#### **Greenbank-Seagrave Pastoral Charge Annual Report 2023**

#### **Ministers Report**

As I look back on this past year, my heart is full of gratitude for the ways you have lived out your faith as members of the body Christ at Greenbank and Seagrave United Churches. Once again our dedicated volunteers have gone above and beyond demonstrating Christ's love. Your work is vital and is so appreciated.

This past year has felt as if we are finally beginning to move past living in fear of COVID. We did not have to cancel any in person services and it has been wonderful to see gatherings and events resume. It has been a full and busy year.

I officiated at one off site wedding. We said goodbye to some beloved members of our church family trusting that they are peacefully resting in God's loving care.

At the beginning of the year we continued to feel the effects of COVID with lower numbers of people attending worship services. However as the year progressed we were starting to see more people returning for special services. Our Christmas Eve services were extremely well attended.

Both of our churches continue to live-stream the worship services. The outdoor food bank at Greenbank was well used, thank you to the volunteers for keeping it going during the months it was operational.

The Lenten book study was held online once again and those who participated said it was spiritual feeding.

We had many joyous events, music nights, a variety talent night, summer church youth bible camp, a corn roast dinner, UCW midweek event, just to name a few. Both churches celebrated their anniversaries in ways that honoured the past, celebrated the present and looked towards the future.

Seagrave United Church voted to become an affirming church, congratulations to the Affirming Committee. Greenbank continued to live into their action plan as an affirming congregation. In September I announced my acceptance of a call to another United Church, a decision that was most difficult to make. Both congregations accepted the news with grace. I have been blessed to have been able to serve such loving, kind and caring people at both Greenbank and Seagrave. I trust that the minister who comes after me will equally blessed.

The Prophet Isaiah wrote, "but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint" (Isaiah 40:31). God's loving caring Spirit is alive and active in the hearts of the people at Greenbank and Seagrave UC. I trust that God's Spirit will guide you all forward as you continue to be the hands and feet of Christ. With God as our helper the future is sure to be filled with opportunities and blessings.

Wishing you all a blessed 2024. Sincerely Rev. Stephanie Richmond

# GREENBANK / SEAGRAVE PASTORAL CHARGE FINANCIAL STATEMENT for the year ended DECEMBER 31, 2023

		Budget 2024	Actual 2023	Actual 2022
INCOME:				
Greenbank	63%	50,400	69,300	48,108
Seagrave	37%	29,600	40,700	28,254
Investment Income		-	-	12,640
Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy		-	-	1,352
Other		-	-	29
Total Income:		80,000	110,000	90,383
DISBURSEMENTS:				
Wages & Benefits		45,000	90,398	85,391
Support Personel costs		6,900	5,720	4,767
General Disbursements:				
Book/Education Allowance		800	1,783	1,886
Travel - Minister		1,000	2,259	1,439
Telephone/Internet		510	1,020	1,140
<b>Books &amp; Magazines</b>		-	226	226
<b>Evangelism &amp; Special Events</b>		550	478	685
Sabbatical Allowance		3,000	3,000	3,000
Advertising		-	390	748
Music / DVD copyright license - CCLI		700	499	637
Printing & reproduction		150	268	151
United Church Assessment		8,177	7,246	5,995
Fees & Dues		-	75	0
Insurance		53	107	102
Office supplies & Postage		-	30	-
Service charges		300	592	346
Liason		500	-	-
Supervisory Minister		1,000	-	-
Mileage - Supervisory Minister		1,000	-	-
Pulpit Supply		6,700	1,392	1,120
Travel - Pulpit supply		1,500		
Total Disbursements		77,840	115,483	107,633
Surplus (shortfall) for the Year		2,160	(5,483)	(17,250)
Increase in sabbatical allowance fund		3,000	3,000	3,000
Change in accounts payable		(500)	141	563
Bank balance – Start of Year		21,462	23,804	37,491
Bank balance – End of Year		26,122	21,462	23,804
Comprises: General Fund		17,122	15,462	20,804
Sabbatical Allowance Fund		9,000	6,000	3,000
TOTAL		26,122	21,462	23,804
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**Doug Watson, Pastoral Charge Treasurer** 

#### **Ministry and Personnel Committee Report**

Your M&P Committee is a joint committee with 3 members from each Church. The committee has 3 distinct roles: the consultative and supportive role, the healthy relationships role, and the supervisory role. This committee performed these functions very capably this year, and I thank them for their efforts.

We thank everyone involved in ensuring the work of the Church continued. This includes both employees and volunteers, whether helping at a fundraising event or sitting on a committee. You remain an essential part of a functioning Church.

This committee met 4 times during the year with 3 new members joining the committee in February.

2024 promises to be an exciting year filled with changes. We look forward to the new governance structure, and eagerly look forward to welcoming our new ministry personnel.

Respectfully Submitted Doug Watson, Chair

#### East Central Ontario Regional Council (E.C.O.R.C.) Report 2023

As in every other organization that operates mainly on donated time, volunteers are always welcome on board. The process begins by filling out the "Expression of Interest' form on ECORC's website. This is where your skills and interests will be matched up with available positions.

Remit 1 was introduced at an April zoom meeting. It was authorized by the 44th General Council. A long history of colonialization, which included residential schools, was forced on our Indigenous churches by the United Church of Canada in 1925 with church union. This remit is a way forward towards positive relationships and partnerships as represented in the 2 row Wampum Belt. A covenant between two peoples going down the same road in our own canoes. Two peoples respecting each other's travel, not paddling for the other.

To date, there are 66+ Indigenous communities of faith with 1,000+ worshippers covering diverse and overlapping tribes, nations, communities, clans and languages.

At the Spring meeting in May, in Cobourg, Kevin Fitzpatrick (Dunsford U.C.) and Kaitlyn Ostrander were ordained.

At the Fall meeting in Odessa, in October, Morgan Bell (Mt. Horeb) was ordained.

The Spring 2024 meeting will be held at Cambridge St. U.C., Lindsay on April 19 & 20.

Respectfully submitted Darlene Hallett ECORC S.U.C.

# **Mission and Service Report**

Minute for Mission was read or presented by video at weekly services at Greenbank by Marita Parsons, or myself at Seagrave. These stories help explain where monies donated through Mission and Service are needed and allocated.

1/4	Greenbank	Seagrave
1st	2,297.50	1,208.50
2nd	3,722.50	1,073.80
3rd	2,517.50	581.80
<u>4th</u>	3397.50	1,308.40
	11,935.00	4,272.50

**TOTAL** \$16,107.50

Thank you Marita and Susan from Greenbank for your efforts on our Mission and Service team.

Respectfully submitted, Tara Bailey-Taylor

# **GUC MISSION AND SERVICE REPORT FOR 2023**

	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	4th Quarter	Total
PAR	2,297.50	3,322.50	2,517.50	3,397.50	11,535.00
UCW	400.00				400.00
TOTAL	3,397.50	3,322.50	2,517.50	3,397.50	11,935.00
Submitted by,					
Susan Duivestyr	1				

#### **GREENBANK UNITED CHURCH COMMITTEES 2023**

SESSION - Barb Ward (Clerk of Session), Margaret Ann Lamb, Kelly Monkman,
Wilma Smith, Carla Puckrin, Patrick Dwyer

STEWARDS - Kim Thomson (Secretary), Jim Ferguson, Mark Puckrin, Bill Monkman,

Ted Smith, Jim Thomson

BOARD OF TRUSTEES – Jim Thomson, Brian Lee, Susan Duivesteyn, Debbie Watson

CHURCH TREASURER- Doug Watson ENVELOPE STEWARD – Pat Raines

M&S COMMITTEE TREASURER – Susan Duivesteyn

M&S MINUTE FOR MISSION - Marita Parsons

MINISTRY & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – Doug Watson, Kelly Monkman, Ted Smith and

Representatives from Seagrave

COMMUNION STEWARDS - Pat Raines, Norma Ferguson

ECORC REPRESENTATIVE - Emmanuel Iheme

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE – Kim Thomson, Mark Puckrin, Joanne Olivero,

Barb Ward, Debbie Watson

SIGNBOARD DISPLAY - Cheryl Quantrill

WEBSITE ADMINISTRATOR - Karl Higeli

# GREENBANK UNITED CHURCH STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

		2023	2022
INCOME:	Donations: General	88,915	64,756
	Mission & Service	11,535	13,069
	Memorium	4,150	6,266
	Other	3,637	1,663
	Total Donations:	108,237	85,754
	Fundraising income	22,967	27,010
	Outreach sponsorship		14,543
	Interest income	28,663	12,761
	Rental income	125	250
	Sales tax rebates – Pastoral Charge	343	
	TOTAL INCOME	160,335	140,318
EXPENSES:	Charitable Contributions:		
LAF LIVOLO.	Other		7,567
	UCC Mission & Service	11,935	13,069
	Total Charitable Contributions:	11,935	20,636
	Ministry Expenses: Pastoral charge	69,300	58,852
	Honorariums	8,091	6,750
	Computer & technology	67	0,730
	Other	1,077	1,389
	Total Ministry Expenses:	78,535	66,991
	Occupancy Costs: Utilities	5,413	5,564
	Telephone	705	697
	Repairs & maintenance	70,770	8,117
	Total Occupancy Costs:	76,888	14,378
	Office & General: Bookkeeping	2,500	2,500
	Computer & internet	1,973	1,889
	Supplies, postage & printing	668	584
	Total Office & General:	5,141	4,973
	Other Expenses: Insurance	7,918	7,095
	Fundraising costs	3,479	2,718
	Outreach	2,277	17,231
	Service charges	301	344
	TOTAL EXPENSES	186,474	134,366
		122.22	
	OPERATING INCOME (EXPENSE)	(26,139)	5,952

# **GREENBANK UNITED CHURCH**

# BALANCE SHEET As at 31 December 2023

		2023	2022
ASSETS:	Cash & Bank	80,693	114,862
	Sales Tax rebate receivable	6,864	1,548
	Short Term GIC's		
	General	164,656	542,324
	Memorium	9,384	8,981
	Prepaid expenses	6,154	1,188
	Long Term investment	382,862	
	Capital Assets – Land & Building	456,435	456,435
	TOTAL ASSETS	1,107,048	1,125,338
LIABILITIES:	Accounts Payable	14,454	6,605
EQUITY:	Restricted Net Assets	438,520	438,520
-	Unrestricted Net Assets	654,074	680,213
	TOTAL EQUITY	1,092,594	1,118,733
	TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	1,107,048	1,125,338

#### **Greenbank United Church Session Report for 2023**

Resident Membership Jan 1/23	89
Removed by Death	4
Neil Hunter, Keith Bacon, Terry Crawford, Bob	Nesbitt
Received into full membership	0
Received by transfer	1
Baptisms	0
Removed to inactive or non resident	0
Resident Membership Jan 1/24	86

Members of GUC Session are Margaret Ann Lamb, Kelly Monkman, Wilma Smith, Carla Puckrin, Patrick Dwyer, Barb Ward (Clerk), Stephanie Richmond (Minister).

Session had 5 meetings this year joining with Seagrave Church Session members. The dates were January 20<sup>th</sup> in Greenbank, March 10<sup>th</sup> in Seagrave, May 12<sup>th</sup> in Greenbank, August 18<sup>th</sup> in Seagrave, and October 30<sup>th</sup> in Greenbank. The clerks John Olivero and Barb Ward each chaired their meetings at their respective Churches. With us having the Joint Session meetings we enjoy the friendship and fellowship and ideas that everyone has to offer.

On February 22<sup>nd</sup> Ash Wednesday Stephanie held a service at 11 am and then we went downstairs and had a soup lunch.

On March 5<sup>th</sup> our Sunday School resumed with Bailee Richardson as our Greenbank Youth Leader and this was great and children started coming back to Sunday School.

Palm Sunday was on April 2<sup>nd</sup> in Greenbank and communion was served and Palms were handed out to the congregation.

Easter Sunrise Service was held on April 9<sup>th</sup> at the Bethel Cemetery with Stephanie and Dianne leading it and it was a beautiful morning to watch the sunrise and enjoy the story and scriptures of Easter.

Seagrave held the Easter Sunday Service at 10 am and celebrated the story of Easter.

On May 14<sup>th</sup> Greenbank held the Mother's Day Service and handed out carnations to all the ladies.

Greenbank Church offers our Food Bank table from May to October and is well used by our community and supported by many donations by the community.

On June 11<sup>th</sup> we served Communion at Greenbank service.

August 8<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> Greenbank held a Nature Camp for youth that was led by Katie and Patrick Dwyer and Stephanie and assistants. There were 24 campers that attended and they had special speakers come to teach the children different things. Groff Landscaping with flowers, Brian and Diane Jones with bees, and Nancy Rensink with the puppets. It was a fun week for the kids with crafts and outdoor time and snacks.

On August 20<sup>th</sup> we held the Pet Blessing service in the Pavillion in the Park and enjoyed the outdoor service

In September Katie Dwyer joined the Sunday School as our Superintendent and assisted Bailee with the Sunday School Program. Rally Day was held on September 17<sup>th</sup> with the children and they had a BBQ lunch for all. So nice to see the children back at Church after the summer vacation.

On October 1<sup>st</sup> we celebrated the World Day of Communion and followed with our Congregational meeting and lunch.

October 15<sup>th</sup> was the affirming committee service.

We once again supported the community on October 31<sup>st</sup> with sharing Halloween treats to the children from the front steps of the Church.

Our Church Anniversary was held on November 12<sup>th</sup> and Reverend Ross Carson was our guest minister and helped us celebrate our 127 years of faithful service and outreach to our community.

On November 26<sup>th</sup> the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent we had the Hanging of the Greens which was the congregation decorating the Church and Tree. Communion was also held.

We had on December 10<sup>th</sup> a puppet presentation by the Youth and led by Nancy Rensink and this was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Stephanie held a Tinsel and Tears Service on December 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm and was a very touching and worthwhile service that helps anyone who is grieving or who needs uplifting at this time of year.

December 24<sup>th</sup> was a very busy day as we celebrated Christmas at our morning service with the Sunday School presenting a short pageant which was wonderful to see the children involved. We celebrated communion with all and enjoyed special music by the choir. In the evening we held a Christmas Eve Service at 7:30 and this was a very special service and was well attended.

Thank you to Stephanie for her past 6 years of Ministry and her guidance and creative ideas and growth in sharing her faith with us. We wish her all the best in her new path of sharing her faith with others.

Respectfully submitted by Barb Ward

# **Affirming Committee 2023 Report**

2023 was another great year for the Greenbank United Church Affirming committee, as we completed our second full year as an affirming community of faith.

In January, the Affirming committee learned that North Durham Pride and the Scugog of Chamber of Commerce were committed to growing the Port Perry Pride Celebration. We are happy to see these two organizations grow the event.

For Black History Month, the Affirming committee created a calendar of local events and hosted two speakers for a special Black History Month service. Dr. Leroy Clark and Mrs. Raphael Francis discussed how we must locate the experiences of African Canadian individuals in the context of history, injustice, and oppression.

In February, a small team of congregants from Greenbank United Church participated in the Coldest Night of the Year walk, an event hosted by North House to support unhoused persons in our community.

During the month of March, we participated in PIE Day and Trans Day of Visibility. On March 7, we distributed shepherd's pies made by students from Port Perry High School. The proceeds of this year's fundraiser were split between PFLAG and North Durham Pride, two organizations who support diversity and inclusion in our communities. For Trans Day of Visibility (March 31), members of our congregation and two members of Trinity United Church (Cannington) watched Transforming. We had an excellent discussion afterwards about ongoing problems experienced by the trans community.

In an effort to celebrate Pride, we provided a rock painting tent at the North Durham Port Perry Pride Celebration on June 10. We were joined by friends from Port Perry United Church and the Anglican Church of Ascension. It was great to gather as a group and experience the growth of this excellent event hosted by North Durham Pride and the Township Chamber of Commerce.

For the second Affirming anniversary service for Greenbank United Church, Carolyn Luscombe from Metis Victims Services joined us to safety planning, 2SLGBTQIA+ risk factors, and other important topics. This excellent presentation gave us a lot to reflect on as we continue our affirming work in the community.

On Saturday, November 18, the Affirming committee provided a historical walking tour through Greenbank. A big thank you to Jesse Gillis for his hard work on putting this tour together. Donations provided were given to the roof fund.

I want to thank the members of the committee who contributed to our success this year: Rev. Stephanie Richmond, Mikey Galita, Jesse Gillis, Katie Dwyer, Emmy Iheme and Debbie Watson. We appreciate their time and efforts. On behalf of the committee, I'd like to thank Rev. Stephanie for her leadership and contributions to shaping our affirming mission.

The committee looks forward to more community involvement in 2024, as we work towards creating a more equitable, inclusive community. This includes contributing to programs for mental health and exploring the development of programs for underserved age groups in our community. Respectfully submitted, Pat Dwyer

#### **Board of Trustees Report - 2023**

The Board of Trustees met five times in 2023.

At the January meeting the Trustees reviewed the United Church of Canada (UCC) insurance program being offered through HUB insurance. The Trustees also reviewed a proposal from the Stewards with respect to the roof replacement. The proposal was approved. The annual 2023 budget was reviewed and approved, as presented by Doug Watson, Treasurer of the Greenbank Church.

At the April meeting Doug Watson advised the Trustees that the UCC insurance program has resulted in a 26.1% reduction in our insurance premium. The Trustees discussed the need for a privacy policy for the church.

A discussion of third party liability insurance through HUB insurance was held at the July meeting and how that relates to the creation of a rental policy for the church.

At the September meeting a rental agreement for GUC was circulated, dated 2013. A new

rental agreement template will be forthcoming in the new year. The Trustees were made aware that the Early ON program will be hosted at GUC. The Trustees were in support of this initiative.

The final meeting of the year was held in November to discuss the investment strategy for the upcoming year.

The Trustees would like to thank Doug Watson, Greenbank Church Treasurer, for his guidance and assistance throughout the year.

Debbie Watson Greenbank Church Trustees

# **Sunday School Report 2023**

We officially began running Sunday School Feb 2023. We have a consistent group of children that attend regularly. In August we ran a Nature Camp with 24 children and 7 student volunteers and numerous church member contributions. We officially welcomed Bailey Richardson as our Sunday School teacher and Katie Dwyer as Sunday school superintendent in September 2023.

We have had opportunities to do pottery with the children, puppet shows, and planned a small Christmas skit. We are pleased with our children's commitment to attending Sunday School and look forward to providing many other opportunities for the children to be actively involved in the church community.

Katie Dwyer

# Greenbank U.C.W. 2023 Annual Report

Officers 2023

Presidents: Individuals in charge of each meeting

Signing Officer: Kim Thomson

Communication Officer: Joanne Olivero

Secretary: Vetha Pashley Treasurer: Kelly Monkman Card Secretary: Debbie Ward

Pianists: Valerie Hunter and Wilma Smith

Catering: Barb Ward, Joanne Olivero and Valerie Hunter

The Evening UCW had a very productive year. Instead of having a President, each month individuals who are in charge of each meeting will chair the meeting. Joanne Olivero will still be the Communication Officer and Kim Thomson will be our signing Officer. We will have a seat at the church council once our new governance is approved by ECOR. This seat will be filled by rotation. The positions will be for the year 2024. Our activities for 2023 were as follows. International Women's Day, lasagna dinner, a pending visit to the Buddhist Temple in Bethany, World Day of Prayer, Easter Journey, Celebration of Mothers Day, Sewing the Seeds at Thanksgiving and a special Remembrance Day dedication. These are all done each month by designated members. Our year of productivity includes raising money through our catering services, hosting the lasagna dinner, Farm Connection Dinner, numerous Celebrations of Life, Catering to the Rebecca Lodge Dinner, Selected Sires and responsibility for a mid week ECOR meeting (95 in attendance) with refreshments and lasagna lunch. We were actively involved with Rallies, special lunches prepared each meeting and Coffee Time after church. We also celebrate special birthdays, and contribute light refreshments for our performers that come and bless us with their talents throughout the year We also present Prayer shawls to special individuals that need our blessing and love. We were responsible for the Sunday Communion at Quin- Mo-Lac which was at the UCW camp. We Celebrated the Greenbank Church 127<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a special speaker.

Numerous donations were made throughout the year.

Again we supported many charities through our fundraising endeavors: Denise House, A Place Called Home, Operation Scugog, The National UCW – Healing Fund, Bursary Fund and Cross Cultural Exchange.

We again organized the collection of purses supporting Purses for Sisters.

Blessings to everyone,

Vetha Pashley (Secretary)

#### **UCW PURPOSE:**

To unite women of the congregation for the total mission of the Church and to provide a means through which we may express our loyalty and devotion to Jesus Christ in Christian Witness, Study, Fellowship and Service.

# **GREENBANK EVENING UNIT UCW 2023 FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

BALANCE FORWARD: \$4,500.97

**INCOME:** 

Fundraising Lasagna Dinner \$ 2,415.00

Funeral Catering 2,200.00

Other Catering 3,230.00

Offering 870.60

Miscellaneous 128.21

\$8,843.81

TOTAL INCOME AND ASSETS \$13,344.78

**EXPENSES:** 

**Donations** Various Charities \$7,550.00

\$7,550.00

**Church** Phone, Allocation, Supplies 2,604.25

\$2,604.25

Other Bank fees, miscellaneous 240.21

\$ 240.21

TOTAL EXPENSES \$10,394.46

**BALANCE** \$ 2,950.32

Submitted by Kelly Monkman, Treasurer

# **Report for the Board of Stewards for 2023**

The Greenbank United Church Board of Stewards meet approximately six times per year. Current members are as follows, with their term year ending in brackets: Jim Thomson (2023); Jim Ferguson (2024); Kim Thomson (2025); Mark Puckrin (2026); Ted Smith (2027); and Bill Monkman (2028). Our Treasurer, Doug Watson, also attends each meeting and provides current financial statements. Our Minister also attends these meetings.

Our major project in 2023 was our new Church roof. After many months of meeting with contractors, obtaining estimates and researching and providing our recommendation to the Trustees, The Green Metal Roofing and Manufacturing Company completed the installation of the new roof. We are extremely happy with this company and our roof does look fantastic. Many thanks to Mark Puckrin, who did spend hours working on this project.

A letter was prepared and sent to our Church Family and Community in support of our new roof, and along with some musical fundraising, we are hopeful of raising \$50,000.00. Thanks to all for your continued support!

It was agreed to form a special fundraising group for the Church, including at least 1 Steward. This group would come up with ideas and plan various fundraising events throughout the year. At our congregation meeting, the members of this group are: Debbie Watson, Barb Ward, Joanne Olivero, Mark Puckrin and Kim Thomson. Thank you.

We are exploring an opportunity of a grant to upgrade our Church through a United Church program, called Faithful Footprints, using green energy to try and lessen our carbon footprint. One application only for this grant, which will match every dollar the Church puts up with two dollars, to a maximum of \$20,000 (we put in \$10,000).

The other part of the grant would again match our \$1 with \$2 up to \$10,000. (we pay \$5,000) toward heat pumps or perhaps energy efficient furnaces. Much info and background work is required before the one-time only application is completed. Ted Smith has been in contact with the Faithful Footprints person, and is gathering details (including previous records of heat, hydro, water, etc from Doug), and other info. We are excited about the possibility of this grant, and our wish list includes LED lighting; recaulking and weather stripping for windows and doors; attic insulation, new efficient ceiling fans; updating electrical panels; kitchen reno; dishwasher, etc.

A maple tree at the front of our Church was storm damaged, and was removed by Brian and Tyson Lee. Thank you! The Stewards decided to obtain and install a flag pole in this location, completed in the spring of 2024.

The EarlyON Program, through the YMCA, is using the Church basement on a weekly basis, for children 0-6, with caregiver, to provide activities and social interaction for the young families in our area. This is a drop in, no registration, no cost to participants. It runs Thursdays from 10 am to 12:30 pm. Please spread the word for this special outreach program! The Stewards look after smoke detectors, light bulbs, yard clean up; purchasing supplies, and all around general upkeep for our Church.

We thank all the Church and Community people who help with grass, snow, flowerbeds, garbage pick up, cleaning (to name a few) and who support our efforts to keep the Church an exciting and active part of our village!

If you would like to set up an automatic monthly donation to the Church, it's easy!! It is called PAR (pre-authorized givings or remittance) and may be arranged simply by contacting our Treasurer, Doug Watson by email at dougw.lcs@gmail.com. for details.

Respectfully submitted by Kim Thomson

Secretary, Board of Stewards

# **Seagrave United Church: Committees 2023**

**Session** - John Olivero (chair), Wendy Hudgins, Darlene Hallett, Betty Lou Beacock, Linda Buscher.

Session sub committees, Communion Stewards, Pulpit Supply and Anniversary service.

**Stewards** - Brooke Acton (chair), Rick McAskill (Vice Chair), Carol Coleman (Treasurer), Keith Puckrin, Richard Charron, John Debono, Katie O'Hara, Terry Taylor.

**Board of Trustees** - Terry Taylor, Rick McAskill, Carol Coleman.

Ministry and Personnel - Donna Kent, Darlene Hallett, Ken Nix.

**Affirming Committee** - Tara Taylor (Chair), Betty Lou Beacock, Carol Coleman, Ken Nix, John Olivero, Rick McAskill.

East Central Regional Committee Rep. - Darlene Hallett.

Organist/Choir Director - Joan Lee

Benevolent Fund - Betty Lou Beacock, Betty Sommerville, Carol Coleman.

Memorial Fund – Don Beacock, Wyn Hudges, John Olivero.

Nominating Committee - Len Sommerville, Wynn Hughes, John Olivero.

**Envelope Stewards** - Carol Coleman, Eleanor Sturman.

**Church Treasurer** - Carol Coleman.

Treasurer Books Reviewer - Jean Short.

Minute for Mission Report - Tara Taylor.

**Congregational Chairperson** - John Olivero.

Outreach Committee - John Olivero (Chair), Tara Taylor, Wendy Hudgins.

**Greeter Schedule** – Chris Action.

**Service PowerPoint Presentation** – Tara Taylor.

**Service Tech Team** – Tara Taylor (chair), Jonathon Feyen, Bill Richmond, Wendy Hudgins, John Olivero, Brad Sinclair, Bob Shepherd.

**Hospitality Committee**- Donna Kent (chair), Eleanor Sturman, Wendy Hughes.

Church Phone, Sign Board Display and Bookings - Rick McAskill

Website Administrator - John Olivero.

Facebook Adm. Katie O'Hara, John Olivero.

**Sunday School** - No regular teacher, volunteers when there are children.

Seagrave-Greenbank Pastoral Newsletter - Val Hunter.

# **Seagrave United Church Statement of Operations**

						2023
INCOME:	Donations:					
	General					31,978
	Mission & Service					4,006
	Memorium					1,340
	Other					1,090
	<b>Total Donations:</b>	-,				,
	Fundraising income					20,686
	Interest Income					6,180
	Rental Income	-				450
	Sales Tax Rebate		-			2,991
	Total Income			\$	68,721	,
EXPENSES:	Charitable Contributions				,	
	Various					700
	UCC Mission & Service					3,471
	Total Charitable Contribut	ions:				4,171
	Ministry Expenses		-			-,
	Pastoral Charge		-			40,700
	Organist & Honoraria					8,450
	Computer & technology					0
	Other					100
	<b>Total Ministry Expenses</b>					49,250
	Occupancy Costs					,
	Insurance	••				5,464
	Repair & Maintenance					10,525
	Telephone		-			882
	Utilities	<b>.</b>				5,223
	<b>Total Occupancy Costs</b>					22,094
	Office & General					,
	Bookkeeping &					
	Accounting					2,500
	Computer & Internet					4,339
	Office Supplies & Advertis	sing				1,571
	Total Office & General		•			8,410
	Other Expenses	•				
	Fundraising Costs					1,817
	Outreach					1198
	Service Charges					348
	Total Other Expenses					3,363
	Total Expenses					87,288
	Total Operating Income			1		-\$18,567

# **Seagrave United Church Balance Sheet**

		2023
ASSETS:	Cash & Bank	11,372
	Memorium	3,964
	Men's Group	820
	Sales Tax rebate receivable	
	Short Term GIC's	
	General	117,449
	Memorium	5,816
	Accrued Interest Receivable	3,901
	Long Term Investment	77,386
	Capital Assets - Land &	
	Building	622,130
	TOTAL ASSETS	843,364
LIABILITIES:	Accounts Payable	
EQUITY:	Restricted Net Assets	77,386
	Unrestricted Net Assets	765,978
	TOTAL EQUITY	843,364
	TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	843,364

# **Memorial Fund Bank Balance**

Balance as per books	\$3,963.67
Less: o/s Deposits	-130
Balance	\$3,833.67

Balance as per Bank \$3,833.67

# **Envelope Steward's Report 2023**

2023					
	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Total
Loose	305	255	355	565	1,480.00
Total Envelope/Donations	3,130	3,628.05	3,367.27	5,058	15,183.32
Total M&S	795.5	487.65	257.8	760.6	2301.55
Total Birthday Box/Jar	2	3.4	10	9.8	25.20
Total	4232.5	4374.1	3990.07	6393.4	18990.07

Total Envelope Expenses

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#### 2023 vs 2022

This year the total offerings were \$15,183.32. This was an increase of \$4,169.17. These numbers do not include PAR.

Loose increased by \$854.25.

Envelopes and donations increased by \$4,169.17.

Mission & Service increased by \$551.60.

#### **SEAGRAVE UNITED CHURCH ANNUAL SESSION MEMBERSHIP FOR 2023**

Full membership active as of December 31, 2022 40 Received by Confirmation Received by Affirmation of Faith 0 Received by Transfer 0 0 Removed by Transfer 0 Death – Glenda Hutcheon Jan. 24, 2023 Barb Martyn Oct. 24, 2023 change -2 Weddings 0 Baptisms 0 Full active membership as of December 31, 2023 38 Submitted by John Olivero, Acting Session Clerk.

Seagrave United Church Session Report 2023

Seagrave Session Members are John Olivero Acting Clerk, Wendy Hudgins, Darlene Hallett, Betty Lou Beacock and Linda Buscher.

Seagrave and Greenbank Session decided to keep moving forward with Joint Session meeting throughout the year. This would save travel and meeting time for Rev.

Stephanie, as well reduce the communicating time between the two Session committees.

We met 5 times throughout the year, planning Sunday services and pastoral care, spiritual well been. We meet separately 2 time throughout the year to plan our 117th Anniversary and Christmas services.

A thank card and flowers were sent to Barb Martyn in June for her long service as a Session member.

Oct 30 Halloween, candy was give out at church, 45 candies/chip bags handed out. It was a first for Seagrave church on November 19 Sunday service celebrated International Men's Day.

As of December 31, 2023 John Olivero stepped down as a Session member. Submitted by John Olivero, Acting Session Clerk

"The spirit lives within us from the Lord, with this Your Goodness raise and your paths drip with his Abundance. Take this led and show it to the world, in his Love for all."

#### **Seagrave United Church Board of Stewards report 2023**

Members: Chair Brooke Acton, Vice chair Rick McAskill, Keith Puckrin, Katie O'Hara, Carol Coleman, Terry Taylor

- This past year Rick continued efforts to improve Friendship Hall with paint and trim.
- Fewer envelopes were ordered for 2024 because fewer people were picking them up
- Money from the sale of the manse was received (\$77,400) and invested in a GIC with only the interest available for our use
- We hosted the VH Trio rock request night which was well attended
- The ham and scalloped potato dinner raised \$2200
- The annual yard sale was a success raising \$13,123 less expenses of \$1198
- A variety Show was held June 17 th with music, skits and The Outback
   Cloggers raising \$2300
- A new photo copier was donated by Terry and Tara Taylor
- The corn roast and barbecue event was well attended
- The second annual pumpkin decorating event was held for local youth
- The annual canvas yielded \$2000 which was down significantly from last year
- The annual talent auction was not held due to scheduling conflicts

Thank you everyone for your continued involvement to help keep our church running and relevant.

Respectfully submitted by Brooke Acton

#### **Benevolent Fund Report 2023**

The Benevolent Committee disburses funds to members of our community to assist them when these families need a helping hand.

This year we helped a family and disbursed funds totaling \$470.

Reported by Carol Coleman for members of the committee – Betty-Lou Beacock, Betty Somerville, Stephanie Richmond.

#### **SEAGRAVE UNITED CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND 2023**

#### RECEIPTS

Bank Balance Jan. 1, 2023	\$42323.67
Donations in Memory of Glenda Hutcheon	\$75.00
Donations in Memory of Barbara Martyn	\$1,385.00
Donations in Memory of Joyce Abraham	\$50.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$3833.67

#### **EXPENSES**

Bank Balance Dec. 31, 2023 43,833.67

June 8, 2023 an investment of 5457.81

Was invested with Home Trust at the Annual Rate of 5.10%, maturing June 10, 2024

MEMORIAL FUND TOTAL \$9,291.48

Thank you to Donna Kent for reviewing the books and to Carol Coleman for sending receipts.

Don Beacock, Treasurer

# **Seagrave Church Social Committee Report**

The Social Committee consists of Donna Kent, Wendy Hughes and Eleanor Sturman.

In 2023 we arranged for the luncheon following Seagrave Church Anniversary on October 22,

2023, and served the lunch for the funeral of Barb Martyn on November 5, 2023.

Submitted by Eleanor Sturman

# **Seagrave United Church Outreach Committee Report 2023**

The Outreach committee members are Tara Taylor, Wendy Hudgins and John Olivero.

This year the Outreach committee had 3 luncheons, March 9th , June, 22 and December 14th .

A free offering and or donations of food items for the food bank were gracefully received. The total offering received for the year was \$977.00. On March 16th the committee donated \$75.00 to the Dasti family.

Thank you to all the people that donated their time, food and talents.

As we go into the year 2024, uncertain of what this year will bring, I could not ask to be associated with a better group of people.

I will be stepping down a committee chair this year.

Thank you all!

Submitted by John Olivero.