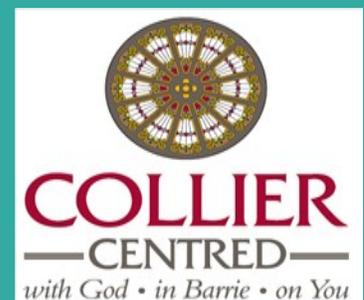




2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
MARCH 8, 2020

COLLIER STREET UNITED CHURCH
112 COLLIER STREET,
BARRIE, ON L4M 1H3,



2019 Annual General Meeting, Sunday, March 8, 2020

Agenda

1. Call to Order, Regrets and Courtesies – **Chair Christy**
2. Prayer – **Rev. Hewitt**
3. Covenant (We say together):
May we act with humility and respect;
May the words we speak show truth and wisdom;
May our thoughts be honest and courageous; and
May everything we think, say and do,
show gratitude and be wrapped in love.
4. Motion to Appoint Minute Taker (**Lianne Patterson**) – **Christy**
5. Motion to Accept Agenda – **Christy**
6. Motion to allow all present to participate in discussion – **Christy**
7. Minutes of Previous Meeting – **Board Secretary Lianne**
8. In Memoriam – **Hewitt**
9. Update from RBC (Investments) & motion to receive reports in Booklet – **Terry C./Christy**
10. Motion to approve 2018 reviewed financial statements and
2019 un-audited financial statements – **Treasurer Laurie**
11. Motion to appoint Morrison CPA to review 2019 financial statements – **Laurie**
12. Motion to approve 2020 Budget – **Laurie**
13. Information re Board's work on New Governance Structure – **Lianne/Christy**
14. Motion to appoint to the following: – **Christy**
 - a. Official Board (Treasurer, Property Chair, Secretary, Learning and Growing in Faith, Worship Chair, & U.C.W.)
 - b. Session (3-4 people)
 - c. Board of Trustees
 - d. Shining Waters Regional Council (Robert & Maureen Murdock, 2 others)
17. Motion to Adjourn
- 18.** Closing Blessing – **Hewitt**

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OUR VISION

Our dream is to be a community with open hearts, open minds and open will as we become:

stronger through various styles of worship;

deeper through discipleship;

warmer through unconditional welcome, fellowship

richer through radical inclusion;

broader through ministry to all ages and stages of life; and

larger through intentionally inviting others on this journey of faith.

CORE VALUES:

Connection

Community

Creativity

Inclusion

Love

Transformation

Hope

Minister

As I sit to write this report for 2019, the scripture that keeps coming to mind is from Isaiah 43:19: "See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up, do you not perceive it?"

It is a text that invites us to see that the activity of Collier in 2019 was God's new thing of touching and transforming lives and our community of faith. The evidence of which were both tangible and intangible.

It is a text that suggests that we are to look with discerning eyes to highlight how God was involved in Collier's worship and work in 2019.

In the pages ahead, we will notice how some of us found it hard to see and perceive God's new thing. This was so because of varied reasons. However, we will see that some of us found it very easy to see and perceive God's new thing. Whether it was easy or hard to see and perceive, God was still active and involved in the life of Collier in 2019.

In the pages ahead, we will notice how many are and have been involved in the perceiving, seeing, and doing of the ministry at Collier through the two priorities for 2019: ways of worship & community/outreach.

I remain grateful for the faithfulness of the staff, congregation and community for seeing, perceiving and doing God's new thing in Collier and beyond in 2019. Thanks so much for your labour and love.

In the pages ahead, we will notice how we still feel God is inviting us to see and perceive much more in 2020 through the discerning presence of the Holy Spirit. As the congregation priorities will be ways of worship & small groups and connecting.

In 2019, God has led us to perceive and see the new thing. My prayer and hope is that God will continue to help us to do the things that make a positive and powerful difference in the lives of others in this community and beyond, making us a reservoir of life, light, love and liberty.

We continue the journey of perceiving and doing, hearing: "See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up, do you not perceive it?"

Blessings,

- *Hewitt*



Ministry and Personnel

The M&P Committee acts under the guidelines of the United Church of Canada Manual. The Committee functions around three roles: consultative and supportive role, healthy relationships, and the supervisory role. We provide resources and support for the staff (ministry personnel/lay employees) and the community of faith with respect to any issue affecting staff of our church. The committee works to build a positive and trusting relationships between staff and adherents in our community of faith.

If members of the community of faith have praise or concerns about staff or members, these can be shared in signed correspondence with the committee. The issues will be considered confidentially by the M&P Committee, who will recommend appropriate action(s). Please contact any of our committee members if you wish to discuss questions or concerns related to the M&P's responsibilities at Collier.

Collier United Church is blessed with staff who are committed to their work and we are thankful for this work in our community of faith.

The M&P members for 2019 were: Joyce Moore (Chair), Jean Cooke and Dave Lord. Special thanks to Dave & Jean for their loyalty and assistance to the Chair.

The M&P committee welcomes Linda Fisker as a new member and invites others for this valuable and vital work.

During 2019 the committee worked diligently on aspects associated with the tenure of our former Music Director and our Custodian. Additionally, we were involved with a new Job Description for the custodian. This role will be filled soon.

Minister:

Rev. Hewitt Holmes,
Minister of Worship, Congregational Care & Leadership

Retired:

Rev. Donald Jay, Emeritus & Voluntary
Associate Minister

Music Director:

Marilyn Reesor (until June 2019)

Interim Organists:

Brian Frawley, Laura McClure, Ashley Tidy,
John Charles & Gerald Martindale

Interim Choir Director:

Sharon Saint

Administrator:

Vickie McMillan

Custodian:

Bryon McLellan (until December 2019)

Part time Caretakers:

Wayne Cameron, Floyd Hall & Tim Nguyen

Special thanks to Sharon Saint and Frank Crossley for giving volunteer staff hours.

- *Joyce*



Property

The Property Committee works with the Custodial Staff to oversee and manage property concerns of the facilities and grounds through an annual budget overseen by Official Board. Property Committee is also represented on special projects that touch facility or grounds. These projects are sponsored through congregational fundraising efforts or support provided by the Finance Committee and the Trustees.

The Committee consists of:

Terry Tizzard (Interim Chair), Gillian MacLean (Secretary), Jeff Williams, Will Fiege and Rev. Hewitt Holmes. We welcome Paul Fisker and are hoping to fill the Custodial Representative and invite two others from the Congregation to this committee.

Recognizing 2019's retired members:

John Boer (past Chair), Erryle George (past Secretary), Reg Battaglia, Larry Murray (past Official Board Chair), Bryon McLellan (Custodial Representative).

Meetings are held monthly and are supplemented, when necessary, with quick meetings that will touch on specific tasks needing immediate attention.

Highlights for 2019 include:

- ⇒ Parging repair
- ⇒ Completion of steeple project
- ⇒ Walkway repairs
- ⇒ Tree trimming
- ⇒ Vine removal on back wall of hall
- ⇒ Paint louvers in Bell Tower
- ⇒ Fire retardant curtain installed in the Church Hall supported by UCW
- ⇒ Installation of new Audio Video system
- ⇒ Ceiling repair and painting over choir loft

2020 objectives:

- Continue upkeep of exterior of building
- Addressing security concerns of office staff

Audio/Visual Technical Support

The team is operating with 3 volunteers – and are still looking for more.

A/V Team is made up of: Peter Eddy, Terry Tizzard, and our newest addition, Fatima Helmi. 2019 Retirees: Sun Wong Ha stepped back in order to attend University.

The A/V team supports worship and other events which take place in the sanctuary. It is our goal to provide the congregation with a seamless experience for those who attend and for those who watch recordings on DVD or view the Sermon online at <https://collierunited.ca/sermon-archive>.

With notice, a member of the team can be arranged to support events and concerts that happen in the sanctuary or church hall, so whether it is Collier's own program offerings or a rental we can be available to assist.

For 2019 accomplishments:

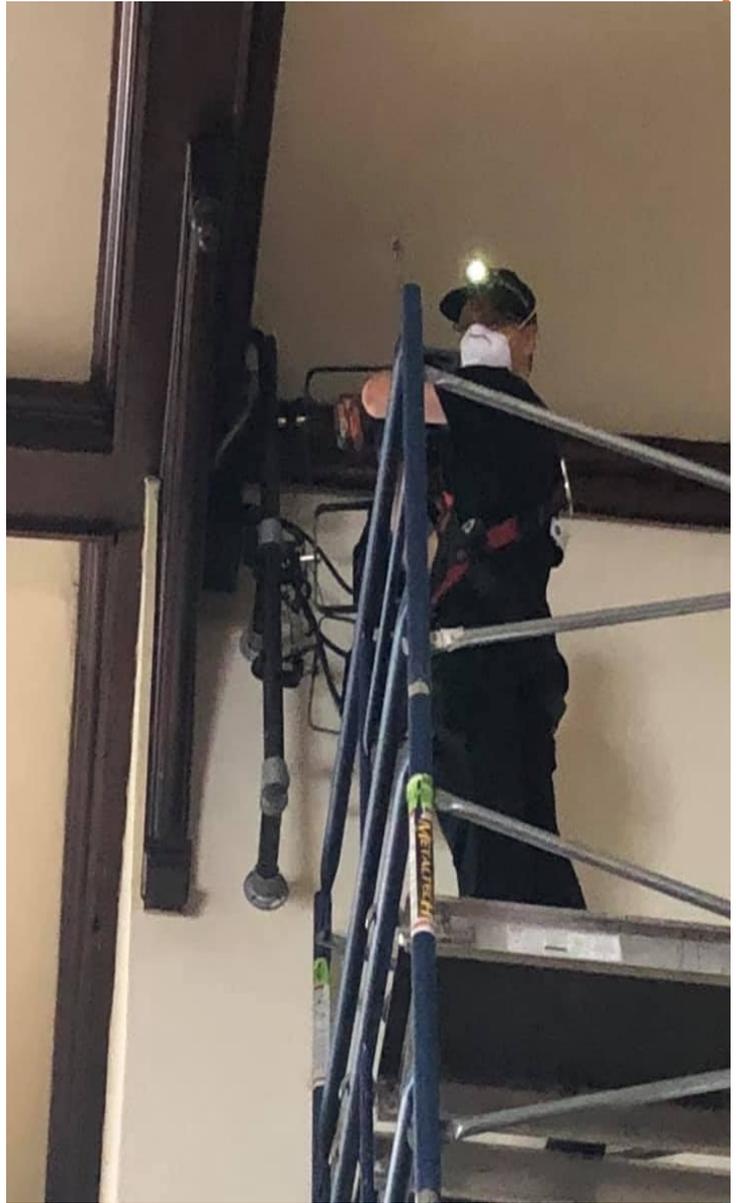
- Completed installation of a digital audio system
- Added a screen and projector to sanctuary to add to regular Sunday services and enhance other events held in the space
- Increased recording capabilities in preparation of streaming our services live (targeting Q2 2020)

2020 Goals

- Acquire more members for the team!
- Begin streaming the service
- Install our original sanctuary system in the Church Hall
- Continue to up keep and replace bulbs in the current production lighting system
- Replace the wireless headsets that cannot be repaired with Lavalier microphones
- Investigate LED production lighting with a digital control system

Financial support willing, we will accomplish some of these items in 2020.

- Terry



Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees are responsible for holding congregational property as outlined by the United Church of Canada Manual. We seek to comply with the decisions of the Official Board about use of funds. Our books are kept by our Treasurer/Secretary and there is support from the Church Bookkeeper. The Manual reminds the congregation that the Trustees are not personally responsible for any loss or damage to any congregational property.

Investment funds held at the Royal Bank are managed by Terry Cheaney, Vice President, Portfolio Manager, The Madison Group, RBC Wealth Management Dominion Securities. The goals are to build a pool of capital to ensure long term financial success, have access to short term funds, income generation through dividends, debt reduction and capital growth.

The Investments held at Bank of Nova Scotia are managed by Ryan Knight, Small Business Advisor.

Over this past year, funds were transferred from the Trustees Account for mainly, resourcing the Refugee Sponsorship Account and fulfilling the wishes of the Board to purchase and install new audio-visual equipment in the sanctuary and a new scrubber for the floors.

Board Members: Hewitt Holmes, Marg Valad, Murray Minshall, Darcy Dolmage, & Jean Cooke. We are thankful to Brian Young, who retired from the Board. Brian served faithful over the years as Secretary/Treasurer.

As submitted by Terry RBC Dominion Securities, total investments ending December 31, 2019 of \$528,801.87, summarized as follows:

Accounts	2018		2019	
Steward's Margin Account <i>(Note the funds in this account supports borrowing against the Margin Loan)</i>	Jan 1, 2018	\$ 301,956.49	Jan 1, 2019	\$ 271,145.91
	Dec 31, 2018	\$ 271,641.45	Dec 31, 2019	\$ 298,200.12
	Income Earned	\$ 8,467.39	Change in Market Value	\$ 46,075.87
			Dividends	\$ 7,958.59
			Other Distributions	\$ 1,524.64
			Withdrawals	\$ 28,504.89
			Total Investment Return	\$ 55,559.10
		Total Rate of Return	21.14%	
		Management Fees	\$ 3,317.86	
Heritage Account	Jan 1 2018	\$ 268,789.00	Jan 1, 2019	\$ 231,472.93
	Dec 31, 2018	\$ 231,908.00	Dec 31, 2019	\$ 230,601.75
	Income Earned	\$ 7,433.41	Change in Market Value	\$ 41,485.52
			Dividends	\$ 7,176.44
			Other Distributions	\$ 1,177.10
			Withdrawals	\$ 50,710.24
			Total Investment Return	\$ 49,839.06
		Total Rate of Return	22.38%	
		Management Fees	\$ 2,885.24	
Margin Loan (Line of Credit)	Dec 31, 2018	\$ 89,506.13	Dec 31, 2019	\$ 77,673.06
Trustee's Account <i>(Capital Campaign Funds run through this account)</i>	Jan 1, 2018	\$ 152,379.92	Jan 1, 2019	\$ 212,835.52
	Dec 31, 2018	\$ 212,835.52	Dec 31, 2019	\$ 86,675.32
			Interest Earned	\$ 902.45
			Service Charges	\$ 127.50
			<i>See Capital Campaign report re payouts of funds.</i>	
Investment Account (re UCW) <i>(Mutual Funds held on behalf of UCW)</i>			Jun 30, 2019	\$60,829.24

Looking Forward Campaign

Collier Church Capital Campaign officially launched September 22, 2017 and to date we have received pledges from 80 Collier families for a total of **\$442,143.28**. In early November, we received a Grant from the City of Barrie, in the amount of \$24,566.53, (\$25,000.00 less legal fees) for restoration work on the steeple.

Donations will still be gratefully accepted and if you would like more information please connect with one of the committee members:

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Laurie Crosson	705-722-2003	lcrosson@rogers.com
Stephen Manuel	416-456-1093	stephen.manuel@rogers.com
Donna Martin		dmartid42@gmail.com
Phil Neale	705-737-3350	hab_itant@yahoo.ca
Marg Valad	705-726-4673	margvalad@bell.net

The funds are held in a Trustee's account. We started with a balance of \$6,546.49 (which belonged to the Trustees). These funds were transferred to the Refugee fund in October and are not Capital Campaign funds.

	Debits	Credits	Balance
Opening Balance- Apr 28/2017			\$6,546.49
Pledges Collected May 2017 - Dec 31, 2019		\$358,320.52	
Interest Earned May 2017-Nov 30, 2019		\$1,971.66	
Cheques & Debits. May 2017- Dec 31, 2019	\$275,717.40		
Service Charge May 2017- Nov 30, 2019	\$322.15		
Opening balance funds used towards Refugees (these were Trustee's funds not Capital Campaign funds)	\$6,546.49		
Surplus re Transfer from Trustee's re Refugees and Audio Visual		\$832.69	
Adjustments- items processed in error		\$1,590.00	
Balance Dec. 31, 2019			\$86,675.32

Jun 23, 2017	Collier Church (over payment of Par \$1000 should have been \$685 – Diff \$315. Transferred Back to General Acct.	\$315.00
Jul 12, 2017	Deposit Slip order fee	\$24.91
Aug 26, 2017	Rainer's Siding	\$8,525.85
Sep 20, 2017	Collier Church – Re Children & Youth	\$2,886.38
Nov 27, 2017	Collier Church – Re Midhurst Roofing Ltd	\$15,581.57
Jan 4, 2018	Collier Church – (deposit made to Trustee's Acct in error- should have been to Music Acct) reversing entry	\$500.00
Apr 27, 2018	Collier Church – 2018 Budget Commitment (\$1500 x 5) Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May	\$7,500.00
May 10, 2018	Collier Church – Re Elevator One	\$2,925.57
Jun 27, 2018	Royal Bank (Chq returned NSF- Funds reimbursed July)	\$600.00
Jul 14, 2018	Collier Church – 2018 Budget Commitment (\$1500 x 3) Jun, Jul, Aug	\$4,500.00
Aug 22, 2018	Collier Church – Re 20% down payment re parging re Chameleon Parging	\$1,527.09
Sep 12, 2018	Collier Church – 2018 Budget Commitment (\$1500 x 4) Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec	\$6,000.00
Oct 4/2018	Collier Church – Final Invoice re parging – Chameleon	\$6,108.32
Jan 30, 2019	Collier Church – Re Drainage Pipes & interlock	\$2,034.00
Feb 20, 2019	Collier Church – Re Funds Deposited to Trustee's Acct in error – should have been for General Acct- reversing entry	\$125.00
March 17, 2019	Collier Church- Re Yorkton Contracting Ltd re Steeple	\$22,668.81
Jun 17, 2019	Collier Church – Re Yorkton Contracting Ltd re Steeple	\$166,722.82
Sep 23, 2019	Collier Church – Wagg's Painting (Ceiling)	\$3,994.55
Oct 8, 2019	Collier Church – Re AV invoices (partial payments towards expense)	\$23,150.00
Oct 16, 2019	Deposit Slip order fee	27.53
Total		\$275,717.40

- **Marg**



Finance

Members:

Laurie Crosson (Chair from April 2019)

Monica McArthur (Chair to April 2019)

Joyce Moore

Dave Wainwright

Rev. Hewitt Holmes

We met monthly, reporting to the official board. Thank you to Monica McArthur, who so ably chaired the finance committee until April of this year. And thank you to Valerie Samson who diligently tracks and records the financial life of our congregation.

The Congregational Priorities for 2020 as established by the Board are:

- Worship
- Small Groups & Connecting

The finance committee adopted these priorities and developed the following Principles and Guidelines to consider while setting the 2020 Budget.

General Principles and Guidelines

The 2020 budget will seek to:

Encourage the love of God through faithful giving;

Engage in wise spending based on priorities 1 (Small Groups and Connecting) & 4 (Ways of Worship);

Enlighten Board and congregation on receipts and expenses monthly and quarterly respectively;

Enlist two (2) new members for the Finance Committee; and

Endeavour to thank the congregation for their generosity and gifts of grace.

Specific Principles and Guidelines

The 2020 budget will seek to:

plan and show the changing reality of Income and Expenses;

pay down the line of credit by \$5000 from the operating;

fill the vacant staff positions by March;

continue to give to the community through various programs;

explore the padding of pews in the sanctuary;

ask givers to financially commit 2-5% increase to one of the priorities;

remind givers that an increase of 5-10% in M&S (nationally) reduces our assessment; and provide the congregation with the report of the financial review of 2018 records at AGM.

We hope to have a positive budget for 2020 & 2021.

- *Laurie*

Collier Street United Church Income & Expenses	2019 Actual	2019 Budget	2020 Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
50 · Regular Givings			
50.09 · PAR Local	\$ 84,139.73	\$ 97,000.00	\$ 90,000.00
50.10 · Local Envelope	\$ 219,928.17	\$ 210,000.00	\$ 205,000.00
50.15 · Open Plate	\$ 6,714.73	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 6,500.00
Total 50 · Regular Givings	\$ 310,782.63	\$ 314,000.00	\$ 301,500.00
51 · Mission Receipts			
51.10 · Collier Mission Fund	\$ 11,799.36	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 9,500.00
51.20 · UCC Mission & Service	\$ 10,697.22	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
51.30 · Refugee Sponsorship	\$ 2,700.00	\$ -	
Total 51 · Mission Receipts	\$ 25,196.58	\$ 27,000.00	\$ 21,500.00
52 · Other Givings			
52.31 · Adult Programming (Recovery)	\$ 10.00		
50.16 · Canada Helps Donation	\$ 4,298.00		
52.55 · Cap Camp Comittment to Salaries	\$ -	\$ 26,950.00	\$ 18,000.00
52.56 · A/V Improvements-(Cap Budget)	\$ 248.25	\$ 23,150.00	
52.29 · Envelopes (Cost Recovery)	\$ 337.00	\$ -	
Total 52 · Other Givings	\$ 4,893.25	\$ 50,100.00	\$ 18,000.00
53 · Fundraising Receipts			
53.15 · Church Dinners			
53.25 · Chili Cook Off	\$ 425.00		
53.24 · Food Fest	\$ 3,114.00		
53.23 · Gala Dinner	\$ 240.00		
53.21 · Lenten Lunches	\$ 3,116.51		
53.15 · Church Dinners - Other	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	
Total 53.15 · Church Dinners	\$ 6,895.51	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
53.40 · Fundraising	\$ 25,512.10	\$ 19,500.00	\$ 29,000.00
53.52 · Fundscrip Commission	\$ -	\$ 700.00	\$ 714.00
53 · Fundraising Receipts - Other	\$ 330.00		
Total 53 · Fundraising Receipts	\$ 32,737.61	\$ 21,700.00	\$ 32,214.00
54 · Other Receipts			
54.12 · U.C.W. Transfers	\$ 16,793.26	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
54.50 · Rental Of Facilities	\$ 42,206.00	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 39,000.00
55 · Cost Recoveries Funds			
55.97 · Summer Student Wages Recovery	\$ 7,856.00		
55.03 · Pension & Benefits (Recovery)	\$ -	\$ -	
55.06 · A/V Technical Support (Recovery)	\$ 2,250.00		
55.10 · Office Recovery	\$ 185.00		
55.40 · VBS - Daycamp Income	\$ 587.50	\$ -	
55.42 · Adult Programming Recovery	\$ 5.00		
55.80 · Piano/Organ Maintenance Recovery	\$ 150.00		
55.92 · M&P Custodial Wages (Recovery)	\$ 4,042.00	\$ 10,000.00	
Total 55 · Cost Recoveries Funds	\$ 15,075.50	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 17,300.00

Collier Street United Church Income & Expenses	2019 Actual	2019 Budget	2020 Budget
54 · Other Receipts - Other	\$ -	\$ -	
Total 54 · Other Receipts	\$ 74,074.76	\$ 53,000.00	\$ 66,300.00
Total Income	\$ 447,684.83	\$ 465,800.00	\$ 439,514.00
Gross Profit	\$ 447,684.83	\$ 465,800.00	
Expense	\$		
Reconciliation Discrepancies	(1,166.45)		
61 · Worship			
61.10 · Sanctuary Supplies	\$ 217.06	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 305.00
61.12 · Worship & Communion Supplies	\$ 484.20	\$ 905.00	\$ 500.00
61.13 · Church Bulletins	\$ 380.38	\$ -	
61.15 · A/V Technical Support Ministry	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 660.00
61.15 - A/V Honoraria			\$ 3,500.00
71.71 · A/V Improvements	\$ -	\$ 23,150.00	
63.36 - Offering Envelopes			\$ 210.00
61.17 · Advertising	\$ 15.57	\$ -	
61.18 · Honoraria (Pulpit supply)	\$ 1,394.56	\$ 1,484.00	\$ 2,000.00
61 · Worship - Other	\$ 330.00		
Total 61 · Worship	\$ 4,821.77	\$ 27,739.00	\$ 7,175.00
62 · Church Office			
62.10 · Office Supplies	\$ 3,258.04	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 3,500.00
62.15 · Equipment Rentals/Lease	\$ 5,052.59	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
62.20 · Postage	\$ 343.63	\$ 500.00	\$ 335.00
62.45 · Computer Maintenance	\$ 1,462.31	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
62.50 · Telephone & Internet	\$ 3,174.04	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,000.00
Total 62 · Church Office	\$ 13,290.61	\$ 12,800.00	\$ 13,335.00
63 · Administration			
63.30 · ADP Service Charge	\$ 313.38	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00
63.35 · Bank Charges			
63.47 · Canada Helps Disc Paid	\$ 142.39		
63.46 · Moneris Fees	\$ 597.71		
63.35 · Bank Charges - Other	\$ 1,541.04	\$ 1,700.00	
Total 63.35 · Bank Charges	\$ 2,281.14	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,890.00
63.36 · Envelope Cost	\$ 666.65	\$ 210.00	
63.37 · Legal & Audit	\$ 363.77	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 4,931.00
63.44 · UCC/Region Assessment	\$ 26,639.00	\$ 18,416.00	\$ 18,876.00
63.45 · Search Committee	\$ 311.80	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Total 63 · Administration	\$ 30,575.74	\$ 27,676.00	\$ 27,047.00
64 · Mission Expenses			
64.10 · Collier Missions	\$ 10,638.85	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 9,500.00
64.20 · UCC Mission and Service	\$ 10,647.08	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
Total 64 · Mission Expenses	\$ 21,285.93	\$ 27,000.00	\$ 21,500.00

Collier Street United Church Income & Expenses	2019 Actual	2019 Budget	2020 Budget
66 · Learning & Growing in Faith			
66.10 · Children & Youth Programming	\$ 2,963.91	\$ 3,100.00	\$ 3,100.00
66.20 · Adult Programming	\$ 108.40	\$ 408.00	\$ 350.00
66.56 · Congregational Programming	\$ 1,606.71	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
66.57 · New Member/Confirmation/Baptism	\$ -	\$ 100.00	
66 · Learning & Growing in Faith - Other	\$ 22.00		
Total 66 · Learning & Growing in Faith	\$ 4,701.02	\$ 5,608.00	\$ 4,450.00
69 · Property			
69.17 · Water Costs	\$ 6,099.43		
69.10 · Insurance	\$ 14,192.65	\$ 15,150.00	\$ 15,150.00
69.15 · Utilities (Electricity)	\$ 23,013.61	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 27,600.00
69.20 · Gas	\$ 10,193.37	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 11,500.00
69.40 · Property Maintenance	\$ 40,923.43	\$ 37,500.00	\$ 30,455.00
Total 69 · Property	\$ 94,422.49	\$ 99,650.00	\$ 84,705.00
73 · Caring & Nurturing Ministry			
61.16 · Transportation Ministry	\$ 2,074.75	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,100.00
73.11 · Rainbows	\$ 97.43	\$ 650.00	\$ 350.00
73.13 · Inreach - Outreach	\$ -	\$(1,500.00)	\$ 400.00
73.24 · Link	\$ 65.45	\$ -	
Total 73 · Caring & Nurturing Ministry	\$ 2,237.63	\$ 2,150.00	\$ 2,850.00
74 · Music			
74.24 · Piano/Organ Maintenance	\$ 1,000.48	\$ 2,087.00	\$ 1,800.00
74.25 · Adult & Youth Choir	\$ 206.83	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 800.00
74.28 · Honoraria	\$ 9,075.20	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 2,800.00
Total 74 · Music	\$ 10,282.51	\$ 5,887.00	\$ 5,400.00
82 · Ministry & Personnel			
82.05 · Salaries & Wages	\$ 185,501.35	\$ 216,664.00	\$ 220,310.00
82.35 · Ministers - Travel Allowance	\$ 1,619.61	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,800.00
82.20 Summer Job Grant			\$ 8,000.00
82.37 · Staff Training	\$ -	\$ 500.00	
82.38 · Continuing Education-Ministers	\$ 1,623.32	\$ 1,415.00	\$ 1,442.00
82.39 · Employee Expenses			
82.50 · Workers Comp	\$ 516.98	\$ 2,070.00	\$ 600.00
82.511 · Accessibility Allowance	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
Total 82.39 · Employee Expenses	\$ 1,716.98	\$ 3,270.00	\$ 1,800.00
82.75 · Payroll Expenses	\$ 11,803.10	\$ 10,487.00	\$ 14,000.00
82.85 · UCC Pen & Ben	\$ 20,259.54	\$ 20,843.00	\$ 25,700.00
82.86 · Employee Team Building	\$ 2,389.65	\$ 1,000.00	
Total 82 · Ministry & Personnel	\$ 224,913.55	\$ 255,979.00	\$ 273,052.00
Total Expense	\$ 405,364.80	\$ 464,489.00	\$ 439,514.00
Net Ordinary Income	\$ 42,320.03	\$ 1,311.00	\$ -

Collier Street United Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2019

	<u>Dec 31, 19</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	
10 · Banks	
10.11 · Royal Bank 2640	75,394.27
10.31 · Collier Mission Possible Fund	4,006.81
10.34 · Petty Cash	<u>250.00</u>
Total 10 · Banks	79,651.08
13 · Banks Trustees	
10.16 · RBC Trustees Acct-Capital Campn	66,734.51
Total 13 · Banks Trustees	<u>66,734.51</u>
Total Chequing/Savings	146,385.59
Other Current Assets	
10.99 · Due from General Fund (Capital)	2,069.11
10.97 · Due from General Fund Heritage	7,397.17
10.98 · Due from General Fund Margin/Tr	105,168.17
14 · Other Assets	
10.92 · Cash Advances, Cash Card	<u>400.00</u>
Total 14 · Other Assets	400.00
17 · Shares Trustees	
17.00 · Invest in Shares - RBC - Herita	182,088.73
17.01 · Invest in Shares-Trustees-Margn	<u>231,874.03</u>
Total 17 · Shares Trustees	413,962.76
18.00 · Scotiabank UCW - Trust	10,264.61
18.20 · Scotiabank UCW-Investment Acct	<u>60,722.24</u>
Total Other Current Assets	<u>599,984.06</u>
Total Current Assets	746,369.65
Fixed Assets	
19.10 · Office laptop computer	1,278.38
19.09 · Sanctuary Drapes	2,513.41
19.04 · A/V Equipment	
19.07 · A/V HP 15CS2013CA computer	1,143.79
19.06 · A/V Lenovo L340	1,350.62
19.05 · A/V Equipment in Sanctuary	64,879.37
19.04 · A/V Equipment - Other	<u>1,070.50</u>
Total 19.04 · A/V Equipment	68,444.28
19.03 · Office Computer	1,844.74
19.02 · Floor Scrubber	7,135.34
19.01 · Stage Drapes	<u>5,262.41</u>
Total Fixed Assets	86,478.56
Other Assets	
37.00 · Unrealized Gain / <Loss>	<u>222,597.20</u>
Total Other Assets	<u>222,597.20</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>1,055,445.41</u>

Collier Street United Church Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2019

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Total Liabilities		232,823.90
Equity		
39.00 · Retained Earnings	26,030.85	
39.10 · Heritage Fund - Trustees	276,184.11	
39.20 · Unrestrict GenFunds-Trust-Mrgin	285,730.68	
39.30 · Unrestricted General Fund	(24,545.24)	
39.40 · Internally Restricted-Ancilliar	7,666.00	
39.50 · Mission Possible Fund	4,078.81	
39.61 · Capital Fund -Trustees	136,949.03	
Net Income	<u>110,527.27</u>	
Total Equity	<u>822,621.51</u>	
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>1,055,445.41</u>	

- 10.31 Adjusted to actual value as of Dec. 31, 2019
- 10.16 Dec. 31, 2019 balance not available at time of printing
- 17.00 Adjusted to actual book value as of Dec. 31, 2019(decreased)
 Market value as of this date was \$230,601.75
- 17.01 Adjusted to actual book value as of Dec. 31, 2019(decreased)
 Market value as of this date was \$298,200.12
- 18.00 Balance confirmed as of Dec. 20, 2019 bank statement
- 18.20 Dec. 31, 2019 balance not available at time of printing



COLLIER STREET UNITED CHURCH ANCILLARY FUNDS

December 31, 2019

Beginning Balance January 1, 2019		Defib- rillator Maint.	Out- reach Com- mittee	2012 Piano Fund	Bene- vo Fund	Music Out- reach	Camp Funds	Refugee Fund (Ret'd Earning)	Cof- fee Fund	Totals
		-209	3,737	3,523	1,400	2,874	1,869	17,760	148	31,102
Revenue										0
	Jan				10			100		110
	Feb				25					25
	Mar				25			200	226	225
	Apr			75	404			500	162	979
	May			75	20			100	69	195
	Jun				15				139	15
	Jul				25				82	25
	Aug								167	0
	Sep		250		15				192	265
	Oct		80		255				112	335
	Nov		50		15				90	65
	Dec		1,025		225				272	1,250
Total Reve- nue		0	1,405	150	1,034	0	0	900	1,511	2,589
Payments	Jan								58	
	Feb							993		993
	Mar					95		1,800	70	1,895
	Apr				30			1,800		1,830
	May					151		1,800	41	1,951
	Jun							1,800		1,800
	Jul							1,800		1,800
	Aug				200			8,696	209	8,896
	Sep					496				496
	Oct				200	575			218	775
	Nov				150	207				357
	Dec		105			145				250
										0
Total Pay- ments		0	105	0	580	1,669	0	18,689	596	21,043
Balance		-209	5,037	3,673	1,854	1,205	1,869	-29	1,063	13,400

Worship

Worship remains the lifeblood of the congregation. We worship Sundays at 10:30. During the year 2019, we celebrated the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter and Pentecost.

Worship, Communion and Baptism now meet as one team, four times a year as a key part of the Session of the Church. The Session is responsible for the spiritual life of the congregation.

At our meetings Hewitt provides an update on the worship life or schedule of the congregation. We listen to feedback or suggestions to improve the worship life as well.

During this year, a major technological improvement took place in the sanctuary, enhancing worship. We installed a new sound and projection (screens) system. Those with limited hearing have commented positively about the improved sound in the sanctuary. The big screen in front of the cross can scroll up and down from the control area in the balcony. The system is working well, and the congregation is getting used to the new technology. Most of the instruments (organ/piano) were serviced during the year as well.

During the past year our agenda had any or most of the following items: flowers in the sanctuary, liturgical colours, worship attendance, Lenten services and lunches, tea and coffee after Church, organ & pulpit supply, recognition of Black History/Asian Heritage months, readers, decorations, wedding and funeral guidelines, funerals/deaths, prayers for family/sick, baptism and Communion.

Worship involves many people for which we want to say thanks. A new Music Committee was formed by the Worship Committee during the year. As a community, we are thankful for all who give so willingly to make worship happen week after week, especially the former Chair, Dorothy. We are thankful for our Interim Choir Director, Sharon Saint and the many organists who have been supplying us since Marilyn moved on from Collier. Our giving makes us keep worship at the centre of who we are and what we do in this community of faith.

Rightly so, worship remains one of the priorities set by the Board and agreed by the

congregation for 2020. We continue to worship God in Spirit and Truth as we are transformed by God, build community, forming deep connections with God and each other.

- *Sharon/Hewitt*

Choir

What does it mean to sing in a church choir? “A choir, or chorus that performs sacred music, is a group of singers usually divided into four sections: soprano, alto, tenor and bass. When someone sings in a church choir, that person contributes to the performance of sacred songs by singing in one of those four sections for a specific church organization.”

Although our choir is shrinking in numbers over the past few years due to age etc., we are still a tight group of individuals with blended voices who enjoys performing sacred music to our congregation on a weekly basis. We take the summers off and have a break during Christmas and New Years.

We have been fortunate this past year to have such wonderful guest organists coming from Hamilton to Toronto (see M&P report). I had the privilege of playing two Sundays during summer. The choir has welcomed these individuals with great warmth, some weeks were challenging at first but we always learn something new from each of these individuals and it keeps us on our toes.

The choir performed the 4th Annual Christmas Sing-A-Long with guest entertainers from Dave Lord, Harmonica group, Eleanore Honey's piano students, Colleen Dearham, Marg Warnica played the piano for us and Joyce Naylor entertained us with a couple of poems she wrote and guest voices from the congregation joined us. It was wonderful and everyone seemed to enjoy the afternoon music, followed by refreshments provided by the choir.

The Choir performed Christmas Music on Friday, December 13, 2019 at the Allandale Station Retirement Home at their open house.

Thank you to the congregation for their continued support.

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- Sharon



Learning and Growing in Faith

God continued to do a new thing in and with the ministry to children, youths and adults at Collier in 2019. Thanks to the many volunteers who resourced the programs for the children, youth and adults. I particularly want to mention: Kay Byers, Barbara Emerson, Jennifer Dolmage, Marg Warnica, Elizabeth Weber, Robin Milani, Elizabeth Chevrefils and Alexandra Gronfors.

Collier's Kids:

Noah's Ark: Infants 2 and under

Noah's Ark is our nursery. The program provides a safe and nurturing space where infants and toddlers can play and grow while their parents/grandparents attend worship. The attendance was very low this year with occasionally 1 child per month.

The Rock and Daniel's Den - Godly Play in M5.

The children really enjoyed the Godly Play stories and food in the circle. The program provides Christian education in a safe and sacred space that is filled with fun/play. The attendance was very low

this year after the summer months with the occasional 2-3 children per month.

The Well (ages 10-16) in the former Library/Loft.

The Loft was reopened this year for the older ones. The program used the resource from "Seasons of the Spirit" which helped the children ask critical questions as they grow and develop. The attendance was very low this year with occasionally 1 child per month.

10+ Hang Out

With the average attendance of 4-10 for activities of spiritual nurture and bonding, the 10+ met twice per month. We did have an attendance of 15 on one occasion at a parent's house.

The time spent together normally has the following program outline: gathering, prayer, scripture for the day, check-ins and an activity.

Our activities vary pending the time of the year. We have winter and summer events both inside and outside of the Church. The sleep over at a parent's home is becoming a well-loved activity.

Others can join us for craft and game nights, church tour, scavenger hunts, pizza parties, bowling, movie night, bible quiz, social graces and other interesting and exciting things.

Thanks to all the volunteers and parents who make this program happen twice per month.

- Hewitt



Christmas Eve Pageant

"The Simplest Nativity Play Ever" by Angela Yardy was used again in 2019 as the script for the Christmas Pageant at 6:30 pm. There was one practice session, which went well. This year again we had all the roles performed by wonderful volunteers. The ushers wore costumes for the service. Everyone did a super job!

Thanks again to everyone for making this year's production a meaningful and worshipful experience, particularly Lianne Patterson and Laurie Crosson.



Camp Awesome

Once again the Region came to make Camp Awesome happen from July 22-26. This year was a full day program for Monday to Thursday. Friday was half day.

The morning time was often done inside the church building with Region doing the program ideas. The afternoon time was spent mostly outside. The children with Church volunteers did the Splash Pad, the beach and Wye Marsh. The Anglican Church down the road joined us for the trip to Wye March. It was great experience to have them with us on the trip.

The average attendance of 3-5. Each day was special for the helpers and campers. The group worked on making cards for sick and shut-in persons in our church community.

Thanks to all who gave money and volunteered time to Camp Awesome in 2019.

- *Hewitt*

Jesus Walk

This year we celebrated the 42nd Anniversary of the Jesus Walk Ministry: Monday night activities for adults with Special Needs. Our group saw, the greatest decline in participation as many old friends have become unable to attend, have passed away, or are living in group homes that are unable to provide transportation. We were tremendously saddened to lose, long-time leader, Joyce Stratton in her 85th year.

This year's activities welcomed local musicians: David and Christine Boyd who entertained and educated with music and crafts. A local librarian came in to visit and read stories. Story-time with Rob is a perennial favorite and Craft evenings included, Valentines cards/gifts, seed planting for the spring, Halloween decorations. Music nights included, a Valentines' Dance, Irish Night with singing and dancing, Karaoke Night, Ukeladies and Friends, The Joy Bells and a Campfire sing-along with Rev. Hewitt and Maureen.

The yearend Pot-Luck supper, the Christmas Dinner and a Spaghetti Supper and Pizza Night rounded out the year with food and fellowship. Rev. Hewitt shared the Easter message, and the story of Christmas. The yearend trip in June, was a bus-ride to the Toronto Ripley's Aquarium for a visit with our under-sea friends.

We sang in Church to supplement the choir on five occasions and conducted the Handicapable Sunday in October, as once again, we shared our love of Collier and Christ with the congregation. We are grateful for each day that we get to share this time and our faith with good friends.

- *Sharon*

Being A Community

The Clerk of Session, Sharon Crossley, is a representative to Official Board on behalf of the following Session Sub Committees: Baptism, New Member Welcoming, Visitation & Link Delivery, Seniors & Friend to Friend, Social. Other Volunteers serving under Being a Community are: Seniors Fellowship Luncheon, Reception, Coffee Hour, Prayer Shawl Ministry, Prayer Companions and more.

Session meets 4 times a year, March, May, September and November. We currently have 25 members which includes those due to retire listed below, leaving us with 18. We are happy to welcome 3 new members listed below and will continue to welcome persons to serve on Session throughout the year.

Outgoing Elders ending February 28, 2020: Maureen Attwell-Murdock, Joan Harris, Robert Murdock, Larry Murray, Sally Murray, Dorothy Ramsay (Oct. 2019), Marnie Neale and Dennis Patterson.

New Elders beginning March 1, 2020: Cathey Battaglia, Linda Fisker and Paul Fisker.

Baptism – Elders Assist at Baptisms by greeting the family prior to service and escorting them to the Sanctuary. The Baptism Certificate is signed and a Candle and Shawl, handcrafted by the Prayer Shawl group, are presented to the baby and family during the service.

New Member Welcoming – Elders Assist at the service by introducing the new members during service. As well, they organize a New Member Reception the Friday evening before for those joining our Collier family.

The following were welcomed in 2019:

By Transfers: Donna Johnson, Gisele Bouman, Marinus Bouman, Linda Fisker, Paul Fisker..

By Reaffirmation: Elizabeth Chevrefils

Session reviews the Membership Rolls annually. In 2019 the following were transferred to the Historic Roll: 8 by own request; 11 by transfer out; 17 by death; 10 by act of Session.

Our current Membership at Dec. 31, 2019 is 368. We also have 132 adherents.

Visitation & Link – Elders organize Visitation of the Congregation and distribution of the Link 4 times a year. Each Elder is assigned few families to visit or keep contact with over the year. Some households prefer to access the Link, our Collier newsletter, on the internet. We are encouraged to make periodic contact with all our families and particularly to our shut-ins and seniors who are not able to attend Collier regularly. If you would like a personal visit any time during the year, you need only contact your Elder or call the office and arrangements can be made.

Seniors/Friend to Friend Committee – Elders plan 9 monthly Sunday afternoon church services (prayer, message, hymn sing and snacks) at Sienna Owen Hill Nursing home.

Elders visit local nursing homes, retirement homes and shut-ins and are often accompanied by the Ministry staff. They help build community at Collier and let our members that are unable to attend services know they are not forgotten.

Prayer Shawls are also given to persons who are ill or suffering loss to provide comfort and show that our people care and that God loves them and is with them during their time of need.

Baptism: Bennett Peter Rendell Grosskurth.

Marriages: Glen Little & Linda Lemon; Howard Braden & Gayle Wicklum; Sean Weeks & Danielle Rodney; Keith Greaves & Michelle LeBlanc; Trevor Peacock & Megan Milburn.

In Memoriam:

Margie Woodbridge, Paul Michael, Jim Lamont, Albert Naylor, Roberta Roberts, Leon Periard, Jean Perrin, Bruce Owens, Debbie Nelder-Brown, Howard Hamilton, John McLaurin, Betty Arnold, Doris Hardy, Jim Tizzard, Ruby Cox, Arlene Milward, & Shirley Dunstan. Adherents: Dianne Lynn Smith, Maidie Clark, William "Bud" Moore, Ken Cox, Fran Pudden, Mary Tims, Grace Dorsch, Brian James Stockell & Kay MacLeod.

- Sharon

Serving Others

Mission and Service (M&S) Fund (United Church of Canada)



The United Church Mission and Service is a mission and ministry that supports 12 ecumenical organizations and 94 funded global partners in 22 countries, as well as dozens of ministries within the United Church and across Canada.

Donations 2017 = \$ 12,218
 2018 = \$12,139.86
 2019 = \$10,697.22

We hope to increase our giving's to M&S as a congregation by 10-15%.



Collier Mission

Purpose:

The Collier Mission Committee consists of four members who distribute the congregation's generous donations in the spirit of Mathew 25: 35 - 40 and Mathew 28: 19 - 20, to encourage spiritual and practical values just as Jesus did.

Goals:

- To prayerfully disperse the congregation's donations where needed most both locally, nationally and internationally.
- To inform the congregation of our work via the LINK, Sunday bulletins and the annual report.
- To welcome suggestions from the congregation to ensure we meet their expectations.

Activities:

From January to August the Collier Mission Committee donated \$7,608 to the following organizations:

- \$1,000 was made available for the expenditures by the **Collier Rainbows** team who offer peer support programs for children, youth and adults who are experiencing a painful transition within their family.
- \$1,000 was donated to **Doctors Without Borders** to help them bring medical assistance to areas of the world experiencing war, violence or health issues.
- \$1,000 was donated to **Effect Hope (Leprosy Mission Canada)** a Christian mission working to bring the cure and ongoing care to people struggling with the stigma and disability of leprosy.
- \$1,000 was donated to **Ghana Rural Integrated Development** to support farming, health care and education in Ghana.
- \$1,000 was donated to **New Life Girls Home** to support a Christian rehabilitation program for girls 16 to 30 years old affected by abuse, drugs, alcohol, occult and sexual immorality.
- \$608 was donated to **Paso Por Paso (an Orillia charity)** to assist Mayan families in Tierra Linda, Guatemala by sponsoring students, funding school improvements, micro loans for women to start/expand businesses and donating food and supplies to families.
- \$1,000 was donated to the **Grandmothers for Grandmothers (Stephen Lewis Foundation)** in support of the aids epidemic in Africa.
- \$1,000 was donated to **Team Rubicon** to help fund their disaster relief efforts following hurricane damage on Grand Bahama and Abaco Island.



The committee decided that in order to improve transparency and awareness, one charity would be advertised and promoted each month.

- In September, \$1,093.67 was raised for **Mercy Ships**, which operates the world's largest charity hospital ship currently stationed in Dakar, Senegal. It has a staff of 400 volunteers from around the world who treat tumours, deformities, dental and eye problems, childbirth injuries, burns etc. In addition, they train and mentor the nation's surgical healthcare system.
- In October, \$1,055 was raised for **the Barrie Women and Children's Shelter** which provides shelter/support to approximately 1,000 women and children annually.
- In November, \$1,221.83 was raised for **The Salvation Army Christmas Cheer** program to help those less fortunate celebrate Christmas.
- In December, \$1,077 was raised for **Canadian Food Grains Bank** (multiplied four to one by the federal government) so that farmers can purchase supplies for planting. Once harvested, grains are shipped to areas experiencing poor harvests due to drought or flooding.

- *Larry*

Rainbows

The 2019 Rainbows Session has come to an end. Our meetings took place this year on Monday evenings as usual. We got a bit of a late start but were able to meet from September 16th. to December 9th., 2019.

We had a very small group this year but had 4 wonderful leaders to lead a total of 15 children.

Every family that attended were very happy with the program and expressed their appreciation on the last night of our session.

Once again, a huge thank you to the facilitators and to Collier Street United Church for funding this outreach program for the families. This program is offered at no cost to Barrie and area residents whose families are experiencing a loss either through separation, divorce or death.

The Rainbows program has been a very important part of our church for many years, introduced in Canada by Thelma Cockburn and I am very honored to be able to offer it year after year.

Once again thank you for your continued financial support.

- *Susan*



Collier's Table

In the Christian tradition, "Table" is a place where all are equal, all are welcome and where there is enough for all."

We hosted our 19th and 20th Collier's Table events on June 9 and October 19, 2019, where we welcomed those in our community living with poverty, while providing nourishing food, warmth, respect and fellowship.

These events provide important opportunities to build relationships and community with those who attend our events and our volunteers.

Dedicated leaders for these events are Lianne Patterson and Steve Harding; Dave Johnston is the newest addition to the leadership team. Numerous volunteers support these outreach efforts by donating food items or financial support, and by setting-up, cooking, serving, hosting and cleaning up at Collier's Table. There are approximately 40 to 50 wonderful volunteers supporting each dinner!

In 2019, a grand total of approximately 700 meals were served: 450 eat-in and 250 take-home.

Collier's Table operates on a break-even basis, with costs being associated to food – one dinner costs approximately \$900.

Generous financial support is received from congregation members and from the UCW – thank you! Additionally, The Barrie Food Bank donates some food items and Congregation members support the events further by providing fresh fruit, salads and desserts.

We also earned funding in support of our out-

reach efforts via a free-will offering by providing intermission refreshments at the December Bravado Concerts.

There is always an amazing, powerful and caring spirit within Collier at these events. It truly is the hands of God in action!

- *Lianne*



Refugee Sponsorship

It was with great joy and anticipation we received from the United Church Refugee Sponsorship Agreement Holder the names of the family we would be supporting, Enas, a courageous single mother with three children, Fatima, Kahled and Qusai, who left her war torn country, seeking a safe place for her family and an opportunity for her children to receive an education.

There was fun and camaraderie as we planned for their arrival, sharing a Syrian potluck dinner with committee members, cooking and serving pancakes as a fund raiser, keeping in touch with Enas through emails and Skype and working together to meet the needs of the family as they settled into a new life in Barrie.

Enas welcomed us into her family life. We visited the Mosque, learned of the Ramadan celebrations, and learned more of the Syrian culture.

We shared visits with doctors, dentists, school teachers, the bank and community services. We became Enas's extended family while providing transportation, financial support, technical assistance, a home with furnishings, and shopped for clothing and food,

Enas, Fatima, Kahled and Qusai were welcomed into our church family when they were introduced to our congregation, they brought the Syrian White Helmets to speak at our church, and when they lit the Advent Candle. Fatima, with her bright smile and friendly ways volunteered at the Silent Auction, Food Fest, and with the sound system. Family photographs were on display in the foyer.

Many happy memories were shared: Meeting at the airport, trick or treating at Halloween, New Year's Eve at downtown Barrie, snow boarding, celebrating Christmas and birthdays, home visits and dinners out, meeting with other churches and high school students, honouring academic achievements, renting a home, and sharing in the successes of Enas, Fatima, Kahled, and Qusai

Enas is continuing English as a Second Language at the Learning Centre and is working towards being eligible for the employment program at Georgian College. With the balance remaining in the Sponsorship Fund Account at the end of our sponsorship contract on August

21, 2019, Enas paid in full the Government Loan for plane fare to Toronto. Enas and the family traveled to Toronto independently on the Go Train to visit friends and have mastered the Barrie Transit system. Financial independence and Canadian Citizenship are her goals.

Fatima, in Grade 10, excels in her studies at Barrie North Collegiate Institute and received a Student Achievement award for being top student in her ESL class. She has made student friends and was interviewed on Barrie television when the White Helmets visited her school.

Fatima has been active in seeking summer employment and in balancing the responsibilities of home, school and personal interests in art, music, and new learning experiences.

Qusai is in Grade 3 and is adjusting to the transferring from Codrington Public School to Hillcrest Public School, where he is part of a reading group with other children. He excels at the game of soccer and we cheered him on as he scored goals on his winning team. He attended Bible Camp this past summer, where his winning personality, no doubt, made him new friends.

Kahled graduated from the class for Autistic children at Terry Fox Public School and is now enrolled in the Life Skills class at Barrie North Collegiate Institute where he is thriving. Enas reports he remembers the words to "Oh Canada", using vowel sounds to sing the words. He follows routines and is showing an interest in numbers.

It has been a pleasure, a privilege and a blessing to be involved with Enas and her children. They have given others an opportunity to show their compassion and caring for those who have lost much, and to learn of what we have in commonhope for peace, joy and love. We have felt the presence of the Holy Spirit in the forming of our team and in the accomplishing of the tasks set before us.

Together we have made a difference.

Thanks be to God!



Joyfully submitted by Collier Syrian Sponsorship Team : Leona Appleby, Enas Awad, Ann Elliott, Diane Forsyth, Lynn Giller, Rev. Hewitt Holmes, Laurie Lloyd, Donna Martin, Robin Milani, Rev. Dick Moffat, Sally and Larry Murray, Mabel Peyer, Charlotte and Brian Saunders, Deb Van Natter, Jane Von Bredow, Dr. Dave and Ruth Wainwright, Carol Warnica, Marg Warnica.

-Robin



United Church Women (UCW)



Well, another "year" in the life of Collier has come and gone and the United Church Women's group is continuing to grow and flourish!

Under the leadership of Susan Storning (Amicae) and Mabel Peyer (Wo He Lo), our group of ladies have been very busy looking after Special functions, various Celebrations and Funeral Receptions.

We have once again offered our Spring Vendor Marketplace and of course the November bazaar. Most of these fundraising functions take place in our Church Hall where we were able "show off" the new curtains and stage skirting that was completed last year. **These new additions complimented the newly painted walls that we had commissioned the previous year.**

In 2019 we were able to update and replace the dishes in the kitchen along with new glassware, mugs, bowls etc. The new look of the dishes is very modern, a lot lighter to handle and takes up a lot less space in the kitchen.

Various new appliances and cooking dishes/utensils have been replaced as well. Fans for the front of the Sanctuary for the hot summer months were purchased which will hopefully help when the temperatures soar!

Of course many of the functions that we look after cannot be done by the UCW alone and the congregation have been very generous in donating their time and talent to enable us to do what we do.

We are still waiting on the arrival of the new curtain that will hang in the Sanctuary behind the cross but it is scheduled to arrive in January/February of 2020. This will be a welcome fresh look along with being fire retardant as per the City of Barrie Fire Department request.

We are all very blessed with the friendships that we have made within the UCW, the learning experiences that we have acquired and the satisfaction of knowing that we are contributing in the life of Collier Street United Church.

Watch for more exciting fundraisers yet to come in the following months and God willing, we hope to once again present the church with a donation of \$10,000.00 in the Spring and look forward to 2020 with renewed enthusiasm.

Please reach out if you would like to become a member.

Thank you.

- Susan



UCW CASH POSITION STATEMENT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

OPENING BALANCE JANUARY 1, 2019		<u>\$21,219.37</u>
INCOME		
	CHRISTMAS AND MARKET FAIR	6,598.00
	INVESTMENT INCOME MATURED	10,245.00
	RECEPTIONS	14,603.75
	MISSIONS, GENERAL FUND, MEETING DUES	<u>855.20</u>
TOTAL INCOME		\$32,301.95
EXPENSES		
	CHRISTMAS AND MARKET FAIR EXP.	1,235.62
	COLLIER SANCTUARY CURTAINS & HALL & GIFT	20,141.92
	INVESTMENT REINVESTED	10,000.00
	OUT REACH	3,174.00
	RECEPTIONS EXP.	2,175.23
	SUPPLIES, OTHER FEES	<u>6,529.94</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$43,256.71
CLOSING BALANCE		<u><u>\$10,264.61</u></u>

PREPARED BY SHARON SAINT, UCW TREASURER DEC 31, 2019

Sharing the Good News

Reception Desk

The volunteers at the Reception Desk are convened by Jeff Williams. We are very thankful to Jeff and the many volunteers that welcome guests, answer the phone and supply security. They build community through their interactions with the people they come in contact with. As well, their efforts certainly make it easier for the administrative staff:

Jeff Williams, Leona Appleby, Jean Cooke, Jane Craig, Joan Harris, Marilyn King, Edie Luhowy, Larry Murray, Marnie Neale, Judy Robertson, Deb Tyler, Ria Won

Promotions

In our present world, social media is very important. Laurie Crosson edits a newsletter focusing on upcoming events. As well, either Laurie or a staff member provide website updates which let people know what is happening at Collier and in the United Church at large.

Sound System

Our new sound system is a great addition to our worship services at Collier. The printed word on the screen makes it very easy to focus and follow along. As well, the pictures projected with the printed word give greater depth to the messages.

Reaching Out

Community is best formed when we reach out to one another and support each another. This is evident at Collier in the generous way so many people support the various events held at Collier. Whether it's baking for the Christmas Fair, providing food for luncheons, funerals or catered suppers or volunteering time at the various functions, the Collier community is blessed. Working and playing together certainly helps form community.

- Anne



The Official Board

Welcome to a new decade Collier friends and family.

Like many of you, I have been reflecting on the last decade to note accomplishments both personal and professional. In this way I can determine which values and habits I wish to bring with me into this new decade and those which I choose to abandon that no longer serve me well and the person I am developing into.

Change is always a challenge. It is the promise of new and exciting adventures and new learning. It can also be fraught with worry & sorrow for what was. But, to live with regret seems not the best manner of accepting the now. When I reflect on the shining moments that have given me peace, calm and joy in my often harried existence, they espouse one value that I wish to carry with me into this most promising new decade. This guiding value is simplicity.

Living more simply means seeing the beauty of a moment. Jan Arden wrote recently that you have arrived as an adult when you start to really notice the birds. I had one such moment as I stood unmoving spellbound watching them as if for the first time on a rather ordinary Tuesday a few weeks ago. This life dictates that we live as adults, and even children, constantly in motion. I wish I could tell my younger self to revel in being bored. It is a time of profound knowing and creativity. Insights occur in the in between moments, not in the moments of constant action.

My children ask me questions each night during those few moments before sleep overtakes them but when their eyelids are already droopy and they are almost ready to succumb to slumber. The request is always the same: tell me a story about when you were little. It dawned on me that the stories I tell them aren't the grandiose times, I achieved greatness but the small moments in between when I was being rather than doing.

Just being is hard work. It means stopping. It means allowing feelings some positive, some challenging to wash over you. It means not trying to fill up space with your ideas.

Take time to be. Allow yourself the luxury of time.

All the best for a prosperous, and simple, 2020

- *Christy*

Official Board Members

Chair - Christy Manuel

Secretary/Incoming Chair - Lianne Patterson

Regional Rep. - Robert Murdock

Worship (Incoming) - Sandra Dowds

Learning and Growing in Faith - Dave Karwacki

Being a Community - Sharon Crossley

Serving Others - David Johnston

Sharing the Good News - Anne Snell

Treasurer (Chair of Finance) - Laurie Crosson

Trustees - Marg Valad

Volunteers Rep. - Terry Oram

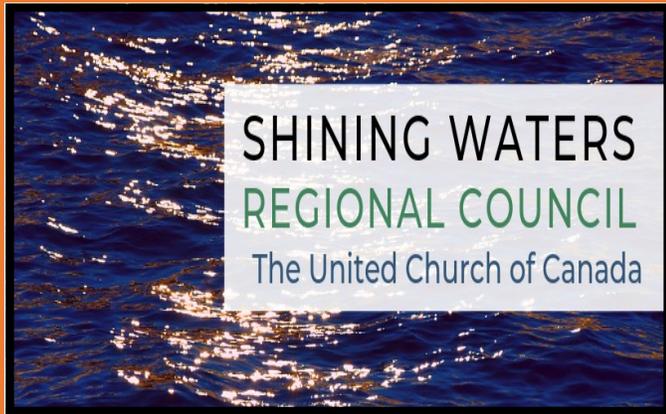
Property - Terry Tizzard

United Church Women - Jean Cooke

Ministry and Personnel - Joyce Moore

Minister - Hewitt Holmes (Rev.)

The Board places on record its thanks to those who served during the year. Thanks to Bryon Young (Trustee), Dorothy Ramsay (Worship) and John Boer (Property).



Collier's Representation

The year 2019 was one of change for the United Church of Canada. Presbytery is no longer one of the "Courts" of the national structure of the Church. The Courts of the Church as of January 01, 2019 are: The Pastoral Charge/communities of faith, The Regional Council and the General Council. The foundational Court of the new governance model is the Pastoral Charge, in our case, Collier Street United Church.

Much greater responsibility and emphasis for the decision making process of the community of faith is found in the hands of the individual pastoral charges. Official Boards, answerable to the general membership, along with Ministerial Staff are charged with basic polity and everyday matters of running the Church.

The second Court is the newly formed/named Regional Council which in our area is known as: "Shining Waters". This is an illusion to the many bodies of water, lakes, ponds, rivers and streams that are found within our geographical bounds. The United Church realigned boundaries with a view to the historical and geographical connectivity of various pastoral charges. There are only Sixteen Regional Councils in all of Canada, with six of them contained within Southern and Central Ontario.

This Regional Council is bounded by Dunchurch (north of Parry Sound) on the north to the cities of Toronto, Mississauga and Brampton to the south. Caledon forms the westerly

boundary and Dorset is the most easterly charge. Highways 400 and 11 run through the centre of this Regional Council. This Region is based out of the Church building located in Guthrie, just north of Barrie. Representation to the Region is based on a formula which accounts for total membership. Collier Street United is entitled to have up to FOUR (4) "Regional Representatives".

Currently, Rob Murdock, Maureen Murdock, Erryle George, and Laurie Lloyd are such Representatives.

The inaugural meeting of the Region was held in a two-day conference at Georgian College on May 24 and 25, 2019. Rob Murdock attended and was accompanied by Leona Appleby as a non-voting/interested member. Reverend Hewitt Holmes and Reverend Dick Moffat were in attendance and we were all pleased to welcome Reverend Doctor Don Jay and his wife Chris as they celebrated 65 years in Ministry with this United Church.

Preliminary discussions developing the internal structure of the Region took place during this conference. Of special interest was the application of Clusters and Networks to numerous pastoral charges. This "communal effort" made the individual charges stronger and more viable as their resources were blended or used in common.

May 23rd.,2020 will see the next meeting of the Region at Thornhill United Church. The Annual Conference of Region is scheduled for October 16-17, 2020 at a location to be announced.

- *Robert*

Minutes of 2018 Annual Meeting, Sunday, February 24, 2019

The congregation gathered in the Church Hall for a shortened service followed by the congregational Annual Meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chair, Christy Manuel, at 11:21 a.m. Rev. Hewitt Holmes led us in prayer.

Chair, Christy Manuel, outlined the timelines for the meeting and lunch and asked that our business be done in a forward-thinking manner with deep hope and love for our church. The congregation recited together the Covenant. The Chair asked those who make a motion or comment to please state their name for the Minute Taker and meeting attendees.

Chair, Christy Manuel, requested a motion to appoint a Minute Taker.

Motion: MOVED by Sharon Saint, SECONDED by Darcy Dolmage that Lianne Patterson be appointed as Minute Taker for today's congregational meeting. *Carried*

The Chair requested attendees identify any conflicts of interest. There were none identified.

Chair, Christy Manuel, requested attendees review the agenda for additions and/or deletions. There were no amendments.

Motion: MOVED by Derryl Johnston, SECONDED by Peter Eddy that the agenda be approved as printed. *Carried*

Chair, Christy Manuel, outlined the desire for a well-rounded discussion asking all present to participate in active listening during this congregational meeting. Comments should be concise and specific; questions asked should seek clarity for all. Comments offered should be your own; refrain from acting as a spokesperson. Everyone is asked to share the discussion time; individuals are asked to speak once on a topic and allow others to participate in the discussion before requesting the floor a second time.

Motion: MOVED by Anne Snell, SECONDED by Robin Milani, that all present have full right to participate in the discussion during this congregational meeting. *Carried*

The Chair thanked members of Official Board and all who serve our congregation on committees. The Chair also thanked all in attendance for the mindful discussion to take place at today's meeting.

MINUTES OF 2017 ANNUAL MEETING & CONGREGATION MEETING

Secretary, Lianne Patterson, referred to the Minutes of the 2017 Annual Meeting dated March 4, 2018 AND the Congregation Meeting held April 15, 2018.

Motion: MOVED by Lianne Patterson, SECONDED by Dave Lord that the minutes of both meetings be accepted as printed. *Carried*

MATTER ARISING FROM AGM – LONG-TERM DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Secretary, Lianne Patterson, outlined the steps the Official Board has taken in support of our Long-Term Development Plan. During 2018, Official Board began the journey of evaluating our current state and mapping our long-term development plan, including reviewing the Vision Statement, Mission Statement and Core Values and exploring four Mission Priorities for the next 5 years (2018 to 2023), which are

Small Groups and Connecting – Being Welcoming and Inclusive – Community Outreach – Ways of Worship.

Congregation members were invited to dream about these Mission Priorities and provided additional input and focus through table conversations held on May 6, 2018.

In 2019, our priorities are Ways of Worship and Small Groups and Connecting. There were 2 Task Forces formed – the Music Task Force who selected a new Music Director – and an Audio/Visual Task Force who is currently working to research and identify the short and long-term audio/visual needs and updates required.

The Official Board continues to work on implementing the priorities in a strategic way. There were no questions raised regarding the Long-Term Development Plan.

MOTION TO RECEIVE REPORTS IN BOOKLET

Chair, Christy Manuel, referred to the 2018 Annual Report outlining the pertinent information on all committees and areas are contained within. Should a specific suggestion or comment require detailed clarification it may be directed to a specific committee should there not be sufficient time to address it today. There were no questions raised. The Chair requested a motion to receive the included reports in the Annual Report Booklet.

Motion: MOVED by Ruth Wainwright, SECONDED by Peter Eddy that the reports included in the 2018 Annual Report booklet be accepted as printed. *Carried*

MOTION TO RECEIVE VISION, MISSION STATEMENT AND CORE VALUES

Chair, Christy Manuel, referred to the Vision Statement, Mission Statement and Core Values which are on page 3 of the 2018 Annual Report and requested a motion to receive these statements.

OUR VISION

Our dream is to be a community with open hearts, open minds and open will as we become:
stronger through various styles of worship;
deeper through discipleship;
warmer through unconditional welcome, fellowship
richer through radical inclusion;
broader through ministry to all ages and stages of life; and
larger through intentionally inviting others on this journey of faith.

OUR MISSION:



COLLIER
—CENTRED—
with God • in Barrie • on You

OUR CORE VALUES:

C o n n e c t i o n - C o m m u n i t y - C r e a t i v i t y
I n c l u s i o n - L o v e - T r a n s f o r m a t i o n
H o p e

Motion: MOVED by Laurie Crosson, SECONDED by Gillian MacLean that the Vision Statement, Mission Statement and Core Values as outlined in the 2018 Annual Report booklet be accepted as printed. *Carried*

FINANCIAL REPORTS

The Finance Statements were prepared with much discernment and much effort. In preparation for the difficult subjects coming up in the meeting, the congregation again recited together the Covenant.

MOTION TO APPROVE 2018 UN-AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Financial Statements for the period ending December 31, 2018 show a deficit balance of \$41,166.68 (Income of \$429,265.37 and Expenditures of \$470,432.05).

Motion: MOVED by Laurie Crosson, SECONDED by Deb Tyler, that the 2018 unaudited Financial Statements be accepted. *Carried*

MOTION TO APPOINT MORRISON CPA TO REVIEW FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Morrison CPA is recommended by the Finance Committee to perform the 2018 financial review. The cost to conduct the review is expected to be between \$3,500 and up to \$6,000. The audited financial statements will be presented to the board when completed by the reviewers.

The date our financial statements were last reviewed independently is unknown as the Finance Committee did not research this date. An independent review should be done yearly.

Motion: Moved by Laurie Crosson, seconded by Gillian MacLean, that Morrison CPA be approved to conduct a 2018 financial review. *Carried*

MOTION TO APPROVE 2019 BUDGET

Finance Committee members, Laurie Crosson and David Wainwright, presented the proposed 2019 Operating Budget projecting revenues of \$465,800 and expenditures of \$464,489 resulting in a surplus of \$1,311. Chair, Christy

Manuel, advised that the Official Board places its faith in the Finance Committee and how it approaches their work as being good stewards of the congregation's resources. The Finance Committee created General Principles and Guidelines to support the work of preparing the 2019 budget which are represented on page 7 of the Annual Report.

One of the principles was encouraging the congregation to increase their givings by 2 to 5% in order that Regular Givings reach the budgeted figure of \$314,000 (line item 50). Another principle was to achieve a balanced budget by 2020; achieving it with the 2019 budget is very positive. The Search Committee (line item 63.45) is for both the Music Director role and the Children and Youth Director role. The salaries for both positions are included in the 2019 Budget under Salaries and Wages (line item 82.05).

A/V Technical Support Ministry (line item 61.15) and the A/V Improvements (Capital Budget) amount of \$23,150 was clarified to be for the A/V improvements in the sanctuary. The word "always" in the Specific Principles and Guidelines statement, "always keep expenses within budget" was raised as a concern as it indicates the budget cannot be adjusted. It was clarified that our intention is to stay within the budget but if needed, we can utilize other resources; the Budget itself however is not adjusted. If the total A/V package is not able to be done within the \$23,150 it may be sensible to do the whole job at once and consequently costs may exceed the budgeted amount. If more resources

are needed for the A/V project or for the steeple, for example, there are additional monies from the Trustees so there are ways that we can be flexible.

It was asked if a supply Custodian could come in outside of the regular church hours of operation when needed. It was clarified that the costs for a supply Custodian are not included in the budget. It was suggested that this be reviewed.

Motion: MOVED by Laurie Crosson, SECONDED by Brian Young, that the Proposed Operating Budget for 2019 be accepted without changes. *Carried*

LUNCH BREAK – the meeting reconvened at 12:35 pm.

Chair, Christy Manuel, extended thanks to the UCW for the food that was lovingly prepared for us and is so important to our time of fellowship.

The Chair extended thanks to those whose appointments ended during 2018, thanking them for their service indicating we are looking forward to their serving Collier and our community in a new way.

MOTION FOR CONGREGATIONAL APPOINTMENTS

GROUP	ROLE	APPOINTMENT
Official Board	Chair-Elect	Lianne Patterson
	Being a Community	Sharon Crossley
	Learning and Growing in Faith	David Karwacki
	Serving Others	Dave Johnston
	Volunteers	Terry Oram
Session	Clerk of Session	Sharon Crossley
	Returning Elders (2 years)	Leona Appleby, Jane Craig, Sharon Crossley, Marilyn King, Robin Milani, Joyce Moore, Dorothy Ramsay, Bev Stockdale and Tom Stockdale
	New Elders (2 years)	Sandra Dowds, Betty Hunter, John Hunter, Gillian MacLean, Mabel Peyer and Ria Won
Board of Trustees	Trustee	Darcy Dolmage
Shining Waters Regional Council	Council Representatives	Erryle George, Laurie Lloyd, Maureen Murdock and Robert Murdock

Motion: MOVED by Peter Eddy, SECONDED by Donna Martin that the appointments for Official Board, Session, Board of Trustees and Regional Council be approved. *Carried*

Chair, Christy Manuel, extended thanks to all who have decided to serve and provide leadership in a new way which will positively impact our church and community.

Dave Lord, M&P Committee Representative, extended thanks to our staff on behalf of our congregation. Thanks to Rev. Hewitt Holmes, for being our minister, and for his innumerable contributions and inspiration. Thanks to Rev. Don Jay for all of his efforts and to Rev. Dick Moffat for all he has done. Thanks to our office administrator, Vickie McMillan, who cheerfully helps us on many occasions.

Thanks to our Bookkeeper, Valerie Samson. Thanks to our Custodial staff, Bryon McLellan, Wayne Cameron, Floyd Hall and Tim Nguyen. And thanks to everyone who helped with the choir during this transition time. We are looking forward to welcoming our newest staff member, Marilyn Reesor, our new Music Director, effective March 1, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: MOVED by Peter Eddy that the meeting be adjourned at 12:42 p.m. *Carried*

BLESSING

Rev. Hewitt Holmes closed the meeting with a blessing.

- *Lianne*





FOR I AM ABOUT TO DO SOMETHING

new.

See, I have already begun! Do you not see it?

I will make a pathway through the wilderness.

I will create rivers in the dry wasteland.

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43:19