 **Christmas Baskets** (page 16);
- 11.10.6 **Annesley Garden Club** (page 16)

11.11 STATISTICS:

- 11.11.1 Statistics for 2023 (page 17);
- 11.11.2 Received into Membership: profession of faith, or by transfer (page 17);
- 11.11.3 Removed from Membership: by transfer, by death, or by own request (page 17);
- 11.11.4 Baptisms, Marriages (page 18)
- 11.11.5 In Memoriam (page 18);

11.12 BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- 11.12.1 **Membership & Outreach Committees** (page 19)
- 11.12.2 **FundScrip & Coin Banks Reports** (page 19)
- 11.12.3 **Lay Worship Team** (page 20);
- 11.12.3 **Christian Education Report** (page 20) submitted by Mora Foster;;
- 11.12.4 **Property Committee Report** (page 21);

11.13 CEMETERIES REPORT (page 22);

11.14 FINANCE REPORT (page 23)

- 12.0 **OMNIBUS MOTION#07:** (Linda Waugh/Gail McCauley) that all Programs and Related Financial Reports/Board Committees' Reports/Statistics and Membership Changes/Small Groups Reports/Cemetery Reports be accepted. **MOTION CARRIED**

13.0 Annesley United Church Forecast/Budget 2024 (pages 28 - 29):

- MOTION #08:** (Peter Dimoff/Melanie Seeley) that the Budget/Forecast for 2024 for Annesley United Church be approved as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

14.0 Mission & Service Fund Objective for 2024:

There was a discussion about M&S. In recent years, we have not met our objective.

In 2022 we sent M&S \$19,000 on a \$22,500 goal, this year \$16,138 on a \$22,500 goal. Should we come up with a goal that we can reach? Or should we keep the goal higher and try to promote M&S more?

M&S base their programs on pledges, so it would be better to meet our objective. The Pastor's Benevolent Fund and Christmas Basket Programs, and any "local" projects to raise funds for local families etc. that have been done could be considered examples of "local" mission and service, so some people prefer to see their money given to local projects. Our objective is readdressed and set each year at the AGM.

- MOTION #09:** (Mora Foster/Heather Spry) that the Mission & Service Fund Objective for AnnesleyChurch for 2024 be \$20,000. **MOTION CARRIED** (There were 2 opposing votes)

15.0 Nominating Committee Report:

John Lewis presented the Nominating Committee report naming those individuals who are willing to serve or who are retiring as follows:

a) New members to the Board of Elders:

Dale Armstrong, Peter Dimoff, Brian McKillop, Melanie Seeley, Linda Waugh Thank you.

b) Retiring members of the Board of Elders:

Ralph Shilton, after many years of service. Thank you.

c) Elders returning to the Board of Elders:

David Armstrong, Dale Beare (Chair), Hazel Johnston, Leah Legate, John Lewis, Mark Worthington. Thank you.

d) **Three Members will serve on the Ministry & Personnel Committee:**

Barbara Hutton has departed this committee since her move to Hanover. Jill Lawford and Mark Worthington remain on the committee, and would welcome a third member.

e) **Presbytery Representatives to Western Ontario Waterways Region:** *This position remains open. If anyone is willing to investigate this position, it would be advantageous to Annesley. Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month by Zoom.*

f) **Those who will serve as members of the Board of Trustees:**

David Armstrong, Paul Hutton, Gail McCauley, Ray Robertson. Brian McKillop has retired from this board. Thank you, Brian for your years of service to the Board of Trustees.

g) **Church Librarian:**

Lynn Wyvill will continue as Librarian. The users of the library thank Lynn.

h) **Search Committee:**

This has been a difficult project. Andrea Campbell, Kathy Fraser and Steacy DenHaan worked in the past year with some discussions with Highland United.

MOTION#10: (John Lewis/Mora Foster): that this slate of candidates for the official board be accepted, subject to approval by the Region and the membership of Annesley United Church. **MOTION CARRIED**

MOTION #11(John Lewis/Donna Hutton): that this slate of members (David Armstrong, Paul Hutton, Gail McCauley and Ray Robertson) be approved for the Board of Trustees. **MOTION CARRIED**

16.0 New Business: *Membership*

(Please refer to Agenda item #10 on the inside front cover of the 2023 Annual Report booklet).

A question was raised about the preference or necessity for board members to be members of the United Church. Rev. Christine addressed this and there was a discussion about the reasoning behind this. Declining membership numbers is a problem across Canada and Annesley has been no exception. Annesley's membership in 2003 was 533. Twenty years later, it is 276, and many of those people are not directly involved in our weekly services or fundraisers. Expenses are of course much higher these days, so managing church finances is extremely difficult, and is getting harder each year with an aging population. An "ask" for additional givings may be needed, and this is a difficult task for most people. New ideas are needed to attract attendance, or a connection to Annesley. We hope that the stability of having one minister, even at half- time hours, who is working with Christian Education will attract newcomers to our community to attend. There are plans to have membership gatherings in the future for new attendees. This next year will be very important. We believe that the future is exciting, God is calling us to grow, and that the Community needs our inclusive and accepting congregation.

17.0 Expressions of Appreciation:

- 1) Thanks to the Board of Elders for providing the food and to Karen Smith for the setup and cleanup for this meeting.
- 2) Thanks to the staff for their strong support to the life and work of the Annesley Church congregation.
- 3) Thank you to Sharon Murray who is serving as our Church Treasurer.
- 4) Thank you to Menno Smith for volunteering to manage the Memorial Fund and Investments.
- 5) Thanks was expressed to John Lewis for the Nominating Committee work he does- not an easy task.
- 5) Thanks was expressed on behalf of the congregation, to Ray Robertson, who served as Chair of the April 30, 2022 Annual Congregational Meeting.

- 6) Thanks was expressed to Mel Chamberlain for serving as Chair of this Annual Congregational Meeting.
- 7) Thank you to Patti Shaw for serving as Secretary for this Annual Congregational Meeting.

MOTION #11: (Peter Dimoff/Mark Worthington) We express thanks and appreciation to Dale Beare for the work he has undertaken on behalf of the Annesley Congregation as Chair of the Annesley Board of Elders in the year 2023.

MOTION CARRIED

Closing Prayer:

Reverend Christine Smaller closed this meeting with a prayer.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to conduct at this meeting, the Chair, Mel Chamberlain declared this meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Mel Chamberlain
Chair

Patti Shaw
Secretary

Footnote: The Record of Attendance is recorded in Appendix "A" on page 6

APPENDIX "A"
RECORD OF ATTENDANCE
ANNESLEY UNITED CHURCH ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
APRIL 7, 2024

1 Dale Armstrong	21 Brian McKillop
2 David Armstrong	22 Mary Muir
3 Dale Beare	23 Sharon Murray
4 Carl Benninger	24 Ray Robertson
5 Jean Benninger	25 Ruth Rose
6 Marina Brown	26 Melanie Seeley
7 Mel Chamberlain	27 Patti Shaw
8 Shirley Chamberlain	28 Karen Smith
9 Brenda Dimoff	29 Menno Smith
10 Peter Dimoff	30 Heather Spry
11 Kathy Fraser	31 David Tonks
12 Donna Hutton	32 Linda Waugh
13 Paul Hutton	33 Mark Waugh
14 Hazel Johnson	34 Katheryn Wieland
15 Bryan Lahti	35 Michael Wieland
16 Erica Lahti	36 Mark Worthington
17 Doreen Latimer	37 LynnWyvill
18 Leah Legate	38 Ron Wyvill
19 John Lewis	
20 Gail McCauley	

MINISTER'S REPORT

“Come to me, all you who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light” – Matthew 11:28-30

A Year of Faithfulness and Renewal

Dear Members and Friends of Annesley United Church,

As I reflect on this past year, I am filled with gratitude for the faithfulness and resilience of this congregation. Annesley United Church continues to be a place of welcome and worship, where people gather in Christ's name to support one another and to serve the community. The past year has brought both encouragement and challenge, but through it all, this church has remained steady in its mission.

One of the great joys of this year has been witnessing the dedication of so many people who contribute to the life of this congregation. Whether through worship, pastoral care, outreach, or the quiet, everyday acts of service that keep this church running, the presence of God's love is evident in all that you do.

Financial Stability and Stewardship

There is much to be encouraged about as we review this past year. The financial situation of the church has improved, thanks to the generosity and dedication of this congregation.

Careful stewardship and the commitment of many have ensured that Annesley remains on a firmer financial footing. While this is good news, financial sustainability remains an ongoing concern, and continued attention will be needed as we plan for the future.

Worship, Community, and Outreach

Worship continues to be the heart of Annesley United Church. Gathering together, whether in person or virtually, we have continued to pray, sing, and reflect on the ways God is moving in our lives. The care and support that members extend to one another remains a vital part of this congregation's life. A phone call, a visit, a kind word—these gestures of care make a real difference.

Outreach remains an important expression of our faith, particularly through support for those in need in our local community. Whether through donations, partnerships, or direct assistance, Annesley continues to extend compassion beyond its walls.

Looking Ahead

The United Church of Canada approaches its 100th anniversary, a reminder that our faith is part of a story that stretches far beyond any one congregation or moment in time. Annesley has a long and meaningful history, and as we look to the future, we do so with the confidence that God is still at work among us.

There is no doubt that change will continue to shape the landscape of church life. But change is not something to be feared. It is a sign that we are still growing, still seeking, still responding to God's call. This church has always been a place of faith, hope, and generosity, and I have no doubt that it will continue to be so in the years ahead.

I give thanks for each of you—for your faithfulness, your service, and your commitment to this congregation. May we continue to walk together, trusting that Christ goes before us, and that the Spirit sustains us, now and always.

With gratitude and blessings, Rev. Christine Smaller

BOARD OF ELDERS REPORT 2024 - CHAIR'S MESSAGE

2024 continued to be a very busy and active time at Annesley! I wish to thank all Board and Committee members for their continued dedication during this past year. I am especially pleased that Linda Waugh and Brian McKillop joined the Board in 2024! Special thanks to our Church Secretary, Patti Shaw, who goes above and beyond her duties! Thanks also to our Treasurer, Sharon Murray, for looking after our finances, and to Mike Wieland for helping to take care of the church building.

Rev. Dr. Christine Smaller has continued to provide consistent pulpit supply on a part time basis, pastoral care support, and to act as our Pastoral Charge Supervisor. Rev. Christine has also written scripts for all the services that she is not present for and these are presented by our very capable Lay Worship Team. Rev. Christine led us through the Advent Season which culminated in a wonderful and well attended Candlelight Christmas Eve Service.

Thank you to Brenda Dimoff for her leadership and to the choir, in providing us with music each Sunday and to Tim Reilly, Media Coordinator and assisted by Stacy Hiltz and Patti Shaw for their technical expertise and streaming our services to the community.

Fundraising and generating income became a major focus for Annesley this past year! To this end, a number of fundraisers were organized, including the Harriston Meat Sale; the Spring Plant and Yard Sale and BBQ; a Car Rally; the takeout Pork Chop Dinner; the Online Auction; the takeout BBQ Chicken Dinner; and the Fall Bazaar. The ongoing FundScrip gift card and Coin Bank programs were also supported and provided meaningful revenue. Aaron Dimoff delivered a wonderful operatic performance in June, and the Scott Woods Band returned in September and performed to a very large crowd. In mid December, the Community Christmas Choir once again delivered two performances at Annesley to large and appreciative audiences.

The UCW/Shalom, through their commitment to providing lunches at funerals and catering events were significant fundraisers this past year. Thank you for your efforts! Rentals of rooms and space at Annesley continued to increase this past year and we are hopeful this trend will continue.

Annesley Events has changed their name to Middle Grey Arts and Heritage and continued to be very busy this past year, arranging a number of musical, word and other cultural performances, events, exhibitions and presentations at Annesley, for the community at large.

For the first time in quite awhile, 2024 ended with Annesley having a positive bank balance. While this is encouraging, much work is required for Annesley to be sustainable.

Looking ahead into 2025, two proposed projects will require consultation with the congregation. Firstly, fundraising ideas and approval for the cleaning and maintenance of the pipe organ. Secondly, consultation and approval of a plan to make the lower level of the church accessible. It is hoped that this project can be funded through grant applications.

All for now, Let's Keep Working Together!

Dale (Beare) Chair for the Annesley Board of Elders

MUSIC DIRECTOR REPORT 2024

My ministry in music is to augment and compliment the Word as it is proclaimed by the church's Lay Leaders and Ministerial. My tasks have been to lead the congregation in worship using the organ and pianos and utilize the resources that I have in our music library. The music office is close to the main office which enables me to touch base with Patti regarding planning for services etc. My other main responsibility is to have the choir lead the congregation in worship (a small and mighty dedicated group). Please consider offering your talents and willingness to join the ministry of the choir. You may call me, speak to me after church or email me.

The organ will be tuned and maintenance performed. The instrument is 101 years old this year, and we would like to plan an ongoing celebration with guest organists to showcase it. I want to thank my support team. Thanks to Patti, Dale, Tim, Stacy, Lacy, Katheryn and Mike and other people too numerous to name. Also thank you to Rev. Dr. Christine Smaller for her Pastoral support, Lay Worship leaders for their collaborative work with me to make our worship experience meaningful and inspiring. I look forward to continuing the ministry of music for and with Annesley.

Sincerely in Christ,

Brenda Dimoff dimoff@gbtel.ca 519-794-0874

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WESTERN ONTARIO WATERWAYS REGIONAL COUNCIL

The Regional Council continues to support the Pastoral Charges with the ministry of the church and to address the various issues which may come before it locally or in the larger area. The Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council is also a great source of information. They send a monthly newsletter listing events being held throughout the region. It can be found at: <https://www.google.com/search?q=western+ontario+waterways+newsletter>

For more information, see the United Church of Canada website at

<https://www.united-church.ca/>,

or the Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council Website at <https://wowrcucc.ca/>

The Grey Bruce Churches Facebook site is also another great source of information about happenings and events around our region. Search "Grey Bruce Churches", ask to be a friend, and start sharing!

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The members of the 2024 Board of Trustees were: David Armstrong, Paul Hutton, Gail McCauley and Ray Robertson. As well, we recognize and give thanks to Brian McKillop, who retired from the Board of Trustees last year.

The Trustees arrange the renewal of the property insurance each year on March 1st. Insurance has been one of the largest budget expenses items each year, and the Trustees work hard to seek and negotiate coverage for the Annesley building at the most reasonable cost possible. Our Insurance Broker continues to be Nicol Insurance in Owen Sound and Mike Sarvis, Commercial Lines Account Executive is our contact. Mike attended a Board meeting in 2024, to answer questions about insurance for churches and to discuss premium costs. Our insurance will continue to be with Marsh Canada Limited (Marsh) for this coming year 2025/26, and we are in the process of changing to monthly premiums to improve cash flow. Marsh also provides third party liability insurance coverage to users of our church facilities who currently do not carry liability insurance. This is a very important feature with increased use of the rooms in the building.

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UNITED CHURCH WOMEN/SHALOM

In 2023, the women of Annesley recognised that they were missing an income and community service opportunity in the form of funeral lunches and catering, which had been discontinued for 3 years because of COVID restrictions. They organised with 4 coordinators and food “phoners” that called people in the community to donate sandwiches and squares, sometimes at short notice, for funeral lunches and event catering as they arose.

In 2024, it was decided that since the list of food preparers in the community was shorter than in old times, it made sense to use the commercial kitchen facilities at Annesley to prepare the lunches “in house”. Although more expensive, the quality of the food is guaranteed, and amounts are easier to control. The people who formerly called for food were now asked to call for donations to buy ingredients instead. They plan to have a phone blitz in April of 2025 to request donations for this important ministry. We are blessed to have volunteers to provide the many hands needed to carry out this project, but additional help is always welcome.

In 2024, the group catered to funeral lunches, birthday celebrations, retirement parties, and catered lunches. The group generously donated \$12,000 to Annesley’s General Fund in 2024, and donated to the Women’s Shelter, OShare, Chapman House, the Christmas Baskets, and Day Away Markdale. A complete list is on the next page.

2025 has started off busy, with a soup and sandwich lunch for a local group and 2 funeral lunches. We are hosting a soup and sandwich lunch after church service on April 6th. Thank you to everyone for your support, help and donations. All were greatly appreciated. All ladies of the church are welcome to join. We meet throughout the year.

UCW FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2024

Balance January 1, 2024 **\$ 8,403.17**

Receipts January 1 - December 31, 2024:

Funeral Lunches	\$ 7,332.28
Catering	4,979.00
Donations	720.00
Bank Interest	1.36

Total Receipts 2024 **\$ 13,032.64**

\$ 21,435.81

Expenses January 1 -December 31, 2024

Donations to Charities	\$ 3,000.00
Donations to Annesley	12,000.00
Donations to Annesley Groups	900.00
Groceries	2,415.49
Miscellaneous	217.82

Total Expenses **\$18,533.31**

Balance December 31, 2024 **\$ 2,902.50**

<u>Charitable</u>	
Annesley United Church	12,000.00
Christmas Basket Fund	500.00
Day Away	200.00
Women's Centre	500.00
OShare	300.00
Chapman House	500.00

Dale Armstrong, Treasurer

CHURCH LIBRARY REPORT 2024

Annesley's library will provide resources to educate, inspire, comfort and challenge the spiritual development of individuals, families and groups within the Annesley community.

A church library is not quantitative, being a resource that supports a small number within the congregation, often at a critical time in their lives. We must continue to keep our library valid by using it.

Lynn Wyvill

COMMUNITY SUPPORT FUND (formerly PASTOR'S BENEVOLENT FUND)

This is the fund formerly known as the Pastor's Benevolent Fund. It was first established in order that someone in financial need, whether within the Church family or beyond, might request a small one-time financial assist.

For those seeking that assistance, there is a set of parameters in place within which we strive to blend fiscal responsibility and trust.

The Fund has been maintained by private donations and regular top-ups by our UCW/Shalom. It has been administered for some time now by a committee of three persons. The members are presently Jean Smith, Karen Smith, John Lewis. We are open for new members.

As per last year's footnotes, over the past year, an effort has been made to connect this Fund more closely, financially and operationally, with the Outreach Committee. That work continues.

SMALL GROUPS

KNIT WITS UNITED

The Annesley Knit Wit group continues to meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month. We are a small but prolific group. Collectively, the group knit: 10 pairs of mittens, 18 toques (hats), 22 pairs of socks, 31 scarves, 26 prayer shawls, 36 sweaters, 4 bags and more... We distribute the items to those in need locally as much as possible. We gave out 26 prayer shawls in 2024. Let us know if you know someone who would benefit from the comfort of receiving a shawl.

Most of our knitting is done from yarn donated to the church and we thank you for that. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month from 1:30 to 3:30 in the lower hall. Join us for a lovely afternoon of knitting and socialization.

Suzanne Hill and Lorrie Ann Breedon

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Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry started 17 years ago, and over 400 shawls have been given out in that time, 26 of them in 2024.

The shawls are knit by the ladies of Markdale and the surrounding area. The group call themselves "The Knit Wits", and they meet at Annesley United Church parlour every second Monday.

Prayer Shawls are given to people who are ill, grieving or are dealing with difficult issues.

If you know of someone who should receive a shawl, please contact the church office at 519-986-3019.

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ANNESLEY GARDENS

If you or anyone you know are interested in gardening, we have lovely gardens and trees that enhance the beauty of the building, but they take time to maintain.

A small group of volunteers helped to weed the gardens, remove leaves and cut shrubs in 2024. A big thank you to Dale and David Armstrong, Dale Beare, Dianne Houston, Lacy Sciamanna, and Mark Worthington for keeping things looking great.

ANNESLEY QUILT MAKERS

The Annesley Quilt Makers met 3 times last winter and created many lovely lap quilts. We gave 16 quilts to individuals and donated one to the online auction at Annesley in the Fall. We are a small but dedicated group and we are always looking for more people to join us for this most important outreach service to our community. No experience is needed! Our fabric is mostly donated and we thank the Annesley United Church Women for paying for the batting.

Nancy Edwards and Mary Muir

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CENTERING PRAYER REPORT 2024

The Centering Prayer group has met this year over Zoom, adapting to the present physical needs of members. Passages of scripture, music or verse guide us into 20 minutes of silent prayer. The conversation that follows this time is often stimulating. While our numbers have fluctuated over time, with variety and process always shifting, the need to be together and the need to have that time of shared meditation is always present.

Lynn Wyvill

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ANNESLEY WOODWORKERS' GUILD – 2024

The Annesley Woodworkers' Guild no longer formally meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. The members now get together whenever they want to socialize and discuss their shared interest in woodworking. We thank them for the many projects that they completed at Annesley and the wider community throughout their 21 years as a group.

Last year's report failed to mention a project undertaken by a small group of the Woodworkers toward the end of 2023:

At the Waugh home on Mark Street, the need for a ramp at the front of the house arose. This need was met just in time for winter and proved to be an asset for the family. Thank you to all who took part in this endeavour.

CHRISTMAS BASKETS

Annesley has been part of a community Christmas basket program in Markdale for 38 years. The support for this community outreach has been overwhelming. Annesley members play a big part by donating cash and canned goods as well as knitted items donated by the Annesley knitting group. We help with the registering, organizing, buying of additional food and toys, and the packing and delivering of the baskets. The firefighters and West Grey police donate toys that they have collected. Beavercrest and Chapman's have very successful food drives for the baskets. Christ Church Anglican, Medike, Tuplings, the Rotary, and the Foodbank play a big part with contributions for the baskets along with many other local businesses and individuals that donate items or cash. All donations are very much appreciated. The cash donated is used to supplement the baskets. Turkeys and hams, clementines, carrots, milk, canned goods and toys are purchased.

We all hope that this community outreach brightens Christmas day for the recipients.

In 2024, 70 baskets were delivered which included gifts for 96 children.

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FUNDSCRIP

The FundScrip fundraising program allows us all to put cash into Annesley's bank account by merely purchasing cash cards with which to pay for routine purchases such as groceries, gas, hardware, as well as dining, clothing and gifts. This program has raised \$11,394 for Annesley in the 8 years that we have been offering it. \$1,351 in 2024. The FundScrip website shows many organizations that have raised tens of thousands through FundScrip. We can use this program to make a positive difference with our finances. More participation is needed. Thank you to Dale Beare, Sharon Murray and our office staff for administering this great initiative. Thanks also to our loyal participants. If you haven't tried FundScrip, make this the year that you try it!

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COIN BANKS

We once again offered the Coin banks as an easy way to donate. Thank you to David Armstrong for initiating the fundraiser. In 2024, \$1,350 was raised, just by collecting loose change.

STATISTICS FOR 2024

Number of Baptisms - Children	0
- Adults	0
Number of Marriages	0
Number of Burials	9
Total Membership – December 31, 2023	276
Received by Profession of Faith	0
Received by Re-affirmation of Faith	0
Received by Transfer	1
Removed by Death	7
Removed by Transfer	1
Removed by Own Request	0
Total Membership – December 31, 2024	269
Non Resident Members	55

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP IN 2024

By Profession of Faith

None

By Transfer

Sheila Rose

REMOVED FROM MEMBERSHIP IN 2024

By Death

Marilynn Davies

David Dixon

Lois Lyons

Korleen Halbert

Gerald Madill

Dan Rose

Marlene Ward

By Transfer

Arnold Davies

By Own Request

None

BAPTISMS

There were no baptisms in 2024

MARRIAGES

There were no weddings in 2024

IN MEMORIAM

The following congregants or former congregants passed away in 2024. We gave thanks for their lives and commended them all to God's abundant mercy. We are especially thankful for the service and witness of those who were members of Annesley.

	<u>Date of Death</u>
Marilynn Davies*	January 4, 2024
Marlene Elizabeth Ward*	January 4, 2024
Daniel James Rose*	March 9, 2024
Lois Doreen Mae Lyons*	March 24, 2024
Gerald William Franklin Madill*	May 27, 2024
Steward James Derwin Madill	June 2, 2024
Arnold Bruce Davies	June 18, 2024
Peter Stanley Dimoff	June 18, 2024
Joseph Leonard Ewing	June 26, 2024
Vivian Sarah Vincent Foster	September 4, 2024
Linda Elaine Burns-Bowler	September 28, 2024
David William Dixon*	October 18, 2024
Korleen Mae Halbert*	December 21, 2024

*Indicates a member of Annesley

MEMBERSHIP & OUTREACH COMMITTEES

Over the past several years, the line between these two committees has become obscured. According to our Annesley Handbook, and some of my own observations, Membership Committee looks INWARD at the needs and activity of our Annesley church family; members and adherents alike. Outreach Committee, on the other hand, looks OUTWARD, at ways our Church interacts with our community, including local churches, the United Church of Canada, and the world beyond.

In practical terms, our Pastoral Care Team functions under the wing of Membership. So too, our shared responsibility for stewardship and to support regular attendees. Real opportunities exist for fellowship events, such as a Men's breakfast, as well as a long overdue New to Annesley event.

Historically, our Mission & Service objective is the cornerstone of the Outreach Committee. Our 2024 total of \$12,905. fell well short of the \$20,000. target. But factor in \$8,200 raised for the Christmas baskets, and monies for some other appeals including Community Outreach, and we exceeded our objective. One is reminded that our congregation recognizes and values options for mission and service

The writer wonders whether our relationship with Middle Grey Arts and Heritage could fall within an Outreach Committee's reach.

A huge thank you to Karen Smith for arriving early and leaving late every Sunday and getting Coffee Hour treats for us to enjoy and socialize with. This was a feature of Sunday morning worship that so many people missed during the COVID-19 restrictions. We owe our appreciation to Karen.

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LAY WORSHIP TEAM

The lay worship team provides guidance and support for Sunday morning worship services. We are most thankful to have Rev. Dr. Christine Smaller to lead us in worship three Sundays each month. On the remaining Sundays, Christine prepares the service and we find volunteers to lead in worship and deliver the sermon. It is no longer Dale Beare's considerable responsibility to find pulpit supplies each Sunday! Marina Brown schedules the scripture readers. Patti Shaw has all of our Sunday morning materials printed and ready for us each week.....thank you, Patti! We are grateful to everyone who participates in Sunday morning worship, including you, the congregation.

The lay worship team members are:

Dale Beare, Brenda Dimoff, Marina Brown, Hazel Johnston, Patti Shaw, Heather Spry
With regrets, Mary Muir has resigned due to family responsibilities.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

This is a report written rather more on the basis of observation than regular active participation. Please excuse any inaccuracies.

Once again, we were fortunate to have a faithful group of volunteers, but no one felt able to take on a leadership role..... Enter Rev. Christine and her faithful sidekick Mike. For each of the spring and fall terms, Christine provided a matrix into which people could pencil in their names for given Sundays. As well, subject guidelines and supplies were made available.

As before, two adults are necessary regardless of the number of kids in attendance.

Fellowship Hall continues to be the venue of choice and Karen Smith provides goodies and drinking boxes. Very important. Thank you Karen.

Two bright spots in the Christian Ed. picture:

Alexandra Richardson has brought the enthusiasm of youth, her willingness to initiate, and her unique creativity into our midst. Thank you Alex.

Della has provided us with a beautiful table tennis table, which is now in the old Choir Room at the lower level. All accoutrements are in place, balls, paddles, etc. Waiting only for some organization. Also, an indoor putting green - we are looking for some putters and golf balls.

Thank you Della.

Thank you to our volunteers who helped in 2024:

Alexandra, Bryan, Christine, Della, Erica, Hazel, Heather, Jill, Karen, Kathy, Kelly, and Mike.

Faith is probably caught AND taught.

Submitted by John Lewis

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PASTORAL CARE TEAM

Our little team continues to help with the needs of those of us who are unwell, alone, shut-in, bereaved. Sadly, these needs do not diminish, but we continue to try our best.

This year, we have welcomed a couple of new members, and have been ably assisted and guided by Rev. Christine. We bid farewell to Barbara Hutton and thank her for her service. We met in person fewer times, but have tried to stay connected via confidential emails, phone calls, text.

The Knit Wits, Quilt Makers and Prayer Shawl Ministry have continued to distribute their beautiful handiwork to individuals in a variety of circumstances. These kind outreaches represent the very essence of pastoral care. Thank you to all of these skilled women.

The Owen Sound Chaplaincy Office continues to notify us of members who are in any of the Brightshores Hospitals, but we need your help to identify those people at home who are in need of our attention. You can contact the Church office (519-986-3019) or speak with any of our members.

Members are *Christine Smaller, David Armstrong, Heather Spry, Jill Lawford, John Lewis, Paul Williams, Sally Haines.*

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The major service to the boiler in 2023 seems to have helped, as it ran more efficiently and heating (natural gas) costs were lower than the previous year. The changes also allowed us to stop using the auxiliary baseboard heaters.

A windstorm in March caused the large covered sign on Highway 10 to fall over and break. John Lewis was able to salvage the main sign and has been using his meticulous nature and steady hand to beautifully repaint the old, weathered sign. Thank you, John. Plans are in the works for a new sign holder in the spring, which will be placed farther north on the lawn, to increase visibility from the highway.

There were more water problems in the basement during the spring and summer months, mainly from the area of the gardening room. Dehumidifiers and fans were used several times to dry the carpet in the area at the base of the stairs. The eavestroughs were cleared, and it was discovered that there were holes in the drainage pipes along the north side of the building. Thank you to David Armstrong, Mark Worthington and Mike Wieland for finding and repairing the problem. The large amount of snow this winter will be a test when it melts. Thank you also to Dale Armstrong for cleaning the carpets in that area and upstairs.

The refresh and reorganization of the Lower hall is paying off with additional rentals - thank you to Lacy Sciamanna, Katheryn Wieland and Mike Wieland for their great work. The kitchen renovations of 2023 have also paid off with some kitchen rentals - good news!

Thank you to the people who worked on the gardens and the lawns in 2024. Dale and David Armstrong, Dale Beare, Dianne Houston, Lacy Sciamanna, and Mark Worthington and others did work, especially to clear the leaves and get the gardens ready for winter.

Longtime caretaker Marlene Ward passed away early in 2024. We appreciate all the dedication that the Wards showed to Annesley over the years. Thank you to Mike and Katheryn Wieland for stepping up so well to care for the building.

The Property Committee is currently working on a plan to make the basement accessible. This would make the lower rooms much easier to rent. Details to be announced...

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CEMETERIES REPORT 2024

Historically, the four pioneer cemeteries listed below have fallen under Annesley's wing primarily for insurance purposes. At the same time, each had a Board of Managers, consisting of some family members and/or neighbours. These Boards have concerned themselves primarily with upkeep, as only one cemetery, Harkaway, remains "active" (in name only). Passing years have seen memberships on these Boards dwindle. Annesley has underwritten maintenance costs at Ebenezer for some years now.

In 2020, the Annesley Trustees presented to the Board, a document recommending a combined Cemetery Board to "reduce unnecessary duplication of duties", and out of a concern for the future care and maintenance of these cemeteries. Financial assets, if any, were to be retained by the individual Cemetery Boards.

The Annesley Board passed Motion #2020/21-16 to merge the four Cemetery Boards, and this was brought forward at the 2021 AGM, to take effect December 31, 2021.

Since that time, apart from some informal conversations little action has taken place.

Hopefully, look for some new developments in the coming year.

These cemeteries, as well as being the hallowed resting place for ancestors of our community are also sources of historical information for those tracing family history. The Board encourages those interested in preserving these historical sites to make their donations through Annesley United Church, indicating their intention on their envelope.

The Ebenezer Cemetery is located East of Markdale on County Road 30 at the site of the former Ebenezer United Church.

The Irwin Cemetery is located south of Markdale on Highway 10 at the site of the former Irwin Methodist Church. Both of the above have been inactive for several years.

The Harkaway Cemetery is located at 635762 Euphrasia Holland Townline.

The Vandeleur Pioneer Cemetery is located at 154264 Grey Road 32.

MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL REPORT

We have been attempting to re-establish the core functions of the M&P committee as it has functioned in the past. Currently we have two official members: Ray Robertson and Brian McKillop. We would like to have three members, and securing a third member is ongoing.

It has been a normal practice over the years that the M&P committee would make recommendations to the board near the end of the calendar year for salary increases. This usually follows staff reviews. Our circumstances have changed this year in that our financial situation is not firm at this time, and we are generally not making any firm recommendations for salary increases.

We have completed three formal reviews of three staff and an informal meeting between Brian and our technician explaining our current financial situation as well as the general functioning of the M&P committee. We were quite fortunate this year in our reviews to have three board members sit in on three separate staff interviews. This was very helpful, and we certainly appreciate their input.

Our reviews with staff are private and confidential, and records are kept securely with M&P. The general functioning of M&P may be new to current board members and our new staff. In general, at our staff reviews we outline to staff that what they say is strictly confidential, and that records are kept with M&P. We review and update if necessary their job descriptions, discuss how things are going with their jobs, their relationships with other staff, their needs and requests, with the overall goal of maintaining positive and content employees. As well, we provide to staff our concerns and issues that are channelled to us from others such as board members, the congregation or even the community. Dialogue is two way, and our ultimate goal is to provide a venue for any conflicts that may arise to be resolved amicably. We strive to maintain a positive atmosphere at these meetings and provide a venue for staff to discuss any concerns that they may have. If problems or concerns do arise, we have directed staff members to bring their concerns to the M&P committee for resolution.

The committee is currently working on modifying some of the staff job descriptions as a result of input from staff and members of M&P (including board member guests).

After final board approval, they will be available in the office for review.

If there are any further questions regarding the M&P function or concerns about the role of the M&P committee, please contact any member of M&P.

Brian McKillop - Chairperson

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Very happy to report that 2024 was a good year for Annesley financially. Our receipts (\$178,510) to our General Fund exceeded expenses (\$144,771) for a Surplus of \$33,739. There were welcome increases in Givings, Rentals and Fundraising. The hard work of many volunteers was very refreshing, as the roughly 11 initiatives raised approximately \$21,500. Well done!!

Over the last couple years there has been some misunderstanding of the status of our Memorial/Investment Fund. After some research of past minutes of the Board of Elders, it was revealed that at a Congregational meeting in April 9th 2006, it was recommended and decided that support would be requested from the Congregation to raise \$100,000 for future Capital expenditures. Through the excellent stewardship of the Board, Finance Committee and Property Committee of the time, this became a reality. We need to be ever grateful for the hard work of the Members of 2006 for this endeavour.

The history, purpose, Control and Usage of our Fund are documented in the Annesley Handbook. Anyone wanting clarification on these should speak to any Board member or our church Secretary.

The Memorial Fund has existed for many years, and has been a source of financing for physical and aesthetic improvements to the church.

At this time, we also need to acknowledge and give thanks to Menno Smith who has managed this fund for us, and had responsibilities for the Finances of Annesley for many more years than he cares to remember. Menno has decided to retire from his role, and his hard work and mentoring to Sharon and me will be badly missed Thank you, thank you, Menno!

Speaking of change, after 18 years on the Finance committee, it is time for new members, and I am resigning and moving sideways onto the Property Committee (which has been vacant for 3years).

I would like to sincerely thank Sharon Murray and Patti Shaw for all the help and assistance they have given me over these last many years.

As in 2006, there is a very pressing need for Leadership and Stewardship to guide the future of Annesley. I strongly encourage anyone who cares to get involved and follow the example of those Members whose legacy we are fortunate to enjoy.

Mark Worthington
Chair (retiring)
Finance Committee

ANNESLEY UNITED CHURCH FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2024

OPERATING RECEIPTS	Dec-2024			
Account Name	Current Month	YTD 2024	YTD 2023	Budget
Envelopes	14,024.50	102,139.50	80,896.60	85,000.00
Loose	622.00	1,426.00	1,222.25	100.00
Initial		120.00	327.00	200.00
Sub Total	14,646.50	103,685.50	82,445.85	85,300.00
Takeout Chicken Dinner		4,213.80	4,968.00	4,500.00
Plant & Yard Sale		2,085.00	586.00	1,000.00
Pork Chop BBQ		2,940.00		
Other Fundraising-Xmas Bazaar		1,633.65		
-Scott Woods		3,908.00	4,070.00	
-Car Rally		640.00		
-Coin Banks	862.35	1,350.60	911.85	1,000.00
-Brunch		352.00		
-FundScrip		1,350.87	1,162.57	1,200.00
-Harriston Meats		10,395.00	6,627.00	5,000.00
-Flower Fund		130.00	610.00	
-Annesley Events			2,765.49	
-Online Auction		6,145.05	4,133.55	4,000.00
Other Fundraising Sub Total	862.35	25,905.17	20,280.46	11,200.00
Fundraising Sub Total	862.35	35,143.97	25,834.46	16,700.00
Rent-Funerals		2,450.00		25,000.00
-Hall Rentals	80.00	1,510.00		
-Middle Grey Events	750.00	1,375.00		
-Monthly Rentals	360.00	9,955.00		
-Other Rentals	708.00	3,217.95	14,576.65	
Sub Total	1,898.00	18,507.95	14,576.65	25,000.00
Broadview Subscriptions		295.00	325.00	
HST Refund	1,176.10	2,695.25	9,417.67	1,500.00
Interest from Memorial Fund	5,727.52	5,727.52	5,607.00	5,000.00
UCW Local Support	2,000.00	12,000.00		
Miscellaneous	400.00	400.00	230.00	1,000.00
Music Program		55.00	400.00	
Funeral Gratuities			125.00	
Sub Total	9,303.62	21,172.77	16,104.67	7,500.00
Total Receipts	26,710.47	178,510.19	138,961.63	134,500.00

ANNESLEY UNITED CHURCH FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2024

OPERATING EXPENSES	Dec-2024			
Account Name	Current Month	YTD 2024	YTD 2023	Budget
Salaries	1,905.17	22,862.04	37,562.64	21,000.00
Music Director	1,160.00	11,136.00	15,845.00	12,000.00
Contract Wages	925.00	7,185.00	2,919.40	15,000.00
Benefits	491.82	6,027.27	9,609.35	4,800.00
Sub Total	4,481.99	47,210.31	65,936.39	52,800.00
Honourarium			12,500.00	
Mileage		173.80	956.75	1,000.00
Guest Speakers	4,147.00	22,869.00	12,972.50	29,000.00
Audio Visual Streaming	2,040.00	11,080.00		12,000.00
Sub Total	6,187.00	34,122.80	26,429.25	42,000.00
Union Gas	420.08	4,991.84	6,994.50	7,500.00
Electricity, Water & Sewer	700.67	7,990.95	8,478.50	8,000.00
Church Maintenance	787.50	4,691.59	4,354.00	5,000.00
Insurance		15,791.76	13,564.80	14,500.00
Sub Total	1,908.25	33,466.14	33,391.80	35,000.00
Office Expenses	492.27	2,869.37	3,634.17	3,500.00
Telephone	72.92	819.81	882.94	1,000.00
Broadview Subscriptions				100.00
Presbytery Dues	5,125.00	5,125.00	4,790.00	5,125.00
Bank Fees		62.50	135.85	150.00
Music	830.00	830.00	1,394.00	1,000.00
Outreach Committee			128.97	200.00
S. School, Christian Ed.	11.96	59.94		500.00
Library			142.00	200.00
Miscellaneous	588.05	2,067.10	3,695.20	2,500.00
Worship Committee				
Fundraising-Pork Chop BBQ		670.00		
-Scott Woods		1,660.00	1,240.00	
-Brunch		83.52		
-Harriston Meats		8,116.00	5,047.00	
-Takeout Chicken Dinner		2,082.85	2,831.63	
-Annesley Events			2,225.00	
-Flower Fund		18.00	533.10	
Funeral Gratuities			125.00	
Boiler Repair		485.00	6,987.89	1,000.00
HST	684.99	3,445.59	9,173.13	5,000.00
PAR & ADP Charges	41.91	530.21	578.67	500.00
Coffee Hour		1,044.57		
Sub Total	7,847.10	29,969.46	43,544.55	20,775.00
Total Expenses	20,424.34	144,768.71	169,301.99	150,575.00
RECEIPTS (U)/O EXPENSES	6,286.13	33,741.48	-30,340.36	

ANNESLEY UNITED CHURCH FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2024

NON OPERATING RECEIPTS	Dec-2024		
	Current	YTD	YTD
	Month	2024	2023
Ebenezer Cemetery			300.00
Irwin Cemetery			340.00
Memorial Fund		2,715.65	2,500.00
Markdale Food Bank			250.00
Jim & Elaine Mitchell		370.00	
Mission & Service	2,074.50	12,905.50	16,138.50
Community Support Fund		270.00	100.00
Christmas Baskets	7,195.00	8,200.00	5,075.00
Prayer Shawl		10.00	55.00
FundScrip	9,445.00	51,270.00	46,935.00
Kitchen Renovation			125.00
UCW Funerals	40.00	-3,154.30	3,960.00
Quilt Makers		200.00	25.00
Refresh Fund	500.00	550.00	
Ice Time	380.00	430.00	600.00
Memorial Fund Loan		15,000.00	23,000.00
Total Receipts	19,634.50	88,766.85	99,403.50

NON OPERATING EXPENSES	Current	YTD	YTD
	Month	2024	2023
Mission & Service	4,665.50	12,905.50	16,138.50
Jim & Elaine Mitchell		371.00	
Markdale Food Bank			250.00
Memorial Fund	2,715.65	2,715.65	2500.00
Ebenezer Cemetery	304.00	304.00	294.50
Irwin Cemetery			
Prayer Shawl		179.80	
Community Support Fund		200.00	130.00
Christmas Baskets	7,195.00	8,200.00	5,075.00
FundScrip	9,445.00	51,270.00	46,935.00
UCW Funerals	60.00	693.94	111.76
Streaming Equipment			711.58
Refresh of Church			5,534.50
Kitchen Renovation			32,956.74
Ice Time	380.00	430.00	600.00
Quilt Makers			225.00
Total Expenses	24,765.15	77,269.89	111,462.58

Community Support Fund

Receipts 2006 - December 2024	5,697.30
Expenses 2006 - December 2024	4,168.42
	1,528.88

Reviewed by Dawn & Ray Dawe

ANNESLEY UNITED CHURCH MEMORIAL/INVESTMENT FUND

Annesley United Church Memorial/Investment Fund

2024

	Receipts	Disbursed	Total
Opening Balance January 1 2024			\$ 148286
Donations and Bequests	\$ 2716		
Interest earned on GICs	5728		
Service Charge		\$ 2	
Interest transferred to general fund		5728	
Cashed GIC from Memorial to General Fund	<u> </u>	<u>15000</u>	
Subtotal	\$ 8444	\$ 20730	
Total Memorial/Investment Fund			<u>\$ 136000</u>

Summary of Investment/Memorial Funds

	Int. rate%	Balance
GIC BNS Maturity date 2025 Mar 6	4.25	\$ 43108
GIC BNS Maturity date 2025 May 6	5.00	<u>81437</u>
Subtotal		\$124545
Savings Account		<u>11455</u>
Total Record of Investments		<u>\$136000</u>

Reviewed by Dawn & Ray Dawe

ANNESLEY UNITED CHURCH BUDGET 2025

OPERATING RECEIPTS				
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Budget
Account Name	2024	2023	2024	2025
Envelopes	102139	80896	85000	95000
Loose	1426	1222	100	
Initial	120	327	200	
Sub Total	103685	82445	85300	95000
Takeout Chicken dinner	4214	4968	4500	2000
Pie Plant & Yard Sale	2085	586	1000	1500
Pork Chop BBQ	2940			2200
Xmas Bazaar	1634			1500
Scott Woods	3908	4070		4000
Car Rally	640			
Coin Banks	1350	912	1000	1000
Brunch	352			
Fundscrip	1351	1162	1200	1200
Harriston Meat Sale	10395	6627	5000	2000
Flower Fund	130	610	0	
Annesley Events		2765	0	
Online auction	6145	4133	4000	5000
Sub Total	35144	25833	16700	20400
Rent Funerals	2450	14576	25000	
Hall rentals	1510		0	
Middle Grey Events	1375			
Monthly Rentals	9955			
Other Rentals	3218			
Sub Total	18508	14576	25000	17000
Broadview	295	325	0	
Miscellaneous	400	230	1000	1000
HST Refund	2695	9418	1500	2000
Interest from Memorial Fund	5728	5607	5000	5000
Music program	55	400	0	
UCW Local Support	12000			5000
Sub Total	21173	15980	7500	13000
Total Receipts	178510	138834	134500	145400
Total Expenses	144771	169304	149575	168157
Shortfall		30470	15075	22757
Surplus	33739			

ANNESLEY UNITED CHURCH BUDGET 2025

OPERATING EXPENSES	Actual	Actual	Budget	Budget
	2024	2023	2024	2025
Salaries	22862	37563	21000	35500
Music Director	11136	15845	12000	11000
Contract Wages	7185	2919	15000	2500
Benefits	6027	9609	4800	15500
Minister				38000
Sub Total Staff/Contractors	47210	65936	52800	102500
Mileage	174	957		500
Guest Speakers	22869	12973	29000	
Audio Visual Streaming	11080	12500	12000	9800
Sub Total/ Worship Services	34123	25473	41000	112800
Fuel, Heating Gas	4992	6995	7500	6000
Utilities, Church incl. Electricity	7991	8479	8000	8000
Maintenance, Church	4692	4354	5000	5000
Insurance	15792	13565	14500	16000
Sub Total Building	33467	33393	35000	35000
Office Expenses	2869	3634	3500	3000
Telephone	820	883	1000	1000
Broadview		0	100	
Presbytery	5125	4790	5125	4507
Bank Fees	63	136	150	100
Music	830	1394	1000	1500
Outreach Committee		129	200	200
S. School, Christian Ed.	60	0	500	500
Library		142	200	
Miscellaneous	2067	3695	2500	2500
HST	3446	9173	5000	4000
UC Charges Re PAR&ADP	530	579	500	550
Bolier Repair	485	6988	1000	1000
Pork chop BBQ	670			
Annesley Events		2225		
Harriston Meat Sale	8116	5047		
Takeout Chicken dinner	2083	2832		
Flower fund	18	533		
Scott Woods	1660	1240		
Brunch	84			
Coffee Hour	1045			1500
Sub Total	29971	28842	20775	20357
Total Expenses	144771	153644	149575	168157

ANNESLEY CHURCH DIRECTORY 2024

BOARD OF ELDERS - Chair: Dale Beare

*David Armstrong, Dale Beare, Hazel Johnston, Leah Legate, John Lewis,
Brian McKillop, Sharon Murray, Linda Waugh, Mark Worthington
(Peter Dimoff was on the board until his death in June of 2024).*

TRUSTEES - Dave Armstrong, Paul Hutton, Gail McCauley, Ray Robertson

MINISTRY & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Brian McKillop, Ray Robertson,

TREASURER - Sharon Murray

RECORDING SECRETARY - Patti Shaw

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC - Brenda Dimoff

UNITED CHURCH WOMEN/SHALOM

- Account Administrators: *Dale Armstrong & Diana Lewis*
- Conveners: *Shirley Chamberlain, Karen Colwell, Denise Edwards,
Donna Hutton, Mary Muir, Gail McCauley*

LAY DELEGATE TO REGION - Vacant

- CEMETERIES***
- ***EBENEZER-IRWIN CEMETERY***
 - ***HARKAWAY CEMETERY***
 - ***VANDELEUR CEMETERY***

LIBRARIAN - Lynn Wyvill

CHURCH OFFICER- Michael Wieland *(Marlene Ward was Church officer until her death in January).*

CHURCH SECRETARY, BROADVIEW REPRESENTATIVE - Patti Shaw

REVIEWERS OF FINANCIAL RECORDS - Dawn Dawe, Ray Dawe, Jean Smith

INVESTMENT FUND ADMINISTRATOR - Menno Smith (retired December, 2024).