



**2011
ANNUAL
REPORT**

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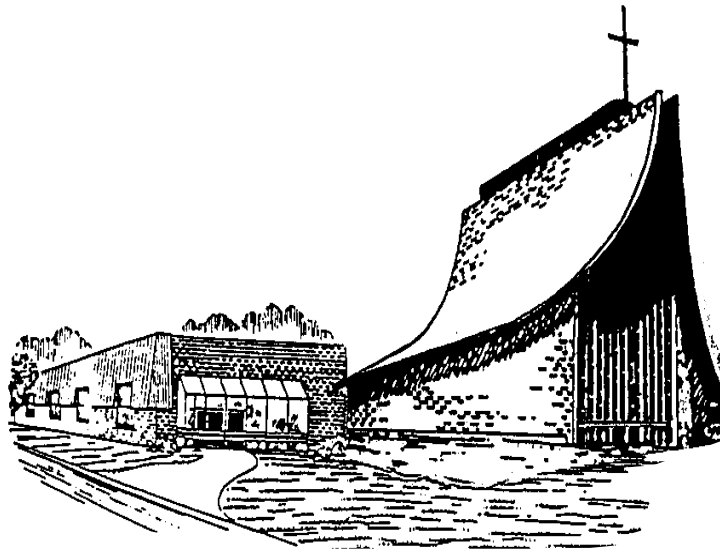
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Church Reports



2011 ANNUAL REPORT COMMENTS
FROM THE MINISTER—REVEREND BARRIE

**“One More Step Along the World I Go,
 From the old things to the new—Keep me Travelling Along with You!”**

Thankful greetings to each one of you, as you continue to live out your loyalty to Jesus Christ in this faith community! Thank you for taking the time to read and reflect upon the various reports that others have worked hard to prepare for inclusion in this - 2011 Annual Report Card for Fairview United Church. Our February 19, 2012 Annual Congregational Meeting Time is an excellent opportunity for us to evaluate just how well we are living out our new Vision Statement: “Embracing Faith - Sharing God’s Love” with each other, our neighbours, and all of creation. This is also a time for checking our focus and sorting out our priorities. This new year - 2012 - challenges us to continue in a time of discernment, good stewardship and visioning!

I do rejoice in many of the accomplishments of this Fairview Church Family during the year of our 61st Anniversary of congregational life and outreach!

Here are a few of the highlights that have made 2011 a memorable year!

1. TLC for Japan - Together Let’s Care! Held on Saturday evening June 4th, featuring live entertainment from Brantford and area musicians, a Silent Auction, and fabulous refreshments, this event helped to raise \$2,838.00 for disaster relief efforts.
2. The July and August refreshing Summer Worship Service format including Fairview, St. Andrew’s, and Harmony congregations, brought a new burst of energy to our fellowship and worship experiences!
3. Fairview celebrated its 61st Anniversary as a United Church congregation on Sunday, November 13th, with “The Givens Family” from Princeton inspiring us through their “Ministry of Music.”
4. The Outreach Committee hosted a Christmas Luncheon for the staff and 170 students at Central Public School in Brantford during the lunch hour of Monday, December 19th. We were richly blessed to have such a great gathering of volunteers to further develop this partnership with Central Public School. The organizational skills of the Fairview Outreach Committee and friends are to be celebrated.
5. The Youth Service on Sunday, November 20th was prepared by Alexander Rey and other creative partners. The use of innovative drama, PowerPoint, and special music made this a very unique blended worship experience.

As we work and play, laugh and pray, might God be with us, blending us all together: children, youth, mid-life adults and seniors. In this time of our visioning, may the God of Peace be with YOU!

Yours in Christ’s living! Reverend Barrie

BOARD CHAIR COMMENTS—2011

As you will see from reading the various committee reports, 2011 proved to be another good year for Fairview Church. The board has had a busy and productive year. The visioning project moved along well and has given us some direction for our future. Proposals for consideration will be presented to the congregation at the annual meeting.

We have two specific areas where we are facing serious challenges. One is finances and the other is board membership. The finance issue will become more of a challenge over the next two or three years. As we presently operate, we are just below our break-even line and quite manageable. Based on area congregations, we are still in good condition, in fact, near the top of the list in our presbytery. The down side to this is the continuing challenge the United Church is having with declining membership. By the time you read this, Dave Kelman will have delivered a “state of the congregation” message that highlighted trends and challenges that we and other Christian congregations are experiencing.

The board and committees are looking at options we might consider to add to programming and activities that could increase membership as one way of meeting financial objectives. Another is planned giving. Hospitals, universities and many health groups encourage this option. Planned giving includes bequests, life insurance policies, and investment transfers. Our stewardship committee is currently studying these programs as part of a funding initiative.

Our weekly giving covers our every day operations. Extras such as shingles, flat roof replacement, and potential addition of part time staffing, as recommended by the visioning process, require that we look elsewhere to cover these costs. Grants, trustee funds and fundraising are available sources. We are exploring the best way to meet our needs without stressing our congregational finances.

Our current board is very active. Our committees are busy with good programs. It would be welcome indeed if these volunteers could occasionally have a break from committee activities. However, we are having problems adding new members to committees, especially as chairs. We will know at the annual meeting how successful our nominating committee has been this time around. It has been a struggle to recruit the full complement required for an active congregation. As I write this message on January 9, there is a strong possibility the 2012 board will be without both a vice-chair and a chair. We have operated for all of 2010 and 2011 without a vice-chair. It was early summer when we filled the chair positions on some committees, and some operate with the position rotating. I am most grateful to the excellent contribution of those who have assumed these responsibilities. As a result of this situation, I will be asking the board, and in particular the stewardship committee, to review our constitution and board structure to see if it is still the best way for us to function in a declining enrolment scenario.

In summary, we do have challenges that must be addressed. At the same time, we can be proud of the work we have done both within our congregation and within our community. We will work together to have the Fairview congregation remain a significant factor in our church and neighbourhood.

Respectfully submitted with God’s guidance,
Bob Scott
2011 Board Chair

Fairview United Church Annual Congregational Board Meeting
Sunday, February 13, 2012 after service in the Fellowship Hall

1. Call to Order - Rev. Barrie Bain NOTE: 62 people present at the meeting.
2. Election of Chairperson: Nominates Dave Hugman
3. Election of Secretary for Annual Meeting: Nominates Liz Ryan
4. Appointment of Scrutineers: Gene Jeffrey, Cheryl McKellar, Cindy Smiley
5. Voting and Meeting Guidelines: Any member present can vote on items here.
6. Approve the Agenda: Motion: April Hugman/George Weeden
That we approve the agenda for this Annual General Meeting 2011
7. Adoption of the Minutes of the 2010 Annual Meeting: Motion: Debra Ward/Allan Rey
That we adopt the minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting (Page 4 of the Report)
8. 2011 Nominating Committee Report - page 14 Shirley Draper - One position on the Nominating Committee and one on Faith Formation and one on the House System. Also, Vice-Chair for the Board.

Patsy Watson: Add to House System.
9. Review and Note Corrections to all reports within the 2010 Annual Report, excluding the Finan

Morley Roswell's name needs to be added to JNAC committee
10. Motion: That we receive these reports as amended.

Gene Jeffrey/Jane Baxter Carried unanimously.
11. 2010 Financial Report - Sherri Milla

Chuck McDonald: On Capital Expenditure - recovered grant - where does that come from?
Dave Hugman: Could we discuss that during the next item, discussion of the 2011 budget.

No questions about the 2010 financial report.

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12. Auditor's Report - Judy Jessom - Report is pending. So, if OK with everyone, we will approve the 2010 budget without the audit. If, when we receive the report, there is an anomaly, the Board will deal with it then. Rev. Barrie - has spoken to Judy, and everything looks good. Written statement will be arriving pending any inquiry Judy may have.

Motion: That we accept the 2010 financial/budget report.

Dave Kelman/Phyllis Hunter Carried.

13. Motion to approve the 2011 budget excluding M & S (page 52 of the annual report):

Chuck McDonald - Can we assume that we will be getting the grant?

Sherri Milla - Sees no reason why we wouldn't but we're still waiting. Amount available is up to \$25,000; we've applied for \$10,000 of it.

Glenn Watson - Still seems that it isn't a practical approach to income relying on something that isn't guaranteed.

Sherri Milla - That line includes money that we could pull out of the Trustee's account like the money from the Echo Place; is money that is separate from the General Account.

Glenn Watson - If you lose the capital, you lose the interest.

Sherri Milla - That is not a large enough amount to distort what we're looking at. As much as the income may not happen, those expenditures may not happen either.

Dave Hugman - Comment regarding the grant. These are issues that have to happen. Solarium windows are leaking for example. These aren't program issues, but to maintain our building.

Richard Robertson - Fuel - budget is \$8,000.00 but it actually cost \$3,486.00 last year in 2010.

Sherri Milla - Possibility of maintenance costs/service contract for new furnaces.

Bob Scott - History in this - 2008 and 2009 the cost of fuel was pretty close to \$7,000.00. It's more or less budgeted based on the averages. Last year was very mild. Includes an increase as well.

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Motion: To approve the 2011 budget as posted, excluding M & S.

Dorothy Bayne/Gord Ferrell Carried unanimously.

14. M & S Objective (Page 51 of Annual Report)

Special Purpose Remittance under M & S.

Question: Where did the \$2.00 come from; makes more sense to round it off.

Sherri Milla: It is a calculation that came from Sharon based on actual PAR givings for this year.

Motion: That we accept the M & S budget as posted.

Joyce Neddoe/Jane Baxter Passed.

15. New Business: Vision Statement: Motion: Jane Baxter /Gene Jeffreys

That we accept "Embracing faith, Sharing God's love" as our new vision statement.

Question: Glenn Watson: Does this do away with our current mission statement?

Jane Baxter: We used our mission statement as a basis for our new vision statement. Then, an action plan will come from this.

16. Minister: Comments by Rev. Barrie Bain

17. Chair of Congregations Board: Bob Scott

18. Courtesies and Adjournment

Chair (Dave Hugman)

Secretary (Liz Ryan)

2012 NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating Committee submits for your consideration and approval the names of the following people who have agreed to serve for the year 2012. Respectfully submitted by Debra Ward.

<u>Chair</u>	<u>Vice Chair</u>	<u>Past Chair</u>	<u>Minister</u>	<u>Secretary</u>
Morley Roswell	_____	Bob Scott	The Rev. Barrie Bain	Liz Ryan

Faith Formation

Martha Weavers - (SS) Martha & Alexander will be co-coordinating Sunday School.

Alexander Rey - (SS) Require replacement for Alexander effective June 2012.

Beth McIntosh

Patsy Watson

Sue Kennedy (youth) Until Jun 2012

Linn Shea (youth)

Finance / Admin

Dave Kelman

Sherrie Milla

Peggy Walker

David Watson

Ministry and Personnel

Don Camick

Doug Malvern

Peggy Walker

Bob Scott

Nominating

Stewardship

Bill Anticknap

Morley Roswell

David Watson

Outreach

Jane Baxter

Gary Mills

Ruth Mills

Linn Shea

Brenda Weeden

George Weeden

Property

Les Attwood

Conrad Church

Dave Gilbert

Ernie Gooding

Gene Jeffery

Ed Jesseman

Al Ljunggren

Peter Loube

Scott McKellar

Richard Robertson

Bob Scott

Worship

Les Attwood

Yvonne McDougall

Cheryl McKellar

Cindy Smiley

Diane Watkins

Brenda Weeden

George Weeden

House System

Jane Baxter

Trustees

Gord Ferrell

Dave Gilbert

Dave Kelman

Yvonne McDougall

Eleanor Robertson

Glenn Watson

Grant Wilks

Memorials

Karen Anticknap

Janet Perrodou

Donna Jeffery

Members at Large

Dorothy Bayne

Conrad Church

Allan Rey

Richard Robertson

Roll Clerk

Yvonne Chenoweth

Presbytery

Grant Wilks

Connie Wilks

Youth Rep

Alexander Rey
(until Jun/12)

Archivist

Les Attwood

UCW - Rep to the Board for O'Dell Circle
and Tranquility Unit:

Dorothy Bayne

2011 CONGREGATIONAL BOARD

<p><u>Chair</u> Bob Scott (2010)</p>	<p><u>Vice Chair</u> _____</p>	<p><u>Past Chair</u> Debra Ward (2007)</p>	<p><u>Minister</u> The Rev. Barrie Bain</p>	<p><u>Secretary</u> Liz Ryan (2009)</p>
<p><u>Faith Formation</u> Cheryl Mann (2009) Beth McIntosh (2003) Patsy Watson (2007) Martha Weavers (2010) Sue Kennedy (youth) Linn Shea (youth) Brenda Malvern (nursery) Alexander Rey (SS)</p>	<p><u>Finance and Administration</u> Dave Kelman (2010) Sherrie Milla (2007) Peggy Walker (2009) Dave Watson (2011)</p>	<p><u>Ministry and Personnel</u> Don Camick (2010) Doug Malvern (2008) Lee Thorsen (2010) Peggy Walker (2010) Bob Scott (2011)</p>	<p><u>Nominating</u> Brenda Crocco (2009) Debra Ward (2011)</p>	
<p><u>Outreach</u> Jane Baxter (2010) Cheryl Mann (2007) Gary Mills (2011) Ruth Mills (2007) Linn Shea (2011) Brenda Weeden (2007) George Weeden (2007)</p>	<p><u>Property</u> Les Attwood (1992) Conrad Church (2007) Dave Gilbert (2008) Ernie Gooding (2010) Gene Jeffery (2010) Ed Jesseman (2002) Al Ljunggren (2001) Scott McKellar (2004) Richard Robertson (2010) Bob Scott (2011)</p>	<p><u>Stewardship</u> Bill Anticknap (2007) Morley Roswell (2008) Dave Watson (2009)</p>	<p><u>Trustees</u> Gord Ferrell (2001) Dave Gilbert (2008) Dave Kelman (1997) Yvonne McDougall (1996) Eleanor Robertson (2010) Glenn Watson (1998) Grant Wilks (2008)</p>	
<p><u>Worship</u> Les Attwood (2004) Nancy Krause (music) Yvonne McDougall (2001) Cheryl McKellar (2004) Cindy Smiley (2004) Diane Watkins (2003) Brenda Weeden (2003) George Weeden (2001)</p>	<p><u>Memorials</u> Karen Anticknap (2007) Janet Perrodou (2008) Donna Jeffery (2007)</p> <p><u>Youth Representative</u> Alexander Rey (2009)</p>	<p><u>Members at Large</u> Walter Balan (2011) Dorothy Bayne (2006) Allan Rey (2009) Richard Robertson (2011)</p>	<p><u>House System</u> Jane Baxter (2009) Gloria Ridler (2009) Patsy Watson (2009)</p>	
<p><u>Roll Clerk</u> Yvonne Chenoweth (2011)</p>	<p><u>Women of the United Church of Canada</u> <i>Representative to the Board for Fairview/Willow, O'Dell Circle and Tranquility Unit:</i> Dorothy Bayne (2010)</p>	<p><u>Presbytery</u> Grant and Connie Wilks (2007)</p>	<p><u>Archivist</u> Les Attwood (2005)</p>	
<p><u>Tri-Church</u> Mary Millsap (1998) Connie Wilks (2006)</p>				

Notes:

1. The date beside each member's name indicates the year they joined the committee (not necessarily the year they became chair of that committee).
2. Names in bold are the chairs (or representatives) of that particular committee.
3. This list includes the names of all those who were on that particular committee as of December 2011.



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MEMBERSHIP ROLL POLICY

PURPOSE: To maintain a membership roll which accurately reflects the actual status of the various members of Fairview United Church in regard to their church relationship. (This is in keeping with the principles and regulations of the United Church of Canada [Section 15]).

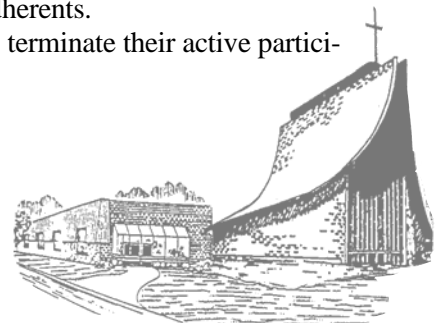
POLICY: The membership roll of Fairview United Church will be updated annually in accordance with the following principles:

- Resident Member - Any person who has been active in attendance of worship and/or church activities and/or has given financial support is deemed a member of good standing.
- Non-Resident Member—Is a confirmed member of our congregation who is in good standing but has moved too far away from our congregation to attend services regularly.
- Resident member who is inactive may be kept on the membership roll because of compassionate reasons—i.e., shut-in, illness, disability.
- Resident member who has been inactive for a period of two years shall be contacted by a representative of the Coordinating Elders Committee and/or the minister(s) of the church to attempt to re-establish his/her participation in church life. If there has been no favourable response within a six-month period, this person's membership shall be terminated according to the policies of Fairview United Church and notified in writing by the Co-ordinating Elders Committee.
- A non-resident member with whom there has been no contact for two years shall be contacted by the Co-ordinating Elders Committee where possible, by letter, to determine this person's ongoing commitment to Fairview United Church, or possible transfer to a church in his/her community. If there has been no favourable response within a six-month period, this person's membership shall be terminated.

PROCEDURE

- It shall be the responsibility of the Co-ordinating Elders Committee to administer this policy.
- To encourage full participation by all members and adherents.
- To show concern for all active members who abruptly terminate their active participation by a policy of prompt visitation.

(November 1995)



MEMBERSHIP ROLL REPORT —2011

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
Membership as of January 1	339	351
New Members received by Transfer	6	0
New Members received by Confirmation	0	0
New Members received by Profession of Faith	0	0
Members Re-Instated, or received by Reaffirmation of Faith	0	0
Total Members Received	<u>+6</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Members	345	351
Members removed by Transfer	0	3
Members removed by Board Action	0	0
Members removed by Own Request	0	0
Members removed by death	13	9
Total Members Removed	<u>-13</u>	<u>-12</u>
Total Members as of December 31	332	339
Non-Resident Members included in above total	<u>-53</u>	<u>-51</u>
Total Resident Members as of December 31	<u>279</u>	<u>288</u>



BAPTISMS

Peyton Grace Alford
Daughter of Matthew and Amy Alford
January 16

Abigail Madelyn Dawdy
Daughter of Timothy and Jennifer Dawdy
February 20



MARRIAGES

Patrick Brophy and Nicole Meitsch
July 16

William Houlston and Marion Jarrell
August 20

George Parker and Bonnie Weit
September 24

Kevin Carter and Erin Little
November 11



NEW MEMBERS ~ JUNE 12

Morris Chepil

Joyce Loube

Peter Loube

Robert Loube

Nancy Poole

Valerie Ryder



IN MEMORIAM ~ 2011

Lorna Gawley ~ March 1

Audrey Thurgood ~ March 18

David Horsfield ~ March 24

Cora Williams ~ March 31

Esther Cline ~ April 28

Elizabeth Young ~ July 1

Chuck Dewar ~ August 27

Freda Smeaton ~ August 29

Bob Moffat ~ September 13

Mary Beth Murray ~ September 15

Jessie Smith ~ October 24

Hazel Dewar ~ November 1

Bill Hoof ~ November 9

Connie Clark ~ November 20

Ross Marshall ~ November 26

Donna Gilbert ~ December 4

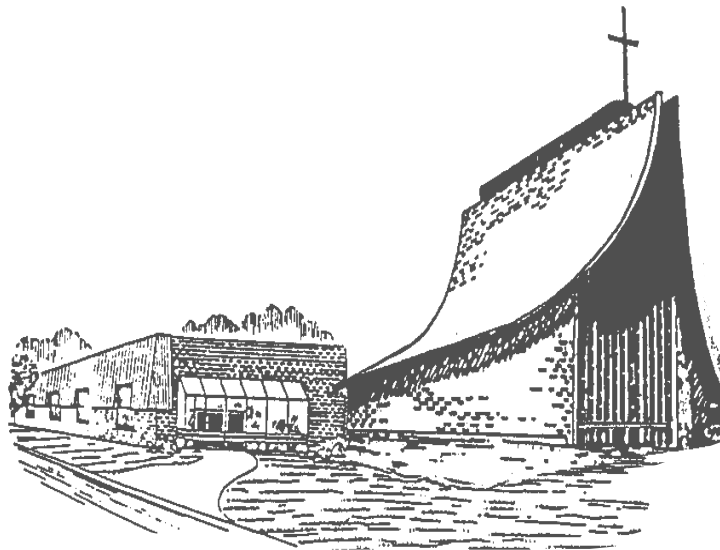
Alice Wood ~ December 9

Audrey Duck ~ December 12

Muriel Parsons ~ December 12



Committee & Group Reports



CARD CLUB

The Fairview Card Club meets in the narthex the second Friday of each month. We have one table of dominoes and the remainder play euchre. The highest attendance we had in one day in 2011 was 25.

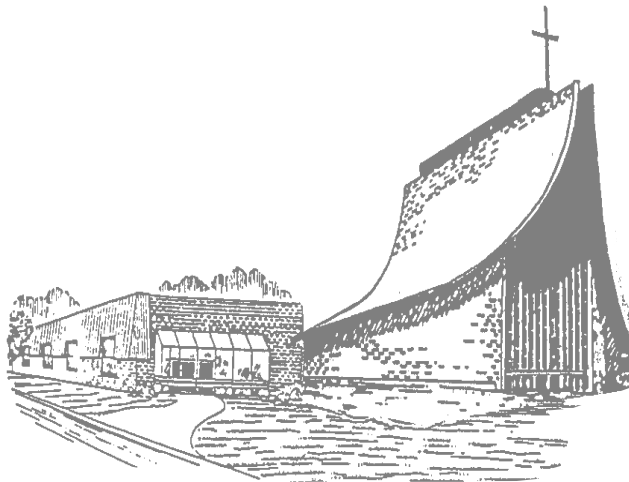
Everyone brings a little snack or treat and together it makes a feast!

We usually end for the summer in June with a pot luck lunch and an afternoon of cards or games. We each contribute \$1.00 per week.

We purchased a table for dominoes at the request of our players. We gave \$100.00 to the Fairview General Fund and our assets are currently at \$79.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Strong, Treasurer



FAITH FORMATION

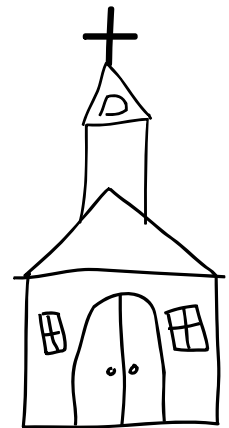
This past year was a busy one for Faith Formation: from openly accepting our vision statement **Embracing Faith, Sharing God's Love**, to losing our Sunday School superintendent Cheryl Mann and gaining Alexander Rey in this position. Faith, in conjunction with the M&P committee, also hired two Nursery Supervision staff, Kimberley Harper and Brittany Fraser. These two ladies also did our Sunday School program for us during the three Fairview hosted Sundays during our summer program. They have proven themselves to be a valuable addition to our team here at Fairview and are doing a wonderful job in all endeavours.

The united United Church Youth decided to suspend operation for one year; however, Fairview's youth group continues to be active. In the spring they again hosted an 'Easter Sunrise Service,' which they wrote themselves, and a Mother's Day/Family Day breakfast. Several youth also attended a Youth Retreat at Five Oaks toward the end of October, with a subsidy from Faith Formation.

Although there is nothing to report at this moment for Library, Faith Formation would welcome any input you may have to offer as well as any volunteers who may wish to take on the position of Librarian.

Some of the other activities this year have included:

- Sunday School Open house
- Hotdog Sunday – Last Sunday of the month unless otherwise stated
- Movie Study – The first, but not last, movie we saw was **Defending your Life** with Meryl Streep and Albert Brooks
- Advent Prep
- White Gift Sunday
- Angel Tree
- Teacher Training – At the beginning of every unit
- Children's Sunday – An excellent Sunday Service with involvement from all children attending.



We will be losing Alexander Rey, as Sunday School superintendent in June, as he will be going to university. Sue Kennedy will be resigning from her position as Youth Group Leader as well as from the Faith Formation committee. Brenda Malvern will be resigning from her post as Nursery coordinator.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Fairview's Sunday School continued in 2011 under the leadership of Cheryl Mann until June, followed by Alexander Rey.

Rounding out our leadership team is our awesome group of teachers, including Shelley Gibbs, Lynn Shaw, April Hugman, Lois Pilkington, Patsy Watson, Beth McIntosh, Cheryl Mann, Al Rey, Liz Ryan and Sue Kennedy. We'd also like to extend a warm welcome to our new teacher Brenda Crocco. Brenda also attended the Five Oaks teacher training session, bringing back a wealth of information to share during our teacher training sessions.

We've continued our use of the "Whole People of God" curriculum. It provides lectionary-based on-line resources for Christian education.

During the year we averaged between 8-10 children spread between our 4 classes, a number that continues to decline. Regardless of declining numbers, we've continued to maintain our active Sunday School. During the year we've done lots fun activities.

From our summer party (including the annual shoe kicking competition) to our Christmas open session (complete with some awesome snakes), to our Mother's and Father's day activities, this has been a truly fantastic year.

To cap it all off, we had a phenomenal response to our children's Sunday, a morning filled with stories, songs, and skits that gave the entire Fairview family the chance to be in Sunday School again. I'd like to thank everyone for all their cooperation on this day- it was truly a team effort.

Looking ahead, Martha Weavers will be transitioning into the role of Sunday School coordinator. The coming year is shaping up to be another exciting year.

As always, we are open to new children any Sunday. We have a spot for anyone aged 3-17 (and teaching spaces open for anyone else!) This amazing program would not be possible without the support of the congregation.

Submitted by: Alexander Rey; Sunday School Coordinator



YOUTH REPORT 2011

The youth group had another successful year in 2011, participating in a variety of gatherings, projects, and events. To begin, our tireless leaders, Sue Kennedy and Linn Shea, deserve an immense “Thank You”. Without their amazing work, the group could not even begin to exist.

The meeting schedule in 2011 was similar to that of previous years—meetings were held every other Friday, with an average attendance of 6—a drop mainly attributed to a lack of new members.

Some of the activities of the Fairview Youth Group include:

- Planning and running the Easter Morning sunrise service (including breakfast afterwards).
- Attending a contemporary service at Wellington Square United Church.
- Attending an awesome youth retreat weekend at Five Oaks.
- Going on an end of year trip to Canada’s Wonderland.
- Holding our famous Bake Sale- Tart-appaloosa edition.
- Having a very fun car rally around the city while learning lots of neat facts.
- Designed and printed our own Christmas cards for church members whom we had missed for Sunday Service
- Also many other activities such as game and movie nights.

The youth group would like to thank the Fairview family for its continued support, and is looking forward to a great 2012—we’ve got lots of great activities lined up.

Submitted by: Alexander Rey; Congregational Board Youth Representative



FELLOWSHIP CLUB

Activities in 2011 included:

February Meeting: We enjoyed a DVD of the Celtic Singers (no ladies on this one), with a young 12 year old boy who was very good, and the music was very lively.

April Meeting: Morley Roswell entertained us with reminiscing about the old buildings we have around the city, and it was very interesting and enjoyed by all.

June Meeting: This was our pot luck lunch, with a joint meeting with the Card Club, after which we played euchre and dominoes.

October: Once again Morley spoke to us, telling us how thankful he was to have had such a wonderful mentor in his uncle Ralph Shillington. He told of his university days when he needed rides, and his uncle was always there to help out. Morley had brought Ralph's widow along, and they had a lovely framed photo of Ralph with all his army medals. It was certainly something to be proud of.

December: 96 people enjoyed a catered turkey dinner with entertainment provided by the Fairview Bell Choir before the meal. Glenn Watson led us in a few carols before a skit, put on by Gord Ferrell, Dave Kelman and Glenn, that ended a very enjoyable evening.

~ Submitted by Muriel Ferguson

Fellowship Club Treasurer's Report 2011

Balance on Hand, January 1, 2011	\$98.84
February 14: Offering.....	18.00
April 11: Offering.....	26.00
October 17: Offering	13.00
Profit from Dinner: December 2	<u>23.00</u>
Bank Balance, December 31, 2011	<u>80.00</u>
	<u>\$178.84</u>

~ Submitted by Dorothy Bayne, Treasurer



HOUSE SYSTEM

Fairview United Church is supported by members of our congregation in the intricate system of Houses. Each month is a 'house' and proud members of each 'house' volunteer in the following manner: Lay Readers for Sunday Worship Service, Greeters and Ushers on Sunday mornings, hosting the refreshment fellowship time following each Sunday Service and sometimes "other duties as assigned", and they all do this willingly.

Our July House hosts the Sunday Services held at Fairview welcoming visitors and members of our partnering churches.

We continue to work with the Stewardship Committee and the Office Administrator to maintain current House lists.

Thank you so much to everyone for enriching our Worship Service with your help and for the support I have received. My thanks and appreciation goes to Gloria Ridler and Patsy Watson for their contribution to the House System Committee and to our team of House Leaders.

Thank you,

Respectfully submitted by,

Jane Baxter
Acting Co-Ordinator

House Leaders 2011

Jan Patsy & Dave Watson
Feb Donna & Dave Gilbert
Mar Debra & Ken Ward
Mar Heidi Melick
Apr Al & Cecelia Ljunggren
May Linda & Don Camick
June Florence Horsfield
July Muriel Ferguson
Sept Gary & Ruth Mills
Oct Brenda & George Weeden
Nov Dorothy Bayne
Nov Brenda & Doug Malvern
Dec John & Phyllis Hunter



GREETING CARD REPORT

In the year 2011 there were 27 greeting cards sent out:

- 13 Get Well Cards
- 13 Sympathy Cards
- 1 "Thinking of You" Card



Thank you to the congregation for keeping me informed when a card is required.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Camick

MEMORIAL FUND 2011 FINANCIAL REPORT

Opening Balance, January 1, 2011 **\$ 6,540.42**

Receipts

Donations	\$5,380.14	
Bank Interest	<u>1.92</u>	
<i>Total Receipts</i>		5,382.06

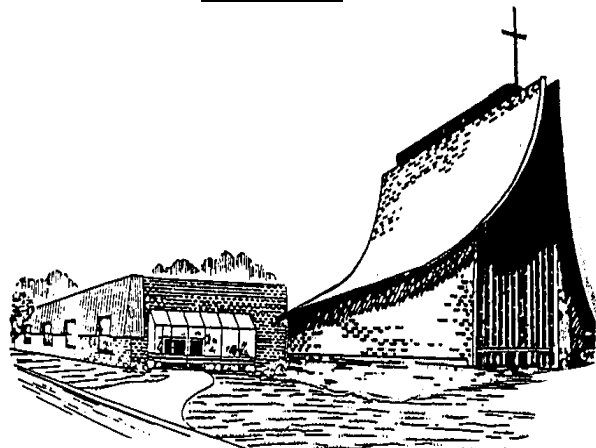
Disbursements

Updates for Sanctuary Projector	\$5,185.48	
<i>Total Disbursements</i>		<u>5,185.48</u>

BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2011 **\$ 6,737.00**

Karen Anticknap

Karen Anticknap
Treasurer Memorial Committee



MEN'S COFFEE HOUR

We continue to enjoy a good turnout for our 9 a.m., Friday morning coffee hour.

The morning opens with a prayer followed by fellowship and discussions on a wide range of topics. Our members take turns preparing the coffee and supplying treats for the morning get-together.

Our regulars are Al Ljunggren, Grant Wilks, Jim Steel, Ed Jesseman, Dave Gilbert, Ernie Gooding, Gene Jeffery, Richard Robertson, Bob Scott, Terry Martin, Jim McDougall and Don Camick. On occasion, Rev. Barrie also drops in for a coffee with us.

The money collected (a toonie a week each) goes into the Fairview General Fund to pay for special maintenance jobs. Our group also assists with other projects within the church.

An invitation is extended to all men in the congregation to join us any Friday morning.

DROP IN FOR A COFFEE AND SAY HELLO – YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

~ Respectfully submitted by Don Camick

MEN'S
COFFEE
BREAK



MUSIC MINISTRY

The Lord makes us strong! Sing praises! Sing to Israel's God! Sing, accompanied by drums; pluck the sweet lyre and harp. Sound the trumpet! Psalm 81

We have had another year of interesting and varied music. The Chancel Choir rehearsed every Wednesday evening in order to present a meaningful anthem to God on Sunday morning. They had a wide range of songs including contemporary, gospel, classical, and light jazz. Some of them included soloists and/or instruments. They presented forty-three anthems in all.

The members of the Chancel Choir are Bette Scholer, Cindy Smiley, Jane Baxter, Brenda Weeden, Joyce Cromar, June Haines, Cheryl McKellar, Judy Queen, Val Ryder, Eleanor Lamb, Yvonne McDougall, Sandra Moore, Donna Jeffery, Peggy Walker, Sandy Surette, June Attwood, Tom Smiley, Kirk Smeaton, and Gord Ferrell.

The slate of officers for the choir is as follows:

Choir President – Gord Ferrell	Secretary – Yvonne McDougall
Treasurer – Sandy Surette	Cards and Gifts – Sandra Moore
Social – Jane Baxter	Librarian – Cheryl McKellar
Gowns – Cindy Smiley	

We are very fortunate to have people offer instrumental accompaniments and solos. The very talented Judy Queen played flute on six different occasions. Some were flute solos and others were flute accompaniment to choir anthems. Other fine instrumentalists were Mary Elizabeth Rose – violin, Victoria Watson – trumpet, and Tom Smiley- drums.

There were two bell duets by Judy Queen and Nancy Krause – ‘Sweet Hour of Prayer’, and ‘Abide with me’. Also, the bell choir performed ‘Austria’ and ‘Theme by Haydn’. Members of the bell choir are April Hugman, Kate Bonneville, Victoria Rey, Brenda Malvern, Barb Scott, Liz Ryan, Patsy Watson, and Judy Queen – Conductor. This choir also played at the Fellowship Christmas Dinner and at the Fairview Family Christmas. During the Christmas season a six member bell choir performed ‘O Come All Ye Faithful’ and ‘Away in A Manger’. These players were Judy Queen, Victoria Rey, Peg Walker, Lyndon Rey, Nancy Krause, and Donna Jeffery.

Les Attwood repaired the chime box affixed to the organ. So, Nancy used it to good effect several times in the autumn.

There was a PowerPoint presentation/piano solo “How Great Thou Art” beautifully prepared by Sharon Tracey and Nancy Krause.

We also had two other PowerPoint presentations – ‘Star of Bethlehem’ (music by the Kingdom Heirs), pictures by Nancy Krause, in January. The other presentation took place at Christmas, ‘Mary Did You Know’ (sung by the Kingdom Heirs’ bass singer Jeff Chapman), pictures by Bill Anticknap.

This year we decided to add a few hymns on Sunday morning that are not in the hymn book, but they are known by some of the children. Some of these songs were ‘Take Off Your Shoes’, ‘Just Like Salt’, ‘If I Were a butterfly’, ‘Love is a Special Thing’, ‘This Little Light’, ‘Who is the King of the Jungle’, and ‘Oil in My Lamp’.

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Many of the solos and duets were supplied by Tom and Cindy Smiley, and Val Ryder. We are fortunate to have these wonderful singers in our choir.

The Junior Choir sang seven times throughout the year. The members of the choir are Kate Bonneville, Victoria Rey, and Hali Cartmel. We always look forward to hearing them sing.

During Nancy's vacation time the guest organists were Stefanie Stuart and Judy Norman.

Once again, the Choir presented the Fairview Family Christmas social evening in December. There was a very good attendance on a mild evening which is not our usual Christmas weather. The stage was fancifully dressed with two silver reindeer bedecked in white lights. Flashing coloured lights added a festive spirit. Gord Ferrell worked all Friday afternoon to make the stage area so beautiful. Lanterns adorned the tables which were draped with red and white cloths. Choir members brought cookies and squares. And there was hot and cold cider to drink. There were carols sung, choir songs, piano playing, jokes, quizzes, bell playing, and instrumentalists to make our evening very enjoyable. A thank you goes to Les Attwood for his attendance to the microphones.

Our music this year has been a blessing to us all and we pray that it is an acceptable offering to God.

Respectfully submitted;
Nancy Krause, Music Director



SENIOR CHOIR FINANCIAL REPORT

Opening Balance, January 1, 2011	\$ 223.28
<u>Receipts</u>	
Collections	\$ 137.50
Bank Interest	0.07
Fairview Family Christmas.....	214.82
<i>Total Receipts for 2011</i>	+352.39
<u>Disbursements</u>	
Guests' lunches.....	40.30
Bank Charges.....	0.60
<i>Total Expenses for 2011</i>	<u>-40.90</u>
Balance on hand December 31, 2011	<u>\$ 534.77</u>

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

This year outreach embarked in several projects:

1. During the 2011 year we continued with our plan to help the children of Central School in a variety of ways:
 - We had a Scholastic Book Fair at the church that was very successful. We ran the Book Fair every evening for a week in the spring. We managed to raise a little over \$1000.00 in books which went to the library at Central School.
 - We continued throughout the winter months to collect gently used coats and boots which were taken over to Central School on a weekly basis. We collected over 200 coats and several pairs of boots, donated by the congregation. The congregation also donated over 200 pairs of socks, over 100 pairs of mittens, and many hats. The winter clothing items were given to the children at Central School as need arose.
 - In February we organized a luncheon during “Teacher Appreciation Week” for the teachers at Central School. We cooked chili and served this with buns, salads, and a variety of desserts to the teachers while members of the congregation looked after supervising students while they ate and then played outside.
 - Jeff Senior, principal of Central Public School, came to Fairview as our guest speaker on October 30, 2011, to inform the congregation of the impact their involvement has made on the Central community and the children of Central School.
 - This past December we once again served a Christmas turkey lunch to the children and staff at Central School. We served turkey, vegetables, mashed potatoes, gravy and a variety of Christmas treats to 160 children. All the food for the meal was donated by the congregation and members of the community.

2. During the 2011 year we continued to encourage support of the Brantford Food Bank.
 - We set a goal to collect 1500 pounds of food.
 - Each month the food was taken to the food bank and weighed.
 - Updates were posted in the church bulletin.
 - Thanks to the generous donations from the congregation, we exceeded our goal by collecting 1685 pounds of food for the Brantford Food Bank in 2011.

3. Outreach Sunday.
 - The members of the outreach committee set a goal to find out more about the needs and the outreach in the city of Brantford.
 - We visited several places to find out how many individuals were helped and the form which the help took.
 - We visited the Salvation Army Booth Centre, Brantford Blessing Centre, St. Andrew’s Soup for the Soul, Grace Anglican Church, The Brantford Food Bank and Sydenham United.
 - Each of these serves homeless, poor or marginalized individuals in Brantford either by providing them with a meal(s), clothing, shelter, counseling or a combination of these.
 - A presentation was made to the congregation on the findings of our research.
 - The congregation was given information on what help was needed by these organizations.
 - Soup and bread was served to the congregation following the service by the outreach committee.

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4. Welcome Back BBQ

- On the first Sunday after Labour Day the Outreach Committee hosted a welcome back BBQ.
- After the service we served sausages, hamburgers and a potluck from the congregation of a variety of desserts and salads.
- A free will offering was taken to offset the costs of the sausages and hamburgers.

Members of Outreach are: Barrie Bain, Jane Baxter (chair), Cheryl Mann, Gary Mills, Ruth Mills (secretary), Linn Shea, Brenda Weeden, George Weeden,



PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The year 2011 was quiet in terms of projects being done outside the normal day to day maintenance of the church and grounds. The largest being the replacement of the damaged glass panels in the solarium. Other jobs completed during the year were the replacement of the kitchen faucets and the repair of the parking lot light.

The committee met 3 times to deal with these issues and others such as roof replacement quotes, a second opinion on a possible furnace replacement in the fellowship hall, and preparing the 2012 budget.

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to our custodian Marilyn Gellner for the excellent job, and to all the volunteers from the committee and the congregation who help maintain the church and grounds.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Property committee members:

Les Attwood, Conrad Church, Dave Gilbert, Ernie Gooding, Ed Jesseman, Al Ljunggren, Scott McKellar, Richard Robertson, Bob Scott and Gene Jeffery.

Gene Jeffery, Co-Chair



STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

The Stewardship Committee consists of three members — Bill Anticknap, David Watson, and Morley Roswell—and held 4 regular meetings during 2011. A very successful “Intended Givings” campaign was held in October and the committee was very pleased with the responses to both the use of the mail boxes in the narthex as well as the return of the intended givings forms and the volunteer forms for sharing your time and talents. Ninety-nine percent of the envelopes for those who attend church quite regularly were picked up and we had a total of 66 returned.

The results of the campaign were as follows:

66 total respondents out of a possible 171 (39% response rate (8% increase from last year))

General Fund:

20/66 increased givings (30%), for a total increase of \$4,582

5/66 decreased givings (8%), for a total decrease of \$2,230

41/66 kept givings the same (62%)

Net intended increase of \$2,352 for the General Fund

M&S:

9/66 increased givings (14%), for a total increase of \$2,176

5/66 decreased givings (8%), for a total decrease of \$548

52/66 kept givings the same (78%)

Net intended increase of \$1,628 for M&S

The committee decided to hold a “Dedication” service for the forms that had been returned. This was held on Sunday, December 11.

A couple of suggestions for improvement in the forms were offered and will be considered for next year. Suggestions are welcomed by the committee members as they help make our program better and more effective.

Morley Roswell
Chairperson

STITCH AND CHATTER

We have been busy with quilting and chattering this year. We were not quilting for a Christmas and New Year’s time out.

We are working on a large quilt right now and hope to finish it soon. One of our founding members has put it together for us. She is also working on another. It will be for sale when we get it quilted. If you are interested, we would be pleased. This year we have quilted 2 large and tied 3 small ones, and quilted 2 crib quilts. Also, we have turned over \$510 to the General Fund of the church.

Jackie Archibald
Helen Jesseman
Eleanor Lamb
Jean Porteous
Louise Martin

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Responsibilities

In accordance with the United Church Manual, the Board of Trustees holds the property of the congregation for the use and benefit of the congregation; invests and manages investment funds and allocated proceeds from the sale of church assets. The Board also monitors and reviews annually the insurance coverage concerning liability and church property.

Activities During 2011

\$13,079.32 was transferred to the church general account. A portion of this transfer provided funds to replace some of the solarium windows.

Fairview was pleased to receive a furnace replacement gift of \$2000.00 and a roof repair gift of \$500.00

Our present financial holdings are divided as follows:

Corporate Bonds – 43%

Mutual Funds – 52%

Common Stocks 5%

The estimated market value of our holdings is \$230,619.52. An increase in market value plus investment income resulted in a 7.12% increase in our holdings in 2011.

A trust fund on behalf of the Women of Fairview United Church is held by the Trustees. It is designated for the replacement of kitchen appliances as required. A balance of \$1809.96 remains in the fund.

Insurance

The General Insurance Plan for the church is provided by Hub International.

Trustee Board Membership

Gord Ferrell, Dave Gilbert, Dave Kelman (Vice-chair), Yvonne McDougall (Secretary), Eleanor Robertson, Glenn Watson, Grant Wilks (Chair), Rev. Barrie Bain (ex-officio).

Respectfully submitted,

Grant Wilks, Chair

Fairview United Church Trustees
Statement of Income for 2011

<u>Receipts</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
Interest from Corporate Bonds	\$ 5,350.90	\$ 7,207.08
Interest from GIC	183.39	161.06
Dividends from Common Stock	410.00	392.00
Distribution from Mutual Funds	4,134.76	3,329.33
Distribution from Mutual Funds (re-invested)	2,465.86	0
Pew Sale	0	575.00
Gift from Echo Place Church	0	62,210.36
Bequest-William Dickie Estate	0	1,000.00
Gift-Furnace Replacement Fund	2,000.00	0
Gift-Roof Repair Fund	<u>500.00</u>	<u>0</u>
	\$ <u>15,044.91</u>	\$ 74,874.83
<u>Payments</u>		
To Fairview General Account	\$ 13,079.32	\$ 16,400.00
To Bank Charge	0	36.13
To Purchase Mutual Fund	0	575.00
To Purchase GIC	0	57,210.36
To Fairview Memorial Fund	0	601.00
To Mutual Funds Distributions (re-invested)	<u>2,465.86</u>	<u>0</u>
	\$ <u>15,545.18</u>	\$ <u>74,822.49</u>
<u>Excess of Receipts Over Payments</u>	\$ <u>(507.27)</u>	\$ <u>52.34</u>

Balance Sheet

Assets	<u>As of</u> <u>Dec 31, 2011</u>	<u>As of</u> <u>Dec 31, 2010</u>
<u>Current</u>		
Bank	\$ 4,846.63	\$ 1,346.90
Investments (at cost)	<u>211,460.76</u>	<u>215,467.74</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ <u>216,307.39</u>	\$ <u>216,814.64</u>
2011 Market \$230,619.52		
2010 Market \$229,371.82		
<u>Liabilities and Equity</u>		
Liabilities	\$ 0	\$ 0
Equity	<u>216,307.30</u>	<u>216,814.64</u>
TOTAL Liabilities and Equity	\$ <u>216,307.39</u>	\$ <u>216,814.64</u>

WOMEN'S GROUPS OF FAIRVIEW

FAIRVIEW/WILLOW

The Fairview Willow Group met on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, at 7:30 p.m. in the Church Parlour. Leader: Marion LaSalle; Treasurer: Joyce Lowe; and Secretary: Shirley Draper.

There are 13 members in our group with an average attendance of 8 - 9.

We hosted the April 2011 General meeting for all members of the women's groups, as well as other interested members of the church congregation. We enjoyed hearing local historian Ruth Lefler speak to us on the naming of the streets north of highway 403. She then answered questions from the audience and we learned even more about our local history.

In lieu of a major project this year we held a "no coffee, coffee party" where each member contributed a set amount to add to our general fund.

The following are the activities that we have been involved in over the past year:

- Helped with serving lunches and other functions within the Church
- Donated \$900.00 to Fairview United Church General Fund.
- Donated \$100.00 to the Memorial Fund
- Filled Christmas Shoeboxes
- Filled bags for Health kits and School kits
- Contributed monetarily, along with the other two women's groups, to other groups and causes within the church.
- As well, we collected Campbell Soup labels and Zehrs tapes.

We have enjoyed the company of one another over the years as well as the activities within our group. We had planned a card party to be held earlier this past year, but found that we just didn't have the physical strength any longer to mount such a project on our own. After much discussion and sadness, it was unanimously agreed at our November meeting, that we dissolve our unit as of December 2011. Any monies left in our fund will be given to Fairview Church general fund. The good news is that, for those who are able and wish to, we have been invited to join with either one of the other two women's group, O'Dell and Tranquility. Thank you ladies!

We would like to thank all of you in the church family, who have been so supportive of our projects over the years.

Respectfully submitted,
Shirley Draper, Secretary, 2011

FAIRVIEW/WILLOW FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2011

Bank Balance, January 1, 2011 **\$ 462.57**

Receipts:

Offering	581.00	
For Women's Group budget: O'Dell	116.00	
For Women's Group budget: Tranquility	117.00	
Serving at Funeral	<u>300.00</u>	
<i>Total Receipts</i>		+1,114.00

Expenses:

2011 Budget (3 units)	350.00	
Memorial Fund	100.00	
Carafes for church kitchen	64.00	
Speaker	25.00	
Flowers for shut-ins	20.57	
Budget for 2012	117.00	
Fairview United Church General Fund	<u>900.00</u>	
<i>Total Expenses</i>		<u>-1,576.57</u>

Bank Balance, December 31, 2011 **\$ 0.00**

WOMEN'S GROUPS OF FAIRVIEW

O'DELL CIRCLE

The ladies of the O'Dell Circle meet the second Wednesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. in the church parlour. We have 14 active members of our group.

The duties of leadership, secretary, devotions, programs and lunch are shared each month by members on a rotating basis. Our leader is Linda Camick.

At each meeting, we have an interesting program presented by one of our members, followed by lunch and a time of fellowship. In June, a barbecue was held at the home of Linda Camick. In December, to celebrate the Christmas Season, we enjoyed a lunch at the "Red Lobster" restaurant.

We continue our ongoing support of Fairview, with donations made to the General Fund. We also assisted with providing food for catered events and other functions within the church.

Our General Meeting, which we hosted for the Tranquility and Fairview Willow groups was held on Tuesday, October 25th. Our speaker for the afternoon was Walter Soroka, a local retired business man, who gave us a very informative presentation on the Chinese silk industry.

Shut-ins are visited by some of our members and are remembered with birthday, special holiday cards, as well as small gifts, occasionally.

Donations were made this year to the Memorial Fund in memory of Hazel Dewar, Ruth MacKellar and Frankie Russell, long standing members of O'Dell Circle. As well, a donation was made in memory of Chuck Dewar.

We continue to support some worthwhile projects with contributions to Nova Vita and Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes. As well, we delivered 38 Mennonite Relief Kits to the Mennonite Central Committee in Kitchener this fall. This was a larger number than in the past few years, thanks to the wonderful support of our congregation. Along with the Tranquility and Fairview Willow groups, we have knitting projects to support various charities. The squares that are knitted for blankets, are donated to Nova Vita, and the homeless, which are distributed by the Salvation Army. These blankets are put together by two of our members, Eleanor Lamb and Francis Stulen. We also donated Chemo blankets to the Brantford General Hospital. As well, we collect stamps that are donated by members of the congregation. These are given to the Canadian Bible Society, who sell them to fund their various projects. Together, with the other women's groups, we also financially support four or five other worthy causes, some within our church.

"Ladies in the congregation are most welcome to join our circle at any time!"

In Christian Fellowship, Linda Camick, O'Dell Circle Leader

O'DELL CIRCLE FINANCIAL REPORT

Opening Balance, January 1, 2011 **\$ 799.38**

Receipts:

Offering received	419.75	
Members project contribution	260.00	
Flower Fund	<u>10.24</u>	
<i>Total Receipts for 2011</i>		+689.99

Disbursements:

Speaker-General Meeting	25.00	
Memorial Donation (MacKellar Family)	250.00	
Memorial Donation	25.00	
Memorial Donation	20.00	
Memorial Donation	25.00	
Our share of funds for Youth Groups	116.00	
Fairview Church General Fund	<u>650.00</u>	
<i>Total Expenses for 2011</i>		<u>-1,111.00</u>

Balance on Hand, December 31, 2011 **\$ 378.37**

- Joyce Strong, Treasurer

WOMEN'S GROUPS OF FAIRVIEW

TRANQUILITY UNIT

President: Dorothy Bayne

Secretary: Claire Steel

Treasurer: Connie Wilks

Our meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. All the Fairview women are welcome. Our goal is to raise money to support Fairview Church and its projects.

Our 'special' project is Sleeping Children Around the World (SCAW). At our meetings we drop our spare change in a jar. This year we supplied 8 kits to keep 8 children off the ground at night.

Our group also:

- Bought new taps for the kitchen
- Supplied the coffee/tea for the kitchen
- Knit chemo hats, afghans, baby sets etc.
- Hosted the Women's Group General Meeting
- Supplied flowers for the sanctuary
- Visited shut-ins
- Organized our annual yard sale
- Donated \$500.00 to the Slave Lake tragedy
- Remembered Freda Smeaton in the Memorial Fund
- Supplied the General Fund of the church with \$2,500.00

Claire Steel, Secretary

TRANQUILITY WOMEN'S GROUP FINANCIAL REPORT 2011

Opening Balance, January 1, 2011 **\$121.74**

Receipts:

Offering	\$ 355.00	
Donation	10.00	
Garage Sale	3,572.37	
Donation to Groups (Fairview Willow for 2012)	<u>117.00</u>	
<i>Total Receipts for 2011</i>		+4,054.37

Disbursements:

Gifts, Cards for Shut-Ins	30.47	
Advertising for Garage Sale	40.07	
Donation to SCAW Speaker	35.00	
New Taps for Fairview Kitchen	228.85	
Coffee for Fairview Kitchen	200.00	
Donation to Memorial Fund	25.00	
Donation to Slave Lake Disaster Fund	500.00	
Donation to Fairview Church General Fund	2,500.00	
Donation to Fairview Groups	<u>117.00</u>	
<i>Total Disbursements for 2011</i>		<u>-3,676.39</u>

Balance on hand, December 31, 2011 **\$ 499.72**

~ Connie Wilks, Treasurer

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

2011 has been a very rewarding year. Thanks for all the support from all of the committee members and the great leadership of Rev. Barrie Bain.

Committee members are: George Weeden (chair), Cindy Smiley (secretary), Nancy Krause (music director), Diane Watkins, Cheryl McKellar, Yvonne McDougall, Les Attwood, Brenda Weeden and Liz Ryan (communion preparation).

The first Tuesday of each month we meet to review past services and update future services and activities. We organize regular Sunday services as well as special services including Communion and Baptism, Transfer of Membership by Profession of Faith, Praise and Worship, and intergenerational services. Youth involvement in our services is always a welcome sight, from children's stories to announcements, to lighting of Advent candles and conducting worship services.

Thank you to Nancy and our choir for sharing their wonderful gifts of music throughout the year. Thanks also to the Praise and Worship team for their inspirational music, and to our junior choir and April Hugman for their songs of joy.

The Worship Committee has several sub-committees that fulfill duties such as preparing elements for Holy Communion, serving communion (thanks to everyone for your support), decorating the sanctuary, arranging for guest ministers and speakers, and preparing music. They are also involved in looking after advertising, planning special seasonal activities and programs, and organizing summer services.

Thanks to PowerPoint team members for wonderful presentations.

Thanks to Judy Queen for her work with the handbell choir.

Thanks for all the wonderful banners.

Worship At A Glance:

March 9: Ash Wednesday, Pancake Supper, Men's Coffee Group

Feb 13: Annual Meeting

April 17: Palm Sunday

April 24: Easter Sunday, Youth hosted the Sunrise Service

June 12: united United Church Picnic (Mohawk Park)

June 19: Teen Challenge

Summer Services went very well.

July 3, 10, 17: Fairview United Church with Rev. Barrie Bain

July 24, 31, Aug 7: St. Andrew's United Church with Rev. Stephen Iverson

August 14, 21, 28: Harmony United Church with Rev. Jan Bush

October 9: Thanksgiving Sunday

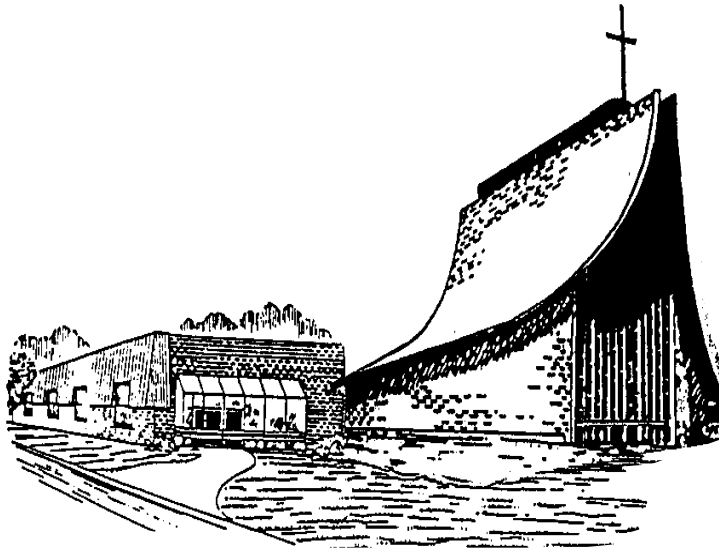
Nov 13: Anniversary Sunday with the Given's Family

Dec 24: Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion

Again, thanks to everyone who has supported the Worship Committee.
Respectfully submitted by George Weeden (chair)



Financial Reports



FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

The finance committee, which consisted of Sherrie Milla, Dave Kelman, Dave Watson and Peggy Walker, met eight times throughout 2011. Tasks completed included reviewing financing options for capital expenditures and general operating costs; submission of a New Horizons Grant application; monthly analysis of financial statements; budget preparation, and weekly deposit of offering.

The financial year of the church was a successful one with our results better than our projected loss by \$4,500. Although offerings and trustees contributions were down compared to budget, additional revenue was generated by the women's groups and the violin school.

All committee expenses fell below budget, with the exception of ministry and personal where we added paid staff for the nursery. Fairview did not proceed with the capital expenditures as budgeted. We did purchase a new PowerPoint system and repaired the solarium windows. These projects were financed by the memorial and the trustee held funds respectively. The bank account balance was overdrawn by \$3,800.

2012 Budget

Notes to Financial Statements:

1. Individual givings calculated using financial intentions forms returned and past history
2. Garage sale in the spring \$3,000
3. Major fundraiser for the roof \$25,000
4. \$25,000 of roofing costs will be funded by trustee's funds, resulting in a loss of investment income of \$1,000; 4% return on investment is budgeted
5. Receipt of New Horizon grant relating to enhanced door security and furnace replacement \$9,700
6. Donations received for furnace and roof replacement currently held by trustees
7. \$1,900 Received from violin school
8. Roof \$50,000. Furnace and Security system \$11,700
9. Six months paid nursery care, \$1,025
10. 2011 events included Hug a Mug and September Welcome back BBQ
11. 2011 included Japan's earthquake relief fundraiser

Capital expenses budgeted reflect repair of the roof, \$50,000; a furnace replacement, \$5,500, and improvements to door security, \$5,500. These items will be financed as follows: Two year roof fundraising project \$25,000; use of trustee held funds \$25,000; and a New Horizon Grant \$11,000.

The trend of declining offerings is anticipated to continue without an influx of new members. Excluding capital and special purpose givings, our income is anticipated to decline in 2012 by 9.5%. Committee expenses are anticipated to increase by 2.9%.

Given this, our bank account balance is anticipated to be overdrawn by \$34,000 by the end of 2012.

Submitted by: Sherrie Milla
Finance Chair

Fairview United Church
Balance Sheet
 Consolidated - December 2011

	Current Year	Previous Year
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Petty Cash	\$50.00	\$50.00
General Account	(3,800.89)	1,374.85
Choir Account	534.77	223.28
Memorial Fund	6,737.00	6,540.42
DueFromTrusteesSpecGift	2,500.00	0.00
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Subtotal Current Assets	6,020.88	8,188.55
OTHER ASSETS		
GST/HST Recoverable	3,292.57	2,654.45
FIXED ASSETS		
LAND AND BUILDINGS		
Land	400,000.00	400,000.00
Church Building	2,440,000.00	2,440,000.00
Furnishings & Fixtures	230,000.00	230,000.00
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Subtotal Fixed Assets	3,070,000.00	3,070,000.00
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TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$3,079,313.45</u></u>	<u><u>\$3,080,843.00</u></u>
FUND BALANCE		
Congregational Equity	<u><u>\$3,079,313.45</u></u>	<u><u>\$3,080,843.00</u></u>
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	<hr/> 3,079,313.45	<hr/> 3,080,843.00
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	<u><u>\$3,079,313.45</u></u>	<u><u>\$3,080,843.00</u></u>

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Fairview United Church

OPENING BALANCES	2011 Actual	2011 Budget	2010 Actual
General Account	1,376	1,376	2,744
Petty Cash	50	50	50
Choir	223	223	665
Memorial Fund	6,540	6,540	6,834
Due From Trustees-Special Gift	0	0	
Opening Balances :	8,189	8,189	10,293

RECEIPTS			
Mission & Services	19,482	19,000	18,562
General Account	196,325	188,393	204,605
HST/GST Recoverable	2,654		
Petty Cash	0		38
Choir	352		309
Memorial Fund	5,382		4,483
Due From Trustees-Special Gift	2,500		
Total Income :	226,696	207,393	227,997

DISBURSEMENTS			
Mission & Services	19,482	19,000	18,562
General Account	200,863	198,661	203,319
HST/GST Recoverable	3,293		2,654
Petty Cash	0		38
Choir	41		751
Memorial Fund	5,185		4,778
Total Expenses :	228,864	217,661	230,101

CLOSING BALANCES - DECEMBER 31			
General Account	(3,801)	(8,892)	1,376
Petty Cash	50	50	50
Choir	535	223	223
Memorial Fund	6,736	6,540	6,540
Due From Trustees-Special Gift	2,500	0	
Closing Balances :	6,020	(2,079)	8,189

Income Statement

	Notes	2012 Budget	2011 Actual	2011 Budget	2010 Actual	2009 Actual
INCOME						
INDIV. GIVINGS-FAIRVIEW						
Anniversary		400	536	500	574	853
Thanksgiving Offering		100	75	200	155	182
Christmas		2,000	1,529	3,000	2,254	3,340
Easter		1,500	1,629	1,200	1,257	1,012
Regular Envelope Givings	1	76,000	84,096	84,000	87,530	85,399
Via PAR		62,200	66,744	69,500	71,996	72,170
Initial		300	326	300	322	244
Loose		1,600	1,820	2,000	2,120	2,591
Sunday School		100	113	200	342	270
Amount due from Trustees	6	2,500				
Roof Fundraiser	3	25,000				
Caring Coins				100	104	150
Outreach Fundraisers					110	
Coffee Cup Coins						34
Chancel Review Project						2,131
<i>Subtotal Indiv. Givings-fairview</i>		<u>171,700</u>	<u>156,867</u>	<u>161,000</u>	<u>166,765</u>	<u>168,375</u>
GROUP GIVINGS-FAIRVIEW						
Fairview Card Group		100	100	100	100	200
Fairview Chancel Choir			0	0	600	
Fairview Fellowship Club			0	200	0	200
Fairview Men's Coffee Group		400	354	200	0	450
Fairview Stitch & Chatter		400	510	800	750	775
Fairview Women's Groups	2	3,000	4,279	3,000	4,200	3,700
Fairview Memorials			5,185	0	4,778	
Fairview Handbell Choir		300	360	0	0	
Fairview Youth Group			100	0	0	
Fairview Domino Group			100	0	0	
<i>Subtotal Group Givings-fairview</i>		<u>4,200</u>	<u>10,988</u>	<u>4,300</u>	<u>10,428</u>	<u>5,325</u>
OTHER INCOME						
Hall Rental-Other	7	4,400	4,507	2,200	2,654	1,321
Brantford Village Squares		700	948	900	1,054	1,266
Wedding Contributions		200	200	200	568	125
Trustees Contributions	4	34,000	10,825	13,000	16,400	9,630
Faith Formation: Hot Dog Sundays		700	738	750	968	941
Grants/Other Receipts	5	9,700	4,654	30,000	0	300
Worship: Pancake Supper		200	240	250	236	357
Tai Chi Group		800	1,198	1,200	1,434	
Miscellaneous		200	248	200	208	220
Ways & Means Fundraisers			0	0	349	311
HST/GST Rebate			0	0	616	232
PST Refund						731
Scott Woods Concert						4,305
<i>Subtotal Other Income</i>		<u>50,900</u>	<u>23,559</u>	<u>48,700</u>	<u>24,486</u>	<u>19,737</u>
SPECIAL PURPOSE GIVINGS						
M&S Regular Envelopes		7,000	7,705	7,500	7,784	7,704
M&S Via PAR		11,500	11,777	11,952	10,769	10,894
M&S From Sunday School			0	50	9	28
Observer Subscriptions		150	160	150	240	290
Benevolent Fund		300	879	400	880	788
Humanitarian Aid-Relief			3,872	0	1,806	22
<i>Subtotal Special Purpose Givings</i>		<u>18,950</u>	<u>24,393</u>	<u>20,052</u>	<u>21,488</u>	<u>19,724</u>
TOTAL INCOME		<u>245,750</u>	<u>215,807</u>	<u>234,052</u>	<u>223,167</u>	<u>213,162</u>

Expense Statement

	Notes	2012 Budget	2011 Actual	2011 Budget	2010 Actual	2009 Actual
EXPENSES						
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
Point Point Equipment			4,859	0	0	340
Furnace and Security Syst		11,700	0	10,000	0	
Roof/ParkingLot/Solarium		50,000	4,294	20,000	0	
<i>Subtotal Capital Expenditures</i>		<u>61,700</u>	<u>9,153</u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>340</u>
FAITH FORMATION						
Adult Education		200	37	400	32	145
Confirmation		200	0	400	0	0
Youth Group		175	82	325	119	122
Nursery		0	40	900	120	20
Ref. Material & Library		150	16	250	0	105
SS Curriculum		400	382	600	463	896
SS Supplies		75	34	100	87	74
Teacher Appreciation		100	50	150	0	
Events		200	169	200	349	217
Police Checks		30	15	50	0	
Youth Development		400	400	400	0	
Bulletins		50	0	50	43	
<i>Subtotal Faith Formation</i>		<u>1,980</u>	<u>1,225</u>	<u>3,825</u>	<u>1,213</u>	<u>1,579</u>
FINANCE & ADMIN.						
Computer Expense		0	0	1,000	160	357
Copier Expense		3,900	3,699	3,900	3,751	3,818
Bank & PAR Service Chgs.		1,400	1,313	1,400	1,331	1,304
Interest Expenses		250	83	200	14	150
Offering Envelopes		375	309	470	423	407
Office Equipment		100	0	100	100	100
Office Supplies		800	617	950	881	619
Postage		300	240	250	194	261
Presbytery Dues		5,200	5,244	5,244	5,049	4,640
Stewardship Program		75	59	50	68	89
Internet		850	797	850	806	676
Miscellaneous		400	654	350	105	260
<i>Subtotal Finance & Admin.</i>		<u>13,650</u>	<u>13,014</u>	<u>14,764</u>	<u>12,882</u>	<u>12,681</u>
MINISTRY & PERSONNEL						
Salaries		103,480	101,633	101,633	98,676	99,069
Nursery		1,025	749	0	0	0
Housing		18,190	17,872	17,872	17,351	18,292
Education		1,700	1,505	1,663	1,612	1,223
Travel		2,500	2,134	2,500	2,344	1,877
Phone		465	464	464	450	521
Employer Paid-CPP		3,400	3,290	3,300	3,199	3,222
Employer Paid-EI		2,360	2,362	2,300	2,236	2,282
Employer Paid-UCC Pension		8,300	8,046	8,100	7,812	7,877
Employer Paid Group Insur		7,800	7,863	7,600	7,325	7,185
Employer Paid PST		0	0	0	318	550
WSIB		954	931	800	777	786
Supply Staff		1,300	1,184	1,285	1,134	726
Miscellaneous		250	253	250	212	439
ADP Service Charge/HST		600	683	300	308	0
<i>Subtotal Ministry & Personnel</i>		<u>152,324</u>	<u>148,969</u>	<u>148,067</u>	<u>143,753</u>	<u>144,049</u>

Expense Statement

	Notes	2012 Budget	2011 Actual	2011 Budget	2010 Actual	2009 Actual
OUTREACH COMMITTEE						
Guest Speaker			0	100	0	75
Newsletter-LINK			239	0	0	
Benevolent Fund		800	500	1,300	638	1,428
Miscellaneous			0	0	307	
Special Events	10	200	(54)	200	0	
Community Projects		350	306	700	0	251
<i>Subtotal Outreach Committee</i>		<u>1,350</u>	<u>991</u>	<u>2,300</u>	<u>944</u>	<u>1,754</u>
PROPERTY COMMITTEE						
Fuel		4,250	4,073	7,000	3,486	6,708
Furnishings/Equipment		0	0	0	15,215	0
Insurance		5,500	5,373	5,000	4,588	4,515
Janitorial Supplies		250	229	250	171	119
Maintenance		1,500	2,428	1,500	1,507	1,218
Phone-Church		2,000	1,940	2,000	1,881	1,777
Snow Removal		650	765	650	225	405
Utilities		4,250	4,233	3,500	3,679	3,703
<i>Subtotal Property Committee</i>		<u>18,400</u>	<u>19,042</u>	<u>19,900</u>	<u>30,751</u>	<u>18,445</u>
WORSHIP COMMITTEE						
Advertising		800	752	800	862	607
Bulletins		200	430	150	125	223
Christ Candle		100	111	150	97	128
Communion Supplies		50	54	50	30	32
Chancel Improvements		0			6,419	2,274
Copyright Licenses		400	367	400	365	355
Guest Artists / Speakers		100	110	300	292	467
Music & Choir Supplies		800	550	1,000	1,041	512
Resources		250	176	250	270	250
Sanctuary Decor		200	303	400	61	242
Archivist		50	15	50	64	
House Supplies		50	0	50	8	
Handbell Choir Expenses		200	170	175	0	
Miscellaneous		130	305	130	132	124
<i>Subtotal Worship Committee</i>		<u>3,330</u>	<u>3,343</u>	<u>3,905</u>	<u>9,764</u>	<u>5,213</u>
SPECIAL PURPOSE REMITT.						
Mission & Service		18,500	19,482	19,502	18,562	18,625
Observer Subscriptions		150	240	150	400	365
Humanitarian Aid-Relief	11	0	3,527	0	1,806	20
<i>Subtotal Special Purpose Remitt.</i>		<u>18,650</u>	<u>23,249</u>	<u>19,652</u>	<u>20,768</u>	<u>18,990</u>
TAXES PAID						
GST Expenses		0	0	0	415	1,232
PST Expenses		0	0	0	416	883
HST Expenses		2,364	1,360	1,515	974	
<i>Subtotal Taxes Paid</i>		<u>2,364</u>	<u>1,360</u>	<u>1,515</u>	<u>1,806</u>	<u>2,115</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES		<u>273,748</u>	<u>220,345</u>	<u>243,928</u>	<u>221,882</u>	<u>205,166</u>
EXCESS INCOME\EXPENSES		<u>(27,998)</u>	<u>(4,538)</u>	<u>(9,876)</u>	<u>1,285</u>	<u>7,996</u>

Summary of Income and Expenses

	2012 Budget	2011 Actual	2011 Budget	2010 Actual	2009 Actual
Income					
Individual Givings	171,700	156,867	161,000	166,765	168,375
Group Givings	4,200	10,988	4,300	10,428	5,325
Other Income	50,900	23,559	48,700	24,486	19,737
Special Purpose Givings	18,950	24,393	20,052	21,488	19,724
Total Income	245,750	215,807	234,052	223,167	213,162
Expenses					
Capital Expenditures	61,700	9,153	30,000	0	340
Faith Formation	1,980	1,225	3,825	1,213	1,579
Finance and Administration	13,650	13,014	14,764	12,882	12,681
Ministry and Personnel	152,324	148,969	148,067	143,753	144,049
Outreach Committee	1,350	991	2,300	944	1,754
Property Committee	18,400	19,042	19,900	30,751	18,445
Worship Committee	3,330	3,343	3,905	9,764	5,213
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Opening Cash Balance Jan 1, 2011	1,376
Year to Date Income	215,807
Year to Date Expenses	220,345
HST/GST Recoverable	(639)
Closing Cash Balance, Dec 2011	<u>(3,801)</u>

Estimated Cash Balance Dec 2012 (33,943)

Visioning/Action Plan Team Report for 2011

A brief review of the visioning process:

First create a Vision Statement: A few words that describe the essence of what we (congregation) value most in our church experience. This is to be reviewed every 5-10 years.

Next identify Goals: These may address interests or needs of the congregation but are broad in scope...what we want to aim for that moves us into action. A congregation can only handle 3-5 goals at one time and these should be reviewed every 2-3 years.

Finally identify Objectives: These are specific ideas or action steps to reach the goals and should be reviewed yearly.

Our congregation adopted the present Vision Statement...*Embracing Faith- Sharing God's Love...* at the Annual General Meeting in February, 2011. The mandate of this committee is to create an action plan that augments the vision statement, including details on the direction and demographics on which Fairview would like to focus. To this end we have encouraged and facilitated discussions to motivate our congregation and committees to set goals and objectives that spur us into action.

Feedback from the congregation and church committees helped us to narrow the focus down to three main goals – Spiritual Development and Education – Enhanced Pastoral Care - New Opportunities for Involvement. We presented these goals to the Board in June and then to the congregation in September. At this time we recommended obtaining an additional staff member to facilitate the implementation of the vision statement. Further brainstorming and discussion sessions were held in October and November resulting in identifying three objectives.....Roof Repair – Different types of services, music, guest speakers – Broadening Pastoral Care/ Reconnecting with former members.

The Visioning/Action Plan Team is very excited about Fairview's future. Many committees, groups and individuals are working with enthusiasm on various plans to achieve our objectives and goals.

For example:

The Youth Group – conducted an amazing Sunday service just before Christmas – created and sent beautiful Christmas cards to people who hadn't been out in a while – held a bake sale to raise funds.

The Faith Formation Committee – sent letters to connect with families who have had babies baptized at Fairview – held two very successful movie nights with plans for more to come – working with the Worship Committee to plan a contemporary service in the near future.

Pastoral Care – Much discussion is happening regarding forming a Pastoral Care Team. We as a congregation need to be educated as to all that pastoral care encompasses and the variety of ways we could be of help.

Fundraising – Jane Baxter and Sherrie Milla are beginning to plan a “Shingle Selling” fundraiser. Scott Weavers is looking into a possible Motorcycle Ride Fundraiser in June to help raise funds for the roof.

Ministry and Personnel Committee / Finance Committee / Action Plan Team – continue to work on obtaining a part-time (13.5 hrs/week) staff person to act as Christian Life Co-Ordinator. Pending approval of the congregation for this position, we would recommend that the successful applicant meet the following criteria. The individual must be enthusiastic about the future of the United Church of Canada /have a background in theology training with completion of a lay preaching workshop / have leadership experience in contemporary alternative services / have education training in youth ministry and adult study groups. Computer competency would be an asset. Such an individual could help us develop areas of ministry within our church to enable us to become an even stronger, more vibrant community.

There are many upcoming opportunities to get involved, to have some fun and in doing so enhance your own spiritual development, raise funds for the needed roof repair and continue to build our Fairview community.

Embracing Faith – Sharing God's Love

The members of the Vision/Action Plan Team include Brenda Crocco, Sherrie Milla, Alexander Rey, Isabel Rombough, Liz Ryan, Linn Shea and Rev. Barrie Bain.



**VISION STATEMENT FOR
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