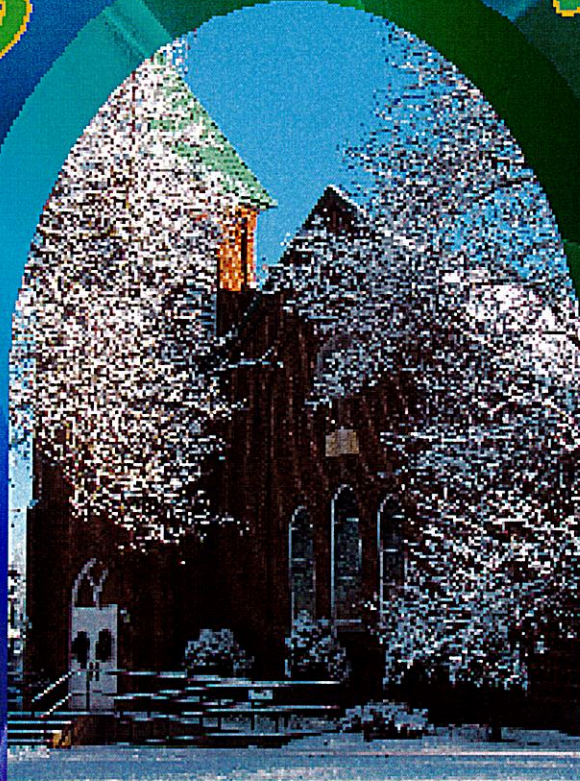


EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH

2023

ANNUAL REPORT



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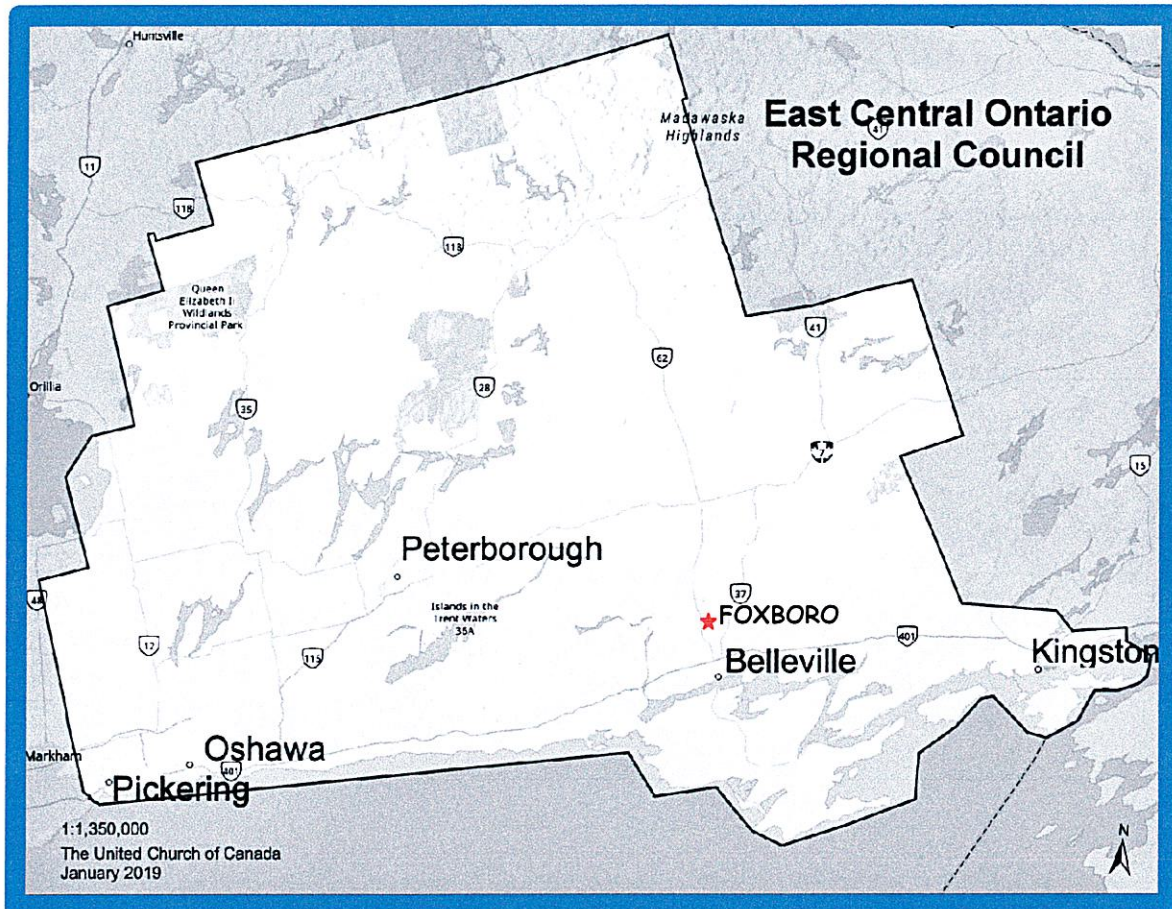
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As of January 1, 2019 there are no longer presbyteries or conferences in the United Church. The church now consists of the National Church (Denominational Council) and the local churches (Faith Communities).

To support churches, the national church has staff assigned to assist 16 regions with such things as pastoral relations and preparation for ministry. Emmanuel United Church in Foxboro is in Region 11 (East Central Ontario): about 436 churches, from Oshawa to Kingston plus the Lindsay - Peterborough area.

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Our Mission Statement

We are a congregation that affirms our faith in God, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit.

We acknowledge our need for spiritual fulfillment.

As a caring and receptive family, Emmanuel United Church is inspired to support our Church, Community, Country and World through worship, music and sharing of gifts.

Our Commitment

With God's help, to find happiness, fulfillment, and value as members of Emmanuel United Church we commit ourselves to the following action:

LEAD *a life centered on the principles of encouragement, honesty, trust-worthiness, growth, and service.*

REMEMBER *what's important in life is caring, sharing, spiritual fulfillment, family and respect.*

REVERE *admirable characteristics in others, such as being committed, dependable, trustworthy, caring and attempt to implement similar characteristics in our own lives.*

RECOGNIZE *our strengths and develop talents as a people who are hardworking, spiritual, trust-worthy and leaders.*

HUMBLE *ourselves by acknowledging that we can be narrow minded, procrastinators, inflexible; and, by constantly striving to transform our weaknesses into strengths.*

Developed in 2003

MINISTER'S LETTER

Dear Family of Christ:

"In the beginning, God." This is literally the opening wording of the Book of Genesis in Hebrew. The key name for God in Hebrew (Yahweh) means "I am". We need to remember "God", then, is a verb. Always there: forever at work. The first chapter of Genesis was composed at a time in history when the people of God needed to be reminded of God's Care for them. It is intended to ground their human existence in the knowledge God is always there for them (and this includes us). We need to be reminded the authors of Scripture were never 'scientists' as we understand the word today – nor did they ever perceive themselves in that light.

The intent of the Book of Genesis is to introduce us to the timelessness and the vision God has for the people. We, like those, described in many different ways in the Bible (whether the New or Old Testament), are to be people with a faith founded in God our Creator and Redeemer who share that inherited Vision of God with those in the world of this day and era.

The 'Great I am' is the One who establishes our Foundation in Life itself. When Jesus enters the Created World, He comes to recreate and bolster the Life and Vision in the People of God.

Our United Church Creed which we recite most often at Communion witnesses to the fact God *IS*. It is intended to remind us to have faith in God but also to remember God has faith in *us*.

As a community of faith or congregation, of any denomination – not just us, when we sit down at an Annual Meeting, we are most often focused on *our* work and accomplishments, forgetting or even ignoring what is contained in the pages following the Minister's (or equivalent) remarks are actually the evidence of God working in and through the people of God. In a way, then, for us this Report on the Life of the Church in the year 2023, ought to be seen as not merely the ending of a year, but the seeding of a New Beginning – literally a New Genesis.

Those with 'named' positions in our congregation have struggled to meet the deadline to produce the document before us. This Report is an achievement in and of itself. But there is more.

The *more* is our record of living out our faith in 'weights and measures' which cannot be described numerically on any of the pages contained here. The document speaks as to how God has worked in and through us in 2023. We began the year as a People of Vision.

The Vision lives on.

During our Annual Meeting, remember this is *our* Annual Meeting and the Report for 2023 records our faith at work in the world God provides for us and has endowed us to receive. A printed document such as that before us, should be scrutinized. We don't call into question those who have produced anything within the document's pages, but we look for *our* faith and *our* vision at work.

Our serious, God-given, *always* 'homework assignment' is to look for *our* footprint in the life and work of our congregation. We need to look to see if *our* vision is evidenced within the following pages. I guarantee the footprint of every participant in the life and work of our congregation is evidenced herein.

Our assignment is to work at deepening our faith, breathing in new vision, and deepening our footprints in the life of God working through the Community of God. Always remembering "We are not alone".

Forever beginning. So be it. Amen.

Reverend Bob Matheson

SESSION REPORT

PREPARED BY: Beverly Dafoe, Session Member

The 2023 Session year continued to be a challenge. As required, the Session members kept in contact via e-mails and telephone calls. Carol Watson retired from the role of Clerk of Session. Thankfully, Bev Stewart and Betty DeMille stepped up to provide the sacraments and help Rev. Bob distribute them on Palm Sunday, Father's Day, World Communion Sunday, Advent 1 and Christmas Eve.

Members of Session

Members	Beverly Dafoe, Betty DeMille, John Emerson, Deb Fortin Brown, Curtis Hayes, Rev. Bob Matheson (Chair), Marg Smith, Bev Stewart and Carol Watson.
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Our active membership is 8 plus Rev. Bob. Thanks to Beverly Dafoe for her devoted attention to sending out the church news and Rev. Bob's weekly sermons and bulletin notes via e-mail. Thanks also to Deb Brown and Beverly Dafoe for compiling an emergency contact telephone list.

Deb Brown continued to provide beautiful seasonal bulletin covers as required and designed the 2023 Annual Report cover. We give many thanks to St. Marks United Church for their gift of a years worth of bulletins that they no longer were going to use.

Unfortunately, the children never returned for Sunday School after the COVID shut-down, so the Sunday School is no longer active. Members of the congregation and money from Music recitals continue the support of our sponsored child in Nicaragua.

Michael Faulkner continued as our organist/pianist approximately 2 times a month and provided a beautiful solo each week he played to make the services even more meaningful. He also provided the accompaniment and sang in the musical presentation "The Greatest Christmas Card" directed by Carolyn Dafoe. We continued to have "CD Sundays" played by Steve Dafoe and chosen by Beverly Dafoe.

The UCW organized and led the May 7, 2023 service. Many thanks for their ministry. On February 19, 2023, we welcomed Trevor White, Quin-Mo-Lac Camp Director to be our guest speaker.

We really enjoyed the new friends that joined us last year from the amalgamation with Melrose United Church. Also, others decided to re-join our church after years away, and we were very happy to re-unite with them.

Rev. Dr. Charles Hainer retired as our Voluntary Associate Minister.

Funerals (Deaths) * denotes member of Emmanuel United Church

Name	Date of Death
Dorothy Eileen Goodfellow *	January 14, 2023
Marjorie McFarlane *	March 25, 2023
Doreen Flossie Langabeer *	April 24, 2023
Mary "Helen" Irene Jeffrey *	April 30, 2023
William A. "Bruce" DeMille *	May 19, 2023
Gary Lloyd Cranston *	July 3, 2023
Ivan Coulter Clare *	December 10, 2023

SESSION REPORT

PREPARED BY: Beverly Dafoe, Session Member

Acknowledgements for service

Administration & Secretarial	Beverly Dafoe
Ministry and Personnel	Jim Stewart, Stan Dafoe & Lori Gatward
Official Board Chairperson	Rev. Bob Matheson
Official Board Secretary	Beverly Dafoe
Session Chairperson	Rev. Bob Matheson
Acting Co-Clerks of Session	Bev Stewart & Betty DeMille
Treasurers	Jim Stewart & Colleen Murray
Communications	Deb Fortin Brown
Musician	Michael Faulkner
U C W Contacts	Cheryl Mound & Bev Stewart
Stewards Chairperson	Carolyn Dafoe
Trustees Chairpersons	Jim Stewart & Brian Anderson
Envelope Steward	Cheryl Pallo
ECORC Representative	Cheryl Mound
Pastoral Care Visitor	Marg Smith

Statistics

Membership December 31, 2022	166
Act of Session from Historic Roll –Gary Lloyd Cranston	1
Confirmation – Renewal of Baptismal Vows	0
Transferred Out – Donald & Anne McQuoid to Bells Corners United Church, Nepean, Oct 26'23	-2
Deaths	- 7
Membership December 31, 2023	158

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

PREPARED BY: Beverly Dafoe

Unfortunately, the children did not return for Sunday School after the shut-down of the church because of COVID. We had a few children attend church with their parents or grandparents throughout the year, but they stayed in the sanctuary and enjoyed the service.

Through Children Believe, the Sunday School was supporting a child from Nicaragua – Liam Jesus Cruz Flores, 2 years old. Liam lives with his mother & father. His father is a casual labourer but his income is unstable and far from adequate to provide for basic needs. Our sponsorship assured that Liam, his family and community would receive proper medical assistance, clean water, education and skills-training programs to overcome poverty and influence change.

Through generous donations from our congregation to the Sunday School account, we were able to continue our support of Liam. The Session & UCW agreed to provide financial aid if there is not enough money to make our quarterly commitments.

Also, at an Official Board meeting, a motion was passed that any money received by the church for Childrens' Music Recitals would go to supporting Liam or any other child we may sponsor in the future.

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

Respectfully submitted by Deb Fortin Brown

- Helped in the office preparing bulletins and printing up covers for bulletins.
- Designed and printed the cover for the 2023 Annual Report.
- Assisted Beverly Dafoe in compiling and producing the 2023 Annual Report.
- Updated names on the memorial board that hangs in the hall of Emmanuel's members that passed in 2023.
- Created "Christmas Cards" for the Christmas Musical Fantasy by Betty Hager & Fred Bock performed by members of Emmanuel's congregation & directed by Carolyn Dafoe.

East Central Ontario Regional Council – 2023

Lay Rep Annual Report to Emmanuel United Church, Foxboro

The **East Central Regional Council (ECORC)**, one of 16 regions across Canada, stretches from Oshawa to Brockville and north past Peterborough and Lindsay. This year we have met twice in Hybrid in-person/Zoom meetings.

Representation: As your lay rep, I attended the 2-day ECORC Spring Meeting where retirees were recognized and Working Action Teams/Forums reported, and retiring ministers were recognized. I also attended the ECORC Fall Meeting Friday/Saturday which included the Ordination for Rev Morgan Bell, recognition of Licensed Lay Worship Leaders, reports and recognition of retiring ministers. Other business included passing the budget and granting voting membership in ECORC to retired Designated Lay Ministers. I will attend the Spring Meeting April 27 at Lindsay.

As **ECORC Prayer Shawl Coordinator**, I collected prayer shawls for presentation to retirees and our new ordinand. (These shawls came from various people in the region, including a number from a community member from our own Wool Gathering Group.)

Remit: A major and critical piece of work this year has been encouraging and supporting churches to complete the Remit to grant autonomous organization, within The United Church, to our Indigenous Communities of Faith. I have been part of the ECORC team of callers calling all churches in the Region to provide remit information and check in on their progress toward completing the remit. This is critical to being what we want to be as a church that keeps its promises, honours its commitments and has been working faithfully to attempt to live in respectful relations with our Indigenous fellow members of The United Church of Canada. I attended two excellent webinars on the remit and provided information about how to join those sessions to members of Emmanuel's Official Board who have the responsibility of voting on remits.

Connecting with Others through with the Broader Church: Emmanuel United is entitled to two voting reps and for anyone wanting to see church mission in action, this is a great way to serve, learn and meet some amazing people from other congregations. You can also become involved without being elected to a position. Many events are open to all; and any member of any Community of Faith can either be elected to a Ministry team (Faith, Nurture and Justice; Covenant Support; Equity; Ministry Through Property), just join in for long or short-term work on a specific area of interest or simply attend one of the interesting workshops or events both online and in-person held by the various groups at work for the work of the Church.

Yours in Service,
Cheryl Mound

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
2023 Annual Report

The Trustees for 2023 were: In-term Chairman - Brian Anderson, Secretary - Beverly Dafoe, Jim Stewart (retired Chairman @ November 12, 2023), Alvin Donaldson, Rev. Bob Matheson, Bill McFarlane, Steve Doidge and Stan Dafoe.

Insurance – This is the main item on the agenda for the Board of Trustees. The information was presented to all members via E-mail and an unanimous decision was to continue with our current insurance provider – Desjardins Insurance. The budget for 2024 was set at \$4,160.

Fire Inspection Service – Our new service provider is Hastings Fire Equipment. All fire extinguisher units are to be inspected on a yearly basis. This service was provided in October 2023, accompanied with a certificate.

Monthly Inspections – This is a monthly in-house inspection of emergency lights, smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, exit lights, etc. currently being done with a log book kept of monthly reports.

Drinking Water – The drinking water continues to be monitored, again being done with in-house personnel by a certified drinking water system operator.

Respectfully submitted:

Brian Anderson

MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL

2023 Annual Report

The M & P Committee for 2023 was comprised of Stan Dafoe, Lori Gatward, and Jim Stewart. The position of Chair was filled by Jim until late in the year when it was transferred to Stan. Jim reported our non confidential information to the Official Board and the Stewards. Lori and Stan met in October to prepare the budget for 2024, with Jim adding his comments before we finalized our proposal.

2024 Budget – The budget and actual figures for 2023 were reviewed and a proposed budget for 2024 was completed for presentation to the Official Board at the November meeting. The 2024 budget figure is **\$89,890** compared to 2023's budget of \$87,379. This represents a **\$2500 increase** from 2023 mainly due to a 6.8 % cost-of-living increase as suggested by the United Church, as well as relative increases in remuneration for our music director and church administrator.

Beverly Dafoe – Beverly continues to excel as our Office Administrator, and invoices us moderately for her time and efforts. As we all know, she keeps us organized and well informed on the various workings of our church.

Rev. Bob – The M & P Committee met with Reverend Bob recently to discuss any matters of interest. He is quite happy with the support he has from the committees and feels that we have a very robust congregation. He would give us notice if his circumstances were to change or if we need to cover short absences if necessary. Otherwise he is quite content with the current arrangements.

Minister of Music – The music arrangement with Michael is working well and he is usually available at least 2 Sundays a month to share his talents, as well as some special services. He says that he really enjoys our services and congregation (his roots), and we certainly appreciate his contributions.

The Committee thanks Reverend Bob, Beverly and Michael for their contributions to a very successful year at Emmanuel United Church. I would also like to thank the Committee members for their involvement this year, especially Jim Stewart who has looked after us for many years.

Respectively submitted:

Stan Dafoe: Interim Chair - M&P

Emmanuel United Church Women – submitted by Cheryl Mound for UCW

2023 was another year for building and renewing fellowship. We have been very pleased to see many attending Sunday Fair Trade Coffeetime. Thanks to Bev Stewart who keeps our kitchen supplied and to those special people who bring refreshments. We continue in Christian Witness, Study, Fellowship and Service:

Fellowship:

- sending cards during special seasons and at times of celebration or special need. Cards are placed in the sanctuary on Sundays for all to sign. Taking cards and gifts at Christmas for those not always able to be out and about.
- providing prayer shawls for church or community members at times of celebration, transition or need for comfort
- resuming wool gatherings and classes for both chair and mat yoga
- in 2024, once again organizing 'secret pals' for church members who enjoy the connection and fun throughout the year.

Witness:

- providing flowers and painted garden stones outside the church
- carrying out a Lenten reflection project of gratitude jars and M&S stories
- uniting with the congregation to lead worship on a UCW Sunday Service
- updating the library with Betty Turcott's Rebekah in memory of Phyllis Brownson

Outreach:

- collecting pop tabs, stamps, large printer cartridges, eyeglasses and used-up markers for various charities through our Kente Area UCW
- donating on your behalf to local charities: Adopt-a-Child, Christmas Sharing for ten local families, the Tri-county Food Bank, Belleville's Welcoming Streets program; the Eastern Ontario Region UCW bursary fund for student ministers; and the National UCW endowment Fund in memory of Dorothy Goodfellow.
- raising \$2700 for Camp Quin-Mo-Lac with a quilt raffle and Strawberry Tea and hosting the camp's farewell gathering for camp director Trevor White
- linking with United Church neighbours and participating in programs at Area and Regional UCW events. We hope that many in our congregation will choose to attend the Kente Area Annual we host on March 21, 2024.

Service:

- providing Christmas gifts for the minister, office staff, cleaner and music leader
- serving families at funeral receptions and community groups for luncheons
- operating a meat-pie ministry that is both a major year-round fundraiser and a support for some families whose members appreciate a ready-made meal
- getting new kitchen taps/sinks and operating an inspected food handling facility
- continuing a community yard sale and a Bazaar with our special Christmas Café; expanding Belleville Market sales to twice a week from April to November where we could visit with our many return customers and first-timers too
- holding a book and craft sale and providing ribbon to assist a First Nations leader in teaching traditional crafts to indigenous children and their teachers

We do not walk alone. The many who joined in to support events enabled us this year to contribute \$2000 to M&S and \$28,000 to the church. We are honoured to be part of this Community of Faith and witness to the generosity of the supporters of "Emmanuel ~ God with Us."

Emmanuel UCW - 2023 (as submitted)

Opening Balance

2,289.32

Income

Offerings and donations	6,129.92
Donations for Christmas Sharing	1,087.15
Donations for Quin-Mo-Lac	135.00
Quin-Mo-Lac Collections (Tea \$1923.30; Quilt \$700)	2623.30
Loose collections	54.00
Community Group Dinners	8,907.00
Family Receptions	1,900.00
Meat Pies	2,159.50
Drive-by Ham Supper	3,702.00
Sales: book/craft; yard sale; June baketable	2,583.45
Christmas Catalogue, market & Bazaar	17,401.55

46,682.87

Expenses

Presbyterial/National Dues	30.00
Bank Fees	30.77
Kitchen/bathroom supplies	269.69
Kitchen equipment/ service items	1,097.25
Stipends/gifts workers	323.90
Fundraising costs - food	3,847.75
Drive-by Dinner	514.20
Fundraising costs - sales	4,896.00
hst 13%	889.85
Fellowship	87.14
Outreach:cards/flowers for church	151.89
Roll call: Camp Quin-Mo-Lac	25.00
Roll call: Welcoming Streets Program for the homeless	25.00
Gifts in memory: UCW Benevolent Fund	50.00
UCW Bursary Fund	200.00
Camp Quin-Mo-Lac	2,700.00
Christmas Sharing	1,369.95
Adopt-a-Child	100.00
Gleaners Tri-County Food Bank	182.50
Transfer: M&S	2,000.00
Transfer: Church General Account	28,000.00

46,790.89

2,181.30

L. Cheryl Mould
Treasurer's Signature

3 January 2024
Date

Beverly Stewart
Reviewer's Signature

January 7, 2024
Date

COMMITTEE OF STEWARDS REPORT

Respectfully submitted by: Carolyn Dafoe and the Committee of Stewards

The year 2023 has brought out the best in us. There were thousands of hours of volunteer work done by our church members and this support has made a great difference to the financial standing of our church. It costs about \$12,000 a month to keep the church operating. The offerings have covered almost half of the money required. Each year our budget shows a short fall. (The use of \$34,204 from investments was budgeted to cover this in 2023.) However, we used only \$20,734 of these investments to help cover our costs, thanks, mostly, to UCW fundraising of \$28,000.

There is a "Bequest Plaque" that hangs at the back of the sanctuary. This plaque lists names of past members and their spouses who have left money to the church in their wills. This year we added Doug and Shirley Stewart. We would like to encourage members to do this, and to become PAR donors also, to help offset bills that occur during pandemics and holidays. (This is a monthly donation that comes directly from your bank account.)

In 2023, the large expenses were paying for the re-furbishing of the front doors of the sanctuary and replacing the flooring in the kitchen, choir room, offices and halls. We have also upgraded the phone service, computer and the office photocopier (which was donated).

The Stewards would like to particularly thank the United Church Women who continued to do fund-raising in our church. We would like to extend extra thankyou's to Cheryl Mound, Bev Stewart and Beverly Dafoe. We would also like to thank Jim Stewart for the countless hours he put in on our church finances and subsidies over the many years as a member of this church. He has retired from treasurer but he will remain on our committee as a member. Colleen Murray will be taking over his role as church treasurer. We would also like to take this time to thank Ed Pallo for up-dating our website and to Steve Dafoe for all his custodial duties. Lastly, we thank our own committee members. They are Jim Stewart, Cheryl Pallo (envelope steward), Carolyn Dafoe (chair), Steve Dafoe, Brian Anderson, Donna Kennedy (secretary), Colleen Murray (treasurer), Janis Bradshaw-Ethier, Bill McFarlane and Murney Bradshaw for their decision making and maintenance.

As always, we look forward in the years ahead to continued stewardship and service for the life and work of Emmanuel United Church.

ENVELOPE STEWARD

Prepared by: Cheryl Pallo

The year 2023 saw total Sunday Offerings increase by \$2,695 from 2022. We welcomed several new members in 2023.

In 2023 we had 53 contributors who were issued Envelope/PAR numbers.

Of those 53 Envelope/Par contributors, the proportions shifted slightly from 2022 in the categories of contributions.

<u>2022</u>		<u>2023</u>
35%	gave from \$1 to \$500	34%
37%	gave from \$501 to \$1000	32%
13%	gave from \$1001 to \$1500	17%
15%	gave over \$1500	17%

We lost one PAR contributor this year. PAR is a service to members who prefer monthly bank debits for offerings and to help the church and its members avoid large fluctuations in contributions.

	2022 Assigned Envelopes	2022 Visitor Envelopes	2022 Loose Collection	2022 Total	2023 Assigned Envelopes	2023 Visitor Envelopes	2023 Loose Collection	2023 Total
Sunday Offerings	42,959.50	3,990.00	252.50	47,202.00	45,213.00	4,480.00	204.00	49,897.00
Gifts in Kind	482.10	0.00	0.00	482.10	483.03	3,000.00	0.00	3,483.03
Anniversary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	110.00	0.00	0.00	110.00
Donation	1,790.00	1,050.00	30.00	2,870.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
White Gift	270.00	50.00	20.00	340.00	525.25	0.00	40.00	565.25
Total	\$45,501.60	\$5090.00	\$302.50	\$50,894.10	46,331.28	7,480.00	244.00	54,055.28

Thanks to all of those who have consistently supported their community church throughout the year. We hope that in 2024 we can increase participation in and support for our faith community.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Pallo

Envelope Steward

Treasurer's Report

PREPARED BY: Jim Stewart ~ As submitted.

General Operating Account - 2023

INCOME		EXPENSES	
Beef Supper		Administrative Costs	
Sub-total	4,827.00	Computer Supplies	17.99
Envelope Steward		Manuals/Directories	79.90
Env. & PAR Givings	49,693.00	Misc. Office Supplies	
Loose Collection	204.00	Paper	68.33
White Gift	565.25	Photocopier	1,870.54
Gifts in Kind	3,483.03	Postage	27.60
Anniversary	110.00		
Sub-total	54,055.28	Stationery	
Fundraisers & Donations		Bank Service Charges	
Donations in Memory	1,323.25	Sub-total	2,064.36
Donations - Bequests	5,931.20	Board	
Fundraisers- auct., etc..	4,257.00	Presbytery Dues	2,788.00
Sub-total	11,511.45	Presbytery Rep. Exp.	
HST Rebate	2,194.58	Communications	260.04
Investments		Sub-total	3,048.04
GIC Interest Income	14,926.78	Stewards	
Sub-total	14,926.78	Occupancy Costs	
Other Income		Custodial Services	2,120.00
Government wage sub.		Custodial Supplies	15.95
Melrose Amalgamation		Custodial Equipment	214.86
Sub-total	0.00	Snow Removal	2,550.00
Rental Income		Natural Gas	3,293.39
Foxboro Fr. Grp.	2,130.00	Hydro	2,163.83
Quinte Twirlers	75.00	Telephone	747.86
Other	225.00	Internet Provider	363.00
Sub-total	2,430.00	Misc.	
Support Groups		Water & Testing	69.00
U.C.W.	28,000.00	GIC Purchase	
Sub-total	28,000.00	Maintenance	
Transfers - From EUC Fund		Maintenance - Church	24,939.13
Investment Redeemed	20,734.40	Yard Maintenance	492.67
Sub-total	20,734.40	Fundraising Expense	
Income	138,679.49	Beef supper/Cheese	4,739.30
TOTAL INCOME*	138,679.49	Collection Envelopes	264.69
		PAR Costs	96.56
		HST	
		HST @ 5%	1,712.02
		HST @ 8%	3,075.48
		Equipment	
		Office / Kitchen	
		Safety	32.99
		Sub-total	46,890.73
		M & P	
		Minister - Book & Ed	1,560.00
		Minister - C.P.P.	
		Minister - E.I.	1,403.39
		Minister - Home Phone	840.00
		Minister - Pension	
		Minister - Salary	67,800.00
		Minister - Travel	3,600.00
		Minister - U.C. Ins. Plan	
		Minister - Payroll Fee	309.56
		Minister - Pres. Exp.	
		Pulpit Supply	
		Pulpit Supply - Travel	
		Minister of Music	3,450.00
		Pianist	200.00
		Office Administrator	3,488.00
		Stipend - Env. Steward	100.00
		Stipend - Treasurer	400.00
		Sub-total	83,150.95
		Session	
		Worship Supplies	75.00
		Register Reurbish	
		Certificates	
		Member Picture Board	
		Misc. - Candles/Observer,)	
		Sunday School sponsor.	
		Guest Speaker/ Music	
		Sub-total	75.00
		Special Donations	
		Three Oaks	565.25
		Camp Quin-Mo-Lac	50.00
		Sub-total	615.25
		Trustees	
		Board / Property Ins.	3,981.00
		Parking lot	
		Sub-total	3,981.00
		EXPENSES	139,825.33
		TOTAL EXPENSES*	139,825.33
		OPENING BALANCE: - January 1, 2023	32,584.40
		SURPLUS / SHORTFALL	-1,145.84
		CLOSING BALANCE (adjusted for outstanding cheques/deposits)	31,438.56

TREASURER'S REPORT Cont'd.

Prepared By - Jim Stewart : As Submitted

Emmanuel United Church Fund -2023

BALANCE - Jan. 01,2023 **\$258,639.81**

INCOME

Memorial Donations:

January		
February		
March		
April		
May		
June		
July		
August		
September		
October		
November		
December	180,000.00	
Sub-Total	180,000.00	180,000.00

Fund Gains:

Interest - Reinvested GIC's		1,485.18
TOTAL INCOME		181,485.18

EXPENSES

BNS Investment Redeemed		20,734.40
BSCU Investment Redeemed		
Transfer to Operating Account		
Approved Memorial Expenditures		
TOTAL EXPENSES	20,734.40	\$160,750.78

Shortfall/Surplus

Emmanuel United Church Fund Balance * **\$419,390.59**

** Balance consists of:*

Alterna Savings - AA account	5,069.20	
#498097-10 Share Plan - 10	15.00	
Alterna Deposit # 1	40,022.47	
Alterna Deposit # 8	25,000.00	
Alterna Deposit # 9	25,000.00	
Alterna Deposit # 2	16,800.00	
Alterna Deposit # 10	15,000.00	
Alterna Deposit # 4	10,000.00	
Alterna Deposit # 5	32,483.92	
Alterna Deposit # 6	100,000.00	
Scotiabank BNS # 22DRCN	35,000.00	
Scotiabank 2 yr. GIC #1ZVYSF	80,000.00	
Scotiabank -BNS # 22DRDR	35,000.00	
EUC Fund Balance- December 31, 2023	\$ 419,390.59	

FINANCIAL REVIEWER'S REPORT

PREPARED BY: Brian and Darlene Anderson

To the Congregation of Emmanuel United Church

We conducted a review of the financial records of the Emmanuel United Church, both receipts and expenditures. This review acts as a double check on the records and ensures that all financial transactions have been properly recorded and the financial position of the Church has been properly reported. Our review of the finances involved comparison of ledger entries, bank statement entries, deposit slips and documentation of assets for the following (see next page for details of assets):

- General Account
- Emmanuel United Church Fund
- Mission & Service Fund

We reviewed the methods of counting and recording offerings and donations. Donations were reviewed only back to envelope numbers. The Envelope Steward prepares statements quarterly and receipts within a month of the end of the taxation year.

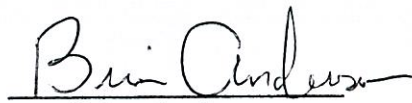
We reviewed the method of recording and receipting of Memorial donations. Our office administrator mails a receipt along with a letter of acknowledgement as soon as possible after donations are received.

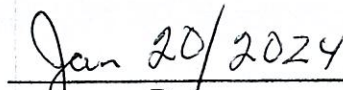
Records of the treasurer were well organized, with clear annotations to explain entries. It was a straightforward process to compare invoices and computer ledger reports with monthly bank statements which include cancelled cheques.

In our opinion, the statement reviewed accurately reflects the financial position of Emmanuel United Church as of December 31, 2023
We would like to acknowledge the major contribution of time and service of all persons involved in the financial matters pertaining to Emmanuel United Church. Thank you to all for your assistance in preparation of material for us.

Respectfully submitted,


Darlene Anderson


Brian Anderson


Date

FINANCIAL REVIEWER'S REPORT, cont'd

Verified By: Darlene & Brian Anderson

1. Asset Summary Opening Balance Closing Balance

Operating Fund:		
Chequing Account	32,584.40	31,438.56

Emmanuel United Church Fund:		
Memorial Account/Deposits (16A + TD3)		0.00
Investments		419,390.59
TOTAL	0.00	419,390.59

2. Asset Locations

GIC/Deposit #	QuinteFist C.U.	Scotiabank	TOTAL
Operating Fund:			
Account 00498097-01	31,438.56	0	31,438.56

**adjusted for outstanding cheques/deposits and including \$50 petty cash (Benevolent Fund)*

Emmanuel U. C. Fund:			
A Account # 203	5,069.20		
Shares Account	15.00		
Term Deposit # 1	40,022.47		
Term Depositi # 9	25,000.00		
Term Deposit # 8	25,000.00		
Term Deposit # 2	16,800.00		
Term Deposit # 10	15,000.00		
Term Deposit # 4	10,000.00		
Term Deposit # 5	32,483.92		
Scotiabank # 22DRCN		35,000.00	
Scotiabank # 22DRDR		35,000.00	
Subtotal	169,390.59	70,000.00	239,390.59

3. Designated Funds

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Amalgamation Funds			
Alterna 2 yr. GIC #6	100,000.00		
Scotiabank 2 yr. GIC #1ZVYSF		80,000.00	
	100,000.00	80,000.00	180,000.00

4. Mission & Service Fund

BSCU 0498097 - Plan 24 1301	0.00		0.00
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Totals Per Bank/Credit Union: 300,829.15 150,000.00 450,829.15

MISSION AND SERVICE FUND REPORT

PREPARED BY: Beverly Dafoe

Through our M&S donations we live out our responsibility to our National Church mission and to Emmanuel's mission statement to act "as a caring and receptive family" to "support our Church, Community, Country and World." The United Church Mission & Service philosophy is to give people a 'hand up', not a 'hand out.' Working with partners, our M&S fund ensures that projects are accountable without incurring large administration costs. The M&S branch of the United Church of Canada is one charity where almost all of the dollars donated actually go to the projects.

Information about M&S projects can be found on our Church bulletin board, in the Broadview Magazine, on the United Church website and in pamphlets located on our Information Centre and at the back of the sanctuary.

	Covenant			Actual		
	UCW	Congregation	Total	UCW	Congregation	Total
2015	1,500	7,000	8,500	1,500	7,288.99*	8,788.99
2016	1,500	7,000	8,500	1,500	7,027.21*	8,527.21
2017	1,500	7,000	8,500	1,500	7,000.47 *	8,500.47
2018	1,500	6,500	8,000	1,500	6,544.55 *	8,044.55
2019	1,500	6,000	7,500	1,500	6,008.48 *	7,508.48
2020	1,500	6,000	7,500	1,500	6,001.09 *	7,501.09
2021	1,500	No Covenant made		1,500	7,398.00 *	8,898.00
2022	1,500	5,000	6,500	1,500	7,990.30 *	9,490.30
2023	1,500	5,000	7,000	2,000	6,140.00	8,140.00

* figures include bank interest

At our Annual Meeting February 12, 2023 we made a covenant with the United Church of Canada to send them \$5,000 for M&S projects. Attendance at church began to increase, although we kept the protocols of hand sanitizing and masking in place for much of the year. With many from the congregation of Melrose United Church joining us in April, 2022, attendance and giving to M&S increased.

Many thanks to Cheryl Mound who provided us with Lenten calendars and other projects throughout the year to raise money for M&S.

Through very generous giving, we were able to forward \$6140. to the National Office for Mission and Service in 2023, surpassing our goal by \$1,140! The United Church Women increased their monetary support to \$2,000.

The United Church of Canada's web-site states: "Your gifts to Mission and Service transform and save lives, inspire people to live with meaning and purpose and help build a better world." Isn't that what we should be aspiring to do?

OUTREACH SUPPORT SUMMARY

PREPARED BY: Jim Stewart

Reaching Out Together

We have as a congregation reached out to others in a number of ways. Most of our contributions are reported by the UCW and Sunday School, elsewhere in this annual report. Yet, it is worthwhile to list all the contributions on one page and reflect on what we all do. It is clear that our congregation, committees and groups, working together, can and do make a difference

In 2023 the list includes:	Approximately
Mission & Service Fund	8140
Three Oaks Foundation	565
Children's Believe Fund of Canada	553
Adopt-a-Child	100
Christmas Sharing	1370
Roll Call – Foodgrains Canada & Women for Change Zambia 25	50
Quinte Hospice	3151
Camp Quin-Mo-lac	2700
Fellowship Gatherings	87
Community Outreach	152
Gleaners Tri-County Food Bank	183
Gifts in Memory: UCW Benevolent Fund	50
UCW Bursary Fund	200
Total	\$ 17301

The above list is approximate and may not be complete, but represents the majority of outreach activities this year. In addition to the above, many members volunteer for other organizations, monthly food collections to Gleaner's and items to other non-profit organizations. Food is provided to local families in need and turkey pies are given to people who perhaps need a break from cooking, when time and energy is needed to care for family members.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: 2023 Annual Report

Submitted by Cheryl Mound for Emmanuel UCW

Emmanuel UCW carries out a Prayer Shawl Ministry. "Shawls" are given at times of celebration, life change or need for support, to send a message of God's love. They are meant for anyone in our church family or wider community; e.g., people moving away, coming into our community, entering nursing homes, facing medical challenges, grieving, heading to college, giving birth, getting married, graduating.

They come in many forms: shawls, scarves, lap rugs, stoles, baby blankets... all sizes, shapes and styles for young and old, male or female. For baptisms, we create a small crocheted square with the pattern of a cross. Pocket prayer shawls (a few inches square), are for people to keep nearby as reminders of God's love and our friendship. Pocket Prayer Shawls and crosses are at the back of the sanctuary for anyone to take for themselves or to give to someone they know.

Sometimes a 'shawl' is made for a specific person who is held in our thoughts and prayers as we create their "shawl." At other times, shawls are made without knowing who will receive them and kept until an occasion arises. Shawls are given with a blessing from the church community and blessed during a Sunday Worship service and the following message attached to the shawl: *Prayer of Blessing May God's grace be upon this shawl...warming, comforting, enfolding and embracing. May the one who receives this shawl be wrapped in love.*

This year we thank Ann Casselman, Cheryl Mound and two community members from our "Wool Gathering Group", Joan and Pat, for creating shawls. Since we started in the Spring of 2018, we have given well over 100 shawls. In one week in 2023, we gave out 5 shawls in that one week! Another example part of Emmanuel's mission statement to "...support our Church, Community, Country and World through worship, music and sharing of gifts."

Proposed Budget - 2024

Prepared by: Committee of Stewards

	2023 Budget	2023 Actual As of Dec. 31/23	2024 Budget
<u>INCOME</u>			
Offerings			
Sunday Regular Offerings	55,000	49,693	52,000
Anniversary	1,000	110	500
Donations/ Gifts in Kind	500	3,483	500
White Gift	-	565	
Loose	250	204	250
Investment Income	6,000	14,927	14,000
Rental Income			
Foxboro Friendship Group	2,160	2,130	2,160
Other		300	
Support Groups			
United Church Women	10,000	28,000	10,000
Additional Group Contributions	5,000		5,000
Other Income			
Donations - Estate	-	5,931	
Stewards - Beef Dinner	2,000	4,827	3,000
Fundraisers - Other	2,000	4,257	2,000
Donations- Memorials Gen.		1,323	
HST	2,100	2,195	1,000
Transfers (Memorial)		20,734	
TOTAL INCOME	86,010	138,679	90,410
EXPENSES			
Official Board	3,350	3,048	4,824
Administrative costs	855	2,064	895
Stewards	23,795	46,891	23,840
Trustees	4,000	3,981	4,160
Session	835	75	835
Ministry & Personnel	87,379	83,151	89,890
Spec. Donations- Three oaks, etc		615	
TOTAL EXPENSES	120,214	139,825	124,444
<i>Surplus/ Shortfall</i>	<i>(34,204)</i>	<i>(1,146)</i>	<i>(34,034)</i>

Spending of Investments	(34,204)	19,589	(34,034)
(*Amount To Be Cashed In)	New Shortfall/Surplus:		

* Spending of Investments is the amount that will have to be withdrawn from our investments in order to cover all estimated expenses in 2024

**PROPOSED OFFICERS
EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH – 2024**

<p>MINISTER: Rev. Robert H. Matheson, B.A., M. Div. (ex-officio member of all committees except Ministry and Personnel)</p> <p>VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATE MINISTER:</p> <p>OFFICIAL BOARD: Chairperson - Rev. Robert Matheson, B.A., M. Div Secretary - Beverly Dafoe</p>		
<p>SESSION Deb Brown Beverly Dafoe Betty DeMille—Co-clerk of Session John Emerson Curtis Hayes Marg Smith Bev Stewart—Co-clerk of Session Carol Watson</p>	<p>STEWARDS Brian Anderson Janis Bradshaw-Ethier Murney Bradshaw Carolyn Dafoe – Chairperson Steven Dafoe Donna Kennedy – Secretary & UCW Rep Bill McFarlane Colleen Murray - Treasurer Cheryl Pallo – Envelope Steward Jim Stewart</p>	<p>TRUSTEES Brian Anderson -Chairperson Ivan Clare Beverly Dafoe – Secretary Stan Dafoe Steve Doidge Alvin Donaldson Bill McFarlane Ralph Murray Jim Stewart</p>
<p>UNITED CHURCH WOMEN BOARD REP & CONTACT– Beverley Stewart ECORC REGIONAL REP Cheryl Mound</p>	<p align="center">MISSION & SERVICE</p> <p>M & S TREASURER – Beverly Dafoe / Jim Stewart / Colleen Murray</p> <hr/> <p>COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT- Deb Brown</p> <hr/> <p>PASTORAL CARE REP – Marg Smith</p>	<p align="center">MINISTRY & PERSONNEL</p> <p>Stan Dafoe - Chairperson Lori Gatward Jim Stewart</p>

NOTE: All positions are for a one-year term with the option to renew annually.

**OFFICERS OF
EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH
2024**

MINISTER

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(EX-OFFICIO MEMBER OF ALL COMMITTEES EXCEPT MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL)

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Beverly Dafoe – 613-921-3370

(Chairperson)

(Recording Secretary)

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Cheryl Mound 613-395-0914

C – Chairperson **A/C** – Acting Clerk of Session **E/S** – Envelope Steward **S** – Secretary **T** – Treasurer

EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH
Annual Meeting February 11, 2024

AGENDA

- 1 Call to Order Rev. Bob Matheson
- 2 Opening Prayer Rev. Bob Matheson
- 3 Welcome
- 4 Memorials – Members and Adherents (* denotes member of Emmanuel United Church)

“God’s finger touched them and they slept”

...adapted from Alfred Tennyson

Dorothy Eileen Goodfellow - January 14, 2023*

Marjorie McFarlane - March 25, 2023*

Doreen Flossie Langabeer - April 24, 2023*

Mary “Helen” Irene Jeffrey - April 30, 2023*

William A. “Bruce” DeMille - May 19, 2023*

Gary Lloyd Cranston - July 3, 2023*

Ivan Coulter Clare - December 10, 2023*

We record their names in Gratitude to God for what He has enabled them to do. We mourn the loss of their commitment and contribution to Emmanuel United Church and praise God for a life well lived.

- 5 Business Motions:
 - a) Motion that all present from Emmanuel’s congregation have voting privileges.
 - b) Appointment of meeting Chairperson and Secretary.
 - c) Motion to approve the Minutes from the Annual Meeting February 12, 2023.
 - d) Motion to Adopt the Agenda – pages 23 - 24
 - e) Report of the Financial Reviewers – pages 16 – 17
 - f) Motion to accept the Financial Reviewers’ Report for 2023.
 - g) Motion to Appoint Financial Reviewers for the year 2024.

- h) Review and Motion to accept the 2023 Financial Statement page 14.
- i) Review and Motion to adopt the 2024 Financial Budget – page 20.
- j) Review of Reports included in the Annual Report.
Explanations of questions related to the reports.
- k) Motion to accept the reports as printed/corrected in the 2023 Annual Report.

6 Mission and Service Covenant

7 Nominations for the various Committees or Offices

- a) Motion: that the Official Board be allowed to appoint additional members to all committees or offices.

8 Recognition of those leaving positions of service:

James Stewart – retiring as Chair of Trustees, Chair of M&P and Treasurer of Emmanuel United Church

Rev. Dr. Charles Hainer – Voluntary Associate Minister

Sarah Bassett & Beth Pitt – Sunday School Teachers

Neillia Bassett – Assistant Sunday School Teacher

9 Presentation & Discussion re: Remit 1: Establishing an Autonomous National Indigenous Organization

- a) Appoint scrutinizers
- b) Pass out ballots – vote – collection of ballots by scrutinizers
- c) Receive the results from scrutinizers & pass motion
- d) Motion to have the ballots destroyed

10 Next Official Board Meeting

11 Motion to Adjourn

Rev. Bob Matheson, Chairperson Beverly Dafoe, Secretary