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Note: the next Link will be available for pick up on Sunday, November 22 (Sunday before Advent 1). Please have articles into the office by Monday, November 9th.



From Rev. Barrie's Corner

Sacred Vacation on Manitoulin

What can we possibly mean by the phrase “Celebrate the Sacred”??? A Celebration is something that happens at a party or special occasion. Sometimes at a celebration, there are a lot of joyous sounds, lots of music, balloons, decorations, all kinds of people having a great time with family and friends, noise, activity, and a party atmosphere.

Webster's dictionary defines the word “sacred” as an adjective meaning dedicated to worship; holy.

I believe that when we wait for **The Sacred To Be Revealed** — we acknowledge God's presence in our daily living patterns with a sense of awe and wonder that is in and of itself an expression of worship. Giving the Glory to God, Singing Psalms of Praise and Thanksgiving, thinking deeply about the messages that we find in Creation: all of these are components of worship. During our summer holidays this year, my wife Margaret and I had the opportunity to “Wait for **The Sacred To Be Revealed**” as we camped at one of our favourite places on Manitoulin Island for the first two weeks of our vacation. Friends, the beauty of Manitoulin; the water, beautiful sunrises and sunsets, visiting places of interest.

The knowledge that our kids were having a great time at work was also a special blessing. Some renovation projects at home and visiting relatives also helped to put some new pages in our memory album.

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During this vacation, we experienced the sacred, mighty, awesome Spirit of God present in our world. All around us, if we take the time to look, we have the opportunity to see that God's Hand has created and continues to create the tapestry of life; one thread at a time. Savour the beauty of "The Sacred" and God will bless your life's journey in so many marvellous ways!

Giving Thanks for Blessings Revealed!

Rev. Barrie

Fairview Willow Unit

The Fairview Willow Unit meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm in the parlour.

Contact: Phyllis Hunter.

The O'Dell Circle meets the second Wednesday of each month at 1:30 pm in the parlour. Contact: Linda Camick

O'Dell Circle

Tranquility Women's Unit

The Tranquility Women's Unit meets the fourth Wednesday of the month at 1:30 pm at the home of a group member. Contact: Dorothy Bayne

The three ladies groups meet three times per year for a "Special Get Together Night". The meeting this fall will be Tuesday, October 27th at 7:30 pm. This meeting is hosted by the O'Dell Circle.

Special Meetings

O'Dell Circle:

Helping Hands: The O'Dell Circle has delivered a nice supply of knitted blankets since March. Four preemie blankets have gone to BGH and 10 full sized blankets were given to Nova Vita and the Salvation Army. Forty kits were taken to the Mennonite Central Committee. Thank you for your support with these items.

Zehrs receipts, stamps and milk bags are still being collected. A large bag of stamps has been delivered to the Bible Society. Milk bags are now being collected by Doreen Newton to be used for making sleeping mats. This is a good way to assist others as well as caring for our environment. Used eye glasses are also welcome.

Tranquility Unit

The Tranquility Unit has sent 3 bed kits to SCAW (Sleeping Children Around the World) and 12 preemie hats and 2 baby outfits to the Neo-Natal Unit. The penny jar for SCAW is located on the counter in the narthex and is looking for loose change.

The Garage Sale from this past May cleared \$2,500!! Next year's sale is Thursday May 6 to Saturday May 8. Are you free to help out, either setting up on Tuesday or Wednesday before the sale, or during the sale itself? If so, call the office and let us know.

Fairview/Willow Unit

Shoe Boxes are being collected again this year. Last year, we were able to fill 50 shoeboxes!! Look for the shoeboxes to arrive around the end of October or beginning of November, and they will be due around the end of November. It seems early to be thinking about the shoeboxes, but this is a great time to begin stocking up on items that would normally go in a shoebox, like back-to-school items. Filling a shoebox isn't the only option. Individual items can be donated as well, which are used at headquarters to fill up boxes that are too empty to send. So, if you see a great deal on bulk items, like toothpaste, bars of soap, t-shirts, washcloths etc., go ahead and pick them up. Thank you for your help.



Report on the Membership Committee

Recently, our church board established a membership committee. This committee has several purposes:

1. It is to monitor membership on the roll of the church as to who are resident members and non-resident.
2. The committee is to contact those who do not meet the membership qualifications established by Fairview United Church and to encourage them to become active members again.
3. If members do not indicate that they plan to become active participants again the committee is expected to indicate to them that the committee will recommend to the board that their names be removed from the roll. Members whose names are removed can have their names put back on the roll by re-affirming their faith again when they choose to do so.
4. The committee is to involve the House Leader, Roll Clerk and Finance Committee when reviewing the membership roll. The roll review is to be completed by the end of November each year.

Fairview's Obligations to Presbytery Each Year

Each year Fairview United Church is required to submit a yearly membership fee per resident member on the roll as of December 31st. In 2008 Fairview submitted \$4,480 to Presbytery to cover our membership fees for 320 resident members.

Fairview Church Policy re: Membership

Church policy requires that a resident member who has been inactive for a period of two years shall be contacted by representatives from the church in an attempt to re-establish his/her participation in church life. If no favourable response is received then that person's membership shall be terminated. It is understood that participation includes any of attendance, participation in church activities or financial support.

As you can see, it is not difficult to remain on the membership roll at Fairview United church. However, it does require a measure of commitment from a person to dedicate some of their time, talent and treasure to the church. ...continued on next page...

Membership Review for November 2009

Our membership committee is in the process of contacting each member who has not been an active participant during the past 2 years to encourage them to become active members again. Those who have been active in the past and who are shut-ins and unable to be active participants will remain on the roll. Members of our church will keep in touch with them periodically.

Those who are able but who have not met the requirements to be considered an active member are encouraged to become active again. Those who do not indicate that they plan to renew active membership by November 30, 2009 will be informed that their names will be removed from our membership roll at the December board meeting.

Card Club

The Card Club will be meeting
at 1:30 pm on:

Friday, October 9
Friday, November 13



Fellowship Club

The Fellowship Club will
be meeting at 1:30 pm on:
Friday, October 2.

The Fellowship Club
Christmas Dinner is
coming up in December.
Tickets will be going on
sale around the middle of
November, so watch in the
bulletin to be sure you get
your ticket on time.



Persons interested in joining the Fairview senior choir are invited to come to Choir Practice on Wednesday evenings, starting at 7:00 pm.

Powerpoint

People interested in creating the Powerpoint for Sunday morning services, please contact Sharon in the office.

Men's Breakfast Group

On Friday mornings the Men's Breakfast Group does not do the following:

- a) We do not curl until 9 am
- b) We do not golf until 9 am
- c) We do not sleep in until 10 am.

However!

We do get to the church by 8 am

We do have a great breakfast

We do have lots of laughing and sharing

We do miss you if you do not attend.



This is a special invitation to come out and enjoy an hour with us.

Where else can you have a great breakfast for \$2.00?

Give me a call and we will set another plate for you.

Bob Bayne
519-754-4711

I Have A Concern... What Should I Do???

Feel free to speak to the person, group, or committee who would best be able to address your concern. If you are not sure who to speak to, you could talk to Rev. Barrie or call the office and speak to Sharon; we could help figure out the best contact person.

Perhaps you wish to communicate something to the Congregational Board. You could attend a board meeting as a guest and make a personal presentation, or you could speak to one of your Members-At-Large and have them do it for you. Members-At-Large have been elected to the Congregational Board for such a purpose and would be pleased to present your suggestions or concerns to the Board on your behalf. The Congregational Board meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm. You may also attend any committee meeting as a guest. Just be sure to mention it ahead of time to the chair of the committee, so they know you are coming. On the main bulletin board in the narthex, you will find a list of all the current board members

The United Church **Observer**

Have you always wanted to have your own Observer Subscription but have never signed up?

Well, take note! Observer Subscriptions will be for sale around the beginning of November in the Narthex.

Watch the bulletin for exact dates.

Stitch and Chatter

The Stitch and Chatter Group gets together on Thursday afternoons starting at 1 pm to quilt and socialize.

Call Louise Martin at 753-8977 for more information or if you are a quilter.

Upcoming Fall Services

- September 20.....Fairview Family Social BBQ
September 27.....Missions Guest Speaker focusing on
missions projects in Africa
October 4.....Communion
October 11Thanksgiving Sunday
October 18.....Stewardship Sunday begins
November 1Anniversary Sunday with
guest speaker, Rev. Brenda Nesbitt
November 22.....Children's Sunday

Adult Study group: There will be an adult study group in the fall. Format will be either a book study or a video study. Please contact the office for more information.



Do you enjoy working with kids & youth?

We could use your help! Fairview is looking for a volunteer to be our representative on the united United Church Youth Group organization committee. The uUCYG meets on the last Sunday of each month (Sep to June) for 2 hours and provides fellowship, a Christian message and a variety of fun activities for kids and youth ages 6-17. The committee meets once or twice a month to plan the meeting. If you have a bit of time, lots of enthusiasm and love kids, we'd love to have your help. Contact Sue Kennedy at 519-751-2695 or the church office if you are interested.

FAIRVIEW FAMILY SOCIAL

Sunday, Sept 20, 2009 you are invited to a family & community Pot Luck BBQ following the service. Families with the surname name between A-L please bring a salad, pickle/veggie tray etc. and families with the surname between M – Z please bring a dessert. It is appreciated by the planning committee if you sign up on the sheet on the way to the Fellowship Hall indicating your attendance and your order for hamburgers and/or sausages. It will Be a wonderful time of fellowship, exchanging stories from the summer and making new friends in our Fairview Family.

~~ Thank You ~~

The members of the Worship Committee want to thank all who participated in our summer worship services.

For sharing their musical talents, we thank Donna Ryder, Jane Baxter, Nancy Krause, Stefanie Stuart, Lynne Gibson, Joan Hendershot, Judy Queen, Kim McClelland, Michelle Gellner, Cindy and Tom Smiley.

To those who led services...Rev. Barrie, Jan Bush, Diane Watkins, Morley Roswell (with daughters Linda Trmal and Diane Sysiuk)...we are most grateful.

To Cheryl Mann and the volunteers who provided children's program, we appreciate your efforts.

To the Lay Readers, children's storytellers, ushers, greeters and those who created the video presentations...we thank you all.

The Scott Woods Show

Old Time Christmas Show

Country Gospel Benefit Concert



2009 Shows:


*Saturday, November 28
2 pm and 7 pm*


*Fairview United Church,
49 Wayne Drive,
Brantford, Ontario*


*Tickets \$20, contact:
519-752-4826*


Horoscope for Stewardship Season


October is stewardship month beginning on Sunday, October 18 and finishing in November. Hope you can attend and participate.

 Aries (March 21-April 20)
You've been feeling like something is missing in your life because you no longer have little ones around to enjoy. You should overcome this feeling by using some of your time at church to help supervise in the nursery 2 or 3 times per year. You will find this enjoyable and very rewarding.

 Taurus (April 21-May 20)
Lately you have found that you have extra time on your hands and you wish you had some activity to enrich your life. Nothing will make you happier than to visit some of those who are unable to leave their homes on a regular basis. Plan to visit two or three of those people periodically.

 Gemini (May 21-June 21)
You have a desire to reach out to those people who attended Fairview in the past but no longer attend. But you don't know what to do. Try phoning them and ask them if you could deliver their Link and have a short visit. Afterwards make a phone call periodically just to keep in touch.

 Cancer (June 22-July 22)
Every Sunday you enjoy the coffee, cookies and the conversation with friends after church but you enjoy the time you spend in the kitchen with your "house" friends even more. Volunteer to help with hot dog Sundays and that "fun in the kitchen" will come around every month.

 Leo (July 23-August 22)
You never know when an opportunity to put such musical talent as yours is liable to come along so be prepared to seize it when it does, like joining the choir as there are a limited number of openings now available. You might be able to squeeze into the Praise and Worship group if you're lucky.



Virgo (August 23-September 23)

Although you may be comfortable with your current role at Fairview it is important that you give your leadership skills a chance to blossom and grow. Look outside the box today and volunteer to serve as chair of a committee, serve on Faith Formation or Outreach or work on some study/activity group. Your talent is crying for this.



Libra (September 23-October 23)

You're in a position to try something different at church thanks to a change in your personal circumstances. Now is the time to allow your teaching skills to grow by volunteering to work in the Sunday School as a full time or part time teacher or to help with the youth group. A good start would be volunteering to serve 2 or 3 times per year.



Scorpio (October 24-November 22)

Your creative brain is eager to show what it can do and you should not hold it back any longer. You should definitely let the recruitment committee know that you want to work on a church committee. Every committee could benefit from your creative ideas and you might even enjoy telling children's stories.



Sagittarius (November 23-December 21)

As Stewardship Sunday approaches you are beginning to look at your finances to see if you can increase your givings in appreciation of the good times you've had. Any increase, whatever the size, would be greatly appreciated as would the decision to go on PAR. Carrying out God's wishes never ends.



Capricorn (December 22-January 20)

Periodically you feel very blessed and fortunate to have had such a wonderful life. Sometimes these feelings hit you when you check your bank account. When this happens, for whatever reason, you should write an "over and above" regular givings cheque to Fairview United Church to help it carry out God's work.

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☞ Aquarius (January 21-February 19)

You have just looked at your life and realized that God has given you tremendous gifts of time, talent and treasures. You want to show your appreciation and you can do this by donating some of your special treasures such as expensive art work, jewellery, stocks etc. that you no longer need or use to Fairview United Church as a special gift. God will reward you with a tax deduction.

☞ Pisces (February 20-March 20)

You have enjoyed life to the fullest and God has been good to you. You have been a fine member at Fairview United Church and would like to be remembered as a good steward for years to come. There are two things you can do to ensure this. First, write a one page article about yourself and your spouse for the Stewardship Book., and drop it off at the office for future use. Second, re-write your will and make a bequest to Fairview United Church. You will be remembered by having your name engraved on the bequests plaque in the foyer. This bequest will also reduce the last taxes you ever pay to the government.

If Your Birthday is Today

Select one of the above twelve horoscope signs and act upon it today so you will feel very pleased with yourself and will have a happy birthday

*Morley Roswell,
Chair, Stewardship*



Fairview Financial Focus

Financial givings year to date have been disappointing in comparison to the prior year. Contributions from new members (including Echo Place United Church) have helped, however our envelope givings are down \$3,400 over the first eight months of the year, compared to the same period in 2008. PAR contributions are stable year after year.

Thankfully, with the leadership of our committee members, committee expenses are being closely controlled. Expenses are down compared to budget, however, some expenses are down due to a delay in the timing of the expenditure.

Our bank account balance is currently overdrawn by \$16,772.

	2009 To Date	YTD Budget	YTD Aug 2008	2009 Annual Budget
Total Income	127,190	142,979	141,860	228,016
Total Expenses	136,345	150,294	158,541	227,413
Excess Income/ Expenses	-9,155	-7,315	-16,681	603

COLOURING STATION AVAILABLE



Pick up your crayons and colouring activities before the service and have Mom or Dad return the crayons when it's over. Where is the colouring station? On the small shelf just beside the basement stairs.

Update on Past Interns and Staff Associates

Last June one of our members asked me if I knew what one of our former interns was doing now. I did not know and, after further discussion decided it would be nice if we could find out what success each participant had achieved from the program in which Fairview United Church had participated.

The next day I asked Sharon, our office administrator, if she thought there was any way she could obtain information as to how I could contact them and she was able to do so very quickly.

After discussing this with Rev. Barrie and Mark Staffen, our board chair, it was decided that I would prepare an article for the Link so everyone would be able to see what each of those who had worked with us while preparing to become ministers in the United Church is doing at the present time.

Fairview United Church has had a good record in helping these people towards these goals and we can be proud of the part we played, even for those who decided part way through that work as a United Church minister was not for them. That, too, is part of the learning process.

During my conversations with them, each of those contacted expressed appreciation for the help and friendship they received from the staff and members of the congregation. They also sent their best wishes to all of us.

Morley Roswell, Board Member-At-Large



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Staff Associate memory
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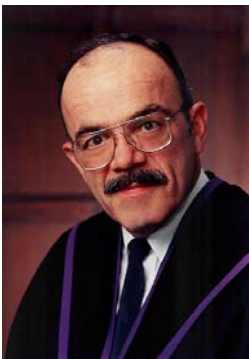


Bojeong Kim (1993)

After his internship at Fairview and being ordained as a United Church minister Bojeong became minister at St. Paul's United Church in Windsor where he served for 7 years. He then became minister at the Korean United Church in Vancouver for 2 years before becoming principal and chaplain at Iona College at the University of Windsor in 2002. Bojeong is also a member of the senate at Assumption University in Windsor. While enjoying a

happy family life Bojeong is very active in various roles within the United Church of Canada. He is a member of the local Presbytery and has served as its chairperson. Bojeong has also attended and participated at the National Assembly a couple of times.

Bojeong was very interested in hearing about Fairview and asked several questions about our activities. He was pleased to hear that our attendance is good and that we have an active Sunday School and Youth Group. Bojeong has fond memories of the time he spent at Fairview United Church and the part we played in his growth. He sends his best wishes to the congregation and the friends he made while here.



Wayne Beamer (1994-1995)

Following his winter internship at Fairview United Church Wayne completed one year of theological studies at Emmanuel College in Toronto. He was ordained in May 1996 at the Bay of Quinte Conference. Following his ordination Wayne began his work as a minister at Magog in the Eastern Townships of Quebec. This was a two-point charge of Magog and Georgeville. He enjoyed his five years there and was impressed with the beautiful mountainous country.

Wayne then moved to Wingham United Church which is a one-point charge. The church was built in 1901 with a capacity of 600-700. It serves approximately 320 households. There is a Sunday School of about 30 children and the congregation is made up of a very active group. In September Wayne will have been minister

at Wingham for 8 years.

Last summer Wayne spent a sabbatical leave at a famous abbey, founded by St. Columba, at the Isle of Iona in Scotland. This has been a very spiritual site for Christian pilgrimages for 1400 years. Those connected with the abbey lead a monastic style of life.

This August Wayne went to Kelowna B.C. for 7 days to attend the General Council Session of the United Church of Canada. Wayne thinks of Fairview often and sends his best wishes.



Robyn Pogue (1996-1997)

Robyn started her internship at Fairview United Church in the fall of 1996. She commuted from her home in Tillsonburg on a daily basis.

Unfortunately she did not complete her internship here and left in the early part of 1997. I was unable to make a follow-up contact with her to gain further information.



Pat Cook (1997-1998)

Following her internship at Fairview United Church Pat spent 3 months during the summer taking a certified pastoral education course and did a case study in Brantford. After completion of this course Pat became minister at Oakland/Bealton United Churches. She served this two-point charge for almost 5 years. Pat then moved to a two-point charge at Londesborough, where she has been for the last 6 years. During her 11

years in the ministry Pat has served on several committees for Presbytery. She has been very busy with her own church activities and particularly enjoyed her visits with church members.

Pat looked forward to her retirement, August 2009, and moving back to their home in Tillsonburg. They did not sell their home in Tillsonburg when Pat entered the ministry but rented it out instead. The tenants moved out in early August and the house was waiting for them to come home. Pat asked several questions about Fairview Church and several of its members. She sends her best wishes



Sheldon Legrow (1998-1999)

After completing his internship at Fairview Sheldon spent another year studying at Toronto while living in Hamilton. Following his ordination Sheldon moved to Burgeo, Newfoundland where he spent one year as minister as well as taking more courses. This was a good year for Sheldon because he met his wife at Burgeo. Sheldon then became minister for a three-point charge at Nippers Harbour/Woodstock and

Parquet. Many of the churches in Newfoundland are small ones in rural areas. After 3 years at this 3-point charge Sheldon became minister at Bregus United Church in St. John's Newfoundland as well as at Cumberland.

Following his ministry in Newfoundland Sheldon moved to Port Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia where he will have completed 2 years of service at the end of August. He is minister of two churches there—a large church in Port Hawkesbury and a smaller, historical church at Port Hastings.

Sheldon and his wife love Port Hawkesbury because it is not really a rural area. They are living in a manse which is only 4 or 5 years old. Sheldon no longer plays his guitar or drums in church. He says the church has a great organist and choir. He indicated that his theology is quite liberal and he has quite a bit of spirituality in his services.

Sheldon thoroughly enjoyed his time at Fairview and felt it was a great learning experience. He wishes to say “Hi and God bless everyone”.



Tim Reaburn (1999-2000)

After completing his internship at Fairview in the spring of 2000 Tim spent the next year completing his university work and was ordained as a United Church minister in the spring of 2001. Following his ordination Tim studied towards a doctorate degree for the next three years. While doing this he also served as a graduate teaching assistant at Emmanuel College, University of Toronto. Tim has

returned to Bruce County and lives at Sauble Beach where he and his sister operate their father's campground and cottages. The campground has 700 sites and is the primary part of the operation. Tim lives year round at Sauble Beach and has shown an interest in the educational system. Because of this interest he was appointed as a Board trustee to fill a vacancy on the Bruce County Board of Education in 2007. Tim is still engaged in the United Church ministry and serves as a pulpit supply on occasion.

Tim sends his best wishes to the congregation and his thanks for the role they played in his internship.



Tony Cole (2000-2001)

After Tony completed his internship at Fairview he studied Clinical Pastoral Education at Atlantic College in Nova Scotia. Following completion of these studies he was ordained and then became minister at Memorial United Church in Bonavista, Newfoundland. This was a large church. Tony spent 6 years there as minister. While they were there his wife, Kim, began studying to become a minister. It was difficult for Kim to take university courses at Bonavista so last year they moved to a United Church in Aylesford, Nova Scotia which is 2 hours from Halifax. Kim is now in her second year of ministerial studies and will start her internship next September. Tony remained as minister at Aylesford until the end of June this year, when he and his family moved to Halifax where Tony has been accepted by the armed forces to become a chaplain. Tony takes courses at the naval base where he spends time during the day but goes home at night. In September he will start courses in pastoral care and ethics. He will probably serve as a chaplain on a naval ship. The earliest this will occur is January 2010. His chaplaincy will involve burials at sea, baptism, communion, counselling and Sunday Services. His work as chaplain in the armed services will be from 4-6 years with a minimum of 3.

Their daughter Rebecca is 10 years old and going into Grade 6 this month. She enjoys singing and is in the school choir. She also sings at folk festivals.

Tony has fond memories of Fairview and sends best wishes to all.



Janice Gumbley (Feb 1, 2001-June 2002)

Janice served as our staff associate at Fairview from February 1, 2001 until the end of June 2002. While she was here she worked diligently with the Sunday School and youth as well as co-ordinating some special fundraising activities. Fairview had been going through difficult financial times and her guidance was beneficial. Janice has two sons and her youngest son, Matthew, attended church with her on a regular basis. Unfortunately, Janice found it necessary to resign her position at Fairview due to health reasons.

After leaving Fairview Janice started working for the Glanbrook Home Support Program in Hamilton. This organization provides home care for seniors and others with disabilities so they can remain in their homes. This is a community based program. Janice is the executive director of this organization.

Janice indicated that she periodically visits Brantford and has met some of our members in the local stores. She lives in Caledonia so is not far away. Janice thinks of our congregation quite often and sends her best wishes to the people of Fairview United Church.



Brenda Nesbitt (October 2004-May 2006)

Because Brenda had already completed her studies before she served as intern/candidate supply at Fairview she was ordained as a minister at the end of her time here. Brenda then began her ministry at the Smithville/Carmen charge at the end of June 2006 and is still there as minister. It is a two-point charge with a village church at Smithville and a restored, historical church at Carmen. Both churches are small in numbers but very high-spirited and active. Carmen is about 10 miles from Smithville so she does not have a lot of travelling to do. Each church has approximately 8 children in its Sunday School and there is a young children's group that meets once each month. There are approximately 20 young children in this group. Brenda was pleased to note that she confirmed 4 young people this spring. She loves her churches, the community and the people there and is thoroughly

enjoying her work which seems so rewarding to her. Brenda loves the area and plans to stay there for a long time, perhaps even until retirement.

She has purchased a house in Brighton which is only a few kilometres away. This is a fast-growing community with many coming from Toronto. When she moved there the population was 5900 and is now approximately 10000.

Brenda has a banner hanging on her wall that the children from Fairview gave her and she looks at it each day with fond memories of Fairview. She sends her best wishes to all at Fairview.



Christine Hossack
(October 2006-March 2009)

Chris was an ambitious person while serving as Staff Associate at Fairview. She also worked part time at Shoppers Drug Mart and studied part time during her second year here at Emmanuel College

in Toronto to become a United Church minister. Because of this heavy work load Chris resigned as staff associate in March 2009. After completing the courses at Emmanuel College Chris worked almost full time at Shoppers. However, in the fall she will be working at Shoppers only part time at most as she will be a full time student at Huron College in London. She will have her own apartment in London and will be coming home on weekends. Chris is attending Huron College to become an Anglican minister. She decided to return to her religious roots and return to the Anglican Church. As a result she now attends St. James Anglican Church in Paris.

The change from United Church studies at Emmanuel College to Anglican Studies in London will add some time required to become a minister but she has been granted some credits for her studies at Emmanuel. Studies in liturgy are different and there is a requirement for a very strong basis in knowledge and interpretation of the Bible at Huron College. This may require some extra work for her. Chris feels it will require 2 1/2 years of

study and then she will be under the supervision of an ordained minister for 2 years. There will be no internship. She hopes to have a church of her own in 4 years.

Katie is enrolled in veterinarian technician courses at Georgian College, while Samantha will be attending Assumption College in grade 9 in September.

Chris and her family camped at Rondeau Park for the last week of August. She sends her best to all at Fairview.

*We hope you enjoyed your journey down
“Intern/Staff Associate Memory Lane”*

The H1N1 Influenza impact at Fairview United Church
September 13, 2009

Dear fellow members and adherents of Fairview United Church. For the past few months the potential of a major influenza outbreak has been prominent in the news. Whether the impact will be another regular flu season or if it will develop into a major critical situation we will only know in time.

The United Church has policies and procedures in place to guide us through this type of situation. Your board will be working to have in place a plan to address an extraordinary influenza season based on United Church policy should it be necessary. We may need to seek alternatives to some simple practices, such as sharing greetings with a handshake. Coughing into our elbow instead of into our hands is another suggested practice. Remaining at home if one develops influenza symptoms is highly recommended. Washing hands regularly is considered one of the best practices in remaining influenza free.

This short note is simply to ask you to keep up to date with what is happening with respect to the advancement of this years flu season and to let you know your board will be trying to act in everyone’s best interest. We will keep you advised as to actions as the flu season develops.

Respectfully,
Bob Scott, Vice-Chair