

**THE UNITED CHURCH  
OF CANADA**

**ELGIN – PORTLAND  
PASTORAL CHARGE**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**2024**



## **Mission Statement:**

*A growing, caring Christian community working together, striving to make a difference by God's grace.*

## **Vision Statement:**

*The Elgin-Portland Pastoral Charge of the United Church of Canada, is a growing, caring Christian community that works together striving to offer people a welcoming space and resources to explore their faith, enrich their lives and empower themselves by God's grace and inclusive love.*

## **Value Statements:**

*As a Christian community, we, the members of the Elgin-Portland Pastoral Charge value:*

- 1. Christian love as the root of all values, demonstrated through respect, affection, benevolence, goodwill and concern for the welfare of others and us;*
- 2. Kindness to and respect of each other, the welcoming of new people, the support of each other through difficult times and the celebrating of good news;*
- 3. The educational pursuit of equality and inclusivity regardless of gender, race, nationality, religion, sexual orientation, social or economic status;*
- 4. Courage in facing challenges, overcoming personal fears and making a stand for what is right;*
- 5. Justice through fairness, the cessation of discrimination and the caring for the weak, poor and disadvantaged regardless of perceived "deservedness";*
- 6. Generosity and thankfulness, the offering of something to someone in need and the thankfulness for God's love and His care for us;*
- 7. Striving for truthfulness in sharing our convictions and associating with others, being honest and faithful to oneself and walking with others who seek to make informed moral choices;*
- 8. Forgiveness and reconciliation by not bearing grudges or seeking revenge, by repairing damaged relationships and seeking conflict resolution;*
- 9. Service and stewardship through putting the needs of others ahead of our own selfishness, and the taking of responsibility to use, not abuse, the resources of whatever nature we have been given;*
- 10. Spiritual and material<sup>(1)</sup> security through the sense of well-being for the whole of creation in the context of peace with God and the positive harmony and healthy relationships with people.*

*Note 1: "Material" refers to the participation in and/or support of programmes and initiatives such as, but not limited to, Clothing Co-Op, Food bank, Dental Issues Group, Mission and Service.*

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**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM, 2024**

**Nina Diana Daber October 6, 2024 – Portland United Church**

**NEW MEMBERS JOINED BY CONFIRMATION, 2024**

**NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED BY TRANSFER, 2024**

**Janet McKeage – Portland United Church**

**NO NEW MEMBERS WHO JOINED BY PROFESSION OF FAITH 2024**

**NO SERVICES OF MARRIAGE, 2024**

**LOVED ONES WHO DEPARTED INTO GOD'S ETERNAL CARE 2024**

**Elgin**

Bonnie Bilton March 1, 1951 – March 5, 2024: Cremation - Inurnment Halladay Burial Place

Jansje Keates May 11, 1946 – April 20, 2024: Cremation - Inurnment Halladay Burial Place

Joanne McLean January 14, 1946 – July 6, 2024: Cremation - Inurnment TBA

Robert (Bob) Smith May 23, 1948 – Sep 8, 2024: Cremation (private Service)

Jim Rowat January 18, 1938 – September 16, 2024: Cremation Inurnment Beechwood  
Cemetery, Ottawa

Leighton Leroy Coatsworth Aug 29, 1944 – Sep 22, 2024: Cremation (private service)

**Portland**

Vickie Bedore May 22, 1961 – January 7, 2024 Cremation (private service)

Kathleen Seward February 1, 1934 – March 30, 2024 Cremation – Harlem  
Cemetery

Joyce Welch July 4, 1935 – July 9, 2024 Cremation - Inurnment TBA

Bill Baxter November 6, 1929 – July 13, 2024 Cremation

Beatrice Clark December 6, 1938 – July 21, 2024 Cremation (private service)

Richard (Rick) Lachapelle November 21, 1969 – September 27, 2024 Cremation (private service)

Douglas Evans June 23, 1941 – October 28, 2024 Cremation (private service)

Sylvia French March 12, 1942 – December 16, 2024 Cremation (private service)

**ELGIN PORTLAND PASTORAL CHARGE SUPERVISOR REPORT 2024**

It has been my pleasure to walk with the Elgin-Portland Pastoral Charge for another year. Time passes so quickly, and when I look back at all that you have accomplished this year it seems impossible that it could all fit into those twelve short months. Helping worthy causes, worshipping with a variety of service leaders, being good stewards of your properties, enjoying fellowship within your congregations and beyond, putting on concerts, organizing fundraisers - so many good things happening in Elgin and Portland because of your faithful service. Your council and committee leaders are to be commended for rising to the occasion when challenges arose, in order to ensure that worship continued uninterrupted and joyfully and that the important work that you do outside of Sunday service was able to thrive. I look forward to continuing to walk with you throughout 2025 and can't wait to see what the coming year holds for all of you as you live out your faith in your communities.

Blessings to all.

JoAnne Fletcher  
Pastoral Charge Supervisor  
Elgin-Portland Pastoral Charge

**ELGIN-PORTLAND PASTORAL CHARGE  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES FEBRUARY 18, 2024**

- Opening prayer..... Andrea
- Welcome .....Ted
- Last years minutes approved – Liz, Duncan, carried
- Review of Annual reports, Questions and answers.
- Motion to approve the annual reports as presented– Maureen, Katie- carried
- Motion to approve 2024 Budget. – Liz, Maureen, carried
- Call for Nominations to O.B. Chair position.
- Call for motion for nomination for official board chair. No response.
  
- Motion to appoint one of the council chairs to O.B. interim chair.
- Current slate of O.B. Officers
- Chair.....As elected or appointed.
- Secretary.....Andrea Thompson
- Treasurer.....Ted Brett
- Portland Council Chair..... Katy Gibson
- Elgin Council Chair..... Clint Halliday
- M&P Chair.....Maureen Bee
- UCW Chair.....Connie Cochran
- Joint Trustees Chair.....Will French
- Pastoral Care.....Liz Church
- Worship Committee Chair.....Norma Cummings

Pastoral Charge Supervisor.....JoAnne Fletcher.

Clint will oversee the chair position of the OB.

Clint would like to know when we should meet:

April and November meetings and emergency meetings at the call of the chair.

Liz, closing prayer.

Meeting Adjournment.

### **ELGIN-PORTLAND PASTORAL CARE COORDINATOR REPORT FOR 2024**

I must start my report with this verse of Scripture: Philippians 4:19 – My God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. I quote this verse so that you will know that it is the continued support of the congregations of Elgin and Portland that allows me to carry out the work of Pastoral Care. I want to give thanks to each of you for your encouragement, love, and blessing as I minister to those within our faith community and the community at large.

2024 has been a time of blessing for me as I continue with home visits, coffeeshop visits, hospital visits, nursing care home facility visits. The unique and rewarding opportunities afforded me are beyond measure. Only through the grace of God and you, my church family and friends, am I able to carry out this work.

2024 has been a challenging year for so many. People you love have left this earthly journey. But assurance is given they are happy and rejoicing over their New Home. My prayer for those who have suffered this deep grief is to pass on the words of Christ to you: 'Lo, I am with you always!' As you continue through your grief know that I pray for you.

2024 has also brought much joy into our community. We have seen a child baptism, the return of members to our church, a vibrant choir. Pulpit supply continues to be a blessing to us. A heartfelt thanks to each of you. Our musical accompanists bring joy, and blessing to each service. Thank you. And the continuing in the study of God's Word has been a blessing to all those who attend. Thank you, Jim Barton, for your guidance to us as we delve into the Scriptures every week.

God has blessed me in so many ways, and none more than when I sit and share with you each week through my weekly devotional writing. Each of you inspire me. Life experiences give me fodder. And thank you, my dear friends, for sending me ideas and thoughts that God directs and blesses. I am indeed the recipient of your graciousness. May you continue to be blessed and challenged.

The reminder of Philippians 4:19 is to say that without each of you, my work would be less effective. Your love and support sustain me, through the grace of God, as we walk together through this spiritual journey.

Liz Church  
Pastoral Care Director  
Elgin/Portland Pastoral Charge

## **ELGIN PORTLAND PASTORAL CHARGE TRUSTEE REPORT 2024**

Joint-Trustees of the Elgin-Portland Pastoral Charge are all members of either Elgin or Portland United Church. In all, the Joint-Trustees continued to monitor the operations of our Charge in 2024. We are primarily tasked with ensuring proper Insurance is in place and oversight of the rental of the Manse.

Insurance on the Clothing Cooperative, as operated out of the Country Roads Community Health Centre, is carried by The Bay of Quinte Mutual through Rideau Insurance. See further details in the Clothing Cooperative Report within. Directors and Officers Liability continues to be carried by Hub International through the United Church of Canada.

Insurance on the Manse is provided by Brokerlink in Perth. Rental on the Manse is received at \$2,000 per month. The Manse received new Tenants effective March 1st, 2024. Linda Carr served in 2024 as Property Manager and received a monthly stipend of \$150.

Please reach out at any time to the following Joint-Trustees: Ted Brett, Anita Cox, Norma Cummings, Jim Earl, Katy Gibson, Roberta McKinney, Sandra Smith, Adrian Overdulse or Will French

In Christ,

Adrian Overdulse, Secretary of the Joint-Trustees and Will French, Chair of the Joint-Trustees

### **COMMUNITY CLOTHING CO-OPERATIVE 2024**

The Community Clothing Co-op has had a very successful year in our current location at the Country Roads Community Health Center.

The administrator of the Co-op, Joan Kelly, stepped down after brilliantly overseeing the position for many years. Her guiding hand will be missed. Judy Harting took over administration effective 1 January 2024. A new Memorandum of Understanding was signed securing our location at CRCHC until the end of August 2027.

The community has once again been very generous in their donations of used clothing and footwear. This year we have been able to donate the following back into the community.

Portland Food Bank	\$1350
Elgin Food Bank	\$1350
Elgin Lions Toy Drive	\$ 400
CRCHC Flex Fund	\$ 400

Our volunteers have worked hard sorting and shelving our donations, maintaining and staffing the store during our open hours;

Wednesday	1	to 3 pm
Friday	1	to 3 pm
Saturday	10	to noon

We could not operate without their dedicated and prolific efforts.

We are also most grateful to Penny and Barry Haskin for picking up the clothing that we are unable to use.

A big thank you to Mimi for all her work organizing our volunteers. Her many hours organizing and tidying the store are integral to our ongoing success.

We look forward to an equally, if not more, successful year in 2025!

Judy Harting            harting@295.ca  
Mireille Lavigne       mlavigne123@gmail.com

**ELGIN-PORTLAND PASTORAL CHARGE**  
**WORSHIP PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT 2024**

Again in 2024, we were blessed with a variety of worship leaders, with each putting their own touch on the service and message. Liz Church did the majority of Sundays, doing 18 and Rev Shaun Seaman 15. Other Sundays were ably filled by Rev. Doug Powell, Rev. Nancy Clarke and LWL's Norma Wrightly, Barb Dejeet, and Charlotte Hoy. Pat Greenhorn also led one service and Mark Bee led the Remembrance services. April 21 was split as Elgin UC joined with St. Luke's for an Earth Day service at the Elgin Municipal Complex followed by the movie "Kiss the Ground". Portland Council led worship at Portland on the day. On Elgin Days weekend, a Four Pillars ecumenical service was held at Elgin UC with participation from Bethel Tabernacle, St. Luke's (Leeds) Anglican and St. Columbanus R.C. parishes for an ecumenical service. Rev. Shaun gave the message there and Liz led the earlier service in Portland.

Communion Services were held on: February 18 - 1<sup>st</sup> of Lent (Liz Church); March 28 - Maundy Thursday and Easter, March 31 (Rev. Nancy Clarke); June 2, October 6, December 1 and December 24 (Liz Church).

At Portland UC Funeral Services or Celebrations of Life were held for Victoria Bedore, Douglas Evans, and Richard Lachapelle (son of Bob and MJ Leblanc). Other dear friends who will be missed are Betty Halladay, Kathleen Seward, Joyce Welch, Bill Baxter, and Sylvia French.

Loved Ones Who Departed into God's Eternal Care from Elgin United Church: Bonnie Bilton, Jansje Keates, Joanne McLean, Robert (Bob) Smith, Jim Rowat, and Leighton Coatsworth.

On a happier note Nina Diana Daber, daughter of Natasha & Johnathan Daber, was Baptised at Portland UC on October 6.

The worship planning committee is comprised of: Ted Brett, Liz Church, Norma Cummings, Pauline French, Will French, Roberta McKinney and Morgan Wright. We meet when required. Each church plans their own special days but the worship committee does the overall planning and schedules the

worship leaders. Please feel free to speak to a committee member if you have a worship service idea that you would like to bring forward.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Brett, Norma Cummings

### **MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2024**

The Ministry and Personnel Committee acts as a liaison resource between the paid employee(s) of the Elgin-Portland Pastoral Charge and the members of the congregations. M&P reports to the EPPC Official Board. There are five members of M & P - two from each church and one Chair. At this time, the committee members are: Elgin representatives Maureen Bee (Chair), Pat Greenhorn and Michelle Knapp, and Portland representatives Pauline French and Arie Hoogenboom.

Annette Clarke, our Pastoral Charge Secretary, continued to be a stable contact for us throughout 2024. We are pleased to confirm her employment contract was renewed for 2025 by the Official Board. We would like to send out a big 'THANK YOU' to Annette for all she does all year long to keep up organized and informed. You are very much valued and appreciated.

Many thanks to the members of M&P for your time and support within our Charge.

Maureen Bee, Chair

### **EPPC YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT REPORT FOR 2024**

2024 has been another year of rebuilding from our initial group of young people from our area that is part of the Lansdowne, Inverary/Battersea, Elgin/Portland, Rideau -Newboro/Westport and Burridge.

Over the last year there has been only one event that youth attended from this area and that was in Gananoque during Orange Shirt day and two of the local young people and myself were part of the laying of the shoes on the steps of the Town Hall followed by supper and attending a free live production presented by the town which presented a new twist to history, "What would have been the outcome if the natives had taken prisoners of the white explores and they would have to adapt to their culture, language and education. Very powerful, but throughout it all the youngsters and young people just wanted to play, embrace the opportunity to get to know and live in harmony side by side.

I also traveled to Rondez -Vous in St. Catherines in July which was held at Brock University -as the nurse and traveled with one of our youth from Lyn United and sixteen other youth and young adults from Parkdale United from Ottawa. Over 450 young people and leaders from across Canada came together to worship, dance, to share stories, embrace the opportunity to meet others and to replenish their Spiritual self. Unfortunately, all of our local youth were already working at their summer jobs and unable to attend. This event happens every three years and this year we were joined by our Presbyterian youth and leaders.

Thanks to the continued generous \$5000.00 that we have received yearly over the past three years from the Vision and Transformation Committee of EOORC which was filtered through Elgin United Church to the North Leeds Youth Coordinating Committee which is made up of students, volunteers and representation from ten various organizations have locally been able to continue to support our local young people outside the church in our local committees. Over the past year the money has supported: Frosh Friday, for Grade 9's at Rideau District High School, the Summer Reading Program at Elgin Rideau Library, the Doug Bond Bursary, Equity Fun Day, Robotics Workshop, North Leeds Soccer, Awakened Club, (\$200) Popcorn supplies for Grade 7-8 Activities, assisted with Musical Performance License at RDHS, (\$2000), staff and student hockey game busing As well as the Lyndhurst Community Garden, Motivational speaker – Scott Hammell cost \$2000, requesting \$1000 Topic 'Subtle perspective shifts translate to success' Date of event: October 24th Grade 7-12 approx 500 students in attendance Art Class in Newboro - \$200 in December, Provides funding for in-person arts programming in Elgin, Button / Magnet Making Supplies for RLPL - \$250 Available for use at community & RDHS events, local food bank support, RDHS School play / Christmas Carol, over 50 students involved. funds used for bussing to feeder schools. Bus was used on December 4.th, \$300 Air bands show December 21st. Grades 7-12, free admission. (RDHS) -500 requested for A/V equipment. Empowerment Collective Club (ECC) working on mental health and equity initiatives. (RDHS), Redecorating gender-neutral washrooms, \$250 for start-up to go towards initiatives.(RDHS), new recess equipment Grade 78 RDHS(volleyballs, soccer balls, basketballs). Kim to donate soccer balls. \$200. Skating rink funding ,Seeley's Bay Frost Fest, \$100 and \$350 towards Movie License for Elgin Rideau Library

2025 Goals re developing further community partners and reach out for possible assistance with funding for further request. RDHS is looking for new books for the student library to include engagement, inclusiveness, up to date titles and will coordinate with Rideau Lakes Public Library. Plan was to carry over into 2025 to assess available funds.

Unfortunately, due to cuts with the United Way and the Vision and Transformation Grants, this brings with it many challenges re ongoing support for our young people. We were fortunate, last year to receive some community support which was graciously received. Going forward nto 2025 the request for community support has grown, but as a dedicated Committee and many prayers we hope to be able to support underfunded areas for our young people which has been our priority for over 20 years. WE may all have only a little, but together we have made a real difference in the lives of our young people and hope to be able to rise up leaders of tomorrow.

Blessings to you all,  
Prayerfully submitted  
Catherine Ryan

## ELGIN/PORTLAND PASTORAL CHARGE FINANCIAL REPORT 2024

### INCOME

OPENING BALANCE	\$ 6,663.53	Includes Funds on hold.
GST REBATE	\$ 2,788.91	
DONATION INCOME Canada Helps	\$ 7,070.71	
Auction Income	\$ 1,010.00	
Last Month's Rent	\$ 2,000.00	
MANSE RENT INCOME	\$ 18,000.00	
ELGIN-PORTLAND ASSESSMENTS	\$ 50,700.00	
Elgin Phone & L.D.	\$ 280.84	
PROPANE INCOME	\$ 793.00	
Bell Refund	\$ 122.51	
	<b><u>\$ 89,429.50</u></b>	

### FUNDS ON HOLD

MANSE LAST MONTHS RENT	\$ 2,000.00
	<b><u>\$ 2,000.00</u></b>

### M&S REPORT 2022

Portland United Church UCW	\$ 2,400.00
Portland United Church	\$ 6,598.00
Elgin United Church	\$ 2,700.00
	<b><u>\$ 11,698.00</u></b>

### Treasurers Comments

With new tenants in the manse and a higher rent it helped. Our previous tenant moved out quickly so the new tenant could move in I traded a couple of months rent for the work to be done. So we should be in good shape. We dropped zoom this year and moved our phone service to WTC saving us a fair amount from Bell

Yours in service

Ted Brett

## ELGIN/PORTLAND PASTORAL CHARGE FINANCIAL REPORT 2024

### EXPENSES

#### Employee Wages and benefits

Pastoral Charge Supervisor	\$ 1,005.00	
CRA	\$ 786.73	
Pastoral Care Coordinator	\$ 12,880.00	
Secretary	\$ 12,100.43	
Pulpit Supply	\$ 15,585.00	
Total	<u>\$ 42,357.16</u>	<u>\$ 42,357.16</u>

#### OTHER Employee Expenses

Mileage	\$ 3,808.64	
WSIB	\$ 233.93	
Total	<u>\$ 4,042.57</u>	<u>\$ 4,042.57</u>

#### MANSE Expenses

Insurance	\$ 2,904.12	
Taxes	\$ 742.16	
Repairs	\$ 1,012.46	
Propane and service	\$ 1,972.12	
Property Manager	\$ 1,800.00	
Roof and other repairs	\$ -	
Total	<u>\$ 8,430.86</u>	<u>\$ 8,430.86</u>

#### Office Expenses

Telephone	\$ 677.90	
Internet and phones	\$ 2,994.03	
Office supplies	\$ 1,623.86	
Photo Copier Use	\$ 747.86	
Total	<u>\$ 6,043.65</u>	<u>\$ 6,043.65</u>

#### Other Charge Expenses

Gifts Given		
Bank Service Charge	\$	170.00
One License	\$	354.00
Canada Helps Payout	\$	8,079.71
Food bank Portland		
UCC assessment	\$	7,019.00
	<u>\$</u>	<u>15,622.71</u>
		<u>\$ 15,622.71</u>
Total Expenses		<u>\$ 76,496.95</u>

**Elgin-Portland Pastoral Charge**  
**Official Board**  
**Annual Report of the Chairperson – 2024**

Each of the churches comprising the Elgin-Portland Pastoral Charge experienced a busy, varied and productive 2024. As a result of the conscientious, respectful and faith-based proceedings of each individual council and congregants, the Official Board was not called upon to interject on any major issues. Thank you to all parties involved for making my tenure manageable, and to JoAnne Fletcher for her Pastoral Oversight in keeping us in line.

The board convened on two occasions to receive updates from councils and board committees, receive the draft 2025 charge budget, and to plan the Annual Congregational and General meetings.

I leave the EPPC in the good hands of incoming chairperson, Katy Gibson. 2025 will be a demanding and eventful year as celebrations for the UCC 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary unfold; however, rest assured Katy, we are here to support and do our part.

Respectfully Submitted  
Clinton Halladay  
Chairperson, Official Board  
Elgin-Portland Pastoral Charge

**Elgin United Church  
Elgin United Church Council  
Annual Report of the Chairperson – 2024**

Throughout the year 2024, Elgin United Church has been very busy: we have meaningfully worshipped together, met regularly in work, planning and fellowship and humbly and respectfully engaged in God's work in our community. We incurred major expenses with our 130- year-old building, yet forged ahead and met all obligations. We held another amazing on-line auction, produced an unparalleled concert which sold out each of two consecutive nights, and opened our sanctuary as we hosted three third party events. Something we plan to further explore in order for others to enjoy the wonders of this beautiful space. The pages of the 2024 Annual Report provide more information and the details of the activities and accomplishments of a dedicated group of volunteers throughout the year that was.

My focus for this report is to express my sincerest thanks to each and every supporter of Elgin United Church as both a centre of worship and a Christian light in the community. Your solidarity, vision, talent, effort and faith are integral to fulfilling our purpose within the United Church of Canada, Elgin United Church and our wider community through the lens of Christianity. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our LLWLs, who faithfully rotate Sunday after Sunday, sharing their wisdom, faith, and leadership skills with us. To JoAnne Fletcher, our Pastoral Charge Supervisor, thank you for your oversight, your sage advice and for putting up with us when our exuberance overflowed.

Jesus mingled with the people, He was out and about: in a boat, on a donkey, on a mountain side. He met the people where the people were. Our tag line: "Community Committed, Community Strong", encapsulates this. Please understand that as Chairperson of Elgin United Church Council, I recognize the integral role you play, regardless of your involvement. You are the cornerstones of a positive church culture in a community. We share an interconnectedness in the service of God.

This year, 2025, marks the 100th Anniversary of the formation of the United Church of Canada. We are infants in an adult world of religions, let us grow exponentially in love and respect for all God's creatures. There is no better time to take control and confidently share God's desire for love and mercy for all his creation. Blessings.

Respectfully submitted  
Clinton Halladay  
Chairperson, Elgin United Church Council  
Elgin United Church

**ELGIN UNITED CHURCH  
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FEBRUARY 18, 2024**

In Attendance: Clint Halladay, Maureen Bee, Mark Bee, Michelle Knapp, Morgan Wright, Sandra Smith, Andrea Thompson, Ted Brett, Karen Myers, Rasa Krokys, Mary Carbino, Marion Cooper, Dave

Cooper, Liz Church, Graham Lowe, Mary Lynne Alderdice, Dave Alderdice, JoAnne Fletcher (via phone), Pat Greenhorn, Tameira MacDonald, Zack Best

Regrets: Joanne McLean, John Carley, Adrian Overdulve, Anne Overdulve

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:14 pm by the Chairperson, Clint Halladay, there being a quorum present.

Territorial Acknowledgement: (All) Elgin United Church acknowledges that we are situated, live and work on ancestral territories of Indigenous peoples. We recognize the historical presence of the Algonquin people in this region. We honour their connection to this land, both in the past and the present and commit to the just pursuit of truth and reconciliation.

1. Opening Prayer (All) As we gather today for our annual meeting, we come before You with humble hearts. We seek Your guidance to unite our minds and spirits. Bless us with the strength to appreciate each other's contributions and foster an environment of understanding and cooperation. We are grateful for this opportunity to come together and to thank you for Your guidance as we endeavoured to work in Your name during the past year. Amen. ACTION BY
  
2. Tribute to the Deceased Clint Halladay read the Tribute to the Deceased for the past year:  
Albert (Ab) James Overton Emmons March 18, 2023  
Elizabeth (Betty) Hewitt, April 22, 2023  
Daniel (Danny) Leon Burns, April 6, 2023  
John Carman Eyre, July 1, 2023  
Bill Carbino, October 20, 2023  
Jesse Franklin James (Frank) Allen, November 8, 2023  
Irene Martin, November 13, 2023
  
3. Voting Motion Mark Bee motioned to grant all adherents the right to participate and vote at this and all 2024 congregational meetings. Roberta McKinney seconded the motion. APPROVED
  
4. Agenda No changes. Michelle Knapp motioned that the agenda be accepted. Pat Greenhorn seconded the motion. APPROVED
  
5. Minutes of ACM 26 March 2023 A motion to adopt the minutes of the 2023 ACM was entered by Ted Brett. Sandra Smith seconded the motion. APPROVED
  
6. Presentation of Reports The reports were presented in the same order as printed in the 2023 Annual Report, and start at page 16, followed by pages 19-28.
  - a. Council Chair (Clint Halladay): As written;
  - b. Trustee Report (Adrian Overdulve): As written;

- c. Rideau Lakes Early Learning Centre Report (RLELC Liaison): As written;
- d. Pastoral Care Ministry Report (Pastoral Care Group): As written;
- e. Young at Heart Breakfast Club Report (Ted Brett, Clint Halladay): As written;
- f. Sharing and Caring Report (Pat Greenhorn): As written;
- g. Children's Ministry Report (Pat Greenhorn): As written;
- h. Membership and Sacraments Report (Roberta McKinney): As written;
- i. Music (Morgan Wright, Michelle Knapp): Morgan Wright added that they would like to purchase a percussion instrument for weekly use in worship services. Further discussion will be brought to Council;
- j. Property (Property Committee): As written;
- k. Treasurer (Joanne McLean): As written; and
- l. Audio Visual Report (A/V Team): As written.
- m. Community Partnership Report (Cindy Carbino): As written.

Maureen Bee made a motion to adopt all of the annual information reports. Marion Cooper seconded the motion.

APPROVED

7. Nominations & Vacancies

- a. Declared vacancies are: There are no declared vacancies.
- b. Call for New Nominations: There were no new nominations

APPROVED

8. Election of Council Members

Dave Alderdice made a motion to approve the Elgin United Church Council as per the Elgin United Church Council Nominations for 2024 list (attached). Roberta McKinney seconded.

APPROVED

9. Call for Further Business

There was no further business.

10. Remarks of the Pastoral Supervisor

JoAnne Fletcher congratulated everyone on another wonderful, amazing year. She thanked our Chairperson, Clint Halladay, for his steady year of inspired leadership. JoAnne spoke of hope and that we are on the right track

for a bright 2024. On behalf of the congregation, Mark Bee thanked Clint for his insightfulness and highly motivated and caring leadership.

10. Remarks of Council Chair Clint told us we have done an awful lot in the past few years, because of those in the pews and of a council second to none! He stated that he's looking forward to using our sanctuary to its fullest. He shared that his heart is filled with gratitude.
11. Closing Prayer Our closing prayer was given by Mark Bee.
12. Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 12:37 pm.

### **EOORC (EASTERN ONTARIO OUTAOUAIS REGIONAL COUNCIL) 2024 ANNUAL REPORT FROM ELGIN CHURCH REPRESENTATIVE**

I must lead a boring life as I'm still on the same two committees that I have been on since EOORC formed a few years ago.

The property Committee meets once a month on the last Thursday of the month on zoom. The committee members of which there are only 5 of us are spread over the entire Region so to save most of us driving over two hours to get to a meeting we use zoom.

The property committee serves a few functions. If a church wants to sell property or a church or a manse then it goes through us. If they want to do renovations over \$75,000.00 then they go through us. For other property related issues as in working with Kindred Works etc. then they go through us.

The other committee I am a member of is Church Extension Committee. As some of you know Church Extension meets two or three times a year. We do grants up to \$25,000.00 a church but only every three years. We also do loans and mortgages at responsible rates. Application forms are on the Committee Web site. Those meetings are also on zoom.

Ted Brett, EOORC Rep. Elgin U/C.

### **ELGIN UNITED CHURCH TRUSTEE REPORT 2024**

2024 was a relatively quiet year for the Elgin Trustees. Our new roof was completed and ensures a lasting defence against inclement weather penetrating the interior of the building.

Additionally, we installed new eavestroughs and downspouts on the East face of the building. We reapplied for a OTF grant but were once again rejected. The RELC replaced the dishwasher which will result in reduced maintenance/repair costs. There were minor plumbing issues throughout the year, which is expected in a 130-year-old building.

Please see the property report for more detail of the trustees' involvement.

Adriann Overdulse, Lead Trustee Elgin United Church Trustees

**ELGIN-PORTLAND PASTORAL CHARGE  
YOUNG AT HEART BREAKFAST CLUB 2024**

This is the second year that the club has operated but our first full year.

We have between 8 and 16 people out for breakfast each month and usually some from both churches. The club meets on the 3rd Thursday of every month at the Junction Restaurant. We have checked around and that still has the best prices for a full breakfast and they have room for all of us to sit together. There is no discussion of any business, no minutes are taken, just good conversation with friends with good food.

The one comment I hear on a regular basis is that, "I've never had the chance to have a good conversation with that person or couple before and enjoyed it".

We will carry on this again year and everyone is invited to join us.

Respectfully Submitted  
Clint Halladay and Ted Brett

**ELGIN UNITED CHURCH  
SHARING AND CARING REPORT 2024**

Team members:

Mary Lynne Alderdice, Mark Bee, Pat Greenhorn, Clint Halladay, Cathy Ryan, Elizabeth Wright

- Our team works collaboratively with Liz Church as we conduct pastoral visits in person and by phone, and send cards to those experiencing illness, loss or difficult times.
- Clint continues to provide regular worship services and also Celebration of Life services at Lanark Lodge, as well as palliative care visits. His ministry makes an incredible difference, and we thank him for his dedication.
- Many prayer shawls have been distributed by both team and congregational members and we have received thank you notes and personal words of thanks from recipients. The entire congregation is part of this ministry and many people deliver shawls, so please notify us if you know of someone who would benefit from one.
- All team members were commissioned in April, and we thank Norma Wrightly for her support and graciousness and the meaningful services
- Our new library is open for business, so please feel free to borrow books for yourself or for those you are visiting
- Our Earth Day event in collaboration with St. Luke's and Country Roads Community Health Centre in April was a great success, and we participated in Breakfast with St. Nicholas with St. Luke's as well. We wish to nurture and develop more community partnerships in the future.

- In the fall, two members attended a palliative Care education session and one member participated in a Dementia Care workshop. We hope to host some workshops and speakers at EUC in the future.

Everyone in the congregation is a part of caring connections, and we welcome input and participation from all.

Yours in Christ-  
Pat Greenhorn

### **EUC CHILDREN'S MINISTRY REPORT 2024**

There were four children registered in Sunday School this past year, and we enjoyed activities, discussion and excitement as we explored the "SPARK -Activate Faith" curriculum together. During Lent, we filled the Jesse Tree with flowers each week as we raised funds to support our World Vision foster child, Zyra Joy, for another year.

At the beginning of the summer, we created a "Kid's Zone" in the back corner of the sanctuary. This consists of a comfy couch, a library, and a mobile cart with craft supplies, activities, and puzzles. It is available to any children at Sunday service, especially when Sunday School is not in session in the summer.

In 2025 we will still be using the popular SPARK bible, but the format will reflect the tenets of Godly Play with more time for personal reflection and response by the children.

Yours in Christ-  
Pat Greenhorn

### **ELGIN UNITED CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND SACRAMENTS 2024**

Communion was served to the congregation on significant days throughout the year. These were the first Sunday of Lent, Maundy Thursday, Easter Sunday, World Day of communion, the first Sunday of Advent, and Christmas Eve. All services were led by Liz Church. Many thanks to those who helped serve.

There were no new memberships during 2024.

Respectfully Submitted

Roberta McKinney

## EUC MUSIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT (EPPC) 2024

I would like to thank Elgin United Church for the opportunity to provide music leadership, direction, and accompaniment at worship services. And, for the encouragement and support to host Music Events for the purpose of fundraising , affecting Our “Building Our Future United”, Outreach, and Community Connections initiatives in 2024.

The following report is in point form. It is my opinion that each categorized initiative has been essential in setting the stage for a continued Ministry of Music at Worship Services and for Community Outreach. Report as follows:

### **PUBLIC/PRIVATE EVENTS:**

- Small Halls Festival Show “Jeff Rogers” Saturday October 5<sup>th</sup> 2024.  
*\$150 to Building Our Future United*
- Private Music Event “Rob Lutes” Friday November 29<sup>th</sup> 2024.  
*\$150 to Building Our future United*
- Recording Sessions for Jamie Hodgson Group x 6  
*\$300 to Building Our Future United*
- Benefit concerts called “You Can Call Me 80’s”; October 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> 2024.  
*\$950 to Elgin Food Bank + 60lbs of non-perishables*
- Elgin Days Ecumenical Service  
*\$450 to Elgin Food Bank*

**~ \$600 to Building Our Future United , ~\$1400 to Elgin Food Bank = \$2000ttl.**

**MUSIC EDUCATION:** We continue to be open to recent suggestions of a youth choir and or a guitar club through William French @ RDHS. There was an invitation from William French this Year (2024.). We were not able to attend due to scheduling issues. A Drama Club is also being considered.

### **PERSONNEL:**

Music Director - Morgan Wright

Choir Director- Michelle Knapp

Supply accompanist- Gary Bracken

AV Techs – Ted Brett, Adrienne Overdulse, Mark Bee, Clinton Halladay

### **CHOIR:**

- Choir season resumed Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>2024. With gratitude, to the following participants:  
***Maureen Bee, Karen Myers, Sandra Smith, Michelle Knapp, Pat Greenhorn, Graham Lowe, Liz Church.***
- Initiated a de-cluttering of the choir room (Scheduled for February 2024)
- Looking forward to having The Choir Room returned to a proper condition (2025?)

### **MUSIC TECH:**

- Cleaned and organized all P.A. Cables, monitors, microphones, stands (music/mic's)
- \*Purchased music stand lights for candlelight services and annual concerts.
- \*Purchased Digital Drum Kit. \$3800

- \*Purchased Wireless Microphone system. \$500
- \*Purchased 2 monitor wedges \$400
- \* Purchased Music Stands \$350

**NOTE\* aforementioned purchases were of no cost to EUC.**

**Comments:**

A Special Thank You to all volunteers who contributed to our very successful “You Can Call Me 80s”, Ontario Smalls Halls and Private Music Events:

**Refreshments:**

Maureen Bee, Karen Myers, Mark Bee, Roberta McKinney, Elizabeth Wright, Marion Cooper .  
 Ted Brett – Chief of Security (Attendance), PowerPoint  
 Clinton Halladay – Promotion, A/V Tech. William French & Brad Gibson - Lighting

In closing, we are looking forward to providing a vibrant experience for our music members and congregation for 2025. We envision a greater number of private Music Events throughout this upcoming season and we are looking forward to having a fully functional Choir Room.

Prepared by:  
 Music Director - *Morgan Wright*  
 &  
 Choir Director - *Michelle Knapp*

**ELGIN UNITED CHURCH**  
**PROPERTY ANNUAL REPORT 2024**

The trustees were very busy with property matters during 2024. A big thank you to all who pitched in and helped during the year. The details of the attention our beautiful building required are listed below.

Thank you to all  
 Adriaan Overdulse  
 Lead Trustee, EUC

**January 2024**

- Steel roof finished and paid
- Sink & taps in left hand basement washroom replaced
- Fire extinguishers service: Seven extinguishers on site
  - Four replaced
  - Three certified

**February 2024**

- Kitchen flood, airlock in line

- Septic tank pumped
- Kitchen flood, second Air lock
- Replaced meeting chairs with 12 padded, folding chairs
- Replace leaking line valves & check valve in discharge pump

#### **March 2024**

- Placed Entrance, Accessible and Sanctuary signs
- Installed bin for garbage cans

#### **April 2024**

- Migrated landline 359-6611 from Bell to WTC
- Repair vanity drain and assess corroded coupling joining downstairs bathroom sinks (2) and sink in fellowship room to mainline
- Replace corroded couplings

#### **May 2024**

- Replace burned-out High Beam lightbulb over A/V Desk
- Tidied up around downspouts (Thanks Jim)
- Removed old, dangling Bell lines from pole (Thanks Jim)

#### **June 2024**

- Repaired left downstairs bathroom leak – Thompson’s Plumbing
- Quote to prune church front trees – Moulton Tree Service
- Grass cutting - volunteers
- Requested lawn maintenance quote from Dale & Loretta Young
- Installed two-headed 500 W halogen work light in outside entry to discourage bats

#### **July 2024**

- Cleared and organized tower room
- Washed outside entry walls to remove some bat guano
- Trees trimmed – Moulton Tree Service
- More grass cutting – volunteers
- Replaced one bat light bulb
- Water seepage from back corner of bldg. next to cemetery during two severe rainstorms. Eavestroughs were not catching water off roof. Replaced eavestroughs and relocated downspout. GM Exterior Solutions – Shawn McElroy

#### **August 2024**

- Opened church for Little/Palmateer wedding in sanctuary
- Concern over low area where eavestroughs were installed allows water to pool. Tarped area during last two major storms, no seepage. Eavestrough are diverting water from roof, pooling is directly from rain. Look into adding fill.
- Downspout (South Side) at corner of Centennial Room and main bldg. delivering water directly at foundation causing seepage at foot of stairs from back entrance to basement. Installed Big O to divert water onto church street lawn.
- Replaced a bat light bulb
- Grass cutting – volunteers
- Unclog downstairs toilet line and clean septic filter

## **September 2024**

- Dishwasher repair
- New entry floor
- Telephone repair – line dislodged from wall

## **October 2024**

- Remove bat lights
- Replace baseboard heaters and thermostat in Centennial Room
- RLELC painted Fellowship Room
- RLELC replaced dishwasher
- Furnaces cleaned

## **November 2024**

- Morgan replaced defective GCFI receptacle in Fellowship Room
- Furnaces serviced
- Drain line on condensation pump on 2<sup>nd</sup> furnace unplugged, may need plumbing reroute

## **December 2024**

- Water puddles in great room. Vacuumed up. The Big O extension at the back door corner had been disconnected and pulled approx..10 ft away. Obviously vandalism.
- Furnace malfunction, defective valve. Temporary repair, new valve ordered
- Insurance reviewed, updated, and renewed

Respectfully Submitted,  
Property Committee

### **ELGIN UNITED CHURCH AUDIO VISUAL REPORT 2024**

When the audio/visual realm is running smoothly, everything hums along and there is very little attention paid, but when something goes amiss, everyone notices.

Well, we are happy to say that for 2024 hardly anybody noticed anything. A/V should be seamless to worship. Our main hiccup was occasionally the back monitor intermittently, but only monetarily, lost signal.

We are working our way through troubleshooting the problem, however as it only happens occasionally it is a slow process. We still plan to replace the large A/V desks with smaller more appropriate units and continue with improving cable management.

Thank you to all who support the audio/visual side of technology and its role as complementary to our worship services.

Yours in technology  
The EUC A/V Group

**COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP REPORTS**  
**FUNDRAISING EFFORTS FOR ELGIN UNITED CHURCH 2024**

Our Fundraising Events were a little quieter this year.

February saw us host a Chili Supper at the Elgin Community Complex. This was a free-will offering and went over quite well.

Elgin Days this year saw us host our Annual Bake Table , Raffle Table along with The Smoked Meat Sandwiches. Which sold out again.

Our 5th Annual On-Line Auction was another huge success with over 100 items donated to us from various Businesses, Enterperneurs and some of our own Members.

We shared our proceeds with St. Luke's Coalition of Angels this year with our portion supporting our Campaign " Buiding our Future United"

Thank you again to our Many Volunteers who step up to help with all the events that we have.

Yours in Faith

Cindy Carbino  
Community Partnership Coordinator

# ELGIN UNITED CHURCH TREASURER'S REPORT 2024

## Elgin United Church Income Statement 01/01/2024 to 12/31/2024

### REVENUE

Revenue	
Donations- offerings	43,444.47
Donation - non-receiptable	2,234.00
Fund Raising	7,783.60
Jesse Tree	685.00
Building Future fund	8,044.80
Offerings - M&S	2,536.00
Hall Use	975.00
Benevolent	415.00
Food Bank	2,529.93
Memorial fund	1,380.00
Rental - Nursery School	24,000.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<u>94,027.80</u>

**TOTAL REVENUE** 94,027.80

### EXPENSE

Expenses	
EPPC	25,764.91
Benevolent Paid	643.51
Advertising & Promotions	137.50
Donations - World Vision	564.00
Donations - Bursary RDHS	250.00
Donation - Food Bank	3,189.05
Outreach	250.00
Mission and Service	3,182.00
Fundraising Expenses	2,712.19
Insurance	6,387.31
Music Director	9,650.00
Honorariums	100.00
Equipment	866.86
Repairs and maintenance	13,923.29
Janitorial expense	1,930.01
Fees	1,501.65
Accounting and Bookkeeping	1,500.00
Office Supplies	537.46
Bank Charges and interest	304.55
Envelopes	279.31
Pastoral Care supplies	1,243.82
Sunday School Supplies	157.45
Telephone and internet	785.48
Utilities	15,024.86
Non-recoverable HST Expense	2,169.91

**Total Expenses** 93,055.12

**TOTAL EXPENSE** 93,055.12

**NET INCOME** 972.68

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**Elgin United Church**  
**Balance Sheet As at 12/31/2024**

**ASSET**

**Current Assets**

Chequing Bank Account	61,963.28	
Total Cash		61,963.28
Investments		10,488.87
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>72,452.15</b>

**Capital Assets**

Office Furniture & Equipment	1,609.17	
Net - Furniture & Equipment		1,609.17
Building	250,000.00	
Net - Building		250,000.00
<b>Total Capital Assets</b>		<b>251,609.17</b>

**TOTAL ASSET** 324,061.32

**LIABILITY**

**Current Liabilities**

Accounts Payable		686.40
Accrued Liabilities		2,000.00
GST/HST Paid on Purchases	-4,673.01	
GST/HST Owing (Refund)		-4,673.01
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>-1,986.61</b>

**TOTAL LIABILITY** -1,986.61

**EQUITY**

**Owners Equity**

Retained Earnings - Previous Year		325,075.25
Current Earnings		972.68
<b>Total Owners Equity</b>		<b>326,047.93</b>

**TOTAL EQUITY** 326,047.93

**LIABILITIES AND EQUITY** 324,061.32

**Elgin United Church**

**Account Reconciliation with Outstanding Transaction Detail Report 12/31/2024 to 12/31/2024**

**Report By: Statement end date**

Deposit No.	Date	JE#	Source	Comment	Amount	Total
<b>Account: 1060 Chequing Bank Account</b>						
Previous Statement Start Date:		12/18/2024				
Previous Statement End Date:		12/27/2024				
Statement start date:		12/28/2024				
Statement end date:		12/31/2024				
Reconciliation date:		12/31/2024				

**Reconciled**

<b>Statement End Balance as of 12/31/2024</b>	62,858.28
Add: Outstanding Deposits	0.00
Subtract: Outstanding Withdrawals	-895.00
<b>Adjusted Bank Balance as of 12/31/2024</b>	<u>61,963.28</u>

<b>Book balance as of 12/31/2024</b>	<u>61,963.28</u>
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Outstanding Deposits						0.00
Outstanding Withdrawals						
12/27/2024	J356	5748		Lanark Lodge	-250.00	
12/31/2024	J369	Cash		EPPC	-645.00	
<b>Total Outstanding Withdrawals</b>						<u>-895.00</u>

**PORTLAND UNITED CHURCH**  
**CHAIR OF COUNCIL REPORT 2024**

I am so proud to belong to a Wonderful Church called Portland United.

I won't list all of achievements here as I know all committee chairs have submitted a report.

Thank you to Jo Anne Fletcher our Regional supervisor for her support and advice.

We have had a great year. Thanks to Duncan Pickard and his team for completing the Go Green project and we seeing the benefits in our hydro bills.

Thank you goes to the UCW for their continuous work that they do for the Church and the Community.

Thank you to all the Council members for their support over the past year. I look forward to 2025.

Katy Gibson  
PUC Chair

**PORTLAND UNITED CHURCH**  
**ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING MINUTES FOR THE YEAR 2023**  
**FEBRUARY 18, 2024**

**ATTENDEES:**

28 members were in attendance.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Duncan Pickard welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 10:45

**OPENING PRAYER:** Will French offered the opening prayer, tribute to those who passed away in 2023, (Norma Cummings) and tribute to the Indigenous Land and Spiritual Acknowledgment (Katy Gibson).

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Moved: Connie Cochran Second: Joan Kelly Carried

**APPROVAL OF THE 2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES** (held on April 3, 2023: Bonnie Tackaberry Second Jan Haskin Carried

**Motion to allow all present, adherence and members:** Moved: Connie Cochran Second: Jan Haskin Carried

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** Reports were discussed in the order they appear in the 2023 Annual Report book. Following are the committees and the authors of the annual reports.

Chair	Report stands as submitted. Duncan thanked all for the cooperation over the past two years.
Regional Report	Report stands as submitted
Trustee	Report stands as submitted

Sunday School	Report stands as submitted
United Church Women	Report stands as submitted
Property Outside:	Report stands as submitted
Inside:	Report stands as submitted
Music	Report stands as submitted
Portland Pealers	Report stands as submitted
Portland Food Bank	Report stands as submitted
Sharing and Caring	Report stands as submitted
Rideau Sewers	Report stands as submitted
Fundraising	Report stands as submitted
Cemetery	Report stands as submitted
Finance	Report stands as submitted

Duncan spoke to small differences in the report. An amendment to the report (last page) was distributed.

John Noble audited the financial statements et al, and confirms all financials were followed as required.

Motion to Adopt Annual Report as Presented: Moved: Blaine Tackaberry Second: John Noble Carried

Goals for M&S \$8,000 and Flex Fund 2023 \$2,000: Moved: Jan Second: Sheila Carried

Vacant Positions: Duncan Pickard passes the role of Chair and becomes past chair. Council recommends Katy Gibson assume chair, Will French replace Katy Gibson as vice chair. All other incumbents remain in their current position. Moved Connie Cochran Second Joan Horsfall Carried

Fund raising coordinator role remains vacant.

Overview of our pastoral charge supervisor Jo Anne: Duncan underselling himself. Compare previous situation to situation now. JoAnn offered that the PUC has been outstanding in accomplishments.

Next PUC council meeting: March 19, 2024 7:00 pm

Closing Prayer was offered by Katy Gibson

Adjournment: 11:15 am

**EOORC (EASTERN ONTARIO OUTAOUAIS REGIONAL COUNCIL)**  
**2024 ANNUAL REPORT FROM PORTLAND CHURCH REPRESENTATIVE**

I continue as your representative for Portland at the Eastern Outaouais Ontario Regional Council. We meet on a monthly basis. This Regional Council consists of 133 pastoral charges and more than 200 communities of faith.

For many reading this Annual Report you may not be aware that your Regional Council actively participates in praying for you. Each meeting commences with a Living Call Statement of the Regional

Council. I am including this in my report. This statement will reference our common goals as Christians and as your representative to the larger church community.

#### Living Call Statement of the Regional Council

The Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council seeks to support and strengthen the ministries of its Communities of Faith as well as the ministry of all God's people, staff and lay leadership within those communities. As we seek to carry out this ministry, we will be intentional about how we fully include all in Christ's love and service. This means that in our work as a Regional Council we will actively seek equity for, and participation from, the full diversity of God's Creation; seeking racial justice, identifying and undermining colonialism, celebrating all sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, valuing linguistic and cultural diversity, seeking to include all who face challenges with their mental and physical health or social and economic circumstances. We will carry out our ministry with people in all seasons of life as we honour our relationship with Indigenous Peoples and nurture ecological justice. We will work to effectively and respectfully communicate with one another so that no one is left behind.

In 2024 I was able to attend two General Meetings, May 31-June 1, in Ottawa; October 5, in Renfrew.

Preparations for the United Church Anniversary year, 2025 are well underway. In keeping with this, I have been attending weekly planning meetings in regards to the celebration week-end that will be happening in Ottawa, June 13-15. This celebration will be taking place at the EY Centre in Ottawa. Be sure to mark your calendars for the big Sunday event. More news to follow. Plan to attend. Most of us will not be here for the next one!

Liz Church

Regional Council Member, Portland United Church

#### **PORTLAND UNITED CHURCH TRUSTEE REPORT 2024**

The Trustees of Portland United Church continued to monitor the operations of our Church in 2024. We are primarily tasked with ensuring proper Insurance is in place and handling financial bequests, investments and memorial initiatives. We continue to thank Trustees Anita Cox and Norma Cummings who continue with the primary responsibilities of maintaining the Memorial Book in our Sanctuary and sending out Thank You notes to donors. Anyone wishing to discuss leaving a bequest to Portland United Church is encouraged to reach out to myself or any of your Trustees.

Portland United Church has a current Investment Fund of approximately \$270,000 on December 31, 2024 - up from approximately \$233,000 on December 31, 2023. Our Investments are held by Canoe Financial. Will French and Norma Cummings act as the liaison with Canoe Financial.

In 2019, Council passed a motion that would limit withdrawals from the Long Term Fund at 6% in any given year to support the delivery of a Balanced Budget at the Congregational Annual General Meeting. None of these funds were required to be withdrawn during 2024. Of this investment, \$5000 (and accumulated interest) is on behalf of our UCW from December 2021. This was a 3 year agreement and

matured in December 2024. This agreement will continue as previously and be reviewed on an annual basis.

Insurance on the Church and its subsidiary activities at the Country Roads Community Health Centre continues to be carried by The Bay of Quinte Mutual through Rideau Insurance in the amount of \$775,000. Directors and Officers Liability continues to be carried by Hub International through the United Church of Canada. A written record and a digitally prepared record of belongings is maintained on file in both the Church office and with Trustee Katy Gibson. United Church of Canada policies on abuse and harassment continue to be made available in the Friendship Room for all to read.

The Portland Trustees continue to work with the Elgin Trustees to oversee the Manse as a rental property. Joint Trustees and designated Trustees continued to oversee the Rental of the Manse. Please see the enclosed Joint Trustees Annual Report to the Official Board.

The Trustees moved, and Council subsequently passed a motion this past autumn 2024, that funds raised from Summer 2024 Concerts along with additional funds from the Memorial Fund, to a total of \$5,000, would go to support the new G. Tackaberry and Family Home at Maple View Landings, Athens. May God Bless these givings in support of our area seniors.

Portland United Church Trustees are all members of Portland United Church. Please reach out at any time to the following Trustees: Anita Cox, Norma Cummings, Katy Gibson or Will French.

In Christ,  
Will French  
Chair, Portland United Church Trustees

**PORTLAND UNITED CHURCH  
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION TREASURER'S REPORT 2024**

Income	General Fund	FWD: \$530.78
Statement	For the period 01/01/2024 to 12/31/2024	
REVENUE	NO REVENUE	
EXPENSES	NO EXPENSES	
END OY YEAR BALANCE:		\$530.78

**PORTLAND UNITED CHURCH - CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT 2024**

Christian Education has continued to focus on opportunities for adults to increase their knowledge and understanding of scripture through Bible Studies and weekly devotionals. Jim Barton offered weekly Bible Studies to connect in spiritual discussion throughout 2024. Liz Church continued to offer weekly devotionals that provided opportunities to spend time reflecting on our Christian journey.

We continued to support Luz Mariela, a student at Colegio Bautista in San Salvador. If you wish to contribute to her education in the coming year, please include a note designating your donation towards El Salvador.

We thank Jim and Liz for their leadership this past year as they sought opportunities to nurture our faith and relationship with Christ.

Submitted by Pauline French

### **PORTLAND UNITED CHURCH WOMEN ANNUAL REPORT 2024**

2024 was another busy year for the UCW.

We catered to the following events: Celebrations of life –

- Vicky Bedore, May 18;
- Joyce Welch, July 12
- Ruth Freeman, July 26;
- Doug Evans, Nov. 10
- Rick Lachapelle, Dec. 14

90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration for Kathleen Seward, Feb. 3

Community Turkey dinner March 22

Doug & Evelyn Powell's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner Aug. 3

We hosted the UCW Fall Rally Oct. 8

Our annual pie sales took place as follows:

Tourtieres - November, Apple pies - Sept, Spring pie sale- June

The following donations were made:

On April 10 we gave a \$250 donation to Navigators

Christmas gifts and food were purchased and donated for a Family selected by the Food Bank

We organized and purchased supplies for Christmas in the Village

Our annual donation to M&S of \$2,400 was met.

To assist with annual expenses a donation was made to our church general fund in the amount of \$1,000

In May and in December donations of \$2,000 were given to the Food Bank for a total of \$2,000

We were delighted to have three new members join us this year, Sandy Preston, Chris Good and Brenda Smith. New members are actively recruited, and we welcome anyone that might like to join us. We work hard but it is so rewarding, and the fellowship is so satisfying. Our sincere thanks goes out to all the faithful that respond to our requests for help and food for these events. God bless you all!

Connie Cochran

President,

Portland United Church Women

**PORTLAND UNITED CHURCH U.C.W. FINANCIAL REPORT 2024**

**UCW FINANCIAL YEAR END STATEMENT  
STATEMENT**

**December. 2024**

**Period: January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024**

**INFLOWS**

Opening Balance	\$	2,540.55
Meals	\$	1,690.00
Interest	\$	0.30
Offering	\$	771.00
Pie Sales	\$	8,670.00
Fund Raisers	\$	3,190.00
GIC		
Donations	\$	<u>2,245.00</u>
<b>Total Inflows</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>19,106.85</b>

**OUTFLOWS**

Mission & Service	\$	2,400.00
Fund Raising		
Expenses	\$	1,059.36
Presbyterial Dues		
Friendship/Decore	\$	50.00
Cookbooks/Calendars	\$	78.16
Pie Supplies	\$	2,640.80
Bank Charges	\$	99.84
Subscriptions		
Donations	\$	924.75
PUC General Fund	\$	1,000.00
Food Bank	\$	2,000.00
Benevolent Fund		
Gifts	\$	1,600.00
Cases for Caring		
Kitchen Supplies	\$	<u>611.23</u>
<b>Total Outflows</b>		<b>\$12,464.14</b>
<b>Currant Balance</b>		<b>\$6,642.71</b>

**UCW has a Float of \$204.35 at year end**

**MJ Leblanc  
Treasurer**

**PORTLAND UNITED CHURCH**  
**OUTSIDE PROPERTY REPORT 2024**

The 2024 year was relatively uneventful with the mowing, plowing and shoveling contractors doing excellent work. Some further work was done on winterizing and sealing windows and doors, which will result in less heat loss.

The dead elm tree on the south property line, that was overhanging the Friendship Room, was removed and our neighbour to the east was glad to get the wood in exchange for cleaning up the lawns and the driveway.

The propane tanks were reconfigured, replacing the large torpedo tank with 2 smaller ones because our propane usage has been reduced as a result of the addition of solar panels and the basement heat pump.

The main project for 2025 is the cleaning and painting of the outside railings.

Bruce Haskin (Chair of Outside Property)



**PORTLAND UNITED**  
**CHURCH GO GREEN**  
**PROJECT 2024**  
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Portland United Church's (PUC) Go Green Project started with a discussion and council's direction, during the second half of 2022, to explore the implications of conserving energy and implementing solar power.

During 2023

- We identified our priority projects including
  - Weatherstrip all external doors and recaulk doors and windows
  - Convert all fluorescent tubes to LED
  - Remove a Propane Space heater in our Friendship room and replace it with a ductless heat pump
  - Install a solar array to reduce our cost per kwh of electricity which will eventually allow a complete conversion to electric heat.
- Identified financial requirements and sources
  - Faithful Footprints (UCC National)
  - Church Extension (UCC regional)
  - PUC Fundraising
- Completed the implementation of the priorities

## Results 2024

- PUC use of hydro increased from an average of 19.3 mwh, for the preceding 3 non COVID yrs, to 20mwh. This increase is mainly due to the replacement of the propane space heater in the friendship room with the ductless electric heat pump.
- PUC reduced its use of propane from an average of 5,452 ltrs, for the preceding 3 non COVID yrs, to 2561 ltrs in 2024.
- PUC energy bill was reduced from an average of \$8,033, for the preceding 3 non COVID yrs, to \$3,795 in 2024

Although results will vary year over year depending on weather etc . the first year's results are very encouraging.

The Solar array produced 13.9mwh during the year. PUC used 5.2mwh directly, and sold the remaining 8.6 mwh to Hydro1. So, of the 14.8mwh we purchased from Hydro1 they gave us credit for 8.6mwh reducing our net purchases to roughly 6.3mwh of the 20,mwh used.

During 2024, in addition to reviewing the caulking, all of the basement windows were further sealed with a clear plastic film.

Go Green Committee

## **PORTLAND UNITED CHURCH INSIDE PROPERTY REPORT 2024**

Annual inspections have been completed on the elevator, AED device and the fire extinguishers. Monthly checks are done on the AED device, emergency lights and fire extinguishers as well. An inspection has been done with the Deputy Fire Chief, Shane Peters, and we comply with all requirements. They have been given the code for the lockbox to access the Church in case of emergency. Regular annual inspections have been set up. Water testing is completed regularly as required. Several improvements have been made to the calking and weather-stripping to improve the efficiency of the new heating/cooling system which is working very efficiently and is welcomed by the frequent users of the church.

Once the new Community Hall is completed it is expected that Chit Chat will move back there rather than remain in the church basement. The quilting and pillowcase groups continue to benefit from the use of the hall.

Annette Clarke is doing a wonderful job keeping the facility sparkling clean and fresh. A huge "thank you" to Annette!

Connie Cochran

## **PORTLAND UNITED CHURCH CHOIR REPORT 2024**

Our year started with John Wanless as our Organist and choir director. Unfortunately, in August John took a position at the Anglican Church in Smiths Falls closer to his home. We thank John for his support during the preceding years.

Since John's departure, we have been blessed to have 4 pianists who have been able to not only play on different Sundays but also lead the choir, they are; Janet McKeage, Pam Newton, Liz Theobald and Morgan Wright. Thank you to Norma Cummings for her scheduling expertise.

Our choir numbers remain relatively strong having attracted new members and re-connected with members who had drifted away. We continue to look for new members (particularly basses) to join us. The choir has been able to provide anthems almost every Sunday and looks forward to leading the congregation for the musical part of the service.

Ducan Pickard

## **PORTLAND UNITED CHURCH FUNDRAISING REPORT**

Portland United Church remains active in the community with fundraising activities.

### **UCW**

The activities of the UCW are legendary and again in 2024 their efforts benefited many within the church but also the community both locally and world wide . For more details, please see their report.

### **Fundscrip**

Fundscrip continues to be a major year-round activity through which the Foodbank and members of the congregation use the fundscrip gift cards to generate funds which help the church operate and further reach members of the community.

### **Concerts**

This year PUC hosted two summer concerts Mary's Merry Mistrals and County Road 45. The funds raised were used to help Portland United Church upgrade a specific room in the new Tackaberry Retirement Centre in Athens.

Duncan Pickard

## **PORTLAND UNITED CHURCH 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY ACTIVITIES 2024**

In 2024 Portland United Church started its preparations to recognize the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United Church of Canada which occurs in 2025.

Shine on Shine on Shine-a-thon took place during the second qtr of 2024. Individuals and families sponsored our new Solar Array for amounts per mwhr. The panels did their part and generated 4.2 mwhr. The money raised was use to purchase and distribute The Untied Church of Canada. This activity raised the congregation's awareness of both the new Solar Panels and the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The remaining funds went to the church operating fund.

Through out the second half of 2024, under the steward ship of Jane Pickard, Individuals and families of the Portland United Church, past and present have been telling their story about their affiliation with the U.C.C in general and PUC in particular. To date we have heard from 17 families with the remainder being scheduled in the first half of 2025. The intent is to assemble all of these stories into a book which will be in the church archives.

Duncan Pickard



### **PORTLAND PEALERS HANDBELL CHOIR 2024**

This small group of ringers has had great fun this year. As one of the collections of music is called, we are "Smaller but Mighty!" We look for music specifically composed for 12 bells and we've been able to enjoy past selections and purchase new ones. In addition, and to continually challenge ourselves, we are always on the lookout for music can be adapted to 6 ringers.

In March we were invited back to Newboro United, and we have shared the music as often as possible with our congregation, celebrating Easter, Christmas and Sundays in-between.

As I, as Director, has said many times before, this choir would not happen without the dedicated support of the ringers! My thanks to Cathy Ryan, Katy Gibson, Patti Evans, Jane Pickard, Lyn Hall, Bruce Haskin and Went Sharp for their continued enthusiasm for, and commitment to, the Portland Pealers. Special thanks also goes to Joan Kelly for stepping in to direct when I am not available.

Jan Haskin, Director  
Portland Pealers Handbell Choir

### **PORTLAND FOOD BANK ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2024**

Another extremely busy year at the Portland Food Bank. This year we experienced a very high turnover of clients. Throughout the year we enrolled 11 new families, and 18 families left either because their lease had not been renewed or for job opportunities. In April the number of families we were supporting went as high as 33, making an average of around 28 per month for the year. The constant increase in food prices and in the cost of living is making it hard for families to make ends meet.

Again, this year we were asked by Country Roads Community Health Centre (CRCHC) to continue assuming the responsibility for the Community Shelf Program located in Portland and Westport locations. CRCHC provided the funds and Norma and I did the shopping as well as displaying the food on the shelves. We also had some meetings with CHCRC and the Rideau Lakes Food Banks Network to pursue opportunities to join various program e.g., Feed Ontario and United Way Food Security. Since these programs have strict rules to adhere to which are not in line with the way we do business, we opted out and decided to pursue our own opportunities in seeking additional funds without compromising Who we are and What we do!

Throughout the year we graciously received additional support from various groups: financial donations from the International Plowing Match & Rural Expo, Archdiocese of Kingston, Simpson Lodge, etc. The Kibbles for Paws continued their donations of pet food, (pet food returned from veterinary clinics and/or slightly expired, suppliers, etc.) and Lee Baldwin continued donating eggs from his farm twice a month. In April, we were approached by the South Crosby Elementary School, to see if we would accept donations of bags of lettuce which the Food Bank Superheroes (Special Education Class) grow in their hydroponic greenhouse. In addition, both Lee Baldwin and the Food Bank Superheroes donated young plants of tomatoes, basil and peppers for clients to grow in their own gardens. Our clients were thrilled since every little bit helps.

On a sad note, in August, we had a visit from the Provincial Food Inspector, who informed us that it was against the law to provide clients with eggs from local farms that have not been graded. According to the law eggs can only be sold/donated from the farmer's property. We had no choice but to comply. Again, this year, even though we started the year with a healthy bank balance it was an unpleasant realization that we did not have enough funds to finish the year the way we wished. The constant increases in food prices and the number of families we had to support, depleted our funds more quickly than expected.

Thanks to the support of the Congregation, including Portland United Church Women (UCW), and Mill Bay Court, additional fund-raisers took place late summer. In August, the residents of Mill Bay Court (and their helpers) raised \$2,843.35 for the Portland Food Bank with their yard, craft and bake sale. What a tremendous job this was but there were many helping hands involved and co-operation all around. Then, early September, Norma organized a concert at Portland United Church entitled "We're Singing for Their Supper", which was well attended and raised \$2,432 for the Portland Food Bank. Thanks to all the volunteer talented musicians, it was a great concert which everyone seemed to enjoy, including the performers. Because of these extra activities and some additional donations, we were able to finish the year without borrowing too much from the 2025 budget (money raised during Build a Mountain of Food, BAM).

The 2024 Build a Mountain of Food Campaign (BAM), in its 18th year, was a huge success. Once again, the Portland Community was very supportive and as of December 2024, the total donations were \$31,945 and 2,100 pounds of food. All donations received in November and until the end of December are included in this amount. In addition to the above donations, three Food Bank families were sponsored for their Christmas celebration including gifts for the entire family. One family was sponsored by Len's Cove Marina, the second family was sponsored by the Portland United Church Women and

the third family by Newboro United Church. The three families were overwhelmed by the gifts and food they received which surely demonstrated that the true spirit of Christmas is more in the giving as in the receiving.

December was also a very busy month with the preparation of Christmas hampers for our Food Bank clients, 26 families (48 adults and 25 children) and an extra Christmas hamper for a local family who could use some help during the holiday season.

Our volunteers at the Portland Food Bank were: Anita Cox, Norma Cummings, Joan Horsfall (Portland United Church); Céline Peladeau (Chaffey's Locks), Judy Ramm (Portland). We're always grateful for the help from Connie Cochran and her team and the Gibson Family during BAM, and the assistance of the Portland United Church Members who always step up every time we need additional help and support. Also, a big thank you to Annette Clarke and the knitters at Mill Bay Court who knitted enough items to ensure that the Clients' children had new items in their Christmas hampers. As well, Mill Bay Court did a Christmas Fundraiser Craft and Bake Sale in late November. Thanks to Cindy Crank from Morton for all the poster preparations and the postings on social medias throughout the year.

A challenge that remains is still the recruitment of volunteers. In 2024 the Portland Food Bank had only 5 volunteers throughout the year making it very difficult when volunteers take holidays or to attend to their health.

In closing, I would like to say a big thank you to Norma for her dedication and strong support and to Anita Cox who has agreed to be the next Food Bank Manager, as I am stepping down at the end of 2024 to attend to personal matters. But remember - these ladies need help, it is impossible to continue operating the Food Bank without extra support.

Please do not hesitate to contact Anita or Norma if you have any questions about our Food Bank.

Louise Martin  
Manager

### **FINANCIAL REPORT PORTLAND FOOD BANK – 2024**

#### **Opening balances - Jan 1/24**

Bank account	\$ 1,843.60	
Petty Cash	35.75	
O/S transfer	26,350.85	
O/S cheque	-300.00	
Grocery Gift Cards on hand	3,525.39	<b>\$ 31,755.59</b>

#### **Income**

Donations – receipted & non-receipted	54,628.23
Other cash donations	445.00
Gift Cards donated	600.00

	<u>\$ 55,673.23</u>	
Total Income		<b>\$ 87,428.82</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Groceries	\$ 28,180.07	
Grocery Vouchers given to clients	18,151.31	
Good Food Box via CRCHC	4,090.00	
Bank Fees	50.00	
Mileage	240.00	
Office Expense	0	
Postage	63.19	
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 50,774.57</u>	
Net Income	\$ 4,898.66	
Balance		<b><u>\$ 36,654.25</u></b>

**Balances as at Dec 31, 2024**

Bank Balance	\$ 2,461.06
O/S transfer in	29,517.68
O/S cheques	-0
Grocery Gift Cards – Balance on Hand	4,495.46
Petty Cash	180.05
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 36,654.25</b>

Over 96% of the groceries purchased were paid for with FundScrip Gift Cards purchased through the church's FundScrip program, thus bringing in some income for the church as well. The church community and the community at large, including local businesses, have been very, very generous again this year and for that we, and the clients, are very grateful.

**PORTLAND UNITED CHURCH**  
**SHARING AND CARING COMMITTEE REPORT 2024**

The Caring and Sharing group is not yet re-established. Portland United Church is a very caring faith community. At this time, ministry is being carried out in various ways. Many people share the responsibility of reaching out to others through greeting cards, telephone calls and home visits. Thank you to all who participate. You are a blessing to many.

Liz Church  
Sharing /Caring Committee

## **RIDEAU SEWERS – LAP QUILTS REPORT 2024**

On the second Wednesday of the month experienced and new quilters gather at the Portland United Church to cut and sew lap-sized quilts and to exchange information and to enjoy creating together.

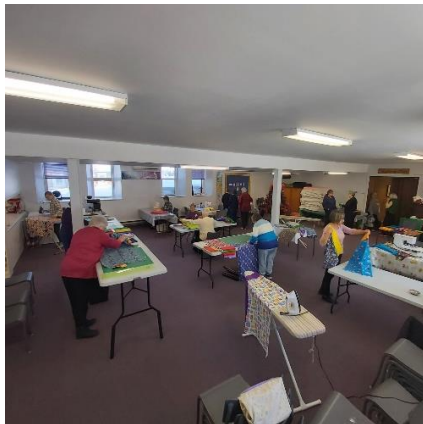
These quilts are provided to palliative care and cancer patients and those on dialysis at the Smiths Falls and Perth Hospital Campus locations and depending on the circumstances, sometimes to those in need in our immediate communities.

The quilts are created at the Church as well as the homes of various volunteers who do “homework” on behalf of this group. Fabric and donations come to the quilters from a variety of local service organizations and/or individuals and the hall is donated by the church. In 2024 this dedicated group completed 34 colourful lap-quilts for the hospitals. Another 6 were given to those in need in the local community. These quilts provide warmth and comfort during stressful times for the recipients and their families.

We thank Portland United Church for making this space available to the group every month and for the ongoing provision of storage space.

Jane Pickard (613 272-2524) Coordinator

## **PILLOWCASE SEWERS – CASES OF CARING REPORT 2024**



We are extremely grateful to Portland United Church for allowing us to meet monthly and provide space for our fabric and equipment. We also are thankful for the support of the UCW. We continue to meet monthly on the third Wednesday at 9 am and struggle out at noon. We shop frugally for our fabric as prices have risen a great deal. In the past, we have estimated the cost of a case at \$10 but it is now \$15 and that is quite low. We now send approximately 25 cases per month to CHEO. Our attendance fluctuates each month with illness, vacations, and appointments but members remain faithful. We all keep in mind the smiles of the children as we sew, cut, pin, and label. Thank you for your continued support Reverend Rodney would be very pleased to see our collaboration.

Convenors, Lynne Evans and Joan Kelly.

**PORTLAND UNITED CHURCH CEMETERY REPORT 2024**

I would like to thank the members of the cemetery committee for their help and dedication to the upkeep and updating of our cemetery. They are Bruce Haskins, Brad Gibson, Jillian Bond, Blaine Tackaberry.

In 2024 we had 2 burials and sold 4 plots. We were able to apply and receive a grant from the Township of Rideau Lakes for \$442. This was used to help off set the cost of keeping the grass cut as that cost has increased from \$950 last year to \$2131.91 this year.

I would like to send a great thank to our people with their generous donations, without you we would not be able to function as a working cemetery.

**Financial Statement**

<b>Opening Balance</b>			\$8396.80
	<b>Expenses</b>		
Grass cutting.	\$ 2131.91		
Opening and closing (April)	\$ 175.00		
Opening and closing (October)	\$ 150.00		
GIC purchase.	\$ 5500.00		
GIC purchase.	\$ 7000.00		
GIC purchase.	\$ 7500.00		
BAO Payments	\$ 700.00		
Paper statements.	\$ 9.00		
	\$23165.91		\$23165.91
<b>Receipts</b>			
Public Guardian interest	\$ 411.57		
Bank Interest	\$ .71		
Donations	\$1200.00		
Grant money	\$ 442.00		
Sale of plots	\$ 1480.00		
Opening and closing	\$ 600.00		
GIC Interest	\$ 550.00		
Matured GIC	\$11000.00		
Redemption GIC	\$ 5500.00		
	\$21545.28		\$21545.28
Closing Balance			\$ 6775.17

Thank you  
Blaine Tackaberry

## PUC ANNUAL REPORT 2024

### Treasurer's Reports

The General Fund Revenue as Sunday Givings was up marginally at 1.4% in 2024, after a strong December. We received 12 months of property use fees which were \$450 over budget, but this income stream is currently ending in April 2025. The Food Bank continues to make extensive use of the Fundscrip program providing the General fund continued fundraising potential (\$813.36). We did have the opportunity for additional fundraising with 2 concerts which net \$998. The original fundraiser named Shine On brought in \$600 and highlighted the many benefits of the new solar panels and put the UCC 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary book into the hands of many in our congregation. We did not require a withdrawal from the LTIF for the fourth year in a row to meet our obligations in 2024,

### General Fund Expense

The General fund expense was down 10.6% over 2023, and under 2024 budget by 11%. This decrease in operational costs is a result of reduced costs for hydro, propane, interior maintenance costs and really no "surprises" with elevator, organ or other operating systems. There were slight increases in snow removal and grass cutting costs. We did make a \$5000 donation to the expansion at Maple View Landing redevelopment project from PUC Memorial Fund. These funds will be assigned to a Resident Room, with a plaque proudly displaying PUC's involvement in this worthwhile community project.

### Dedicated Funds

Portland United Church also collected and distributed to the following programs:

	2024	2023
Mission and Service	\$6598	\$11031
Community Flex Fund	\$495	\$1000
El Salvador	\$250	\$250

Also, it is important to remember that the congregation and greater community collected and donated \$49586 for the Portland Food Bank.

Long Term Fund	Dec-19	Dec-20	Dec-21	Dec-22	Dec-23	Dec-24
Ending Balance	\$153,677	\$161,737	\$216,726	\$220,733	\$233,826	\$271,519
Withdrawals	\$10,000	\$6,000	\$0	\$0	0	0
Additions	\$33,665	\$2,500	\$6,180	\$548	0	0
Investment Income	\$15,147	\$11,560	\$48,809	\$4,007	\$13,093	\$37,693
Est. Return	13%	7%	30%	2%	6%	16%
Dec -21-24 Ending Balance includes \$5,000 of UCW investment .						

## PUC ANNUAL REPORT 2024 TREASURER'S REPORT

### Portland United Church

Income Statement	2024 Actuals	2023 Actuals	Difference	2025 Budget
<b>General Fund Revenue</b>				
Sunday Givings Rev	49,490.47	(48,812.39)	678.08	50000
<b>Fundraising</b>				
Gift Card proceeds	813.36	(831.82)	(18.46)	800
Other fundraising	998.00	(1,657.42)	(659.42)	2000
TOTAL Fundraising	1,811.36	(2,489.24)	(677.88)	2800
<b>Finance and Admin rev</b>				
Property Use Fees	2,370.00	(2,880.00)	(510.00)	500
TOTAL Finance and Admin rev	<u>2,370.00</u>	<u>(2,880.00)</u>	(510.00)	500
<b>TOTAL General Fund Revenue</b>	<u><u>53,671.83</u></u>	<u><u>(54,181.63)</u></u>	(509.80)	<b>51300</b>
<b>General Fund Expenses</b>				
Charge assessment Expense	25,350.00	25,200.00	150.00	24000
Adult Christian Education (New)	0.00		0.00	100
Outreach Rev	0.00		0.00	
Outreach Exp	0.00		0.00	370
Broadview Rev	0.00		0.00	
Broadview Exp	0.00		0.00	
Sharing & Caring Exp	50.00		50.00	
Decorating Committee Exp	0.00	70.63	(70.63)	
Music exp	0.00		0.00	
Music Director Expense	6,100.00	(6,250.00)	(150.00)	5400
Piano and Organ Maintenance	0.00	1,126.53	(1,126.53)	500
Hand Dells Exp	0.00	90.61	(90.61)	400
Worship Exp	0.00	243.05	(243.05)	100
Elevator Exp	746.50	(2,388.00)	(1,641.50)	1000
Recurring maintenance Interior	681.27	(1,860.88)	(1,179.61)	2300
Custodian Expense	3,915.00	(4,464.00)	(549.00)	3700
Hydro	1,752.51	(3,804.94)	(2,052.43)	1800
Propane	2,447.53	(3,083.10)	(635.57)	2000
Grass & Lawn	2,170.92	(1,350.00)	820.92	2200
Recurring Maintainence Exterior	1,377.20	(1,167.23)	209.97	1500
Snow	3,216.78	(3,634.50)	(417.72)	3500
Insurance Expense	3,520.64	(3,130.23)	390.41	3400
Office expense	436.90	(393.24)	43.66	450
Envelope and PAR Rev	(45.00)	(45.00)	0.00	-50
Envelopes and Par Exp	390.92	392.58	(1.66)	450
Other	385.57	(178.77)	206.80	1400
<b>TOTAL General Expenses</b>	<u>52,496.74</u>	<u>58,793.29</u>	<u>(6,286.55)</u>	<b>54620</b>
<b>NET General fund Income</b>	<u><u>1,175.09</u></u>	<u><u>4,611.66</u></u>	<u><u>3,436.57</u></u>	<b>-1320</b>
<b>Net Designated Fund Income</b>				
Benevolent	507.00	490.00		
Building	980	810.00		
Memorial	429.27	2,204.37		
2020 & Beyond	96.25			
Youth Support	810			
Media Fund	0			
Choir Revenue	1208			
Bell Choir				
<b>Total Designated Fund Income</b>		3,504.37		
<b>Total Net income</b>		<b>1006.68</b>		
Transfer from Investment acct		0		

**NOTES:**

**For a breakdown of Designated Fund revenue and expenses please see the Balance Sheet Comparison later in report**

**\* Please see separate report for full financial impact of Designated Funds with separate Bank accts**

Cemetery, Food Bank and CYAYA (Christian Ed)

		Portland United Church			
		Designated Fund Balances			
		Dec 31 2024			
<b>FUNDS</b>		<b>12/31/2023</b>	<b>Revenue</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>12/31/2024</b>
General fund		9,440.56	54,014.73	-52,446.74	11,008.55
Benevolent		2,677.64	507	(800.00)	2,384.64
Building		3,532.02	980		4,512.02
Memorial Fund		8,821.65	429.27	(5,000.00)	4,250.92
2020 & Beyond		0.00	96.25	0	96.25
M & S		0.00	6598	-6598	0.00
Community Care		0.00	495	-495	0.00
Cases Fund		0.00	50	-50	0.00
Food Bank Fund		0.00	49,585.73	-49585.73	0.00
Media Fund		4,796.65	0	0	4,796.65
Choir Fund		712.08	1208	-1143.34	776.74
Mission Works		0.00	0	0	0.00
Bell Choir		509.11	50	0	559.11
CYAYA		0.00	0	0	0.00
Youth Support		423.61	810	-416.3	817.31
El Salvador		0.00	250	-250	0.00
Gift Card		0.00	26,650	-26650	0.00
Cemetery		0.00	4471.91	-4471.91	0.00
Brickwork		0.00	0	0	0.00
Go Green		6,266.99	29,270	-34999.29	537.70
Manse Repairs		0.00	0	0	0.00
Miscellaneous		0			0.00
<b>TOTAL DESIGNATED FUNDS</b>		<b>37,180.31</b>	<b>175,465.89</b>	<b>(182,906.31)</b>	<b>29,739.89</b>
<b>Notes:</b>					
Cemetery includes \$2131.91 transferred into General Account from Cemetery Acct.					
for shared grass cutting contract and is not new revenue.					