

WINDERMERE VALLEY SHARED MINISTRY 2016 Annual Report



Our Mission Statement

To be followers of Jesus, with a commitment to an inward journey of deepening our relationship with God, and an outward journey of Mission and Service.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, February 19, 2017

AGENDA

1. Appointment of Recording Secretary.
2. Opening Prayer.
3. Approval of Agenda.
4. Minutes of the 2016 Annual General Meeting.

Old Business:

5. Financial Statement for 2016.
6. Proposed Budget for 2017.
7. Acceptance of reports.
8. Elections:
 - Council Chair
 - Council Vice-Chair
 - Secretary
 - Administration Chair
 - Community Care Chair
 - Ministry & Personnel Chair
 - Spiritual Care Chair
 - Anglican Regional Representatives
 - United Presbytery Representatives
 - Envelope Secretary
 - Camp Representatives
9. Any other business.
10. Courtesies.
11. Closing Prayers & In Memoriam.
12. Adjournment.

Sunday, January 24, 2016

1. Greg Constable, Chair of Church Council, chaired the Annual Congregational Meeting and those present agreed that Bendina Miller would be the recording secretary.
2. **Opening**
Greg Constable called the meeting to order at 12:20 pm and Rev. Laura opened with prayer. **Attendance:** There were 24 in attendance.
3. **Approval of Agenda: Addition to the Agenda, Other Business, Sebastian Bell Moved as amended Wendy Jansen Second Dick Moffatt Carried unanimously**
4. **Minutes of the 2015 Annual Congregational Meeting Approval Moved Dick Moffatt Second Sebastian Bell Carried**

Old Business: No items

5. **Financial Statement for 2015.**
Acceptance of Financial Statement **Moved** Wendy Jansen **Second** Marcel Laflamme **Carried**
6. **Proposed Budget for 2016.** Treasurer Wendy Jansen Projected budget circulated.

A question was posed regarding the budget to repair the soffits. Wendy Jansen replied that we have a fund which would be more than adequate to cover the cost of repairing the soffits. This is not an item to be included in our 2016 budget

Greg Constable drew attention to the fact that we have many rentals which accounts for almost ¼ of our income. The rental agreements are carefully monitored. Renters are responsible for their own insurance and we receive proof of insurance from the renters. Marcel Laflamme, who is a lawyer, offered to check the leases. Greg Constable provided Marcel with a copy of the lease.

A question was raised regarding the \$155 received for rental of the piano. Greg Constable responded that this was a donation received from an individual last year.

A question was raised regarding who is responsible for paying for tuning of the pianos and organ. Rev. Laura, Greg Constable and Dick Moffatt responded that there are various sources and responsibilities for this requirement and the costs are not included in the WWSM budget.

Greg Constable noted that the 2015 budget was approved with a surplus and that we completed the year with a surplus.

Moved acceptance of the Proposed Budget Tess Moffatt Second Caron Green Carried

Moved: Anne Jardine moved a vote of appreciation for Wendy Jansen for the outstanding work she has done as treasurer in 2015. **Carried Unanimously.**

7. **Acceptance of Reports.**

Moved Acceptance of Reports as circulated Dick Moffatt **Second** Fred Thode-Hamilton **Carried**

The following reports were circulated:

- a) **Rev. Laura's Report**
- b) **Chair of Council 2015 Report**
- c) **Rental Report**
- d) **Administration Committee Report**
- e) **Ministry and Personnel Committee Report**
- f) **All Saints Guild & Cemetery Reports**
- g) **Outreach Annual Report**
- h) **Anglican East Kootenay Regional Council Report**
- i) **Community Care Committee Report**
- j) **Presbytery Report**
- k) **Rock Lake United Church Camp Report**
- l) **St. Peter's Windermere Report**
- m) **Together in Mission Report**
- n) **Holy Conversations – God Talk 101 Report**
- o) **Spiritual Care Committee Report**
- p) **A Note of Words Not Numbers Report from the Treasurer**

8. **Elections:**

Council Chair: Bendina Miller **Moved** Anne Jardine **Second** Fred Thode-Hamilton **Carried**

Council Vice-Chair: Greg Constable **Moved** Anne Jardine **Second** Wendy Jansen **Carried**

Secretary With no nominations, Greg Constable agreed to take this position

Administration Chair: Caron Green **Moved** Wendy Jansen **Second** Christine Vidalin **Carried**

Community Care Chair: No Chair has been elected. Rev. Laura indicated that Judy Rea will represent Community Care on the Church Council

Ministry and Personnel Chair: Greg Constable **Moved** Wendy Jansen **Second** Marcel Laflamme **Carried**

Spiritual Care Chair: No Chair elected. Rev. Laura indicated that Carolyn Rogers will represent Spiritual Care on Church Council.

Anglican Regional Representatives: Willa Love and Crisanna MacLeod **Moved** Linda Farrell **Second** Anne Jardine **Carried** ~ Richard Hermakin and Willa Love will continue as synod delegates.

United Presbytery Representatives: Anne Jardine **Moved** Dick Moffatt **Second** Fred Thode-Hamilton

Envelope Secretary: Myrna Verwey ~ position was filled through Church Council.

Camp Representatives: Dick Moffatt agreed to accept this position.

Trustees: Sebastian Bell, Chris Evans, Marg Hodson and Carolyn Rogers. **Moved**
Wendy Jansen **Second** Tess Moffatt **Carried**

50th Anniversary Committee (Ad Hoc): Sebastian Bell, Anne Jardine, Caron Green,
Crisanna MacLeod, Greg Constable and Bendina Miller. No chair.

Moved Acceptance of the slate Rev. Laura **Second** Crisanna MacLeod **Carried**

9. **Any other business**

- **Fancy Tie Services**

- o Sebastian Bell presented an award for the Fancy Tie Services to Marcel Laflamme who has never been seen to wear a tie at church functions.

10. **Courtesies – Rev. Laura expressed the following appreciation as read by Bendina Miller:**

- All present for attending.
- Council members for their leadership and dedication this past year.
- All committee members who do the hard work of maintaining our operations and nurturing our spirits.
- Brenda Danyluk, Caron Green, Richard Hermakin and Lea Kotyk for their leadership in organizing church events this year, including successful Fundraising events.
- David Farrell, Richard Hermakin, Dick Moffatt and Bill Turner for the many odd jobs and tasks that they take on in maintaining our buildings.
- John and Judy Frain for their faithful dedication to St. Peter's Church.
- Wendy Jansen for looking after our Stolen Church coffee supplies.
- Marg Hodson for leading All Saints' guild.
- Peter McIsaac for serving as envelope secretary along with his dedicated assistants.
- Wendy Jansen for serving as treasurer.
- Helen Franken for her leadership role in organizing worship and for the Lay Ministers who help with the services: Sebastian Bell, David Farrell, Tess Moffatt, Carolyn Rogers and Irene Turner.
- Our music team: Greg Constable, Irene Hohm, Wendy Jansen, Barry Moore, Leisa O'Sullivan, Judy Rea, Carolyn Rogers and Lorraine Rogers.
- Marla Norquay for her continued dedication to the youth and willingness to explore new and creative ways of ministry and especially to Christine Constable and Emma Norquay for taking on the responsibility of Sunday School with such dedication.
- Doris Hansen, Marg Hodson, and Melva Barrault for managing the maintenance and details of All Saints' Cemetery.
- Jill and Sebastian Bell, Peta King, Crisanna MacLeod and Tess Moffatt for maintaining the sanctuary and to all those who have stepped in to learn and help with this important ministry.
- Christine Vidalin for looking after the library and to all who have helped.

- All who enhance our worship life through their commitment to greeting, money counting, coffee-time fellowship, serving communion, reading scripture, and offering prayers.
- To all members for their outreach efforts, especially all those who serve in outreach in our local community through the various organizations such as the Cancer society, Christmas bureau, Food Bank, Go Go Grannies, and Hospice, as well as those who visit and entertain at the senior care facilities.
- To all who go unnoticed, do the quiet work from watering the plants, doing coffee, the laundry from the kitchen, washing windows, shovelling snow, yard cleanups, etc.
- The Liturgical Dance Group: Linda Farrell, David Farrell, Wendy Jansen, Caron Green, Anne Lucarelli, Terri Eacrett.
- Crisanna MacLeod and Sebastian Bell for taking services at Columbia House when Rev. Laura is not available.
- Thank You!

50th Anniversary Announcements

Rev. Laura announced that The Most Reverend Fred Hiltz, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada and The Right Reverend Jordan Cantwell, Moderator of the United Church of Canada will be with us to join in our 50th anniversary celebrations on Sunday, June 12, 2016.

Archbishop John Privett, Bishop of the Diocese of Kootenay, and The Reverend Ivy Thomas, Interim Conference Minister of Kootenay Presbytery, have both accepted Rev. Laura's invitation to join us on that weekend as well.

Rev. Laura has also extended invitations to the Reverend Doctors Sandra Beardsall and Bill Richards whom most of our congregation knows, to join us. While their response was hopeful, they have not confirmed.

Appreciation Expressed by Greg Constable, Church Council Chair

Greg Constable expressed appreciation to all who have dedicated so much time and effort in doing the work of the WVSM.

Rev. Laura expressed a vote of Thanksgiving and Assurance of our Prayerful support to our Bishop and Metropolitan, The Most Reverend John Privett and to our outgoing Chair of Presbytery, The Reverend Frank Lewis. **Moved** Wendy Jansen **Second** Caron Green **Carried**

11. **Closing Prayers and In Memoriam.** Rev. Laura prayed and honoured those on the memorial list, their family, friends and all of us who continue to miss those who have passed on.

12. **Adjournment** Greg Constable moved adjournment at 1:20pm

Respectfully submitted

Greg Constable
Council Chair

Bendina Miller
Recording Secretary

January 1, 2017

Dear Members of Windermere Valley Shared Ministry Family,

Happy New Year! Wow! 2016 seems to have been quite a year of change. It most definitely was in my life as Richard and I experienced so many highs and lows as we said good-bye to a couple of our precious fur-babies, I (but in many ways it really is we) began a doctoral program, and did a pastoral exchange in the fall. For WVSM, it was a year of looking back on 50 years of shared ministry together in the beautiful Columbia Valley as we reminisced with old friends, reacquainted ourselves with our history, and remembered the challenges and joys that have brought us to where we are today.

It was also a year of looking forward as we continued into our second year of our Together In Mission campaign, enjoyed special celebrations and performances both musical and theatrical, not to mention some special psychedelic flashbacks to the 60s and beyond with the likes of Bob Dylan, Anne Jardine, Carolyn Rogers, and Brent Woodard. (heheheh) What a delight to enjoy having so much fun together this year. I have so many fond memories of watching you play and laugh together in dance, in worship, marching along a parade route, and finding fresh ways to proclaim God in our valley. Certainly, God's Spirit rejoiced along with us this year!

There were some hard good-byes for us this year as always and too many if you ask me, but we have again welcomed some new friends to our valley and church community and for that I am grateful.

As the busiest fall that I can ever remember living, has come and gone, I am looking forward to a short rest before resuming studies. My personal study time this year involved a big leap that I have been considering for many years, but which now seems just like it is the right time. God does have amazing timing. While I had not intended to start this doctoral work until this coming June, God had something else in mind and grabbed hold of my ankle and said, "Let's go!" And what a blessing I am already seeing! Over the next few months of winter and spring, I hope to put together a small ministry team who will work with me over the next 2½ - 3 years as I complete my degree in Rural Ministry and Congregational Development which I know will be a gift to WVSM as well as me.

In the year ahead, we will celebrate a milestone with our Lutheran brothers and sisters of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, and I invite you to plant a tree in honour of Martin Luther. Our TiM programme will continue as we look to our future and continue to put energy into maintaining our financial viability. I pray that we will also continue to develop our ministry as a centre for arts in the valley.

With love and blessing,

The Rev. Laura J. Hermakin

Council Chair Report

WVSM's past year has been a successful one with the highlight being the celebration of our 50th anniversary as a shared ministry. Rev. Laura and congregation members worked diligently to ensure that the anniversary was shared by both our church family and our greater community. Of particular significance was the fact that our anniversary was attended by The Rt. Rev. Jordan Cantwell, Moderator, United Church of Canada; The Most Rev. Fred Hiltz, Primate, Anglican Church of Canada; and by The Most Rev. John Privett, Archbishop of Kootenay along with many former ministers and priests and representatives of the Aboriginal community. I have attached a program listing all those in attendance. That was truly a blessing and a blessing to recognize our anniversary with so many honoured guests present.

Our anniversary was recognized with both spiritual services and events that brought the community to share with us. The community events included a wine and cheese folk evening, a community dinner, a float-down, hike and tour of the museum. In August and September we invited community to join us at the Stolen Church musical.

Ultimately, WVSM has much to celebrate as we recognize our history and continue to work together in our shared faith journey.

During this past year we were also blessed to support Rev. Laura as she commences doctoral studies. We recognize and value Laura's faith leadership and her care and compassion as our minister. We certainly wish her well as she pursues this academic goal that she has established for herself.

This past year also saw our Council and congregation supporting an exchange between Rev. Laura and Rev. Kavanagh which was so meaningful for the Kavanagh family and successful for our congregation.

I extend sincere appreciation and blessings to all of our Council and congregation members who provide outstanding leadership in our faith community and who welcome guests and members of the broader community into our community of worship.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bendina Miller, Council Chair

Outreach Annual Report

Our major project was our annual garage sale to raise money for the work of Sister Janeth in Nicaragua. As always, at Christmas we encouraged our congregation to support Sleeping Children Around the World, another project with next to no administrative costs. In our community we support our Food Bank and Christmas Bureau with donations and volunteers. During the year we have reported to our congregation on the ongoing work of our two denominations.

Outreach Group

From our June 12th celebration service:

Windermere Valley Shared Ministry

We welcome the following guests:

Chief Barbara Cote, Shuswap Indian Nation
Marguerite Cooper, Elder, Akisqnuq First Nation
Debra Fisher, President, Columbia Valley Métis Association
The Rt. Rev. Jordan Cantwell, Moderator, United Church of Canada
The Most Rev. Fred Hiltz, Primate, Anglican Church of Canada
The Most Rev. John Privett, Archbishop of Kootenay
The Rev. Ivy Thomas, Interim Conference Minister, Kootenay Presbytery
The Rev. Dr. Sandra Beardsall, Professor of Church History & Ecumenics at St. Andrew's College, and friend of WVSM
The Rev. Charlotte Caron, minister at WVSM 1975-78
The Rev. Harry Costerton, minister at WVSM 1965-70
The Rev. Dr. Katherine Hough, interim minister at WVSM 2010-12
The Rev. Dean Houghton, minister at WVSM 1989-92
The Rev. Brian Shields, minister at WVSM 1971-74

Officiant:	The Rev. Laura Hermakin, Incumbent
Preacher:	The Most Rev. Fred Hiltz
Presider:	The Rt. Rev. Jordan Cantwell
Readers:	Tess Moffatt The Rev. Dr. Katherine Hough
Intercessor:	Emma Norquay
Crucifer:	Sebastian Bell
Greeters:	Joy Bond, Christine Vidalin
Communion Administrants:	The Rt. Rev. Jordan Cantwell The Rev. Charlotte Caron The Most Rev. Fred Hiltz The Rev. Dean Houghton Dick Moffatt The Most Rev. John Privett Carolyn Rogers The Rev. Brian Shields The Rev. Ivy Thomas
Music:	Wendy Jansen, Leisa O'Sullivan, Carolyn Rogers, WVSM Choir, WVSM Liturgical Dance Group

Ministry & Personnel report for 2016

Our committee, comprised of Wendy Jansen, Greg Constable and Dick Moffatt, was fortunate to have only informal discussions. There have been no issues or concerns and we are very happy with the way things are going.

Wendy Jansen

Vice-Chair of Council Report

The facility rentals have been tightened up, with our regular renters now having a much more workable arrangement with regards to both their time slots and their method of payment. Musicians dominate this list, which includes the Valley Voices vocal group, piano teachers Tanya DuBois and Arne Sahlen, and a ukulele group on occasion. The duet of Barry Moore and Wanda Seel hopes to resume rehearsals soon, but Steve Bush is no longer giving guitar lessons. While down from previous years, our facility is still the site of some afternoon and evening concerts and recitals.

Rentals by other denominations are also down by one, as the Saturday Seventh Day Adventist group has seen a drop in their numbers and now will be renting our Sanctuary only on special occasions. The Sunday Lutheran congregation remains as active as they have always been. We also have a number of community groups making use of our facility, some regularly and others occasionally, and the Windermere Teachers' Association is still the largest contributor to our coffers as they are continuing their lease of the rectory/manse garage for office space.

I have spent considerable time exploring the option of a drop down screen and/or large television set to add to both regular services and funerals (slide shows). The TV screen idea, while a good secondary option, is not viable as the only suitable prime viewing location is over the two large stained-glass windows at either side of the altar, and a huge expense—both within and without the building--would be incurred by moving them. However, after getting a second opinion from a local contractor the mounting of a projector and a drop down screen remains a distinct possibility. The logistics of this option will continue to be a work in progress.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Constable
Vice-Chair of Council

Holy Conversations ~ God Talk 101

Our numbers varied from two to ten throughout the year as we met together once a month on Thursday evening from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Regardless of our numbers, the time together was always wonderful as we took this time for intentional theological conversation to explore and nurture the diversity of our faith and to encourage and uphold one another in our journeys in faith. We engage in dialogue with one another about our experiences of God and invite anyone with a similar desire to join us. The group is open to everyone and still meets once a month on a Thursday evening from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Spiritual Care – Sanctuary Guild Annual Report 2016

This committee is responsible for organizing worship services and along with supporting groups, to promote Christian growth such as our Holy Conversation Group. This committee oversees banners, linens, decorations, setting up and cleaning up of Holy Eucharist/Communion, Sunday School, welcoming, ushering and offering collection.

We began 2016 with a visit from Kimberley United Church performing their annual Cantata. Our Easter services included Palm Sunday with palms, pot luck Maundy Thursday dinner provided by Marla Norquay and family, Good Friday service and Easter morning service.

The Sanctuary Guild spent a busy afternoon making sure everything was polished and clean to make ready for the 50th Anniversary celebration held June 12. A special worship service was organized that included the Primate Fred Hiltz; Moderator Jordan Cantwell; Conference Minister George Meier; Bishop John Privett; and many representatives from the diocese and presbytery.

We were again treated to a musical start to Advent with the Valley Voices performing during the 1st Sunday of Advent. A pot luck luncheon followed. A Blue Christmas Service was held on Dec. 18. Christmas Eve services were held at Christ Church Trinity and St. Peter's. The Christmas Eve service at All Saint's, Edgewater was cancelled due to adverse weather conditions. A service was also held on Christmas Day at Christ Church Trinity.

The services at Columbia House continue on a rotation basis, involving ourselves and many local churches. Services were held once a month for the summer months at St. Peter's. All Saint's, Edgewater continue to limit their worship services during the winter months.

Thanks is extended to the music team and choir for the gift of music each week. Thank you also to Emma Norquay and Christine Constable who provide leadership to the children in the Sunday School when their schedules permit. For continuing to give leadership to Liturgical Dance – thank you Lynda Farrell. To all of those who assist with ushering/greeting, reading scripture, offering prayers, assisting with Communion/Holy Eucharist, a heartfelt thank you. Thank you to our Licensed Lay Worship Leaders: Sebastian Bell, Crisanna MacLeod, Tess Moffatt, Carolyn Rogers, and Irene Turner for your assistance with worship services as Presiders and/or Preachers for Christ Church Trinity, All Saint's, and St. Peter's.

Respectfully submitted,
Tess Moffatt
Sanctuary Guild

All Saints United Guild Financial Statement Jan-Dec 2016

Cash in the Bank Jan. 1, 2016

Chequing:	\$ 58.19
Savings:	\$4572.76
Term Deposits:	\$2200.00

INCOME:

Fundraiser:	\$1120.00	
World Day Prayer:	340.00	
Donations:	280.00	
Garage Sale:	491.20	
Church Plates:	50.00	
Interest:	35.38	
Tea Money:	8.85	
		\$2325.43
		\$9156.38

EXPENSES:

Hydro:	\$405.36	
Insurance:	727.00	
World Day Prayer:	340.00	
Supplies:	45.79	
Balance of Bench:	48.00	
Wreath:	25.00	
Window Maint:	75.00	
Operation Eyesight:	60.00	
Anglican Foundation:	50.00	
Sleeping Children:	70.00	
Gift for Organist:	75.00	
Snow Removal:	75.00	
		\$1996.15
		\$7160.23

CASH IN THE BANK DEC. 31, 2016

Chequing:	\$ 112.39
Savings:	\$4823.24
Term Deposit:	\$2224.60

Submitted By *Doris Hansen*

We have a small membership but we are still maintaining the up keep to our little white church in Edgewater....Anglican/United.

We have not had to do any repairs to the church except fix one window so that the last 2 windows in the church will have stain glass on them from 2 families. Looking forward to having those done and seeing what the families have come up with.

We changed it up this year with our annual fundraiser...deciding not to do the dinner we decided to make apple pies which turned out to be very successful. Everything was donated so it was really worth the effort...Thank you Guild Members.

We also purchased a bench for the Columbaria in Memory of all of The Edgewater Church Guild Members...a nice tribute to all of the past and present members...Thank you everyone.

The Guild would also like to acknowledge the Shelstrom Family for giving us some of Joan's most worthy possessions for a garage sale...which was a great success...the rest that we did not sell was given to the Church in Invermere for their garage sale...so it all went for a great cause. Thank You.

Thank you to everyone that has supported us in the past and present...always greatly appreciated.

Together in Mission Report

Windermere Valley Shared Ministry has completed phase 1 of the TiM 5 year initiative. We have met directly with or have provided TiM brochures to all congregation members. As of January 2017 we have realized pledges that achieve 54% of our 5 year target. To date, we have received \$13,093.43 as our portion of the pledges submitted.

This success is credited to the prayerful generosity of our congregation members and to the dedication of our TiM committee members and ambassadors, including Willa Love, Helen Franken, Caron Green, Anne Jardine, Bill and Irene Turner, Bendina Miller and to the support of Rev. Laura.

In the near future we need to initiate a process to involve the congregation in making decisions regarding how we may dedicate some of the funds to fund projects and initiatives.

In addition to the successful realization of financial targets we have also realized some success with one of our directions, to Walk Humbly with our Neighbours. As such, we hosted a picnic and invited the community to join us at the Museum and we have increased our visibility by participating with floats at the Canada Day Parade and the Santa Claus Parade. I extend appreciation to all those who organized these community events and who participated in them. I'm looking forward to further successes with our TiM initiative and am looking forward to input and further input and involvement of our congregation members.

Respectfully submitted,
Bendina Miller

Presbytery Report – 2016

Robertson United Church hosted the Spring Presbytery on April 7-8-9 in Nakusp. The main theme was Pastoral Care. Workshops led by Interim Conference Minister Ivy Thomas and Rev. Therese DesCamp of New Denver. These presentations offered an array of strategies to help support our congregation members and the broader community in times of stress, loss, crisis, and disaster. The Presbytery Business Meeting included the usual reports and budgets, and ongoing discussions about the Remits or formal decisions about restructuring the United Church, some of which will need to be concluded by June of this year. New officers were elected. Presbytery Chair Frank Lewis stepped down; Greg Powell was elected as the new Chair. David Boyd retired as Treasurer and Sheila Macdonald was elected as new Treasurer. Thanks to Frank and David for their leadership in recent years. Some changes were made in the churches and charges of our region. See Spring Presbytery Report for full details. The Youth team led a thoughtful silent worship session that offered many ways to find the prayerful place within. The Peace & Justice Team led a Reconciliation progress activity. Spring Presbytery concluded with a beautiful worship service and lunch. The Nakusp congregation and Rev. Hillary Bittern were very gracious hosts.

The WVSM 50th Anniversary Celebration attracted many Presbytery guests. Our June 12th weekend was well attended, and many people from Presbytery came out from both East and West Kootenays to help us mark the occasion.

Fernie's Knox United Church was the setting for Fall Presbytery Gathering on October 14-16. I was unable to attend that meeting, but Rev. Laura and Barry Moore represented us well. The theme was Song and Celebration. Special guest **Ron Klusmeier**, a familiar music composer of hymns in **Voices United** and **More Voices** provided music leadership for us this weekend. Barry was delighted to meet and sing with this renowned composer. **Keith Simmonds**, President of BC Conference provided theological reflections and insight to the General Council Remits. Remits set by the 42nd General Council will be on display for the WVSM AGM. More information about this process on the website: GC42.ca/remits

*Thank you for the opportunity to be the WVSM Presbytery Representative this year.
Respectfully submitted, Anne Jardine*

Rock Lake United Church Camp Report 2016

Special thanks to the 4 Trinity folk who helped with Spring Clean-up on May 7, 2016. Your help is greatly appreciated! Chores included raking needles and leaves, staining 5 picnic tables and 5 campfire and beach benches, chain sawing the wood supply, fixing deck railings and cleaning gutters. It was a very hot, dry day so we were especially concerned about the abundance of dry pine needles on the roofs and ground.

New colour brochures were printed and circulated.

Projects this year included a new wooden entrance sign, furnace for dining room, floating dock, hot water heater, replacement of 2 sheds on outhouses, cladding on the beach outhouse, replacement computer tower and printer for caretakers and general road repairs.

Rock Lake United Church Camp Society operated Camp Surf Shack July 3-9, 2016 with 38 campers plus Junior Leaders-in-Training.

The BCCA's (British Columbia Camping Association) next accreditation visit is scheduled for 2017.

A successful Women's Retreat was held and \$757 was donated back to the camp to be put toward a new furnace in the Dining Hall. Thank-you ladies! Thank-you also to the Cranbrook Women's Ministry Network for \$500 in camperships and to Creston Pastoral Charge for \$300 in camperships in 2016.

Our financial position is strong with approximately \$35,000 to begin the upcoming camping season. We continue to promote usage to all pastoral charges, schools and community groups in our region. The campground continues to be full to capacity. Fees for the church camp are \$425/night. Campground fees for 2017 are \$995 per annum.

The committee is seeking new members from Kimberley and Grasmere pastoral charges. We hope that someone will feel the call to be involved.

Our committee is grateful for another successful year at Rock Lake United Church Camp and we thank everyone who has contributed in any way to the support and stewardship of this special part of Creation. ***Our AGM is Sat., April 22, 2017, 11am at Cranbrook United. Everyone welcome.***

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Moffatt, rep to RLUCCS, January 10, 2017

Note: Junior Co-ed camp dates: July 23-29, 2017. ***Reg. fee only \$50 this season.*** Contact info': RockLakeCamp.BC @hotmail.com, Kevin/Melissa Travis (camp directors) 403-730-0290, www.rocklakecampbc.com

WVSM 2017 BUDGET

	2015 actual	2016 (proposed)	2016 (projected)	2017 (proposed)
<u>Income</u>				
Open	4,750.99	4,700.00	6,700.00	5,500.00
Envelopes & Pledges	83,484.60	85,000.00	85,500.00	86,000.00
General CCT	2,801.12	2,000.00	1,600.00	2,000.00
Rentals	26,947.00	28,000.00	28,500.00	27,000.00
Fundraising	3275.30	4,000.00	2,000.00	5,000.00
TOTAL	121,259.01	123,700.00	124,300.00	125,500.00
<u>TiM</u>			8,020.52	8,000.00
<u>Expenses</u>				
Community Care	1931.71	1000.00	800.00	1,000.00
Conference/Workshop	1,940.42	1,400.00	1,004.47	1,400.00
Spiritual Care	1571.98	1,300.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Outreach Local	0	0	2,596.35 (50 th)	0
General	1,069.79	1,400.00	630.00	1,000.00
Programs	381.83	500.00	260.85	400.00
Personnel	83,836.04	85,700.00	87,500.00	89,500.00
Office	2,411.71	2,400.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Building/Utilities	19,992.93	20,500.00	24,000.00	21,500.00
National Churches	7,880.76	8,000.00	7,933.11	7,924.32
TOTAL	121,017.17	122,200.00	128,724.78	126,724.32
Surplus/Deficit	241.84	1,500.00	- 4424.78	- 1224.32
<u>TiM</u>			3595.74	6775.68

Courtesies: Rev. Laura thanked

- All present for attending.
- Council members for their leadership and dedication this past year.
- All committee members who do the hard work of maintaining our operations and nurturing our spirits.
- Our incredible anniversary committee and all of us who work hard to create and maintain this wonderful ecumenical shared ministry.
- Brenda Danyluk, Caron Green, Sebastian Bell, & Lea Kotyk for their leadership in organizing church events this year, including successful Fundraising events.
- Richard Hermakin, Dick Moffatt, Bill Turner, and Brent Woodard for the many odd jobs and tasks that they take on maintaining our buildings.
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- Wendy Jansen for looking after our Stolen Church coffee supplies.
- Marg Hodson for leading All Saints' guild.
- Myrna Verwey for serving as envelope secretary.
- Wendy Jansen for serving as treasurer.
- For the Lay Ministers who help with the services; Sebastian Bell, Crisanna MacLeod, Tess Moffatt, Carolyn Rogers, and Irene Turner.
- Our music team: Greg Constable, Irene Hohm, Wendy Jansen, Barry Moore, Leisa O'Sullivan, Judy Rea, Carolyn Rogers, and Sally Woodard.
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- Thank You!

Finally, I move a vote of Thanksgiving and Assurance of our Prayerful support to our Bishop and Metropolitan, The Most Reverend John Privett and to our Chair of Presbytery The Reverend Greg Powell.

In Loving Memory

- ~ Melvin Lloyd Thesen ~
~ Audrey Doreen Osterloh ~
~ Joan Mary Shelstrom ~
~ Deon Shane Wheeler ~
~ Kenneth Lautrup ~
~ Elizabeth "Betty" Mae Carscadden ~
~ Beryl "Cookie" Idel Rundberg ~
~ William Ken Berkeley ~
~ Cheryl Anne Perrin ~
~ Holger Neilsen Madsen ~
~ Gerald Vaughan Bellamy Kimpton ~
~ Avard Warren Nelson ~
~ May Pauline Nelson ~
~ Robert Edward Savage ~
~ Phyllis Evelyn Lake ~
~ James "Jim" Brown ~

