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St. John's United Church Annual Report



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In Memoriam

2017

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ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
 Sunday, March 26, 2017-11:30 a.m.

Chair: Sean Foreman

Acting Recording Secretary: André Bernard

Call to Order Opening Prayer In Memoriam	Sean Foreman introduced himself, called the meeting to order, extended a word of welcome, thanked all those in attendance and introduced the presiding officers. The late Ann Conrad was recognized and remembered for her many gifts, including her diligent work as Recording Secretary for the Annual Meeting in years past. Martha Martin started by reading the In Memoriam 2016 names aloud, followed by a moment of silence and time of prayer.
<u>Business</u>	Attendance sheets were circulated for signing. (APPENDIX A – attached to original of Minutes.) The Chair noted the use of a ‘roving microphone’ which is to be provided to anyone who wishes to speak.
Voting Privileges	There was consensus that on temporal matters members and adherents be entitled to vote.
Approval of Agenda	A printed agenda was circulated to attendees. There were no additions/deletions. MOTION to approve the agenda. CARRIED. (Moved by Jim Sharpe/Seconded by Jim Hall)
Approval of Minutes - Last Annual Mtg. March 6, 2016 - Congregational Mtg. January 24, 2016	MOTION to approve the Minutes of the Annual Congregational Meeting of March 6, 2016 and Congregational Meeting of January 24, 2016 as circulated. CARRIED. {Moved by Rod MacInnis/Seconded by John Kirk}
Business Arising from Minutes	There was no Business Arising.
Correspondence	No correspondence.
<u>Presentation of Annual Reports</u>	The 2016 Annual Reports (excluding 2017 Budget figures and Nominating Committee Reports) were considered as distributed. The following oral reports were also provided: <u>Transition Team</u> Katherine Harman and Lesley Griffiths, co-chairs of the Transition Team, gave an oral report supplementary to the written report by the Transition Team. Katherine commenced by acknowledging the

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members of the Transition Team for their dutiful work, including that of the Presbytery representatives.

Katherine highlighted:

- An extension of the Interim Ministry was granted through to June 30, 2018.
- A Joint Needs Assessment Committee (JNAC) will be struck in September 2017 to begin to prepare for a Call. Katherine outlined the processes for calling a new Minister in the year ahead.
- Katherine reported on the progress of meeting the goals of the interim ministry process. Further to the September 2016 interim report, Katherine reported that we have transitioned effectively beyond the sale of building. She noted that the Congregation continues to be vibrant. That said, it has become increasingly clear that there are limitations in the current space. The Transition Team is not yet prepared to present a new space solution for the Church. Katherine invited the Congregation to consider the possibility of maintaining the current space at the Conservatory for two more years. She discussed other possibilities that the Transition Team are exploring. These options are still work in progress.
- Katherine highlighted some of the advantages and disadvantages of the current space at the Conservatory.

Lesley Griffiths reported:

- Lesley reported on the Transition Team's work with Martha Martin as Interim Minister. There are two facets of the work of the Interim Minister. On the one hand, the Interim Minister must fulfill duties to ensure the core work of the Principal Ordained Minister is undertaken (for example: worship, funerals, marriages, committees, weekly/daily duties as Minister, etc). On the other hand, the Interim Minister focuses on specific issues related to the Interim Ministry including conflict resolution, confirmation of new members, the Go Project, work with pastoral care team to understand needs of congregation members, to lead retreats, to support our Congregation's relationship with Corrymeela, among others. Further, the focus of the Interim Ministry has included to help the Congregation re-think the governance structure of St. John's United Church.
- Lesley reviewed what church governance means to a congregation like ours. She left those gathered with four thoughts: (1) An expression of sincere thanks to all those who participate in the work and life of St. John's United Church, (2) An appeal for participation in helping to facilitate the re-

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imagining of our governance and our future, (3) A suggestion that this work may involve a number of small changes and not necessarily require large scale governance change (4) An observation that this work is achievable before we call a new minister and does not necessarily need to be delayed until that time.

- The Transition Team received questions and facilitated discussion on the report. Attendees also provided ideas and direction for the Transition Team's work.
- The Transition Team invited the congregation to take part in an exercise whereby everyone records a feeling about the transition process and then break into small groups to discuss these feelings. Words included: celebration, grateful, confident, excited, hopeful, frustrated.
- Katherine expressed thanks to the congregation for their participation.

Board of Trustees

Jim Sharpe stepped into the Chair on behalf of Sean Foreman to allow Sean to report on the Board of Trustees. He drew out highlights from the Trustees' Report including changes to the manner in which investments are held (away from GICs and toward investments held by Fiera Capital Investments' Balanced Fund). The United Church of Canada and its foundation also invest in this fund. It reasonably complies with the United Church of Canada's Social Responsibility Investment Policy.

Christian Development

Mary Ellen Rainey highlighted that the Congregation will take part in The Go Project this summer and encouraged engagement with this exciting initiative.

Outreach Lead Team & MANNA for Health

Elizabeth Conrad reported on recent work of the Outreach Team, including that which is noted in the written report. She highlighted the recent move of MANNA for Health to 2420 Craig Avenue in Uniacke Square. She acknowledged all congregation members who have participated in this worthwhile work.

Treasurer's Report and RFinancial Statements (excluding 2017 budget)

Pantelis Andreou referred the congregation to the written Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements and discussed highlights from these. The Treasurer made a special appeal to donate via PAR to help stabilize the cash flow for the congregation.

Jim Sharpe stepped into the Chair on behalf of Sean Foreman to allow

<p>Approval of 2016 Annual Reports (excluding Budget 2017 and Nominating Reports)</p>	<p>Sean to report on the report of the Review Engagement prepared by Grant Thornton. This report and accompanying statements were provided to meeting attendees. Highlights included that St. John's United Church has been transitioned to the current accounting standard for non-profit organizations and charities which came into effect in 2016.</p>
<p>New Business Mission and Service Fund</p>	<p>MOTION to accept all 2016 Annual Reports, as written and orally presented. CARRIED. {Moved by Jim Sharpe/Seconded by Kevin Lamarque}</p> <p>The Treasurer proposed that our M&S objective in 2017 be set at the amount raised in 2016. (\$29,100). MOTION to set the M&S target for 2017 to the amount raised in 2016 (\$29,100). CARRIED. {Moved by Lesley Griffiths/Seconded by Myrla Drysdale}</p>
<p>Nominating Committee Reports – Official Board and Session</p>	<p>Budget 2017 was presented by Treasurer Pantelis Andreou and circulated within the Annual Report 2016 document. The Treasurer presented highlights from the budget and received questions and feedback from attendees. Direction was provided by members of the congregation to include volunteer time in the narrative budget and to ensure that the narrative budget is bound within the Annual Report itself in the future.</p> <p>Pantelis Andreou was thanked for his good work as Treasurer, as well as the Trustees for their diligent work.</p> <p>MOTION to approve the budget for St. John's United Church for 2017. CARRIED. {Moved by Jim Sharpe, Seconded by Lance Lockwood}</p>
<p>Other Matters</p>	<p>The Chair noted that there is currently no Nominating Committee and that the Executive is presently undertaking this function. The Executive is aware of those congregation members who are seeking a change in their leadership appointments as well as current vacancies. They continue to seek creative ways to fill vacancies and leadership opportunities within the Congregation.</p> <p>The Chair noted that in the past we have sought a volunteer from the</p>

Appointment of Auditor

congregation to undertake an audit. The Chair sought direction from the Congregation to refer the matter of appointment of an auditor to Official Board.

MOTION that the matter of the appointment of an auditor be referred to the Official Board.

CARRIED. {Moved by Heather, Seconded by Katherine Harman}

Arrangements for Next Year's Annual Meeting

The Chair sought direction for the date of the next Annual Meeting. March 4, 2018 was suggested and agreed upon by the congregation. (No motion sought).

Adjournment

MOTION that the Annual Meeting of St. John's United Church be adjourned (12:57 pm).

ADJOURNED. {Moved by Rod MacInnis}

Sean Foreman, Chair

André Bernard,
Acting Recording Secretary

Appendix A – Meeting Attendance
St. John's United Church
ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
Sunday, March 26, 2017- 11:30 a.m.

Chair: Sean Foreman

Acting Recording Secretary: André Bernard

1. Adams, Lynn
2. Andreou, Pantelis
3. Bagnell, Heather
4. Bernard, André
5. Black, Dave
6. Brennan, Pat
7. Brousseau, Susan
8. Brown, Jean
9. Campbell, Mary-Janet
10. Carnell, Brenda
11. Chiasson, Brenda
12. Clarke, Roberta
13. Conrad, Elizabeth
14. Cousins, Anita
15. Dacanay, Deidré
16. Drysdale, Myrla
17. Dubowski, Dianne
18. Dunbrack, Gary
19. Foreman, Sean
20. Fraser, Lloyd
21. Grant, Judy
22. Griffiths, Lesley
23. Hall, Jim
24. Harman, Katherine
25. Harrigan, Sara
26. Hawkins, Sharon
27. Horne, Louisa
28. Ipe, Chris
29. Jordan, Barbara
30. Kendall, Cheryl
31. Kennedy, Lillian
32. Kinnie, Janis
33. Kirk, John
34. Kirk, Margo
35. Krailo, Donna
36. Lamarque, Kevin
37. Lockwood, Lance
38. Lohnes, Jackie
39. MacCreadie, Geraldine
40. MacDonald, Doug
41. MacDonald, Noni
42. MacDonald, Pat
43. MacInnis, Rod
44. MacKinnon, Barbara
45. Martin, Martha
46. McGinity, Janet
47. Murray, Bonnie
48. Nasr, Carol
49. Naas, John
50. Nelson, Nancy
51. Nicholson, Tanya
52. Nickerson, Liz
53. Parnell, Doreen
54. Publicover, Cecil
55. Rainey, Mary Ellen
56. Richard, David
57. Richardson, David
58. Richardson, Kay
59. Robinson, Connie
60. Rosborough, Glenda
61. Schmidbauer, Judy
62. Sharp, Roberta
63. Sharpe, Jim
64. Smith, Margaret
65. Stackhouse, Ruth

Minutes of Congregational Meeting – October 1, 2017

Congregational meeting was called to order by Sean Foreman.

Judy Schmidbauer – thank you to the Transition Team.

Sean Foreman – thank you to the CD Committee for organizing lunch.

Motion to accept Transition Team report raised by Jim Sharpe. Seconded by Hilda Power. Passed.

Motion to approve the members of the JNAC team. The Joint Needs Assessment committee is a joint committee between St. John's United Church and Presbytery. Chaired by Fred Schneider from Presbytery. Committee is tasked with studying the needs of the congregation, gathering information, analyzing information gathered, and preparing a final report by December 25.

Names put forward from St. John's United congregation:

Glenda Rosborough
Jim Sharpe
Connie Robinson
Nancy Nelson
Lance Lockwood
Kevin Lamarque

Discussion:

- Lesley Griffiths noted that no Transition Team members were on the JNAC Committee due to ongoing transition work. She proposed a meeting between the JNAC and Transition Team.
- Noni MacDonald noted that there were no adults with young families represented on the JNAC. It was proposed that they could be encouraged to join.
- A Joint Search Committee will be formed following the report from the JNAC.

Motion to approve the members of the Joint Needs Assessment Committee raised by Jim Sharpe. Seconded by Cheryl Kendall. Passed.

Motion for adjournment raised by Sean Foreman at 12:50 pm. Seconded by Judy Schmidbauer. Passed.

Attendance at Congregational Meeting October 1, 2017

1. David Black
2. Pat Brennan
3. Jean Brown
4. Gary Burrill
5. Mary Janet Campbell
6. Gwyneth Christoffel
7. Elizabeth Conrad
8. Anita Cousins
9. Dianne Dubowski
10. Alyda Faber
11. Sean Foreman
12. Lloyd Fraser
13. Shirley Gaudreau
14. Kirby Geddes
15. Gail Golding
16. Lesley Griffiths
17. Jim Hall
18. Sharon Hawkins
19. Barbara Jordan
20. Krista Jordan
21. Cheryl Kendall
22. Lillian Kennedy
23. John Kirk
24. Margo Kirk
25. Donna Krailo
26. Ilga Leja
27. Noni MacDonald
28. Pat MacDonald
29. Mollie MacGregor
30. Rod MacInnis
31. Martha Martin
32. Garry Mounce
33. Nancy Nelson
34. Tanya Nicholson
35. Sharon Nicolle
36. Doreen Parnell
37. Debbie Perrott
38. Hilda Power
39. Cecil Publicover
40. Mary Ellen Rainey
41. Anna Richard
42. David Richard
43. Connie Robinson
44. Judy Schmidbauer
45. Jeff Scott
46. Roberta Sharp
47. Jim Sharpe
48. Susan Sharpe
49. Ruth Stackhouse
50. Brenda Watt
51. Ian Watt
52. Jennifer Watts

Dear Friends of St. John's

I have been rather obsessed with my Fitbit since I first acquired it last August. For those unfamiliar with this device, it's a little bracelet that tracks the number of steps you take in a day. The closer you get to your daily goal, it sends you messages on your phone "only 1,700 steps to go" or "nearly there"... Last fall I got a message congratulating me on earning my "Serengeti Badge" ... telling me that since I had my fitbit I had walked 500 miles – the same distance as the Serengeti, one of the 7 Natural Wonders of the World. Not bad for someone who until not that long ago was not able to walk at all without some kind of aid for over 8 months.

Now, it would be reasonable for some people to think "why the heck would anyone need a little device that tells you how much you are walking during the day? Why not just go out and walk?" It's a good point. For me, the fitbit has given me an awareness of the times when I am prone to inactivity, of how many steps it takes to walk from my house to the church, and how many times a week I need to do that ... how many steps I get from an aquacize class and how many times a week I need to do that. I was amazed at how many steps I put on my fitbit on a Sunday morning. And yes, that awareness helps me be just a bit more active, and hopefully helps me be a bit healthier.

In Sunday worship, we have been working our way through the gospel of John since Christmas. We have heard stories about people who have encountered Jesus in surprising ways. The woman at the well. Nicodemus. The wedding guests. Nathaniel, and the other first disciples. All of them were changed after their encounter with Jesus.

In The Message, Eugene Petersen's translation of the bible, verse 14 of the first chapter of John says ... "The Word became flesh and blood, and moved into the neighbourhood. We saw the glory with our own eyes, the one-of-a-kind glory". Some translations actually say that the Word became flesh and "pitched his tent among us."

During my first couple of years as Intentional Interim Minister at St. John's, we talked a lot in the Transition Team about what God was up to in the world – especially the world outside the walls of the physical space that we occupied. It feels to me that this past year we have, either consciously or unconsciously, turned our attention to what God is up to in our own community. We have encountered the risen Christ amongst ourselves. We have explored what it looks like when we see that Jesus has pitched his tent among us.

We have been educating ourselves about how to live in right relationship with our aboriginal neighbours. We have welcomed a Syrian family and walked with them as they begin new lives in a new country. We have put financial and volunteer resources into strengthening our ministry with youth and children. We have taken bold new steps to restructure the way we make decisions. Some have taken time to gather for day long retreats that nourish our souls and our bodies. We have found out how delightful we all are, and shared our stories each week as we broke bread together after worship. We continue to care for those members of our community that are no longer able to leave their homes.

And, you have worked hard at completing the requirements needed to call a new ministry team to lead the community on the next steps of your journey.

I am so grateful for all my companions as I have walked with you these past few years. If I begin to name people, I know I will leave some out. Know that each and every one of you has blessed me in some way since this journey began in the fall of 2014, and I am filled with gratitude for the opportunity and privilege to have been your Interim Minister.

The thing about a fitbit is, every day you get to start over. And even if there was a day when you did very little walking, those steps still count in the big picture. And one day, you learn that you have walked the Serengeti.

May you continue to be blessed, and to bless each other, on your future journey together.

Martha Martin
Diaconal Minister
Intentional Interim Minister

Minister of Visitation

In 2016 I was contracted by St. John's for four hours a week during the months of January -April and for six weeks in October-November to do visiting on behalf of the congregation. During that time I checked the hospital each week to see if there was anyone from St. John's there. Usually there was not; if there was I visited them and passed the information on to Martha. I was available for pastoral emergencies at times when Martha was away and to take referrals from her when she was busy with interim ministry issues.

I met monthly with the pastoral care committee (now the visiting committee) and tried to support their work and they supported mine. In addition to phone calls and emails during the twenty-three weeks of my contract, I made approximately 75 visits to homes and nursing homes. Several of the visits included going with a member of the pastoral care committee in the days after a communion service to take communion to those who wished it.

Recently I was pondering the words "following Jesus . . ." in our statement of purpose when I remembered what Jesus said to his disciples as he prepared to leave them, "*I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.*" (John 13:34-35) That is what followers of Jesus have tried to do in countless times and places and that is what we try to do at St. John's. I have been privileged and blessed to be a part of the ministry of St. John's in this specific way. I look forward to being a part of St. John's congregation as we move forward, caring for one another and learning as we go.

Respectfully submitted, Gail Golding

Our Faithful Future The Transition Team

Transition Team Members

Deidré Dacanay

Sean Foreman

Rick Fullerton (Presbytery)

Lesley Griffiths (Co-Chair)

Katherine Harman (Co-Chair)

Louisa Horne

Rod MacInnis

Jeanne Manning Stright (Presbytery)

Martha Martin (Interim Minister)

Our Faithful Future

At the time of St John's Annual General Meeting

This report briefly presents activities of the Transition Team since our second interim report in September 2017. The Transition Team has not meet as regularly as previously. Some of us joined the Joint Needs Assessment Committee (JNAC), that conducted an exercise to write a report profiling the congregation and assessing its needs. The JNAC issued a report in November (final approval in January 2018) that recommended SJUC call a Principal Minister and a Faith Formation Minister. A Joint Search Committee was struck to advertise, recruit and interview for the positions. It is anticipated that these positions will be filled for July 1, 2018, fulfilling the third and final goal of Interim Ministry.

Meanwhile, SJUC ministries have continued and strengthened. The lunches after church have provided an environment to eat together and develop new understandings of each other. Thank you, Martha, for this wonderful idea and thanks to all who have made contributions to its success. Also, Martha, with the Official Board, has drawn up a new governance model for us to try out and work with this upcoming year. This AGM marks the beginning of this new model.

The final report from the Transition Team will come at the end of interim ministry. As we approach this, the Transition Team's raison d'être will also come to an end, and we are becoming increasingly aware of the imminent loss of Martha Martin from the congregation. There will be opportunities created for us to recognize her contributions and thank her for her stewardship. But for now, the Transition Team thanks Martha for her energy, her faith-filled leadership and inspiration. Thanks also to our Presbytery representatives Rick and Jeanne, who attended our meetings, contributed insight and wisdom and encouraged us on this journey.

Finally, thank you SJUC for putting your trust in us, being patient and supportive.

We are grateful to you for your honesty and generosity of spirit, time and talent.

With God leading us, The Transition Team, SJUC

Official Board (revised January 10, 2018)

This Board empowers mission teams by providing overall directions and boundaries for action while freeing teams to manage their mission as they see fit. The streamlined Board discerns mission, forms policy, develops strategies, deploys leaders, and monitors progress. Staff and participants have freedom and authority to act, guided by the congregation's purpose and core values and the parameters of each leader's role. 2-3 times per year (eg. September, January, June) members of the Official Board and all members of committees, task groups and teams are invited to attend "Leadership Night" for networking, support and education.

Congregational meetings

Official Board
Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary/Recorder
Chairpersons: M&P; Trustees
Presbytery representative (or rep to Regional or General Council)
4 members-at-large

Ministry & Personnel Committee

Trustees

Each area of ministry consists of committees, mission teams, task groups, or working groups that arise as needed.

*Indicates a new task group/working group of committee

Engagement & Support

- **Worship & Music**
- **Outreach (Refugee; Manna)**
- ***Hospitality**
- **Visiting**
- **Faith Development (youth, Sunday School, bible studies; learning for all ages, spiritual care)**
- ***Leadership & volunteer support**

Governance and Administration

- ***Partnerships & Physical Space**
- ***Budget & Finances**
- ***Communications**
- ***Funding for ministries**

Members of Official Board

Co-chairs- Lesley Griffiths & Katherine Harman

Treasurer- Sean Foreman

Secretary/Recorder- Glenda Rosborough

Chair of Ministry & Personnel- Judy Schmidbauer

Trustees- TBA

Presbytery Representative- Dianne Dubowski

Four members-at-large –Kevin Lamarque, Carol Nasr, Connie Robinson, 1 TBA

Official Board and Session

Jim Sharpe, Chairperson, Official Board

In our third year of Interim Ministry, the Official Board made important decisions for the future for St. John's United Church. In January the Transition Team recommended that the Official Board extend Interim Ministry into 2108 and the Board decided that July 1, 2018 would be the target for calling a new ministry team. In September the Congregation established a Joint Needs Assessment Committee (JNAC) which surveyed and consulted with the Congregation on our Ministry needs. The report recommended a Ministry Team of a full time Principal Minister and a half time Faith Formation Minister. In November the Official Board accepted the recommendation and with approval from the Congregation and Presbytery, a Joint Search Committee has been formed to recruit and select Ministry personnel for starting this summer. Our funds from the sale of the Willow Street property are now invested in a "Balanced Fund" with the United Church recommended investment agency Fiera, so the proceeds are available for support of church programs.

The work of the Official Board includes the oversight of all the activities of our Congregation. It has consisted of all members of Session, the Board of Stewards and representatives from the major committees including the Transition Team, Trustees, Ministry and Personnel, and our representatives to Halifax Presbytery. In 2017 the Official Board had five meetings and five meetings of its Executive Committee. In the winter we combined our meeting night with Session and in the fall we had combined meetings as we worked towards a new governance structure. The Official Board is recommending to the Congregation a unified Official Board structure to fulfill our mission, determine our direction and support our programs.

Thank you to the Executive, the Members of the Official Board, the Transition Team, and all who participated in church committees for their commitment, hard work and contributions. This is truly the work of our Mission "to be a welcoming community, open and inclusive for all." This spirit is also evident in our work of Manna for Health, the Outreach Committee, the Refugee Working Group, Worship and Music, Christian Development, Pastoral Care and all the other committees of the Church. I want to thank all the leadership of the Congregation in working for unity and striving to move forward together. We are creating our future as a vibrant Congregation.

The renewal of the Congregation can be seen from the work of the “New Initiatives Fund” to support projects from the Congregation. In December we approved our first grant for the Youth Weekend Go Project on February 17-19 to bring together junior and senior high school youth from our congregation and others in Halifax Presbytery and reach out to community based service organizations and initiatives. This successful initiative resulted in a renewed commitment to the youth group and leadership for United Church youth on the peninsula. Two more successful events were held in the Fall of 2017 and early winter of 2018.

The Official Board also deliberated on the remits for the national church. The board approved three of these remits: to approve three council model (Congregation, District, General Council) for the governance of the Church; establishing a denominational office of vocation; and to approve the new funding model for the Church.

I would like to thank Pan Andreou who served as Treasurer from March 2014 until September 2017 with three and half years of exemplary service to the Congregation. I also thank Roberta Sharp for filling in as Acting Treasurer and Sean Foreman who has accepted the appointment by the Board as Treasurer. I advised the Board that this would be my last year as chair and I must thank all who have supported me over the last six years. I will continue to support the new leadership of the Official Board with the work of the “Funding for Ministry” group to help secure our financial future. I want to thank all of the Congregation for your financial support and ask that you continue your support of time, treasure and talent for our future as a Congregation.

I also especially want to thank Martha Martin and Gail Golding for their leadership as Interim Minister and Minister of Visitation. They have joined our dedicated staff, Ray, Heidi, Pan and Marilyn, who are providing continued support for the work of the Congregation.

Board of Trustees

Sean Foreman, Chair

Members:	Sean Foreman (Chair)	Margo Kirk (Secretary)	
	Scott McCrossin	Rod MacInnis	
	Ian Watt	Bob Gaudreau	Martha Martin (Minister)

Meetings:

Frequency of meetings is determined by the Trustees, with a minimum of one meeting per year.

Responsibilities:

- Hold, develop, or deploy congregational assets for the total mission of the United Church.
- Provide reports and advice to the Official Board and administer trust investments.
- Secure legal and financial advice for the congregation in matters related to the sale, lease, or acquisition of property.
- Ensure that the congregation carries adequate property and liability insurance at all times.

2017 Highlights:

- Your Trustees (thankfully) had a quieter year in 2017 than the past 2 years! We were only required to hold one in-person meeting during 2017, along with the usual exchanges of emails providing various reports and updates on items of business through the year.
- With sale of our real property completed in 2016, the primary on-going tasks for Trustees are to ensure appropriate liability insurance coverage and hold/manage the long-term investments for the Congregation to support the evolving mission of this vibrant Congregation.
- Flowing from the work last year, we continued to assist the Treasurer in working with Grant Thornton to complete an independent, paid Review Engagement of our finances, and to begin the process of updating the Church financials, meet the requirements of our approved Investment Policy Statement (IPS), and manage the FIERA Capital Balanced Fund (the same investment fund used by the United Church and the United Church Foundation).

After 6 years, I am stepping down as Chair of Trustees, to take on a new role and challenge as Treasurer, where I look forward to continuing to work with our Trustees and to completing the work we started this year to reform the post-sale finances and on-going financial reporting of the Church. It is my pleasure on behalf of the entire Congregation, to sincerely thank all of our Trustees for their continuing skill, dedication and commitment leading to and throughout 2017. We thank the Official Board, past Treasurers, and the entire Congregation, for their support and look forward to the year ahead and completion of our Interim Ministry.

Insurance Coverage

INSURER: Our broker is Hub International Limited for “The UCC Protect General Insurance Plan” for the United Church of Canada. The underlying insurer for the UCC Protect plan has changed as of 2016 from AVIVA Insurance Company to Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Company.

The total premium for the year December 01, 2016 to December 01, 2017 was \$1,140. Our renewal for the period Dec 1, 2017 to Dec 1, 2018 remains at \$1,140.00.

With the sale of our real property assets completed on May 2, 2016, our insurance coverage is now “All Risks” Commercial General Liability coverage of every description, including liability coverage for use of leased premises, personal injury, employer liability, tenant liability, and use of non-owned automobile coverage. With the removal of real property coverage, our annual premium is significantly less than previous years.

Coverages we have under the Plan (as of Dec 1, 2017) are summarized as (per occurrence):

Commercial General Liability	\$2,000,000
Umbrella (Excess) Liability	\$3,000,000
Directors & Officers Liability	\$2,000,000

A \$1,000.00 deductible applies to most liability claims unless otherwise specified.

Cost of Insurance:	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
	\$5,761	\$5,516	\$7,136	\$2859	\$1,140

Treasurer's Report

This is the first full year after sale of our church buildings was completed in May 2016, and we commenced the reform of our finances, investments, and internal financial management, to support the needs and mission of our vibrant Congregation. Before I review the key details of our financial reports for 2017, I want to extend sincere thanks to Pan Andreou for his commitment and service as Treasurer from 2014-2017, and to Roberta Sharpe for stepping in and serving us well as interim Treasurer for the last half of 2017. The Official Board confirmed my new role as Treasurer, effective Jan 1, 2018, and I look forward to completing the reform of our finances and financial reporting in 2018, as we complete our journey of Interim Ministry and look to a bright future.

As planned, we engaged Grant Thornton to complete an independent review engagement of our 2017 finances, and assist us in preparing Financial Statements that flow from and complement our 2016 financials. In the Appendices, you will find a complete copy of our 2017 Financial Statements provided by Grant Thornton, that again comply with the new Accounting Standards for Non-Profit Organizations (ASNPO) in force as of Jan 1, 2016.

While challenges will always remain, the focus of my report to you as Treasurer is one of "glad tidings" and a positive outlook for the future! As we approach the end of our period of Interim Ministry, we have much to be thankful for. First, our operating revenues (\$257,352) and our operating expenses (\$273,791) were both slightly higher than our 2017 budget, resulting in an operating deficit of \$16,439 (compared to our planned operating deficit of \$13,997). Our envelope and M&S contributions remained essentially constant, down only slightly from 2016, and our spending on missions and programs continues to rise, demonstrating a positive commitment to the life of the church during a time of Interim Ministry.

The real good news is that our 2017 budget was based on taking only \$50,000 in "income" from our investment account. However, in 2017, our investments earned \$135,892! This means that although we initially contributed \$1.079 million to the investment, and took out \$50,000 in income towards operations as planned in 2017, our investment account balance remained significantly higher at \$1.126 million as of Dec 31, 2017, allowing us to take a higher amount and provide a balanced operating budget for 2018!

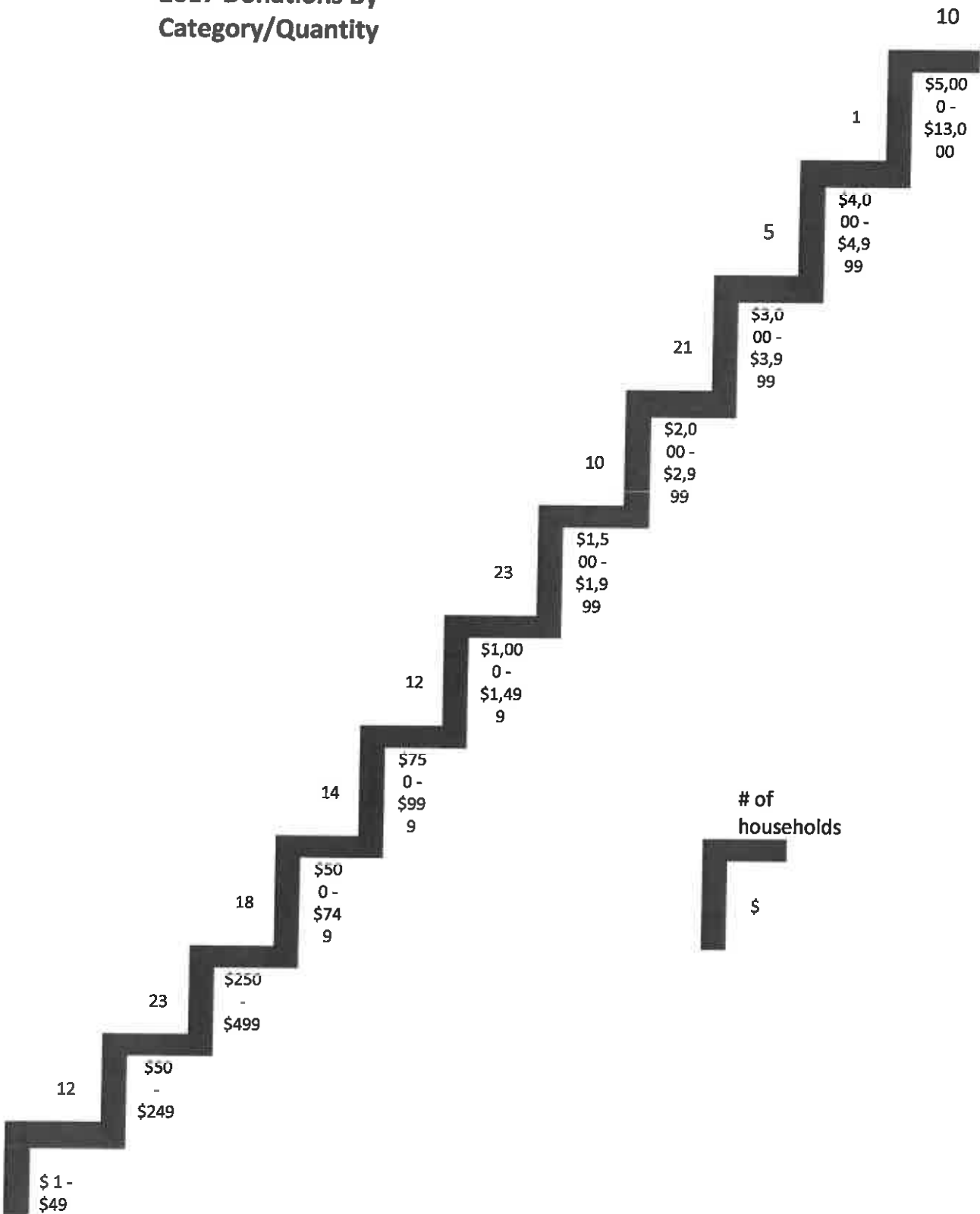
I know for many that reading and understanding financial statements, particularly in this new format, may be a difficult or mind-numbing experience! It is not possible for me to explain all the changes here without writing a novel, but please know that I will provide a plain-language explanation and review in more detail at the upcoming Annual Meeting. Also, please know that the work we are doing to reform how we manage and "present" our financial information will soon be completed in 2018, as we make a much needed investment to transition from using a (very outdated) version of Quicken and migrate to a modern, efficient, on-line version of Quick Books, which is actual accounting software. I assure you it is my goal to not just make the work for staff and the Treasurer easier and in compliance with required standards, but to ensure that we can provide transparent and understandable financial information to you as we move forward.

We have done most of the hard work in creating a sustainable future for St. John's in our transition to a "Church without Walls!" and our commitment to Interim Ministry. Our finances are on a strong footing with a positive outlook, and as we emerge from this period of hard work I have faith that St. John's will continue to thrive, engage and be a positive force for "good" within our Community.

Sincerely,

Sean Foreman (Treasurer).

2017 Donations By Category/Quantity



Committee of Stewards

Members: Roberta Sharp (chair), Gary Dunbrack, Pantelis Andreou (treasurer), David Richardson

The Committee of Stewards work this year centered on the finances for the church. Pan stepped down as treasurer in September but continued to help Roberta, acting as interim treasurer, with the various financial tasks throughout the rest of the year. The committee assisted in developing the 2018 budget.

Very little was required of this committee this year as far as the physical space at the Conservatory. A new floor was installed in the church office and a new printer was purchased.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Sharp

Ministry and Personnel

Members: David Black, Myrla Drysdale, Judy Schmidbauer (Chair)

Meetings: Quarterly or at the call of the Chair

The responsibilities of the M&P committee, as taken from the UCC handbook, are as follows:

- being available for consultation and support for matters involving the pastoral charge staff
- overseeing the relationship of the pastoral charge staff to each other and to people in the congregation;
- regularly reviewing the working conditions, responsibilities, and compensation of all pastoral charge staff;
- making any recommendations needed as a result of these reviews to the governing body;
- revising position descriptions of pastoral charge staff as needed;
- conducting annual performance reviews of the pastoral charge staff;
- ensuring pastoral charge staff make use of opportunities for continuing education that they have been given; and

- maintaining close contact with the presbytery Pastoral Relations Committee. (The Manual, 2016, B. Local Ministry Unit 7.8.5)

We have been fortunate to continue our mandate with Martha Martin, Interim Minister, Ray Grant, Minister of Music, Heidi Cleary, Child and Youth Worker and Marilyn Peacock, Secretary/Administrator. Our staff continue to inspire us with their spiritual guidance. We thank them for their leadership and for the creativity and the dedication they bring to our Sunday worship service and throughout the week. We also thank Gail Golding for continuing to provide members of our congregation comfort and counselling as Minister of Visitation. We would also like to express our appreciation to Elaine Frampton, our webmaster for keeping our communications up to date through all of St. John's social media platforms.

We said a fond farewell to Heidi Cleary, Child and Youth Worker and wish her all the best as she pursues her studies at the Atlantic School of Theology. Pantelis Andreou has stepped down as Treasurer. Thanks to him for his years of service.

In April, Judy was fortunate to have the opportunity to attend an M&P training seminar provided by Ross Bartlett, at St. John's United (Fall River).

We continue to meet as a group, to determine the best methods to achieve the goals/responsibilities listed above. We meet with staff individually on a regular basis in an effort to provide support and oversight. This year, job descriptions and employment contracts were reviewed and revised for some of our staff.

Andre Bernard stepped down from the M&P committee this year. Special thanks to him for all his service as Chair of M&P from 2012-2017.

Finally, it should be noted that M&P also has the following responsibility:

- to support communication between the congregation and ministry personnel and staff, and communication between ministry personnel and staff members.

Should any member of the congregation have comments they wish to bring forward, please feel free to contact any member of the M&P committee.

It has been our pleasure to serve the staff and congregation of St. John's in this role.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Schmidbauer, Chair

Christian Development Committee

Committee Members:

Connie Robinson	James Sharpe
Cheryl Kennedy	Tanya Nicholson
Mary Ellen Rainey	Heidi Cleary
Martha Martin	

The work of the Christian Development Committee continued to focus on the needs of youth and children, supporting Church School and the work of Heidi Cleary in her role as Youth Minister.

The Church School is open to children age 3 years and up. Until the end of June, Pat Brennan engaged a senior class (grade 7 and up) in weekly discussion of various theologically rooted questions. Most of these youth completed confirmation classes and several were confirmed into the church. These youth have now moved on to other roles within the Church, including sound system support, assisting with Sunday school teaching, and participating in sermon response discussion sessions.

In fall 2017, Pat took on a new challenge, teaching a class aimed at children in grades 4-6. A younger class of children grades pre-primary and up was also formed under the leadership of Heidi. Many thanks to Pat and the many other volunteers who took turns helping to teach and supervise these classes. In addition, we recognize the wonderful pageant production Sharon Nicolle and Heidi Cleary produced, and for the other volunteers who stepped up to help support this highly successful endeavor.

Christian Development also supported the second year of GO Project day camp to our youth. Partnering with St. Matthews United Church, this unique camp provided a great experience to six children and one youth leader from St. John's. The Committee also provided some support to two GO project weekends offered to older youth.

Several family oriented events aimed at encouraging Christian fellowship within the Church were once again sponsored by the Christian Development Committee, including the Church School closing celebration, movie nights, Advent potluck, International Women's Day Breakfast and the seventh annual I Am Glad You Were Born celebration.

In December we joined the congregation in saying good-bye to our Youth Minister, Heidi Cleary and thanked her for her service to St. John's. We continue to greatly appreciate the many volunteers who help support the work of Christian Development Committee and the work that we do to support Christian learning within the congregation.

Pastoral Care Team

by Bonnie Murray

The Pastoral Care Team consists of 5 volunteers/members who provide pastoral care to those in need who are aged, lonely and /or isolated. To the best of our knowledge, everyone that needs someone is being visited. This is done either by home visitation or by phone.

The team meets monthly to provide a place where all members are able to "check-in" so to provide support, continuity of supervision, de-briefing of difficult visits and celebration of rewarding ones.

In the past we have also provided time together for continuing education for the members as well as for all the congregation. We are open to suggestions.

Each meeting has a component in which the "spirit" is intended i.e. through meditation, prayer, stories etc.

On occasion our members are able to provide communion from a recent congregational communion to those who are unable to attend church services.

We celebrate our ministry annually with a pot-luck meal.

The Pastoral Care Team is open to new volunteers. Whether you can commit an hour a month or an hour a week or more, your contribution will be important and provide benefits to the person you visit as well as yourself.

In the new structure, we have decided to rename ourselves Spiritual Care & Visiting Team. At the present time, we are mostly undertaking visits and phone calls, recognizing there is another component that benefits the whole congregation and may be made up of separate teams.

We look forward to new opportunities, guest speakers and resources.

UCW Mary Todd Group

The UCW is still meeting but as an inactive group. We meet on the 2nd Tuesday at 2.00pm in February, March, April, May, September, October, November and December. In May we normally go out for a meal and December takes the form of a Pot Luck meal.

Even with our small numbers we were still able to do a little bit of outreach with \$100 going to each of the following, Manna for Health, Marquerite Centre and Brunswick Street. Our Christmas offertory went to Parker Street Food & Furniture Bank. As usual we sold Church calendars and sold out this year.

We would like to thank Martha for her support for us and wish her well when her ministry with us ends in June.

Respectfully submitted by Gerry MacCreadie President

**St. John's United Church Women
Statement of Receipts and Disbursements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2017**

Receipts	2017	2016
The Unit	\$ 521	\$ 574
Net proceeds from U.C.W. projects	98	132
Wider Work	495	
	<u>\$ 1,114</u>	<u>\$ 706</u>
Disbursements		
St. John's United Church	\$ -	\$ 500
Mission and Wider Work	795	300
	<u>\$ 795</u>	<u>\$ 800</u>
Disbursements under (over) Receipts	<u>\$ 319</u>	<u>-\$ 94</u>
Bank balance-beginning of year	<u>\$ 112</u>	<u>\$ 206</u>
Bank balance-end of year	<u>\$ 431</u>	<u>\$ 112</u>

Respectfully submitted
G.D. MacCreadie, President
Margaret Smith, Treasurer

Reviewer's Report:

I have reviewed the Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for St. John's United Church Women for the year ended December 31, 2017. This financial statement is the responsibility of St. John's United Church Women. My responsibility is to review the books and records and report any material findings or discrepancies. My review found this financial statement presents fairly the operations of the St. John's United Women, for the year ended December 31, 2017.

Kathy Ells
Halifax, Nova Scotia
February 7, 2018

Worship and Music Committee

Members of this committee in 2017 were Martha Martin (Interim Minister), Ray Grant (Minister of Music), Pat DeMeo (Chairperson until June/17), Katie Aven (until June/17), Shirley Gaudreau, Bonnie Murray, Carol Nasr. Since September 2017 we have been experimenting with rotating chairpersons and recording secretaries, with folks taking on the task one month at a time.

The committee met monthly throughout the year to discuss and plan worship services that will enrich, inspire and challenge members of St. John's, experience the presence of the sacred, and help each person discern what God is inviting them to do and be. The details of each service is finalized and implemented by our talented and creative staff team.

During the past year, the Worship and Music committee invited the Chairperson of the Christian Development Committee to several of its meetings to engage in conversations about children in worship. During these discussions we reaffirmed our wish to have children in the sanctuary for the beginning of the service and to have an intergenerational learning time which is geared to learning for all ages. These conversations led to a larger conversation within the congregation about the need for a half time Minister of Youth and Christian Development to further support this work.

The Worship Committee also arranges guest preachers and speakers for when the principal minister is away. During 2017 guest preachers included Rev. David Maginley (Chaplain, Halifax Infirmary), Dr. Alyda Faber (Atlantic School of Theology), Katie Aven (Chaplain at the Halifax Infirmary), Catherine Martin (Mi'kmaq Elder), Rick Gunn (AST Student), and Paul Hutchinson from Northern Ireland. In addition, members of the Transition Team and the Worship Committee led worship services, presided at prayers, and told children's stories in the minister's absence.

During 2017 there were many wonderful worship memories – services that included leadership from our youth and other GO Project participants on at least two occasions, the annual Blessing of the Animals, confirmation, early morning Holy Week services, shared summer services with three other congregations, and the celebration of communion 8 times. Our worship life is supported by many volunteers including:

- scripture readers, coordinated by Stephanie Reidy
- those who offer prayers of the people each week, coordinated Pat Brennan-Alpert until last fall (now coordinated by Marilyn in the office)
- ushers and greeters, coordinated by David Richard
- all the folks that set up and take down, coordinated by Connie Robinson
- our sound technicians, co-ordinated by Shirley Gaudreau
- Brenda Watts and her back up team who run power point each week
- Judy Grant who makes coffee every week and coordinates the donations of milk and juice

Our gratitude is extended to all those that contribute to the worshipping life of the congregation. We are truly blessed.

Minister of Music-CDM3

The Psalmist exhorts us to: *“Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; praise the Lord with strings and pipe, with tambourine and dance!”* Well, here at St. John's we make every effort to live out this exhortation, with the possible exception of the “dance” aspect of things. One hopes that the “dance” occurs in our hearts.

As Minister of Music, I am blessed to be working with an exceptional number of talented musicians, both singers and instrumentalists. The dedication of this group of congregants provides our worship practices with a fine Adult Choir, a Girls' Trio and an exuberant Kids' Choir. These singers give of their time, on a weekly basis, to prepare and participate in our Services of Worship. In the case of the Adult Choir, it is a weekly participation. For the other vocal ensembles, it is occasional. Crucial to the functioning of these groups is our accompanist, Nancy Nelson. Her assistance in the rehearsal process and the piano accompaniment of the groups during worship is invaluable. We are blessed to have her, and the talent she brings, as part of the “team”. She is also a composer! Her piece entitled, “Candle Flames”, was used in our candle-lighting ritual during Advent. More compositions to come!!

In addition to our singers, we have the good fortune to have many fine instrumentalists in our group of “musicians-in-residence”. Three instrumental ensembles exist here at St. John's. They are The Sunday Strings + Flute, The Sanctuary Band and The Taize Ensemble. The Taize Ensemble plays on the first Sunday of each month, with the exception of July and August, at our evening Taize Prayer. This Prayer is held in the Judith Grant Room and has an attendance of 15-20. This ministry brings people not only from St. John's but from other church communities in the city. We have been offering it, without major interruption, since April 1999. The Sunday Strings + Flute and Sanctuary Band have played less frequently during 2017. These groups include Lesley Griffiths- flute; Susan Sharpe, Gwyneth Christoffel, Pan Andreau –violins; Jim Sharpe-cello; Margo Kirk and Bob Gaudreau- guitars. In combination with our choirs, these ensembles add a wonderful support to the musical content of our Worship Services.

Since our musical offerings depend on volunteers from our congregation and the community at large, we are always in need of replacements for those who come and, after a time, go. With that in mind, I would extend an invitation to anyone in our congregation who would like to participate in any of our choirs or instrumental groups. I would be glad to speak with anyone who would like to learn more about potential involvement.

As we move into 2018, St. John's begins a new chapter in it's long history of witness and service to God and our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Our transition period is over and we have decided to Call a new Ministerial Team. I look forward to the excitement and challenges that this will bring. Thank-you all for the support and encouragement you have given me and the people with whom I work. It is very much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted - Ray Grant

St. John's United Church Choir

Statement of Receipts & Disbursements
For the Year Ended 31st December 2017

Receipts		
Winter in Song	\$555.00	
Miscellaneous	220.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$775.00
Expenses		
Concert	\$150.00	
Transfer to Bell Choir	202.50	
Gifts & Donations	407.00	
Membership fees	75.00	
Bank Charges	33.00	
Miscellaneous	125.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$992.00
Excess of Expenses over Receipts		(217.50)
Bank Balance 1 st January 2017		\$503.59
Bank Balance 31 st December 2017		\$286.09

Respectfully submitted by
Gerry MacCreadie & Roberta Clarke

St. John's United Church Handbell Choir

Statement of Receipts & Disbursements
For the Year Ended 31st December 2017

Receipts		
Winter In Song	\$202.50	
Bell Donations	147.50	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$350.00
Expenses		
Donations	\$100.00	
Bell Fest Registration	265.00	
Miscellaneous	125.00	
Bank Charges	48.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$538.00
Excess of Expenses over Receipts		(188.00)
Bank Balance 1 st January 2017		\$1778.90
Bank Balance 31 st December 2017		\$1590.90

Respectfully submitted by
Gerry MacCreadie & Roberta Clarke

Outreach Lead Team Committee

Co-Chairs: Trish MacEachern and Elizabeth Conrad

Committee members: Susan Brousseau, Carolyn Drysdale-Buhr, Alyda Faber, Kirby Geddes, Donna Krailo, Lance Lockwood, Sharon Nicolle, Cecil Publicover, Martha Martin, Mollie MacGregor

The Outreach Lead Team (OLT) represents St. John's by supporting the needs of people in both our St. John's community and the community beyond our doors. OLT works to promote inclusivity within the church and to support inclusivity in the community. The Outreach Lead Team on its own cannot begin to do all the outreach of the church, it depends very much on the congregation to contribute time, talent and treasure to fill the many needs.

- In 2017 Outreach at St. John's United Church continued to have a very active presence. The tremendous financial support and participation of our congregation has allowed the Outreach Lead Team to make a difference in the lives of many people in our community.
- St. John's reaches out as an affirming church, inviting the Rainbow Community to come and experience our innovative approach to worship. A notice in the Wayves Online publication welcomes all.
- Each week groceries are donated to our Caring Cart and distributed to Manna For Health and Parker Street Food Bank by OLT members.
- Each week clothing is collected for the Brunswick St. Mission. Thanks to Sharon Hawkins, Carolyn Drysdale Buhr and Sharon Nicolle for many deliveries over the year.
- On March 11th 2017 an early morning breakfast for the homeless was served at the Brunswick Street Mission. We wish to sincerely thank Liam Petrie and his team for planning, shopping, serving and cleaning up. Volunteers have stated that this is a very rewarding and meaningful experience.
- The Manna for Health Food Bank was relocated to 2420 Cragg Avenue on March 15, 2017. It is a shared space with the Jesus House Church Food Bank, who use the space on the third Thursday of every month.
- The Lenten Initiative to stress giving something to/or along with giving up something for Lent was continued with donations of personal care products such as toothpaste, deodorant, boost and cleaning supplies such as vinegar and baking soda to Manna For Health, St. John's main outreach mission.
- A benevolent fund is allocated to provide emergency help to those who approach the church office and is administered by the minister.
- In July a member of the congregation represented St. John's in the annual Pride Parade.
- In September a request was made by Parker Street for school supplies. St. John's responded with many donated school supplies.
- In September OLT member Sharon Nicolle along with Bruce Hayre participated in the Scotiabank AIDS Walk For Life at the Halifax Commons collecting a total of \$2,977
- Thank you to the wonderful team of volunteers who help at Manna every week. The many jobs of the volunteers include purchase food, pack and unpack, clean, staff the office and make deliveries. Manna continues to receive ongoing support and significant deliveries from Feed Nova Scotia. We would like to thank Kirby Geddes, coordinator, for another successful year. The final results for the year end: 506 hampers filled, 226 home hamper deliveries

completed, 162 bus tickets given and 2171 meat portions included. As a result of careful inventory management the team has been able to add more food than ever, along with protein rich meats, eggs, instant oats, rice, powdered milk and cod fish fillets have been added.

- At Christmas, once again, a Charlie Brown Christmas tree appeared at the back of the church hung with suggestions of gifts for the guests of Metro Turning Point as well as gifts for students living independently that attend Citadel High School. The congregation's response was overwhelming. The OLT was able to deliver many gifts of clothing, gift cards, bus tickets, personal items, etc. to both places before Christmas.
- The annual Mitten Line was strung up as well at the back of the church during Advent. Many of our talented knitters (and shoppers) donated beautiful mittens, hats and socks which were donated to the Uniacke Square Community Parents' Association for children in their daycare and afterschool programs. Adult sized woollens went to the Mobile Outreach Street Health (MOSH) for distribution to recipients of primary health care to those who are homeless or street involved in our community.
- At the end of the year the monies from the Christmas Eve loose offering, White Gift donations, and unused funds from the OLT budget were divided among our missions: Parker St. Food Bank, Brunswick St. Mission and Manna For Health.

St. John's Refugee Sponsorship Working Group

St. John's Refugee Sponsorship Working Group (sub-committee of OLT)- Hilda Power, Heather Bagmell, Carol Nasr, Margo Kirk, Sharon Nicolle, Lata Hall, Janet McGinty, Jim Hall, Doug MacDonald, John Nass, Jim Sharpe (ex officio).

As many of you know our church sponsored the Al-Issou family (Masoud, Hamide, Levant & Leyann) from Turkey. They were Kurdish Refugees fleeing the war in the northern Syria. The family arrived in Nova Scotia April 25th, 2017. They were welcomed at the airport by members of our working group and also by their uncle Barran Al-Issou and aunt, Zakie Chiko who sponsored Masoud's younger brother, Mohammed. Some of you had the opportunity to engage with them when they were invited to the after church luncheon hosted by the working group on October 22nd.

Both brothers are qualified tailors in their home country but due to the lack of opportunities in this field here in Halifax they have put plans of working as tailors on hold. Masoud is also a qualified barber and has been working in this capacity since August in a men's hair salon in the Halifax shopping centre. He is working six days a week and attends English classes at ISANS before work, Monday to Friday. Mohammed is learning English and upgrading his high school education at Halifax West. He works at a local restaurant on weekends as a cook. Also he has begun working with a cousin to learn the art of barbering.

Hamide (mom) is benefiting from the teaching of English by Roberta Sharpe and Susan Sharp from our congregation. Also an ISANS Arabic/English speaker meets with Hamide and Levant one hour a week to assist them with their English. Levant just celebrated his first ever birthday party; he is five years old. He attends preschool two afternoons a week and enjoying it. Leyann, (the baby girl) also celebrated a birthday last week as she turned one year.

The family is settling in very well. They are very appreciative of all that support that has been provided and continues to be provided by St. John's. They give thanks for their new community, their new country and the chance of a normal family life. We are fortunate to welcome this wonderful family into our community.



MANNA for HEALTH
 An outreach ministry of St John's United Church
Report on Operations
Year Ended December 31, 2017

Statement of Income & Expenses

<u>Year</u> 2016		<u>Year</u> 2017	<u>Budget</u> 2018
	Income		
935	AIDS WALK	1,517	1,100
759	Fundraising	261	300
1,699	Grants	4,938	3,900
698	Christmas Dinner (net)	711	700
4,478	ISCANS	926	1,000
8,573	Regular Donations	9,527	8,000
<u>17,142</u>	Total Income	<u>17,880</u>	<u>15,000</u>
	Expenses		
	Direct Client Service		
18,406	Grocery Purchases-Regular -Windsor Found	7,766	8,700
	Grant	3,333	3,300
1,485	Christmas Hampers	1,679	1,700
800	Bus Tickets	420	500
378	Delivery Costs		300
<u>21,069</u>	Total Direct Client Service	<u>13,198</u>	<u>14,500</u>
	Administration		
1,680	Rent	1,680	1,700
675	Telephone	795	900
119	Bank Charges	112	100
377	Miscellaneous	404	500
<u>2,851</u>	Total Administration	<u>2,991</u>	<u>3,200</u>
<u>23,920</u>	Total Expenses	<u>16,189</u>	<u>17,700</u>
<u>(6,778)</u>	NET INCOME (EXPENSE)	<u>1,691</u>	<u>-2,700</u>

<u>8,903</u>	FUND BALANCE - December 31	<u>10,594</u>	<u>7,894</u>
Statistics- January 1 - December 31:	2016		2017
Regular Orders	576		506
Christmas Hampers	31		31
Deliveries	273		240
Bus Tickets Issued	273		193

Manna Operations Report 2017

The client access to services during 2017 was down from 2016 by 12%. A similar decline was noted in the number of deliveries required; the use of bus tickets was down by 29%.

Manna has concluded 2017 with a \$1,691 increase in its fund, resulting in a balance of \$10,594 going into 2018.

You will note that income is up slightly compared to the previous year (\$17,880 vs \$17,142). Fundraising was down in 2017. Manna saw a substantial reduction in the amount received from ISCANS (\$926 vs \$4,478). Regular donations were up by 11%. Manna was successful with a grant application to the Windsor Foundation receiving \$3,333 in 2017 as the first of three annual instalments totalling \$10,000; \$1,000 was received from the MAC AIDS FUND as a result of the volunteer time spent at, and on behalf of, Manna by local MAC Cosmetics staff. Sincere appreciation goes out to all of our varied funders, just a few of whom are mentioned here.

Manna is a member agency of Feed Nova Scotia from whom the bulk of its food is received; there is no charge for this product and no amounts relating thereto are reflected in the accounts. The 2017 Direct Client Service costs represent 82% of total spending; there has been a 37% decrease over the 2016 figure. With the receipt of the Windsor Foundation grant the client "food baskets" were able to be continued in their enhanced fashion: the fresh meat/poultry/fish component has been maintained, fresh eggs were made a regular component, instant oats, rice and powdered milk have been added, food supplements (Boost/Ensure/Etc) are always available, overall quantities of other components were increased and enhanced as well. The overall food basket was substantially increased in size and quality. The decreased grocery purchase cost in 2017 (-40%) has been a result of reduced client activity, a substantial increase in the size and components of the food orders being received from Feed Nova Scotia and benefits from having moved to a more secure location during 2017; diligent monitoring, enhanced inventory control, and the continuing conscientious and wise buying habits of our shoppers have resulted in a much improved client experience. We all should be very proud of our accomplishments in this area.

The 2017 Administration costs have remained virtually unchanged from the previous year.

Manna has closed 2017 with a fund balance of \$10,594. The budget for 2018 reflects a decrease of the fund to \$7,894. The 2018 budget reflects a small increase in grocery purchases costs. HIV has become a chronic condition, as opposed to a terminal illness, resulting in a general community apathy which is reflected in diminished financial support; however each year Manna sees unexpected donors which help compensate for some of the expected deficiencies.. Manna must continue to encourage that support in order to maintain its essential service. The objective should be to reduce, or even eliminate, Manna's need for grant support in future years.

Manna is run entirely by volunteers; everything that happens at, and for, Manna is volunteer led. Countless people contribute their time, energies and resources to sustain Manna's operations. If you, or anyone you know, would like to partake in the joy of volunteering for an organization that makes a huge difference in people's lives, and to witness the smiles on clients' faces, please give a shout. A huge thank you goes out to our large group of dedicated volunteers, supporters and community partners...without you there would be no Manna.

Manna has had a very successful year. 2018 will be a challenging year but Manna is confident that it will continue to fulfill its mandate and to be a vital service in many people's lives.

Respectfully submitted
Kirby Geddes, Coordinator
(Prepared by Sam Wilson, Assistant Coordinator)

January 29, 2018

Presbytery Report

Halifax Presbytery is the governing body that supports 31 Pastoral Charges which includes St John's. Our Presbytery is one of fourteen that fall under the umbrella of Maritime Conference. Lesley Griffiths, Dianne Dubowski and Kevin Lamarque are the Presbytery Representatives for St John's. Rod MacInnis served part of the year before his resignation.

Halifax Presbytery has six regular meetings per year. These are called to complete the business of our United Church and in particular Halifax Presbytery. We gather for food and fellowship. We begin with worship, and interspersed throughout the business agenda, there is time for an educational component, prayer, singing and or scripture. As Presbytery Representatives we are also required to serve on one of several committees of Halifax Presbytery. Committees consist of Property and Finance, Pastoral Relations, Pastoral Oversight, Education and Students and Church in Action. Dianne is Chair of Pastoral Oversight; until recently Lesley served on Pastoral Relations. She also attended Maritime Conference last year.

The governing body of Presbytery ends as of December 31, 2018. The United Church of Canada moves to a three Court system January 1, 2019. Regional Councils across the country will come into being. It is proposed that Nova Scotia will be a complete Region. Much is unknown as to how the work of fourteen Presbyteries will be handled in Regional Councils. Maritime Conference 2018 will be the final one under the former structure.

St John's has benefited from its relationship and help of Presbytery and most recently with the guidance and representation on Transition Team, Joint Needs Assessment Team and now Joint Search. Such volunteers whether clergy or non-clergy, will continue to be needed in the future organization of the church. As we move into a new governance structure it will be important to sustain and build our connections to the wider church. A willingness to be open to new ways and acknowledging the uncomfortable feeling of uncertainty is where we are at the moment.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne and Lesley

Membership Report

This will be the last report under the Membership heading for when our congregation begins a new form of governance, the Membership Committee, a Session Sub-Committee, will no longer exist. The duties will be handled under another division in the new system.

The membership numbers remain relatively stable with new attendees replacing others who no longer attend.

We decided to stop using the "Hello" sheets, at least on a trial basis. Did anyone miss them? Do you have an opinion on their value? Would they be of assistance on the arrival of new staff? Make your views known to the new Board.

Nineteen members subscribed to the United Church Observer. Copies to borrow are available from the display table at the church entrance each week.

Myrla Drysdale

St John's United Church Communications

- Our website www.stjohnsunity.com is updated weekly and features an events calendar, photos, sermons and news about St John's United.
- St John's United is active on social media. We use our Facebook fanpage (www.facebook.com/StJohnsUnitedChurch) and our Twitter feed (<https://twitter.com/stjohnsunity>) to get the word out about our services and events.
- Our Prayers of the People website <http://stjohnsunity.com/POP/index.htm> offers a collection of the uplifting prayers that are written and presented by our members.
- A poster to promote Christmas services was produced.
- Print advertising for Easter and Christmas events was coordinated.

Elaine Frampton, Webminister

Statistics for 2016/2017

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Number of Candidates in Training for the Order of Ministry	003	003
Number of Households Under Pastoral Care	157	150
Number of Adult Baptisms (12 years and older)	000	000
Number of Child Baptisms (under 12 years old)	000	000
Number of Marriages	002	002
Number of Funerals & Memorial Services	005	005
Members Received by Profession of Faith		
Under Age 18	000	006
Age 18 or Over	000	000
Members Received By Certificate of Transfer or Otherwise	000	000
Members Removed by Death	006	003
Members Removed by Certificate of Transfer Otherwise	002	003
Total Confirmed Membership		
Resident & Non-Resident, Dec. 31	235	230
Total Non-Resident Membership	028	028
Number of Identifiable Givers to Local Expense	136	125
Number of Financially Supporting Households	145	149
Number of Identifiable Givers to M&S	067	060
Average Weekly Attendance for October & November	090	080
Adherents	100	100

St. John's Congregational Involvement in the Ministry of the Whole Church

Heather Bagnell	Brunswick Street Mission Board
Dianne Dubowski	Representative to Halifax Presbytery Member
Lesley Griffiths	Representative to Halifax Presbytery Member
Rod MacInnis	Representative to Halifax Presbytery Member - March 31, 2017
Kevin Lamarque	Representative to Halifax Presbytery from April 1, 2017
Martha Martin	Member, General Council Theology and Inter-church Inter-faith Committee



Financial Statements

(Unaudited)

St. John's United Church

December 31, 2017

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St. John's United Church Statement of Operations

(Unaudited)

Year ended December 31

2017

2016

Revenues

Envelopes	\$ 162,578	\$ 165,273
Missions income	30,179	31,104
Miscellaneous income	14,595	11,899
Interest income	-	3,724
	<u>207,352</u>	<u>212,000</u>

Expenditures

Building expenses (Schedule 1)	41,101	36,754
Choir expenses (Schedule 2)	6,978	4,446
Christian development expenses (Schedule 3)	2,887	1,543
Conference and presbytery	8,577	8,640
Conference meetings	559	1,039
House expenses (Schedule 4)	-	2,163
Loan interest	-	1,288
Missions expenses (Schedule 5)	37,885	31,104
Office expenses (Schedule 6)	10,964	10,904
Outreach lead team	1,572	1,500
Personnel expenses (Schedule 7)	149,634	138,284
Sundry expenses (Schedule 8)	8,527	4,923
Worship and music expenses (Schedule 9)	5,107	4,938
	<u>273,791</u>	<u>247,526</u>

Deficiency of revenues over expenditures
before other items

(66,439) (35,526)

Other items

Loss on sale of property and equipment	-	(1,954,027)
Write-off of insurance receivable	-	(5,436)
Unrealized (loss) gain on investments	(55,481)	7,099
Investment income	135,892	-
	<u>80,411</u>	<u>(1,952,364)</u>

Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures

\$ 13,972 \$ (1,987,890)

St. John's United Church
Statement of Changes in Net Assets
(Unaudited)
Year ended December 31

	General fund	Internally restricted fund	Total 2017	Total 2016
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 1,065,361	\$ 84,938	\$ 1,150,299	\$ 3,138,189
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>26,965</u>	<u>(12,993)</u>	<u>13,972</u>	<u>(1,987,890)</u>
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 1,092,326</u>	<u>\$ 71,945</u>	<u>\$ 1,164,271</u>	<u>\$ 1,150,299</u>

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St. John's United Church
Statement of Financial Position

(Unaudited)
 December 31

2017

2016

Assets

Current

Restricted cash (Note 3)	\$ 71,945	\$ 84,938
Harmonized sales tax receivable	<u>403</u>	<u>2,438</u>
	72,348	87,376

Long term investments

<u>1,125,590</u>	<u>1,079,267</u>
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<u>\$ 1,197,938</u>	<u>\$ 1,166,643</u>
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Liabilities

Current

Bank indebtedness	\$ 33,667	\$ 16,344
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Fund balances

General fund	1,092,326	1,065,361
Internally restricted fund	<u>71,945</u>	<u>84,938</u>
	1,164,271	1,150,299

<u>\$ 1,197,938</u>	<u>\$ 1,166,643</u>
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On behalf of the Trustees

 Trustee

 Trustee

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St. John's United Church
Statement of Cash Flows

(Unaudited)

Year ended December 31

2017

2016

Increase (decrease) in cash

Operating

Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	\$	13,972	\$	(1,987,890)
Items not affecting cash				
Loss on sale of property and equipment		-		1,954,027
Unrealized loss (gain) on investments		55,481		(7,099)
Gain on redemption of long term investment		(2,494)		-
		<u>66,959</u>		<u>(40,962)</u>
Change in non-cash working capital items				
Short term investment		-		3,741
Receivables		-		6,834
Harmonized sales tax receivable		2,035		(1,622)
Payables and accruals		-		(111,000)
		<u>68,994</u>		<u>(143,009)</u>

Financing

Repayments of loan payable		-		(104,276)
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Investing

Purchase of long term investments		(149,310)		(1,072,168)
Proceeds on redemption of long term investments		50,000		-
Proceeds on disposal of property and equipment		-		1,192,366
		<u>(99,310)</u>		<u>120,198</u>

Decrease in cash (30,316) (127,087)

Cash

Beginning of year		<u>68,594</u>		<u>195,681</u>
End of year	\$	<u>38,278</u>	\$	<u>68,594</u>

Cash consists of:

Restricted cash	\$	71,945	\$	84,938
Bank indebtedness		<u>(33,667)</u>		<u>(16,344)</u>
	\$	<u>38,278</u>	\$	<u>68,594</u>

St. John's United Church

Notes to the Financial Statements

(Unaudited)
December 31, 2017

1. Nature of operations

St. John's United Church of the United Church of Canada (the "Church") was organized to provide religious programs to its congregation and the advancement of Christianity in the community. The Church is a registered charity and is exempt from income taxes under the provisions of the Income Tax Act.

2. Significant accounting policies

The Church applies the Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNPO).

Cash

The Church's policy is to present bank balances under cash and cash equivalents, including bank overdrafts with balances that fluctuate frequently from being positive to overdrawn.

Restricted cash

Balances included in restricted cash represent funds to be used as designated.

Investments

Investments are carried at quoted market value. All investments are measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in net income in the period they arise.

Realized income is income earned from dividends and interest that has been collected or accrued in the current fiscal period along with gains or losses from the disposal of investments.

Unrealized income is income that is recorded reflecting the change in market value over the book value of the investments currently being held by the Church at year end.

Fund accounting

The Church follows the restricted fund method of accounting for contributions.

The general fund accounts for unrestricted contributions available to provide funds for ongoing operations and programs.

The internally restricted fund accounts for contributions that have been restricted for a specific purpose by the Board of Trustees.

St. John's United Church

Notes to the Financial Statements

(Unaudited)

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2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Revenue recognition

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue of the general fund when received.

Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue of the internally restricted fund when received and allocated by the Board of Trustees.

Investment income earned during the year on the Church's investments is recognized on a prorata basis based on initial investment in the general fund, session memorial and leadership fund, scholarship fund and kidston fund.

Financial Instruments

The Church considers any contract creating a financial asset, liability or equity instrument as a financial instrument, except in certain limited circumstances. The Church accounts for the following as financial instruments:

- restricted cash
- long term investments
- bank indebtedness

A financial asset or liability is recognized when the Church becomes party to contractual provisions of the instrument.

The Church initially measures its financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value. The Church subsequently measures all of its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost. The Church removes financial liabilities, or a portion of, when the obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires.

The Church subsequently measures all of its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost, except for investments that are quoted in an active market, which are measured at fair value. Changes in fair value are recognized in net income.

The Church removes financial liabilities, or a portion of, when the obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires.

Financial assets measured at cost are tested for impairment when there are indicators of impairment. Previously recognized impairment losses are reversed to the extent of the improvement provided the asset is not carried at an amount, at the date of the reversal, greater than the amount that would have been the carrying amount had no impairment loss been recognized previously. The amounts of any write-downs or reversals are recognized in net income.

St. John's United Church

Notes to the Financial Statements

(Unaudited)

December 31, 2017

2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the value of financial instruments will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices, other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk. Securities held for trading are valued at market and, as such, changes in market value affect earnings (loss) as they occur. The Church periodically assesses the quality of its investment and is satisfied with the current investment in place.

Unless otherwise noted the Church is not subject to any significant credit or interest rate risk.

Contributed services

Volunteers contributed time to assist the Church in carrying out its programs. Because of the difficulty of determining their fair value, contributed services are not recognized in the financial statements.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with ASNPO requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the statements of financial position and the reported amounts of revenue and expenditures during the fiscal year. Certain of these estimates require subjective judgements by management that may be uncertain. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

3. Restricted cash

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Session Memorial and Leadership fund	\$ 16,615	\$ 17,154
Scholarship fund	3,254	2,875
Syrian refugee fund	9,706	22,885
Manse fund	41,000	41,000
Kidston fund	809	1,024
Student fund	561	-
	<u>\$ 71,945</u>	<u>\$ 84,938</u>

St. John's United Church
Schedules to the Financial Statements

(Unaudited)
 Year ended December 31

Schedule of building expenses **Schedule 1**

	2017	2016
Insurance	\$ 2,280	\$ 2,859
Maintenance	2,713	-
Power	-	167
Rental of worship space	36,108	33,548
Taxes	-	20
Yard maintenance	-	160
	<u>\$ 41,101</u>	<u>\$ 36,754</u>

Schedule of choir expenses **Schedule 2**

	2017	2016
Choir - other	\$ 3,270	\$ 1,946
Organ/Piano tuning	183	-
Pianists	2,750	2,000
Soloists	775	500
	<u>\$ 6,978</u>	<u>\$ 4,446</u>

Schedule of christian development expenses **Schedule 3**

	2017	2016
Church development - other	\$ 1,884	\$ 1,061
Sunday school	1,003	482
	<u>\$ 2,887</u>	<u>\$ 1,543</u>

Schedule of house expenses **Schedule 4**

	2017	2016
Cleaning	\$ -	\$ 300
Fuel	-	969
Power	-	322
Taxes	-	346
Water	-	226
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,163</u>

St. John's United Church
Schedules to the Financial Statements

(Unaudited)
Year ended December 31

Schedule of missions expenses

Schedule 5

	2017	2016
Local missions	\$ 1,208	\$ 2,314
Mission and service	28,799	28,790
New Initiative Fund	7,878	-
	<u>\$ 37,885</u>	<u>\$ 31,104</u>

Schedule of office expenses

Schedule 6

	2017	2016
Office supplies	\$ 2,514	\$ 1,613
Postage	457	992
Printing	3,652	3,606
Telephone	1,941	2,293
Webmaster	2,400	2,400
	<u>\$ 10,964</u>	<u>\$ 10,904</u>

Schedule of personnel expenses

Schedule 7

	2017	2016
ADP payroll processing	\$ 640	\$ 624
Benefits	14,497	18,295
Continuing education - youth worker	-	445
Minister - education	1,558	1,602
Minister - phone	568	493
Minister - salary	69,133	54,417
Miscellaneous	2,987	2,941
Part time pastor	-	2,500
Pianist / choir director	21,597	20,147
Secretary / administrator	28,598	26,889
Treasurer	2,731	2,850
Youth worker	7,325	7,081
	<u>\$ 149,634</u>	<u>\$ 138,284</u>

St. John's United Church
Schedules to the Financial Statements
(Unaudited)
Year ended December 31

	Schedule 8	
	2017	2016
Accounting expense	\$ 5,521	\$
Advertising and promotion	-	322
Bank charges	502	420
Observer	444	421
Pastoral care team	-	300
Sundry - other	743	491
Transition team	<u>1,817</u>	<u>2,969</u>
	<u>\$ 8,527</u>	<u>\$ 4,923</u>

	Schedule 9	
	2017	2016
Pulpit supply	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,522
Worship and music - other	<u>3,607</u>	<u>3,416</u>
	<u>\$ 5,107</u>	<u>\$ 4,938</u>

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Category Description	Budget 2016	Actual 2016	Budget 2017	Actual 2017	Budget 2018
EXPENSES					
BUILDING:					
Rental of Worship Space	\$33,700	\$33,548	\$36,500	\$36,108	\$36,827
Insurance	\$620	\$2,859	\$1,140	\$2,280	\$1,140
Maintenance				\$2,713	\$0
Power	\$84	\$167		\$0	\$0
Taxes	\$25	\$20			\$0
Yard Maint	\$200	\$160			\$0
HOUSE					
Cleaning	\$360	\$300			
Fuel	\$1,000	\$969			
Maintenance	\$200	\$0			
Power	\$200	\$322			
Taxes	\$750	\$346			
Water	\$66	\$226			
TOTAL BUILDING	\$37,205	\$38,917	\$37,640	\$41,101	\$37,967
CONF & PRESBY	\$8,637	\$8,637	\$8,577	\$8,577	\$8,700
CONFERENCE MEETINGS	\$500	\$1,039	\$500	\$559	\$560
OFFICE:					
Office Supplies	\$2,400	\$1,613	\$2,400	\$2,514	\$2,500
Postage	\$800	\$992	\$800	\$457	\$450
Printing	\$3,500	\$3,606	\$3,500	\$3,652	\$3,500
Telephone	\$2,000	\$2,293	\$2,000	\$1,941	\$2,000
Replacement Equipment	\$250	\$0	\$250		
Webmaster	\$2,500	\$2,400	\$2,500	\$2,400	\$2,000
TOTAL OFFICE	\$11,450	\$10,904	\$11,450	\$10,964	\$10,450
LOAN INTEREST					
Halifax Presbytery		\$121			
Accrued Interest - UCC Loan		\$1,168			
TOTAL LOAN INTEREST	\$0	\$1,289	\$0		
PERSONNEL:					
Benefits	\$20,000	\$18,284	\$20,000	\$14,497	\$22,000
Minister - Salary	\$64,511	\$54,417	\$66,446	\$69,133	\$70,101
Minister - House		\$0			
Minister - Auto	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000
Minister - Phone	\$450	\$493	\$450	\$568	\$550
Minister - Books, Software & Resource Material	\$625	\$0	\$625		\$625
Minister - Moving					\$8,000
Minister - Study/Education	\$1,803	\$1,602	\$1,803	\$1,558	\$1,447
Interim Ministry Sabbatical Fund		\$2,941	\$2,688	\$2,814	\$1,400
Replacement Minister - Salary					
Minister of Visitation	\$2,000	\$2,500	\$7,200	\$2,688	\$2,170
Replacement Minister - Housing					
Youth Worker/Faith Formation Minister	\$7,116	\$7,081	\$7,329	\$7,325	\$19,000
Minister of Music	\$20,243	\$20,147	\$20,850	\$21,597	\$21,899
Secretary/Administrator	\$27,017	\$26,889	\$27,828	\$28,598	\$22,931
Treasurer	\$2,850	\$2,850	\$2,850	\$2,731	\$2,850
Supply Coverage - Minister of Music	\$500		\$500		
Continuing Ed - Minister of Music	\$500		\$500		\$500
Continuing Ed - Secretary					\$100
Continuing Ed - Youth Worker/Faith Formation	\$500	\$445	\$500		\$500
ADP Payroll Processing	\$600	\$625	\$600	\$641	\$650
Misc./ Pastoral Charge	\$500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL PERSONNEL	\$152,215	\$138,274	\$163,170	\$149,634	\$177,723

Category Description	Budget 2016	Actual 2016	Budget 2017	Actual 2017	Budget 2018
PROGRAMS:					
Christian Development					
Sun School	\$600	\$482	\$600	\$1,003	\$1,000
Ch Dev-Other	\$1,000	\$1,061	\$1,000	\$1,884	\$2,500
TOTAL Ch Dev	\$1,600	\$1,543	\$1,600	\$2,887	\$3,500
Choir:					
Soloists	\$7,200	\$500	\$7,200	\$775	\$5,000
Pianists	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,750	\$2,500
Piano Tuning & Maintenance	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$183	\$250
Choir - Other	\$1,500	\$1,946	\$1,500	\$3,270	\$2,000
TOTAL Choir	\$11,200	\$4,446	\$11,200	\$6,978	\$9,750
New Initiative Fund			\$15,000	\$7,878	\$15,000
Outreach Lead Team	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,572	\$1,500
Worship & Music:					
Pulpit Supply	\$1,000	\$1,522	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$1,000
Worship & Music - Other	\$3,100	\$3,416	\$3,100	\$3,607	\$3,100
TOTAL Worship & Music	\$4,100	\$4,938	\$4,100	\$5,107	\$4,100
TOTAL PROGRAMS	\$18,400	\$12,427	\$33,400	\$24,422	\$33,850
SUNDRY:					
Advertising and Promotion	\$550	\$323	\$550	\$0	\$500
Accounting fee			\$5,906	\$5,521	\$5,000
Pastoral Care Team	\$100	\$300	\$100	\$0	\$100
Bank Charges	\$600	\$420	\$600	\$502	\$500
Observer	\$360	\$421	\$360	\$444	\$0
Stewardship Development Committee	\$1,000		\$1,000		\$1,000
Seniors Tax Travel	\$100		\$100		\$100
Transition Team	\$3,500	\$2,969	\$3,500	\$1,317	\$500
SUNDRY-Other	\$1,500	\$491	\$1,500	\$743	\$500
TOTAL SUNDRY	\$7,710	\$4,924	\$13,616	\$8,527	\$8,200
TOTAL CURRENT DISBURSEMENTS	\$236,117	\$216,411	\$268,353	\$243,784	\$277,450
Collected/Disbursed For Others	\$38,700	\$39,579	\$38,700	\$35,149	\$36,850
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$274,817	\$255,990	\$307,053	\$278,933	\$314,300

STATEMENT of RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES

(With Comparison to Actual and Budget 2016, 2017)

Category Description	Budget 2016	Actual 2016	Budget 2017	Actual 2017	Budget 2018
<u>INCOME/EXPENSE</u>					
<u>INCOME</u>					
ENVELOPE:					
Anniversary	\$800	\$640	\$800	\$345	\$500
Current	\$170,000	\$153,980	\$170,000	\$157,188	\$170,000
Initial	\$150	\$148	\$150	\$115	\$150
Mid-Year	\$1,500	\$1,120	\$1,500	\$475	\$1,000
Observer	\$360	\$410	\$400	\$450	\$500
Thanksgiving	\$800	\$750	\$800	\$515	\$600
Year End	\$5,000	\$4,825	\$5,000	\$3,490	\$5,000
TOTAL ENVELOPE	\$178,610	\$161,873	\$178,650	\$162,578	\$177,750
MISCELLANEOUS:					
Fund Raising	\$7,000	\$3,054	\$5,000	\$2,502	\$5,000
Interest/Investments	\$720	\$599	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$85,000
Loose	\$2,500	\$2,131	\$2,500	\$1,152	\$1,500
Sunday School	\$150	\$23	\$100	\$11	\$100
U C W	\$500	\$400	\$400	\$0	\$100
Choir	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
United Way	\$1,800	\$1,794	\$1,800	\$2,125	\$2,000
MISCELLANEOUS - Other		\$2,285	\$15,906	\$8,805	\$6,000
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	\$12,670	\$10,286	\$75,706	\$64,595	\$99,700
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$191,280	\$172,159	\$254,356	\$227,173	\$277,450
Collected for Others					
Other Appeals	\$500	\$1,029	\$500	\$100	\$500
White Gift	\$1,000	\$650	\$1,000	\$240	\$850
Christmas Eve	\$1,000	\$635	\$1,000	\$10	\$700
Manna for Health	\$7,100	\$5,919	\$7,100	\$6,000	\$6,000
Mission and Service	\$29,100	\$28,790	\$29,100	\$28,799	\$29,000
Refugee Fund		\$2,556			
TOTAL FOR OTHERS	\$38,700	\$39,579	\$38,700	\$35,149	\$36,850
TOTAL CHURCH & OTHERS	\$229,980	\$211,738	\$293,056	\$262,322	\$314,300
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$274,817	\$255,990	\$307,053	\$278,933	\$314,300
TOTAL INCOME/EXPENSE	-\$44,837	-\$44,252	-\$13,987	-\$16,611	\$0