



St. Paul's United Church
2011 Annual Report

Milton, Ontario

In Loving Memory 2011

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St. Paul's United Church
Annual General Meeting
April 3, 2011

MINUTES

Present

Wendy Schau, Patty Wilcox, Joyce White, Judy Chartrand, Don Mahony, Nancy Mahony, Ione Cox, Sarah Fanning, Joan Woodall, Gaylyn McLean, Gwen Dryden, Doug Dryden, John Appleton, Susan Grupp, Lorna Turner, Beatrice Cross, Betty Tonelli, Bob Walker, Mary Walker, Linda Break, Ron Break, Carol Hyde, Marlene Grimwood, Eddie Hales, Kathleen Hales, Judy Hiscott, Fern Collier, Judy Hunter, Marilyn Elsley, Jane Copeland, Barbara Love, Ron Love, Mary Davies, Anton Davies, Judith Mackay, Mary McDuffe, Bill Smelser, Laure Jeffrey, Wallace Gray, Louise Prevost, Barb McFarlane, Shelley Woodcock, Bill Woodcock, Jorie Hiscott, Suzanne Watts, John Dransfield, Val Dransfield, Mavis Oneil, Jim Inglis, Eileen McElhinney, Eileen Bailey, Eleanor Jackson, David Wentzell, Brenda Jorgenson-Low, Kathy Sellers, Cindy Allin, Don Arnold, Ruth Parkinson, Jean George, May Denman, Rick Block, Jim Hunter, Fannie Hunter, Nancy Sutherland, Mabel Coulson, Marie White, Jack White, Mary Judge, Dan Scarffe, Tory Handford, Vicki Thomson, Mike Thomson, Susan Hunt, Dawn Brodie, Sandra Pollen, John Edgar, Linda Edgar, Susan Butson, Hannah Freiburg, Gladys Hume, Don Clements, Myra Hudspeth, Ed Merk, Jill Merk, Graham Troake, Anne Troake, Ruth Ford, Ron Hunt, Carol Anne Hunt, Shirley Ramsbottom, Ed Ramsbottom, Sherry Cameron, Marg Cameron, Carol Kerr, Mona Hummel, Sue Slimmon, Cheryl Fraser, Mary Fraser, Sharon Pyle, Torry Wentzell, Denise Allin, Richard Rye, Judy Rye, Diana Ward, Bob Ward, Gretchen Greene O'Brien, John Benham

From Halton Presbytery:

Don Gibson, Peter Curran, Diane Blanchard, John Hogman

After a combined worship service (Traditional and Contemporary), the congregation gathered for fellowship and a potluck sandwich lunch at 12 noon in Graham Hall. The annual general meeting commenced afterwards.

Welcome

Kathy Sellers welcomed the congregation to the annual general meeting.

Voting Privileges

MOTION 11:01 BE IT RESOLVED to grant voting privileges to all adherents at this annual general meeting.

Moved by Graham Troake

Seconded by Jack White

CARRIED

Approval of Past Minutes

MOTION 11:02 BE IT RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting, as circulated.

Moved by Don Mahony

Seconded by Patty Wilcox

CARRIED

(one abstention)

Annual Reports

MOTION 11:03 BE IT RESOLVED to approve the Reports from all St. Paul's committees and groups as set out in the 2010 Annual Report

Moved by Doug Dryden

Seconded by Mavis O'Neil

CARRIED

UPDATES

Building Task Force

Don Mahony updated the congregation on progress made by the Building Task Force, and responded to questions.

Sanctuary Study Group

Jim Dills updated the congregation on progress made by the Sanctuary Study Group, and responded to questions.

Information Sessions (to review building issues)

The first (of three) information sessions will be held on April 10 after church service, and will include architects from both groups. Wendy Schau and Bob Ward will chair these sessions. Bob Osser has volunteered to tape this session. Written questions will be accepted. Congregation is encouraged to bring a lunch, in case the meeting is lengthy. Two more sessions are planned (without architects) on Wednesday, April 13, and Thursday, April 28. Both of these latter meetings will commence at 7:30pm. A discussion was held about the procedures around the written questions. It was agreed that the Chairs of the information sessions and the two committees presenting would meet to arrange a suitable method for dealing with written questions and length of meeting.

Report of Trustees

MOTION 11:04 BE IT RESOLVED to authorize removal of the following people from the Board of Trustees: Audrea Lear-Costigan; Harvey Shoemaker; Burke McNeill; Grant Woodall; Ed McPhail; Steve Fraser and Janet Smith.

Moved by Mike Thomson

Seconded by Rick Block

CARRIED

Auditors Report

Eddie Hales presented the audited financial report and answered questions, along with Jean Lillie on behalf of the Trustees.

MOTION 11:05 BE IT RESOLVED to approve the audited financial report as prepared by Melissa Coulson, C.A.

Moved by Lorna Turner

Seconded by Judy Chartrand

CARRIED

(2 opposed / 5 abstentions)

Mission and Service Report

Ruth Parkinson stated that the amount of \$36,000 was the Mission and Service goal in 2011 and said that the UCW has pledged \$1,000 towards the goal.

MOTION 11:06 BE IT RESOLVED to support the Mission and Service goal of raising \$36,000 in 2011.

Moved by Mary Walker

Seconded by Carol Kerr

CARRIED

Nominations and Election of Officers and Trustees

Kathy Sellers announced the various motions passed by Halton Presbytery Executive on March 29 concerning the immediate future of St. Paul's. Presbytery strongly requested that St. Paul's postpone the nomination process planned for this Annual Meeting and that the existing Council would remain in their places until September 30, 2011. Peter Curran, Chair of Halton Presbytery, introduced himself and other members of Halton Presbytery present: Rev. Diane Blanchard, Rev. John Hogman, Rev. Don Gibson. Peter thanked Rev. John Benham for thirteen years of dedicated service to St. Paul's. He also expressed support for Rev. Sarah Fanning and Cameron Fraser. Kathy Sellers was thanked for her leadership at St. Paul's.

Peter Curran reiterated Halton Presbytery's strong concerns, and said that Kathy Sellers is willing to stay on as Chair of Council for 3 months. After that, the newly appointed interim minister would assume the Chair of Council until September 30, 2011.

MOTION 11:07 BE IT RESOLVED to postpone elections for 2011 until end of September 2011.

Moved by Geza Gaspardy

Seconded by Jean Lillie

CARRIED

MOTION 11:08 BE IT RESOLVED that should the members of church council elected on April 11, 2010, be continued in office to September 30, 2011, without an election on April 3, 2011, those members who stood for election to council in 2010 and who were then not elected and who are still willing to serve, shall be added to council to fill all vacancies on council created as the result of the resignation or death of any council members after April 11, 2010;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that should there be more eligible members willing to serve than vacant positions on council, the council may decide whom of those eligible members shall be added to council;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the term of all members of council, whether elected in 2010 or appointed to fill any vacancies in 2011, shall end on September 30, 2011;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the elections for members of council and for trustees shall be held on October 2, 2011, immediately following worship.

Moved by Theo Wolder

Seconded by Tory Handford

DEFEATED

Peter Curran stated that Halton Presbytery agreed that until a transitional minister is in place, that three presbytery persons be appointed to work with St. Paul's to assist them with their visioning process from now until September 30, 2011. Don Gibson agreed to help with building issues; Diane Blanchard will assist with pastoral relations and identifying an interim minister; and another volunteer will work with council and staff concerning leadership issues and administration concerns.

Peter Curran said that Halton Presbytery will not entertain any building proposals until September 30, 2011, but expected the two committees to continue their work in the interim.

Auditor Appointment

MOTION 11:09 BE IT RESOLVED to re-appoint Melissa Coulson, C.A., as the Auditor for the current year.

Moved by Don Mahony

Seconded by Ron Break

CARRIED

Chair's Report

Kathy Sellers thanked council members for their commitment and support and welcomed their input in the final three months of her leadership. She also thanked Halton Presbytery for their support. Thanks were extended to Rev. John Benham, Rev. Sarah Fanning, and Cameron Fraser. The volunteers who prepared and cleaned up the sandwich lunch were thanked, as well as Sarah Grupp and her friend, Whitney, for offering babysitting services during the AGM.

Annual General Meeting 2012

The date of the next annual general meeting is scheduled for April 1, 2012.

Congregational Meeting

The date of the meeting to elect Council, Trustees and Presbytery Representatives is scheduled for October 2, after the regular church service.

Closing Prayer

Cameron Fraser offered a closing prayer.

Adjournment

The annual general meeting ended at 2:40pm.

St. Paul's United Church - Trustee Board

Balance Sheet

31-Dec-11

Assets:

Cash	\$	7,797.13
Short Term Investments	\$	476,320.27
Lorne Brown Bursary Fund	\$	15,248.56
Total Assets	\$	<u>499,365.96</u>

Other Assets:

Rental Property	\$	245,750.75
Total Other Assts	\$	<u>245,750.75</u>

Total	\$	<u>745,116.71</u>
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Minister's Report

As I write this report, I realize there have been a variety of changes occurring at St Paul's since I came to St Paul's in July 2011. In June, the congregation bade farewell to Rev John, your pastor of many years. Also in June a congregational vote determined, by a slight majority, that work on the sanctuary would proceed. Halton Presbytery then commended the establishment of three working committees: insurance, building, fundraising and approved my appointment as Transitional Minister for an initial term of two years. A new Council was elected in October. Then in December we said good-bye to Rev Sarah as she prepared to move to Calgary.

Right away there have been challenges. Volunteers have resigned from a variety of key leadership positions. Some have just come to the natural end of their positions, while others were "burned out". As well, at least thirty-five members of St Paul's have chosen to worship in another setting. Naturally, the larger St Paul's congregation has been impacted by the absence of these members.

There have also been many blessings. Each week our Sunday School and nursery volunteers provide children with a vital Sunday program while the Storm-troopers continue their regular activities as scheduled. The Annex offers engaging, child-focused Sunday worship and outreach. Regularly scheduled "Messy Church" reaches even more deeply into the larger Milton community through crafts and related worship experiences. Special thanks to Cam, Cheryl, Mary, Sharon, Lesley, Kim, Lynn and family, and many others for all they have willingly undertaken this past year in the area of children and family ministries.

I want to acknowledge some of the many other volunteers that have participated in special events and activities during 2011. They include:

- the women of the UCW,
- the choir for their regular offering of praise and song during worship,
- the Sunday scripture readers and greeters, money counters, decorators, communion servers, sound system and other worship volunteers
- the current and past Council members
- the current and past members of the Board of Trustees and our Presbytery Representatives
- the Ministry and Personnel Committee
- the volunteers who have worked on the building and property
- the persons who have quietly done so much in the areas of finance, worship, mission and outreach
- the producers of the Herald and people involved in communications and the archives
- the pastoral care visitors who have offered communion or caring visits
- the volunteers for the Annex and the nursery and Sunday School, the spiritual practice group, and the prayer shawl group and other small groups that meet from time to time. And I would be remiss if I forgot to mention the volunteers helping with the turkey supper, special holiday teas and sales that take place throughout the year.

While all the volunteers are too numerous to list here, during the congregational meeting we will try to acknowledge by name the persons who have ably served and who have retired from their positions.

I also want to recognize the leaders involved with St Paul's Building Project. Thanks to chairpersons John Wilcox (fundraising), Bill Woodcock (building), and Theo Wolder and John Edgar (insurance) for their expertise and for spending a huge amount of time since August working towards a comprehensive building plan. Thanks also to the persons serving on the three committees and to the growing list of volunteers who have stepped up to help in various ways. And thanks to Jim Dills for so ably and consistently serving as our communications liaison.

By October the St Paul's Transition Team began their regular meetings. During our first few sessions I provided information concerning congregational life-cycles, levels of conflict, and we shared in conversation and prayer. The Transition Team has met monthly and slowly is working to clarify its role. Thanks to Derek Gilham, Tory Handford, Carol Hyde, Sharon Pyle, Wendy Schau, Betty Ann Wolder, and to Cam Fraser for hanging in there as we try to create a map through un-charted territory. I am also grateful for the able leadership of the two presbytery representatives, Mr Mel Matthias and the Rev Stephen Huntley.

What a time this has been! Yet my pastoral relationship at St Paul's Milton has only just begun. I have deeply appreciated the invaluable skills and commitment demonstrated by my colleagues, Cindy Allin, Cam Fraser, Don Cassano, Doug LaFrance and Deb Nuttall. I hope this congregation realizes how it has been blessed by the unstinting service of these capable persons.

Now while I work through my bereavement and time of unanticipated change, I am grateful for the many expressions of kindness, generosity and grace I have received. These expressions of sympathy and care are what we all want and should expect from a Christian congregation. While the congregation of St Paul's has recently had its significant and difficult challenges, I pray that through the mercy of Christ and the inspiration of the Spirit, God may guide and lead us through the months and years that lie ahead.

Reverend Michelle Hogman

Building Redevelopment Committees

During the first week of June 2011, the congregation was asked to vote whether to restore the sanctuary or to continue to seek redevelopment options for the St. Paul's site. By a narrow margin the congregation voted to restore the sanctuary.

Following that vote the Presbytery instructed formation of three committees that Council named and appointed members. The Insurance Claim Committee is chaired by Theo Wolder with John Edgar and Andrew Kocher. A Fundraising Committee is chaired by John Wilcox and included Lesley Fraser, Judy Hunter, Hannah Freiberg, Don Clements, Phyllis Gorman and Bob McDonald (Others have been added as the Fundraising work grew, Rick Rye, Jim Dills, Sue Butson, Carol Kerr, Mary McDuffe, Sandra Shore, Devin Sawyer. Further growth of this committee is ongoing.) The Sanctuary Restoration and Improvement committee is chaired by Bill Woodcock with members Graham Troake, Brad Clements, Don Hayward, Linda Edgar, Sandra Pollen, Eito Nijholt, John King and Bill Smelser. Draft mandates were prepared and submitted to the Council.

Early in discussions the groups saw as their overall objective, as supported by the Presbytery direction, the enhancement of both the worship and Christian Education facilities. This was reported to the congregation in September in the first of monthly updates given at Sunday services. Liaison with the Presbytery was maintained with monthly updates of an informal nature.

The Restoration Committee (also known as the Building Committee) examined criteria developed in a consultation process in 2009. They considered what might be possible or desirable within budget limitations.

By October architects had confirmed that the Christian Education Centre was structurally sound and could be modified and re-configured to meet the church community's future needs. An early conceptual drawing was developed that would see the CEC entrance and stairwell provide a gathering space with level access to the sanctuary and the active area of the CEC. Graham Hall would be reduced in height and the present fellowship

room floor would be leveled with the sanctuary. A new elevator would be installed to insure accessibility to all parts of the buildings.

Members of the Insurance Claim committee have continued discussions with our insurer. Some refurbishing of contents has been completed and the items returned to use in the temporary worship area in Graham Hall. Replacement of things like hymn books and Bibles has been completed. Protracted discussions have been undertaken for the restoration of the pews and the organ as the Insurer has required extensive competitive pricing.

Building committee members met with various church groups to determine essential needs and possible floor plans for utilization of the space. Plans for the various features continue through several redrafts of the floor plans.

Countless meetings have taken place by the three committees, co-ordinated by regular meetings of the three chairs, as the project developed in the eight months since the committee appointments.

Regular communication with the congregation was maintained through verbal and written reports on a monthly basis.

In early January 2012 John Wilcox, chair of the Fundraising Committee reported that plans for the building project and financial plans were being completed. "Providing functional facilities for the 21st century for the mission and ministry of St. Paul's is our overall objective. Toward that end +VG Architects have developed an imaginative plan to open up the existing stair well area between the CE building and the Sanctuary and then connect the buildings on the same level through a light filled atrium."

Chairs: John Wilcox, Theo Wolder, Bill Woodcock

Communications Action Team Report

Team Members: Cindy Allin (staff), Jim Dills, Marlene Grimwood, Lorna Turner, Brenda Jorgenson-Low, Craig Hughes, Carol Hyde, Suzanne Watts

Herald Newsletter: Ten issues of our Herald Newsletter were published in 2011, the 23^d year since its inception in 1989. Marlene Grimwood and Carol Hyde co-edited the 11th editions, and Sandra Shore joined the Herald team providing wonderful photography. We continue to hold monthly meetings with the editors and major contributors, in attempts to keep the content interesting and helpful. Janis Young retired after many years of service as our layout artist, and Lesley Fraser was welcomed into that position. Thank you to Janis. St. Paul's Family of Business and Professional people who advertise on our back page contribute significantly to the cost of this production and we continue to lose and gain sponsors on a yearly bases. The cost of this advertisement is \$175.00 per year. We are grateful for this support and encourage anyone wanting to advertise to contact the Herald team or the church office. Finally, a large team of volunteers meet regularly to collate and organize their distribution, and a large group of couriers continue to place these on your doorstep.

Website: The website continues to be enhanced with current information and photos of activities taking place in and around St. Paul's, with a concerted effort being made to keep this site current and to highlight new events. Please check it out at www.stpaulsmilton.org. Cindy Allin continues to manage our site.

Signage:

The information being put on the outdoor sign has been made more generic, thus requiring fewer changes. We no longer change it weekly, but rather with seasonal changes as needed.

Library: Our Lorne Brown Resource Centre remains open and full of material, found at the entrance of our Fellowship Room on the second level. Bob Osser, our librarian for years has retired as he and his family have moved away from Milton. We thank Bob for his services with the library, and new volunteers are welcome to lend a hand in it's management..

Photo Directory: No action was taken this year.

Annual Report: Cindy gathers this data from all committees and groups, and Craig Hughes organizes, and coordinates the production of this report. It is made available at or before the Annual meeting, now in April. It is also available on the website.

Champion advertising: We continue to budget for the weekly advertisements found in our local Champion newspaper.

Milton Area Christian Churches Working Together: Lorna Turner continues to very capably represent St. Paul's, and acts as Secretary on this community committee. Our Action Team provides St. Paul's financial support.

Suzanne Watts (retiring Chair)

**FELLOWSHIP EVENTS TEAM
2011
Cash Flow Report**

The Fellowship Events Team of St Paul's ended their activities of fellowship, and fund raising at the end of August 2011, because of the lack of interest and support.

Categories	Inflows	Outflows	Net
Uncategorized	\$1,435.00	\$484.18	\$950.82
Car-Rally	\$135.00	\$178.53	(\$43.53)
Card-A-Rama	\$1,005.31	\$597.14	\$408.17
Dorland-Haight	\$275.00	\$206.76	\$68.24
Fish Dinner	\$2,760.00	\$1,759.19	\$1,000.81
Golf Tournament	\$6,254.00	\$2,412.15	\$3,841.85
Miscellaneous	\$2,549.95	\$2,672.56	(\$122.61)
Quilting Group	\$820.00	\$643.21	\$176.29
Sign Rental	\$374.58	\$485.98	(\$111.42)
Valentine Dance	\$172.15	\$224.14	(\$51.19)
Transfer to Church General Account			\$6,195.49
Bank Charge		\$435.94	
Credit Card Charges		\$82.29	
HST Charges		\$470.32	
TOTALS	\$15,780.99	\$10,652.39	\$5,128.60

Submitted by Doug Dryden

After the Fellowship Events Team disbanded, two events were held in the fall and winter of 2011. The Turkey Supper raised over \$3,000 and the Christmas Fair raised around \$1,000.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Annual Report

Four to eight women met monthly to share ideas and knit shawls for the Prayer Shawl Ministry. 42 shawls were presented to individuals during 2011. Some were given to people with a direct connection to St. Paul's and some were given to people who are from the wider community. Each person who received a shawl was undergoing major changes in their life. Many generous knitters and crocheters contributed their time and talents to this ministry of caring and sharing.

Jill Merk

Memorial Donations

We have received \$2,054.56 as total for the year 2011.

Of that amount, \$125 went to general/local expenses and \$100 to the Lorne Brown Bursary fund.

Carol Kerr

Mission and Outreach Action Team Report

Committee members: Tracey Antaya, Jane Hayward, Audrey Cairns, John Gregory, Bob Walker, Val Ewan, Ruth Parkinson

The Crozier funds for community outreach activities were distributed to Messy Church, Milton Transitional Housing Corp., Benevolent fund, a family to attend a Ryerson summer camp program, Salvation Army Food Bank and Milton Christian Churches Working Together for their food bank dinner and the Walk to Bethlehem. Total spent: \$9,655.28

We continued to and support the Wesley Urban Ministries in Hamilton. St. Paul's members volunteered with a barbeque in June and worked in their Free Christmas Store in December. A yard sale in June for Wesley generated \$1,500. Total spent: \$2,631.51

The Outreach funds in 2011 were given to the Canada Foodgrains bank, subscription for Mandate, Scott Mission, Honduras Medical Missionary, Leprosy Mission Canada, Sleeping Children Around the World, Marion Medical Mission. United Church World Development and Relief in Haiti. Total spent: \$4,117.35

Two worship services were arranged- March 20th, Dorothy Wilson the UCC representative for KAIROS spoke on the work for justice and peace by Canadian churches working together. In September, Thom Davies from Wesley Urban ministries enlightened the congregation about the work of Wesley in assisting the needy. St. Paul's Mission and Outreach website page was regularly updated.

Mabel Coulson and Nancy Sutherland agreed to managing the collection of stamps for the Leprosy Mission.

Mission of the Month articles in the Herald

February, Habitat For Humanity

March- KAIROS

April- Food for Life

June- Wesley Urban Ministry

July-August- Food Grains

September -Milton Transitional Housing

October- Horn of Africa

November- Alternative Christmas Gifts

December-Salvation Army Food Bank

Ruth Parkinson

Singles Annual Report

The Singles group meets on the second Sunday of each month for lunch. At present we have 19 members.

This year's activities included a 15th Anniversary Luncheon in January. Birthdays are celebrated each month. A barbecue was held in July. On the second Sunday, Singles greet at the door during the Graham Hall worship service. There was no Singles meeting in April due to Special meeting about the sanctuary.

A Silent Auction was held in March from which \$50 was paid to the Relay for Life in memory of Ruth Garber. We purchased soccer balls for \$100 for Mission and Outreach for Wesley families and donated \$100 to the St. Paul's Sunday School.

A cheese sale was sponsored in November and proceeds of \$782 were given to the St. Paul's General Fund.

We celebrated Christmas dinner at the China House restaurant and then we were invited to the home of Bea Cross for our Christmas party.

All Singles welcome.

Eileen Bailey

United Church Women Report

The UCW's purpose is "To unite the women of the congregation for the total mission of the Church and to provide a medium through which we may express our loyalty and devotion to Jesus Christ in Christian witness, study, fellowship and service."

At our monthly meeting with an average attendance of 20, we were pleased to have a variety of program speakers. They were: Wendy Schau, who spoke about the new Arts Centre to be opened in Milton this year;

Lianne Krane, who spoke on the work of the Horticulture Society; Ruth Parkinson, who gave a talk on Home Suite Hope, an association working to provide accommodation for the homeless; Debbie Taylor, who gave a presentation on the CCAC in Milton and Halton, and Mabel Coulson, who talked to us about the Mission and Service Fund of the United Church of Canada. We held two potluck suppers this year. The first one was held in the garden at the home of Diana and Bob Ward, and the second was our Christmas party, which was held in Graham Hall.

In May we held our Spring Tea with guest speaker Bev. Faulkner whose topic was “The Women in My Life.” We provided six bed kits for Sleeping Children around the World; catered for two funeral teas; donated baking for our Christmas Fair and helped by making pies for our annual turkey dinner.

We were saddened this year by the passing of Lillian Lamb, a long-time member of the UCW and a devoted member. She will be missed. Another UCW member, Mary Almey and her family moved from Milton to Sarnia in June. We wish them well in their new home.

In June we held a breakfast celebration for Rev. John Benham, Nancy and family to wish them well in their new Church, Trinity United in Guelph. Gifts from the UCW were presented to John, Nancy, Chelsea, Melissa and Scott. They will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers go with them.

2012 marks the 50th Anniversary of the UCW. A celebration called “Our Tapestry of Love” is to be held in Ancaster from July 23 to July 27th. Three members are already registered and several other members are planning to attend the closing banquet. St. Paul’s UCW formed a committee to acknowledge locally this milestone by planning a church service on May 27 followed by a luncheon. Betty Turcott, National UCW President has agreed to be our guest speaker.

As of November, our meeting time has changed from Tuesday evening to Wednesday afternoon. We now meet on the second Wednesday each month except for July and August at 1:30 p.m. We invite all women of the congregation to join us for a time of fun and fellowship.

Nancy Sutherland,
Secretary

Diana Ward,
President

UCW Annual Report for 2011

Balance on hand January 1, 2011 **\$4,716.24**

Receipts

Christmas Fair	\$975.25
Catering and funeral teas	\$1,545.00
Unit Offering	\$958.75
Spring Tea	\$492.00
UCW Presbyterial Annual Meeting	\$100.00
Donations	\$30.00
Miscellaneous	\$50.00
Kitchen Fund	\$406.78

Total Receipts \$4,557.78

Disbursements

St. Paul's Church	\$1,956.78
St. Paul's Youth Ministry	\$200.00
Shawl Ministry	\$60.82
Catering and funeral teas	\$296.00
Congregational	\$101.69
UCW	\$540.16
Food Fair	\$50.00
Kitchen Fund	\$326.50
Spring Tea	\$192.48
UCW Presbyterial Annual Meeting	\$100.00

Donations

Mission and Service	\$1,100.00
Five Oaks	\$300.00
Sleeping Children Around the World	\$210.00
Milton Area Christian Churches	\$200.00
Salvation Army Food Bank	\$200.00

Total Disbursements and Donations \$5,834.43

Balance on hand December 31, 2011 **\$3,439.59**

St. Paul's United Church, Milton

Income Statement
(Excluding Trustees)

	2010 ACTUAL	2011 BUDGET	2011 ACTUAL
INCOME			
Givings - Local	\$235,230	\$242,000	\$212,122
- Loose	5,467	4,000	6,055
- Facility Improvement	16,294	17,000	15,618
- Presbytery Assessment	4,428	4,500	4,088
- Satellite	5,187	8,000	8,080
Mission & Service	35,376	36,000	32,477
Business Interruption			2,219
Funding from Trustees - Housing Allowance	13,223	14,235	11,163
- Crozier (Facility Improvement)	19,310	19,300	9,665
- Crozier (Local Outreach)			7,404
- Crozier (Local Outreach - Satellite)			2,261
Fellowship Events	9,967	17,000	4,429
Satellite Ministry Funding (from UCC/Presb & held funds)	35,145	52,000	39,175
Church Rentals	37,836	23,000	26,671
UCW and other Groups	7,521	2,500	1,678
Memorial and Other Donations	599	0	830
Miscellaneous Income	8,437	1,000	13,600
Outreach Income (Wesley, Benevolence, etc)			4,363
sub total	434,020	440,535	\$401,897
Less M&S	-35,376	-36,000	-32,477
TOTAL INCOME	\$398,644	\$404,535	\$369,420
EXPENDITURES			
Salaries and Benefits	\$247,621	\$232,410	\$252,275
Establishment Costs - Heat and Electricity	17,157	16,842	18,379
- Janitorial incl. Supplies	33,391	33,100	31,694
- Maintenance & Repairs	19,142	21,955	10,186
Administration (includes Technology)	25,897	19,290	15,866
Satellite Ministry	40,439	60,000	49,676
Presbytery Assessment	12,934	11,339	11,339
Groups - Christian Development	931	1,000	335
- Worship (includes decorating)	2,636	4,400	3,018
- Worship (music)			3,607
- Communications	4,122	2,925	2,374
- Outreach (from Crozier and general funds)	11,185	14,100	13,772
- Outreach (collected for Benev., Wesley, etc)			4,736
- Finance	3,075	3,117	3,615
- Other Groups	4,606	9,395	2,261
Taskforces (Development, Vision, etc)			1,292
Miscellaneous Expenses	3,876	3,040	2,490
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$427,012	\$432,913	\$426,915
SURPLUS / (SHORTFALL)	-\$28,368	-\$28,378	-\$57,495

Note: 1. \$90,549 owed to Raise the Roof fund from Operating Fund
2. \$11,000 owed to Satellite Ministry from Operating Fund

**The 2011 financial statement will be reviewed by a Chartered Accountant and available by June 30, 2012.*



The Annex Project
of
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The Annex Project Annual Report (2011)

Background of the Project

The Annex Project officially began in the fall of 2009, under the name *the St. Paul's Satellite Ministry*. The goal was to develop an increased presence of the United Church in the new areas of Milton particularly among younger families. The project was started following encouragement from Halton Presbytery's Mission Development Officer, Rev. Pete Hoyle. Funding was promised through Halton Presbytery, Hamilton Conference and the National Level of the United Church of Canada for the first 3 years of the project. St. Paul's was chosen for this project because of the large growth in Milton and because St. Paul's had been the site of a previous Presbytery sponsored Growth Project (in the early-mid 2000s).

Cam Fraser was asked to staff the Annex Project. He was at the time covering Youth Ministry and Contemporary Worship at St. Paul's while the Church was seeking a new minister.

The initial goal was to develop a family focused service that could be offered somewhere in the new areas of Milton in some sort of rental space. In the fall of 2009, 3 monthly experimental services were offered - 1 on the patio of Cafe Deda (now Hawthorne Cafe) and 2 at Portabello's Restaurant. While the services were enjoyable, they were not well attended and the lack of space and volunteers meant that kids programming could not be offered.

Throughout the fall of 2009, a weekly Tuesday Night gathering occurred at Cafe Deda which included book studies, 2 concerts by local Christian Artists, a series of Faith and Pop Music and video screenings.

In the Winter of 2010 the Sunday Service moved to the basement of 123 Main, and combined with the monthly contemporary service being run at St. Paul's and began running weekly. This also allowed children of Annex attendees to attend the St. Paul's Sunday School. The hope was that over the course of the Winter and Spring a core of people who might be interested in planting this style of worship in the new area of Milton might develop. The thinking of Halton Presbytery was that younger Miltonians might be more open to trying church with their families if offered in less obviously religious locations, and might be reluctant to travel into the downtown core for Sunday Services. However, in the spring the worshipers of the Annex gathered to discuss how worshiping in a traditional church was not a barrier to them and that coming downtown for Sunday Gatherings was also not a barrier.

In the Winter of 2010 the Annex tried it's first experiment in Messy Church at the Milton Sports Centre, a well received event which began to be offered monthly in the winter of 2011.

Annex Programming in 2011

During 2011, the Annex Sunday Morning Gathering continued weekly on the 3rd floor of 123 Main Street (St. Paul's United Church). We have tried to move beyond a philosophy of child/family friendly to child/family focused. Our hope is not to be a gathering where it is okay to bring children but to offer gatherings built around the needs of families with young children. Our hope is to engage the Christian Story in authentic and relevant ways, allowing questioning and differing points of view while offering space and opportunity to develop one's own Spiritual experience. Children have been able to benefit from the ever growing St. Paul's Sunday School.

In 2011, the Annex was part of celebrations of baptism for 4 families (a total of 9 children) and confirmed 4 adults as members. It was a huge honour and excitement to be part of these milestones.

We have been able to offer monthly Messy Church events in 2011 (Jan - April and Oct-Dec) at the Milton Sports Centre. Each month we chose one story from the Bible to build our event around. The event includes singing and music, dramatic interactive story-telling, snacks, and most importantly, messy crafts. Over the course of the year we have been able to welcome many new families to the event. The ultimate goal of Messy Church is not to get people to attend the Sunday Service but to provide additional space for young families in Milton to engage with the Christian Story.

The week leading up to Christmas, the Annex Project offered 4 nights of Caroling in the Milton Community. We brought songbooks, thermoses of hot chocolate, tambourines (which sound a lot like jingle bells)

How the Annex Project is Funded

While the Annex Service occurs in the building of St. Paul's it runs on a slightly separate budget from the church itself.

The Annex Project is primarily funded through grants from the different levels of the United Church of Canada (Halton Presbytery, Hamilton Conference and the National Level of the UCC).

Unused funds from the Presbytery supported Growth Project of the early 2000s (approximately \$9,000) have been committed towards the running of the Annex Project.

In the fall of 2009, St. Paul's pledged the funds raised at their gala and Silent Auction towards the running of the Annex Project. This totaled approximately \$13,000 which has been used over the 3 years of the Project.

The St. Paul's Mission and Outreach Team has allotted money from the Crozier Estate (left in trust to be administered by the church for use in the community) towards the running of the Annex Project.

The Annex Project is also supported through givings that are specifically designated on offering envelopes to the Annex. Loose offerings (not in an envelop) collected at Annex services also contributes to the running of the Annex. PAR givings designated to the Annex Project also contribute.

The Annex Steering Team

Since it was conceived in partnership between the leadership of St. Paul's and Halton Presbytery, the Annex Project currently reports to both the St. Paul's Church Council and the executive and full court of Halton Presbytery. Immediate direction and oversight is provided by the Project Steering Team. In 2011 the team was made up of...

Cam Fraser

Kathy Sellers (then St. Paul's Council Chair)

Rev. Pete Hoyle (Halton Presbytery Mission Development Officer)

Rev. John Benham (until June 2011)

Rev. Michelle Hogman (after September 2011)

The purpose of the Steering Team is to evaluate activities of the Annex and discern the best direction to go in the future. We would like to increase the membership of this team.

Future Hopes of the Annex

Our hope is to continue to offer the Sunday Morning Gathering in increasing partnership with St. Paul's United. We feel that this service has developed excellent momentum and is a way that we are meeting the Spiritual needs of attendees and offering space for them to engage the Christian Story in a meaningful and authentic way and to explore their own sense of Spirituality. We hope to increase the opportunities and resources offered to help families practice their faith together (both in our gatherings and at home).

We hope to continue to offer Messy Church as a place to connect with families who might not attend church on a Sunday morning (as well as offering additional fun and growth for families who do).

One piece of feedback that we received from a number of respondents to a survey distributed in the fall of 2010 was that they were interested in opportunities for families to help others together. Our hope is be able to offer events in the coming years that would allow families to work together to help others in our community.

The Annex Budget for 2012

			2011 Budget	2011 Actual	2012 Budget
Satellite Ministry Income					
Satellite	Satellite - Grant from UCC/Presbytery			\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
	Satellite - Outreach Funding			\$ 4,090.00	\$ 4,000.00
	Satellite - Charitable Givings			\$ 8,080.00	\$ 12,000.00
	Satellite - Gala & Prepaid Mission Support Funds			\$ 70.00	\$ 11,000.00
	Transfer Prepaid Mission Support funds			\$ 7,436.00	
Satellite Ministry Income			\$ 52,000.00	\$ 49,676.00	\$ 57,000.00
Satellite Ministry Expense					
Satellite - Staff Expense					
	Satellite - Staff Salaries			\$ 21,591.00	\$ 24,360.00
	Satellite - Housing Allowance			\$ 16,008.00	\$ 17,622.75
	Satellite - Travel Allowance			\$ 2,928.00	\$ 3,397.66
	Satellite - Other Staff Expense - P&B, con ed			\$ 4,926.05	\$ 6,369.76
Satellite - Staff Expense				\$ 45,453.05	\$ 51,750.17
	Satellite - Rental Expense			\$ 935.00	\$ 1,000.00
	Satellite - Other Expense			\$ 3,287.00	\$ 4,250.00
Total 8-9000 - Satellite Ministry Expense			\$ 60,000.00	\$ 49,675.05	\$ 57,000.17
				\$ 0.95	\$ (0.17)

Note - Cam Fraser is a Designated Lay Minister (unrecognized) which is a category of ministry in the United Church accountable to the Presbytery working in 1 year (July-June) renewable appointments with St. Paul's United. His salary package is determined by the United Church of Canada minimum salary requirements. In 2012 he moves from category A (1-2 years experience) to B (3-4 years). The renewal of his appointment is overseen by the St. Paul's Ministry and Personnel Team and then approved by the St. Paul's Church Council.

St. Paul's United Church

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Ministers

The Rev. John Benham (to June 30, 2011) The Rev. Sarah Fanning
The Rev. Michelle Hogman (from July 1, 2011)
Cam Fraser

Director of Music Don Cassano **Church Administrator** Cindy Allin

Council – January 1-October 4, 2011

Chairperson of Church Council

Kathy Sellers (to June 30, 2011) The Reverend Michelle Hogman (acting chair) from July 1, 2011

Church Treasurer Eddie Hales **Council Secretary** Gretchen Greene O'Brien

Council Directors

Bob Walker (to February 2011)	Susan Grupp	Debora Harrold	Joan Woodall	Don Mahony
Carol Hyde (trustees rep.)	Ione Cox	Val Dransfield	John Hough (to April 2011)	
Bill Judge	Wilma Tyrer	Diana Ward		
Presbytery Reps:	Judy Chartrand	Bob Osser	Ruth Parkinson	Tory Handford

Council – October 4 to December 31, 2011

Acting Chairperson of Church Council

The Reverend Michelle Hogman

Church Treasurer Vacant – functions managed by the Finance Committee

Council Secretary Tory Handford

Council Directors

Sue Butson	Hannah Freiberg	John Hough	Sue Kalbfleisch	Kathy Sellers
Graham Troake	Patty Wilcox	Bill Woodcock	Wilma Tyrer	
Presbytery Rep:	Judy Chartrand	Staff:	Cam Fraser, Cindy Allin	

Chairperson of Trustees

Rev. John Benham (to June 30, 2011) Rev. Michelle Hogman (from July 1, 2011)

Vice-Chairperson of Trustees Andrew Kocher **Trustees Treasurer** Jean Lillie (to June 30, 2011)

Trustees Secretary Geza Gaspardy

Trustees

Don Arnold	Rick Block	Mabel Coulson *	Doug Dryden
Henry Hildebrand *	Carol Hyde (trustees rep. to council to October 4, 2011)		
Brenda Jorgenson-Low	Carol Kerr (memorials)	Mike Thomson	Suzanne Watts
Bob Ward	Theo Wolder		

* non-voting members

Additional Responsibilities

Christian Development – vacant Communications – Suzanne Watts

Fellowship Events Team – Doug Dryden (to June 30, 2011)

Finance – Eddie Hales (to September 30, 2011)

Membership – Judy Chartrand (resigned in 2011) Ministry & Personnel – Debora Harrold

Mission & Outreach – Ruth Parkinson Pastoral Care – Ione Cox (resigned in 2011) and Val Dransfield

Property - Mike Thomson Stewardship – Jean Lillie and Kathy Sellers (resigned in 2011)

Worship – Rev. Sarah Fanning

UCW – Diana Ward