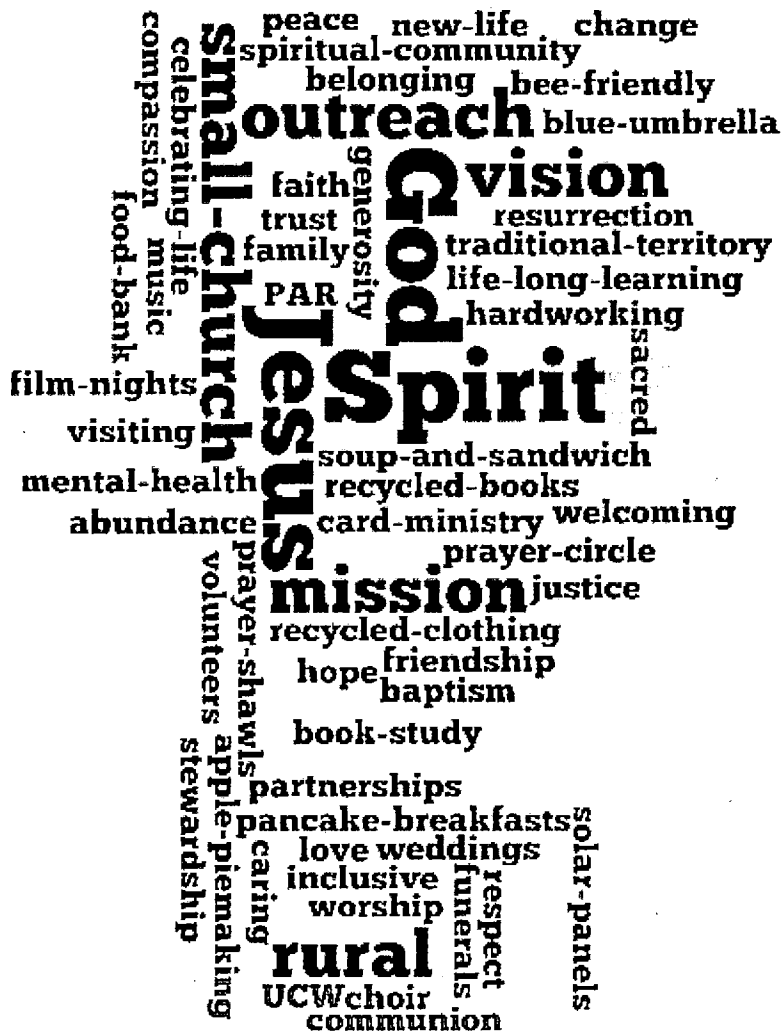


The 2018 Annual Reports of the Chisholm & Powassan United Churches
 POWASSAN PASTORAL CHARGE
 United Church of Canada



*Please read this Report prior to our Chisholm & Powassan Annual meeting
 And bring your copy of this Report to the meeting on Sun., March 17, 9:30am at Powassan—
 worship, meeting & potluck to follow*

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“For truly I tell you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.” – Matthew 17: 20b - 21

Dear Friends in Christ ~

As I look back on 2018, I think, “Wow!” You have been active in your faith in so many ways. Small churches have been the backbone of the United Church of Canada since our beginning in 1925. More people per capita are actively involved in small churches, than larger churches.

It is obvious that everyone needs to be involved to continue the mission and ministry of the church when it is small. However, it is also common for small churches to become discouraged and defeated because of their size.

I have not experienced that with you! Your faith, like a mustard seed, has been able to move mountains—or at least sizeable hills! You have and continue to make a difference within your congregations, the wider community & world.

You will read in this Report about initiatives to raise awareness and offer support to those living with various forms of mental illness. Grace House, a ministry of the PUC UCW, continues to be vital in Powassan & district. The journey towards living in right relations between Indigenous-non-Indigenous peoples has continued through study and action. Concern and care for the Creation has taken many forms from film nights, book recycling and the “Give it Up for Lent” campaign.

And the journey of faith continues ... PUC Council agreed by consensus in Fall 2018 to engage the congregation in a study to determine whether to become an Affirming Ministry--that is, a place that openly declares a commitment to welcome all persons regardless of age, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, differing abilities, ethnic background or economic circumstance. I trust that work will begin in 2019 ...

So, let us remember the words of Margaret Mead, “Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful,

committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has!” Right on, sister!

Thus, it is important to take time to celebrate. We had a wonderful Pastoral Charge hymn sing Sunday in June; a fun, festive time for Powassan’s 140th anniversary of our Presbyterian roots, in September; and, an awesome celebration at Thanksgiving in Chisholm, when 5 new members joined the congregation! Wahoo!

It is also important, in balance, to continue to build our faith and care for one another, so we can continue to be God’s people in the world. Thus, you will read of things in this Report like our regular Sunday worship and special services like “Blue Christmas.” A book study group has continued to gather for some very thoughtful discussion. Our lay home and hospital visitation team is active. The CUC prayer circle continues, and PUC women continue to weave prayers into shawls that are distributed to those, especially in need. A presentation on Medical Assistance in Dying was given by Dr. Michael Leckie in October.

As I prepare to leave you very soon, I depart with feelings of grief and gratitude. I will miss your friendship and your faithfulness. But I will be hanging on to my gratitude for the 12+ years I have been able to accompany you, in Christ’s name. You will always be in my prayers...

I have loved serving God with you. I have enjoyed the diversity of tasks to which I have been called. I have been challenged in good ways in leading our congregations in a world that has and is changing. I have been humbled by the trust many of you have put in me in difficult times. I have been proud to be your representative in the wider community. And, I have especially appreciated how your faith, like a mustard seed, has been and will continue, to move mountains!

May God continue to bless you as you go forward in faithfulness ~ Rev T

2018



Sally Lang
Janis Mary Whittaker
Donna Sharon Saunders
Carol Ann Marie Ball
Myrtle Dudgeon
LuLu Grace Simpson
Joan Marilyn Barber
Robert (Bob) Ole Brandes
Raymond William Kingdon
George Emmerson Johnston
Marietta Dielle Raymond
Olive Blanche Jones
George William O'Riley
Ethel Alexiene Heath
Inez Faye Whitelock



No WEDDINGS

BAPTISMS – 2018

Araya Davine Ewing daughter of Josiah David Ewing & Sierra Lynn Howes
Benjamin Samuel Brousseau son of Adam Randall Brousseau & Stephanie Glenda Bennett

ADULT BAPTISM

Stephanie Glenda Brousseau daughter of Glenn Bennett & Emma Pritchett

Pastoral Charge
2018 Report

Greetings and Happy New Year. This past year we had a number of committees with equal members from each sister church to deal with an update of our membership roles and search for a new leader when Rev. Teresa retires on April 1st. This committee was formerly called JNAC but there is a new system that uses the term HUB.

Rev. Teresa gave our committee her letter wishing to retire April 1st and we wish her many blessings ahead. We are very thankful for her great leadership, guidance and humour over the years.

Both churches shared in many activities such as dinners, the 140th anniversary of Presbyterian church in Powassan which eventually led to the United Church when other churches formed the union. We welcomed Rev. Sinclair of North Bay as our guest speaker on Sunday as well as the Pipe band from Callander.

We held our annual joint picnic at Powassan this year.

We wish to thank the many volunteers that work together from both churches. The joint Chipow choir certainly gives us great pleasure and we are lucky to have 2 talented pianists who cover for both churches when needed. We have a joint group of volunteers who visit Eastholme and people in their homes as well as the hospital. Thanks to all of you busy volunteers and fund raisers.

May God bless us in 2019 as we carry the message of LOVE to others.

Sheri Brushey

Pastoral Charge Official Board Officers Chairperson: Sheri Brushey (PUC)
Vice-Chairperson: Sue Brousseau (CUC)
Treasurer: David Dockendorff (CUC)
Member at Large: Louella New (PUC)

The members of the Board include all members of the Chisholm Board of Session and the Committee of Stewards, the Powassan Council, the Chair of the Ministry & Personnel Committee and the Regional Representatives for each congregation.

Choir Report 2018

Greetings to all from the 'CHIPOW' choir! It has been a busy year for all of us.

Beginning in early 2018, we worked on preparing music for the Lent and Easter seasons. We sang on Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter at both churches. During July we sang at a special service in Chisholm, celebrating the founding and current families of Chisholm township. In the autumn we helped the Powassan United Church celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Presbyterian church in the area. The lovely Blue Christmas service at the Powassan United church was another opportunity for us to add our voices to worship. Finally, Christmas was an opportunity to sing once again. We sang at the white Gift service at both churches and on Christmas Eve at our own churches. Everyone enjoyed having the children join us for 'The Gentle Donkey' at Chisholm!

I would like to thank all the choir members who participate so enthusiastically at choir, and who make choir practice so much fun. I think that we spend as much time laughing as we do singing! Thank you, also, for being willing to sing at two services on occasion. I think that it is wonderful that we support each other at both churches and enjoy one another's company so much.

Lastly, a special thank you to Rev. Teresa, who has encouraged and supported us so much through the years. We will surely miss you, Teresa, but wish you much joy and satisfaction during your retirement.

Anne Dockendorff

Powassan and Chisholm Pastoral Charge 2018

Expenses: January -to - 31 Dec 18	
Employment Costs:	
Rev Jones	62,538.42
Warren Tracey	6,388.39
Marion French	15,234.15
Deborah French	1,220.64
Fay Jackson	951.63
Other: Treasurer, Sec Supply	-
Pulpit Supply	1,590.00
ADP Service Charges	299.42
ADP SC for Warren & Fay	23.52
Total Employment	88,246.17
Minister Continuing Education	1,623.09
Ministry Resources	78.05
Minister Travel	1,471.04
Minister Telephone	300.00
Worship Supplies	63.02
Manitou Conference	-
Secretary Continuing Education	302.40
Subscriptions	62.40
Presbytery Allocation for 2018	5,436.00
Office Expenses:	
External Printing	94.18
Office Supplies (paper, stamps, etc.)	1,495.01
Software	109.60
Printer Supplies	237.27
Primus Data	541.68
Telizon Voice	690.24
LD charges	3.17
Total Office Expenses	3,171.15
Music	147.48
Flowers and Fronds	127.50
Calendars	50.00
Church Picnic	-
Other Expenses	139.14
Bank Service Charges	48.00
non-Expenses (flow through)	-
Total	<u>101,265.44</u>
Total less flow through	90,717.75

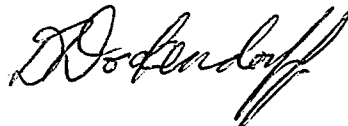
Revenue: January -to- 31 Dec 18	
PUC Allocation	67,501.32
CUC Allocation	20,454.95
COE Refund for Warren	6,406.64
COE Refund for PUC Treasurer	2,160.90
COE Refund for PUC Organist	956.91
COE Refund for PUCW Treasurer	1,023.24
Lenten Reflections	-
Flowers and Blooms	127.50
Church Picnic	-
Church Calendars	-
Choir Music	-
Photocopier Usage	-
Other Revenue	-
Wedding Admin Fee	-
non-Revenue (Flow Through)	-
Total Revenue	<u>98,631.46</u>
Total less flow through	88,083.77

Mission and Service Contributions:	
Powassan UC	9,484.00
Powassan UCW	-
Chisholm UC	1,835.00
Total	<u>11,319.00</u>

Bank Account:	
Account Balance - 1 Jan 2018	16,934.95
+ Cash on hand - 1 Jan 2018	61.69
- less Outstanding Cheques	902.85
+ Outstanding Revenue	-
Net Cash - 1 Jan 2018	<u>16,093.79</u>
Account Balance - 31 Dec 2018	14,379.45
+ Cash on Hand - 31 Dec 2018	-
- Outstanding Cheques	919.64
Net Cash - 31 Dec 2018	<u>13,459.81</u>
Designated Funds:	
Moving Account 31 Dec 2017	850.00
Moving Account 31 Dec 2018	900.00

This statement has been prepared by:

David Dockendorff
Powassan Pastoral Charge Treasurer
24-Jan-19



This statement has been reviewed by:

Marilyn Humphrey
27-Jan-19

FINANCIAL REVIEW:

I have examined the accompanying balance sheet and statement of receipts and disbursements of the Powassan and Chisholm Pastoral Charge for the year ended December 31, 2018. My examinations included checking the books and accounts and verification of the accounts with the bank statements and each balances. In my opinion the accompanying statements present fairly the financial operations and recorded receipts and expenditures.

Date: *January 27 2019*

Signed: *Marilyn A Humphrey*

Place: *Powassan Ont*

Occupation: *Retired*

Powassan and Chisholm Pastoral Charge

Expenses	Actual		Actual	Proposed		Actual	Actual	Proposed
	2018 Budget	2018 Y End	2018 Y End	2019 Budget		2018 Budget	2018 Y End	2019 Budget
Minister's Cost of Employment:	Jan - June	July - Dec	Jan - Dec	Jan - Dec	PUC Allocation (75%→79.1%)	67,501.33	67,501.32	73,472.89
Salary	19,949.44	25,595.55	45,545.05	52,010.22	CUC Allocation (25%→20.9%)	20,454.95	20,454.95	19,316.53
Housing	5,646.11		5,646.11		Deficit	3,500.00		
Empr. UCC G Ben	1,696.72	1,554.94	3,251.70	3,303.73	Revenue Sources:			
Empr. UCC Pen (9%)	2,513.63	2,303.60	4,817.22	4,680.92	SC Refund			
Empr. EI	580.23	580.23	1,189.56	1,201.51	Flowers and Blooms		127.50	
Empr. CPP	904.57	904.57	2,088.78	2,122.20	Church Picnic		-	
Total CoE	31,290.69	30,938.89	62,538.42	63,318.57	Church Calendars		-	
Secretary Cost of Employment:					Choir Music		-	
Salary		13,006.24	11,776.32	13,237.12	Photocopier Usage		-	
Estimated OT		-	-	-	Other Revenue		-	
Empr. EI		296.75	273.68	307.63	Wedding Admin Fee		-	
Total CoE		13,302.99	12,050.00	13,544.75	Total Revenue	91,456.28	88,083.77	92,789.42
Treasurer Honorarium		750.00	-	750.00				
Pulpit Supply		2,500.00	1,590.00	2,500.00				
Secretary Supply (Deborah)		250.00	1,220.64	250.00				
Secretary Continuing Education		350.00	302.40	350.00				
Contingency Fund		-	-	-				
Presbytery/UCC Assessment		5,287.00	5,436.00	5,979.60				
Minister Continuing Education		1,253.70	1,623.09	1,273.50				
Minister Travel		1,400.00	1,471.04	1,400.00				
Minister's Home Phone allowance		300.00	300.00	75.00				
Manitou Conference		100.00	-	-				
Worship Supplies		450.00	63.02	100.00				
Ministry Resources			78.05					
Subscriptions		100.00	62.40	100.00				
Choir Music		100.00	147.48	200.00				
Misc Work Expenses		200.00	139.14	100.00				
Flowers and Fronds			127.50					
Calanders			50.00					
Copy/Printing/Office Supplies:								
External Printer		100.00	94.18	100.00				
Software (Security + Backup)		150.00	109.60	100.00				
Printer Supplies (toner)		250.00	237.27	250.00				
Office Supplies		750.00	1,495.01	750.00				
Total		1,250.00	1,936.06	1,200.00				
Voice and Data Communications:								
Primus Data		550.00	541.68	550.00				
Telizon Voice		685.00	693.41	700.00				
Total		1,235.00	1,235.09	1,250.00				
Bank Service Charges		48.00	48.00	48.00				
ADP Service Charges		300.00	299.42	300.00	2018 revenue - expense -	2,633.98		
Moving Account		50.00	50.00	50.00	Budget increase over 2018	1,333.15		
Total		91,456.28	90,717.75	92,789.42				

Proposed Powassan and Chisholm Pastoral Charge 2019 Budget

Expense Budget for 2019	COLA @ 1.6%	Receipts Budget for 2019	
Minister's Cost of Employment:		PUC Allocation (79.1%)	73,472.89
Salary	52,010.22	CUC Allocation (20.9%)	19,316.53
Housing	-	Deficit	-
Empr. UCC G Ben	3,303.73		
Empr. UCC Pen (9%)	4,680.92		
Empr. EI	1,201.51		
Empr. CPP	2,122.20		
Total CoE	63,318.57	Total Expected Receipts	92,789.42
Secretary Cost of Employment:			
Salary (13237.12/yr = 1103.09/mo)	13,237.12	13,348.49	111.37
Empr. EI	307.63	310.22	15.91
Total CoE	13,544.75		
Treasurer Honorarium	750.00	1,112.37	
Pulpit Supply (14 events at 212 + travel)	2,500.00	9,284.2	
Secretary Supply	250.00		
Secretary Con Ed	350.00		
UCC Assessment 2019	5,979.60		
Minister Continuing Education	1,273.50		
Minister Travel	1,400.00		
Minister's Home Phone allowance	75.00		
Manitou Conference	-		
Worship Supplies	100.00		
Subscriptions	100.00		
Choir Music	200.00		
Misc Work Expenses	100.00		
Copy/Printing/Office Supplies:			
External Printer	100.00		
Software (anti-viral)	100.00		
Printer Supplies (toner)	250.00		
Office Supplies	750.00		
Total	1,200.00		
Voice and Data Communications:			
Primus Data	550.00		
Telizon Voice	700.00		
Total	1,250.00		
Bank Service Charges	48.00		
ADP Service Charges	300.00		
Moving Account	50.00		
Total Expected Expenses	92,789.42	Budget Change from 2018	1,333.15

MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REPORT 2018

The Ministry and Personnel Committee for the Powassan Pastoral Charge continues to meet on a regular basis. The committee members are Randy Brousseau and Anne Dockendorff from Chisholm, Betty Piper and Peter Brushey from Powassan.

The M&P committee is a liason between the congregation and the paid personnel in our pastoral charge. The committee met several times this year, as well as meeting with our staff. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact one of our members who will be pleased to bring them forward at our next meeting.

As of July 2018 Teresa has been paid under the new model for Salary and Housing Allowance. Teresa's salary will be increased by 1.6% COLA, but as she is paid at 90% and will be retiring as of April 1. 2019, her salary will be prorated. Marion will also receive the 1.6% COLA as well.

Peter Brushey has completed his term on this committee, so we are currently looking for a replacement for him. If you are interested in joining our committee, please let us know.

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Submitted by:
R. Brousseau
M&P Chair

Pastoral Care Lay Visiting Teams

We have an active group of cheerful teams who visit home shut-ins, long term care residents and hospitals. They bring greetings, well wishes and smiles to those they are visiting and show them and their families that each one is remembered and in our prayers. The teams bring Sunday bulletins and "Our Daily Bread" booklets to share with them as well.

We thank our team members for their time and kindness on our behalf: Art & Shirley Barfoot, Pat Purdon & Barb Warwick, Oscar & Barbara Giroux, and we welcome Arlene Hummel who joined our team in 2018. We also thank our past members: Margaret Butler, Joyce Lavalley and Marcelle Hamilton for all the visiting they did, while being part of the team.

If you are interested in joining our teams please contact myself.

Sheri Brushey

**Powassan-Chisholm Pastoral Charge
Stewardship Committee
2018 Report**

We are, every one of us, called to be the church and one of the most vital ways we are the church is by loving our neighbours. That was the theme for this year's stewardship program and appeal in both Powassan and Chisholm churches.

In small churches like ours, there are no bystanders – everyone contributes in some way, whether that's through teaching, singing, baking, shoveling, decorating, planning, counting money, or giving financially. Those many gifts were recognized through the reflections your stewardship committee members offered during November, and through an appeal letter sent to all the churches' members and friends in 2018.

Our churches continue our strong commitment to Mission and Service. We share Minutes for Mission frequently, to learn more about the programs and people we are supporting. Both congregations also supported Gifts with Vision by promoting this in our congregations, and through a Christmas fundraising campaign in Chisholm. Our plans for 2019 include a Mission and Service-focused Sunday, plus further consideration of legacy giving and support for the United Church Foundation.

We are grateful to Teresa for her guidance to our committee, and to all those who contribute to the stewardship of our churches through their time, talents and treasures. Members of the joint stewardship committee are Carole Dobbs, Susan Ford, Susan Major and Louella New.

-submitted by Susan Ford

Powassan Pastoral Charge Worship Committee Annual Report (2018)

The Worship Committee members are Sheri Brushey and Bob Jackson from Powassan congregation and Anne Dockendorff, Susan Major and Sue Brousseau from Chisholm congregation along with our minister, Rev. Teresa Jones.

The worship committee met 2 times this past year to plan worship for Sunday services, set communion dates, fill pulpit supply, discuss worship issues, annual meetings and plan special worship services during our church year.

We continue to acknowledge throughout the year the Traditional Territory on which we meet and live.

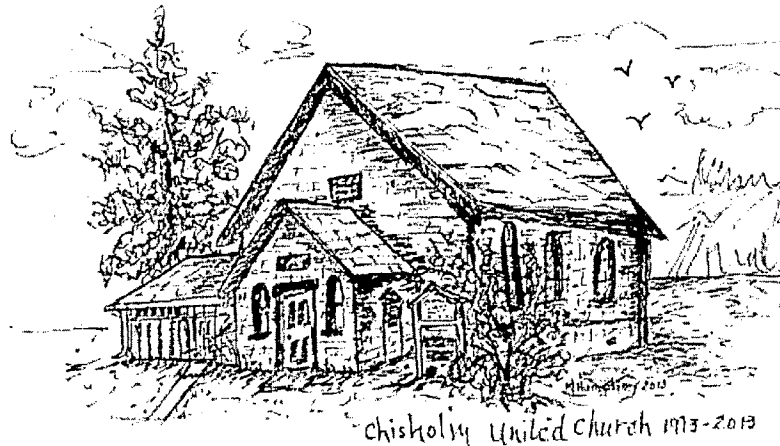
During the Easter and Christmas seasons we decorated both churches with flowers in memory or celebration of family and/or friends.

Our "Chipow" joint choir of Powassan and Chisholm folk, led by Anne Dockendorff, sang at services in both churches on special occasions.

Chisholm UC held a Families of Chisholm Celebration in July. In September, Powassan UC celebrated their 140th Anniversary of Presbyterian roots. The two churches came together for service several times throughout the year, one being for our annual meeting in March and in June for a hymn sing / potluck Sunday. A Blue Christmas service was held in December for folk having a difficult time at Christmas. The Dockendorff's welcomed the public to their farm in December for a live nativity where 3 wise men led folk toward the star / stable.

Rev. Teresa announced her retirement for April 2019. We will dearly miss Teresa's leadership, guidance, meaningful messages and encouragement. Powassan Pastoral Charge has been truly blessed to have Teresa these past 12 years. We wish her a very healthy and enjoyable retirement.

Submitted by: Sue Brousseau



Chisholm United Church

*Rooted in the Township
Reaching out to the wider world*



Mission Statement:

We believe God is calling Chisholm United Church to:

- Build up the congregation in spirit and commitment;
- Care for the wider community;
- Reach out to children and youth.

Mission Statement adopted in 2000

Artist credit: Marilyn Humphrey

CHISHOLM UNITED CHURCH OFFICERS - 2018

THE BOARD OF SESSION

Susan Major (Chairperson) (retires 2021; requires 1 year leave)
Linda Plant (Clerk) - (retires 2020; can be renewed)
Gloria Anderson (retires 2020; can be renewed)
Heidi O'Brien (retired 2018; given 1 year extension to 2019; requires 1 year leave)
Doug Mick (resigned during 2018)
Don Kirkby - (retires 2021; can be renewed)
Barbara Groves - (retires 2021; can be renewed)

Session policy is 3 year terms, with one renewal of 3 years possible, then required to take 1 year leave; retirements are as of the congregation annual meeting of the year listed.

THE COMMITTEE OF STEWARDS (no term)

Sue Brousseau (Chairperson)
Ray Ford (Treasurer to Dec 31, 2018)
Susan Ford (Secretary)
David Dockendorff
Marilyn Humphrey
Matt Plant
Fay Pigeau



THE TRUSTEES (no term)

David Dockendorff (Chairperson)
Barbara Giroux
Fay Pigeau
Susan Major

MUSIC Organist & Choir Director: Anne Dockendorff
Musician: Susan Ford

OBSERVER REPRESENTATIVE: Ray Ford

PASTORAL CHG REPS:

MINISTRY & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES; (note: 4 year term)
Randy Brousseau (retires 2019); Anne Dockendorff (retires 2021)

WORSHIP COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Sue Brousseau; Anne Dockendorff; Susan Major

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Susan Ford; Susan Major

PRESBYTERY DELEGATE - Barbara Giroux
ALTERNATE DELEGATE - David Dockendorff
(Presbytery ceased to exist Dec 31, 2018)

Chisholm United Church Annual Meeting
March 18, 2018
(held in conjunction with the AGM for Powassan United Church)

Attendance: Fay Pigeau, Marilyn Humphrey, Gloria Anderson, Ann Dockendorff, David Dockendorff, Randy Brousseau, Sue Brousseau, Linda Plant, Matt Plant, Oscar Giroux, Barb Giroux, Susan Major, Susan Ford, Ray Ford

Appointment of Meeting Chairpersons: Reverend Teresa Jones declared that Susan Major serve as our Chairperson for this meeting.

Recognition of Traditional Territory:

We gather today on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe people, land they share with others as a result of the Williams Treaty. Since time immemorial, Indigenous peoples have walked on this land. May we live in peace & friendship on this land as a treaty people.

Appointment of Meeting Secretaries

Susan Major declared that Susan Ford would be appointed to record the minutes for the Chisholm church.

Quorum: Rev. Teresa confirmed that quorum had been met for the meeting.

Voting Privileges

Moved by Randy and seconded by Fay that all members & adherents be welcome to speak and vote at this meeting. Carried.

Minutes of the last Annual Meeting

Moved by Matt and seconded by Barb that the minutes of our last Annual Meeting held March 5, 2017 be adopted as printed, p 13-14. Carried.
No errors or omissions were noted.

Introduction of Guest Speaker: Barb Giroux, CUC Presbytery delegate, introduced our guest speaker, Rev. Lillian Roberts, who spoke about "A Church in Transition: living faithfully in a changing context". She explained changes to the structure, funding and work of the United Church at all levels.

Review of the Pastoral Charge Reports:

Susan thanked our artists—Taryn Humphrey (cover) and Josie Piper (p10) for their contributions to our annual report.

David Dockendorff reviewed the pastoral charge financial report.

Moved by Sue Brousseau and seconded by Art Barfoot that the Pastoral Charge reports be received with thanks. Carried.

Review of the CUC Reports:

Susan acknowledged our artist—Kaleb Humphrey, p 11

Review of the Congregation Reports, p 12 – 24 (including 20b)

Ray Ford reviewed the 2017 financial report. Fundraising revenues were down in 2017, and maintenance costs were up as was expected, due to increased fundraising in 2016 for the hall roof

and costs to install the roof in 2017. Sue Brousseau thanked Ray for his contributions over many years. Barb Giroux will take over the role of treasurer when she is recovered from recent surgery.

Moved by Randy and seconded by Gloria that the reports be received with thanks. Carried.

New Business:

Ann Dockendorff outlined plans for a hymn sing service Sunday June 24, with a potluck to follow, and to change the schedule for summer services to include services at Chisholm Sunday evenings for July, and at Powassan Sunday mornings in August.

David moved that the June pastoral charge picnic become a joint hymn sing service and potluck held Sunday June 24 at Powassan United Church. Seconded by Oscar and carried.

Fay moved that the summer service schedule be adopted. Seconded by Barb and carried.

Review of the Congregation & Pastoral Charge Leadership:

Rev. Teresa reviewed the list of members for congregational and pastoral charge committees.

Susan Major raised the question of membership on the Chisholm Board of Session. She proposed a policy that retiring members could have their membership renewed for one year, one time, to provide consistency and experience to the Session.

Moved by Randy, seconded by Fay. Carried.

Moved by Marilyn and seconded by Linda that Chisholm United Church affirms our church officers & our representatives on Pastoral Charge committees & Presbytery for 2018. Carried.

Membership on the newly-established pastoral charge official board allocation task group was confirmed. Moved by Louella, seconded by Sherri Brushey. Carried

Rev. Teresa thanked Lillian for her presentation, and thanked all those present for their faithfulness and commitment throughout the year.

Fay Pigeau and Betty Piper expressed our two congregations' appreciation to Rev. Teresa for her leadership, commitment and mentorship.

Adjournment

The annual meeting was adjourned at 12 noon.

Chisholm Session Report 2018

Susan Major (Chair) (retires 2018; can be renewed)
 Linda Plant (Clerk) (retires 2020; can be renewed)
 Gloria Anderson (retires 2020; can be renewed)

Heidi O'Brien (re-renewed for 2018, only)
 Don Kirkby (retires 2021; can be renewed)
 Barb Groves (retires 2021; can be renewed)

Session met four times: in January, May, September, and December in 2018.

Again, we were very busy this year. As I reflect about this year, I am reminded about the heat of the summer (WOW!), and the wetness of the fall.... (there was no "Indian Summer"!). Nothing, of course, like the flood at the time of Noah. In Genesis 9, verses 8-11, Noah was made a promise by God. This promise, at Noah's time, and for you in your time, is his/your *hope*. And "*hope*" is the theme for this report. What a read! Look at the *hope* in this outreach!

In the course of the year, we planned for the showing of "Canada's Dark Secret" with Ron Shortt and Karen Labrecque present, "Modified" (a GMO movie) with Lucy Emmott present, and "Truly Humbly" with Marianna Couchie and Donna Sinclair present. We also planned the return of the Chapman brothers for another successful star gazing evening, for the baptism of Benjamin Samuel and his mother Stephanie, and the receiving into our membership of Stephanie Brousseau, Adam Brousseau, Amanda White, Amy Plant and Cameron Ford. We also planned for a Family Celebration Service, led by Susan Major and Rev. Bob Jackson. Discussions were held about becoming a "Bee Friendly Church", sharing a painting with Powassan United (and we decided to wait for our own painting), accepting the Arlie Hoffman painting "Northern Lights", where to hang it, and a silver pitcher from the Anderson Family for communion purposes, having an "Autism Awareness" evening, to contact Garth Pigeau and the Metis Council to have an informative Saturday of activities, and we made plans for the memorial tree and plaque for Hugh Smith.

Future plans include the formation of a "Scent Free Policy" for the church, becoming a "Blue Umbrella Church", taking a leadership role in re-forming the Wednesday Lenten Services, possibly becoming an "Affirming Ministry", and, the use of artificial flowers when allergies are a concern. Thank you to Linda Plant for making the bags for our communion silverware.

It was with regret that we accepted the resignation of Doug Mick on Session, and with happiness that we welcomed Don Kirkby and Barb Groves, and Heidi for one more approved year.

As I conclude this report, I quote Marianna Couchie, who said that we must "choose a different path" if we are to all live the life, we *hope*, will reflect harmony and peace between all peoples on this Earth. Look at the items we worked on, in this Church. In choosing a different path, it is with *hope* that we go forward, and continue the work that our Lord would have us do.

Blessings in 2019, your Chair of Session,

Susan Major

Chisholm Statistics	
Total Confirmed Membership (December 31, 2017).....	55
Received by Profession of Faith	5
Stephanie Brousseau, Adam Brousseau, Amanda White, Amy Plant, Cameron Ford	
Received by Transfer.....	0
Members Removed by Death.....	1
Sally Lang	
Removed by Certificate or Other (moved to Non-Resident).....	0
Total Confirmed Membership (December 31, 2018).....	59
Total Non-resident Membership	28
Total Resident Membership.....	31
Households under Pastoral Care.....	49

"For consistency between the 2 congregations, the PC Official Board decided in December 2017, that persons be placed on the NRM list, when they reside 30 kms+ from the congregation of which they are a member."

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**Chisholm United Church
Board of Stewards
2018 Report**

It takes a village – or a strong rural community – to maintain a church, and in 2018 our church community continued to contribute to the stewardship of Chisholm United through their time, talents and funds.

Our main maintenance effort this year was painting the exterior of the church hall. A crew of volunteers tackled the window frames and trim as well as the siding. The results look fresh and welcoming. Volunteers also rebuilt the storage shed, making it functional, secure, and more attractive to boot! We held our annual spring clean up and ensured the lawns are mowed and the snow shoveled.

Chisholm’s fundraising dinners are more than fundraisers. They are community events and highlights of the year. In 2018 we held a comfort supper in the spring, and the annual turkey dinner in September. Both were successful in drawing people together for a social time, and in raising funds to help sustain church operations. Susan Major also organized a spring bulb fundraiser.

At the end of 2018, Ray Ford stepped down as treasurer after close to 20 years. Barb Giroux will be taking over the role. The church accounts will be moved from the ScotiaBank in Powassan to Caisse Populaire in North Bay.

Thank you to the many volunteers who contributed their energy, ideas and monetary gifts to support the work of the church in 2018.

Susan Ford

Chisholm United Church Trustees Report - 2017

David Dockendorff (Chair)
Fay Pigeau
Barb Giroux
Susan Major

Seeing no need, the CUC Trustees did not meet in 2018.

There is only one update to the Church inventory. The Church received a painting called “Northern Lights” by a local artist Arli Hoffman. Estimated value \$300.

All trustees have a copy of the deed.

The Chisholm UC Trustees have no financial information to report.

David Dockendorff

Chisholm United Church 2018 Report

Revenues	
Offerings	\$ 19,978.00
M&S	\$ 1,835.00
Memorial, Bldg, Cele	\$ 125.00
anon. offerings	\$ 347.05
Observer	\$ 125.00
UCW	\$ 2,510.00
spring bulb sales	\$ 208.50
comfort supper	\$ 1,127.00
turkey supper	\$ 2,436.75
Session outreach	\$ 196.30
Use of Hall	\$ 250.00
HST rebate	\$ 1,086.77
M/B/C interest	\$ 221.46
TOTAL	\$ 30,446.83

Expenses	
Allocation	\$20,454.95
M&S (from 2017)	\$1,892.00
Hydro	\$674.01
PAR charges	\$42.00
session outreach	\$150.00
Oil	\$3,426.08
Insurance	\$2,194.28
office expenses	\$137.61
fundraising	\$0.00
maintenance	\$250.23
worship supplies	\$25.70
honorarium	\$100.00
Observer	\$150.00
bank charges	\$136.55
TOTAL	\$29,633.41

Surplus \$813.42

Chequing account

Dec. 31/2018 \$ 9,953.53

M/B/C Fund GICs \$ 20,530.95

Chisholm United Church Budget 2019

Revenues	
Offerings	\$20,000.00
Anon. offerings	\$250.00
UCW	\$2,000.00
Hall	\$200.00
Fundraising	\$3,500.00
HST	\$480.00
Mission and Service	\$1,835.00
Observer	\$150.00
TOTAL	\$28,415.00

Expenses	
Allocation	\$ 19,316.53
Mission and Service	\$ 1,835.00
Hydro	\$ 700.00
Oil	\$ 3,500.00
Insurance	\$ 2,200.00
Maintenance	\$ 1,500.00
Honoraria	\$ 100.00
Office expenses	\$ 50.00
Observer	\$ 175.00
Bank charges	\$ 74.00
PAR charge	\$ 42.00
Envelopes	\$ -
Regional conference	\$ 250.00
TOTAL	\$ 29,742.53

Chisholm United Church Balance Sheet

ASSETS

Current assets	
Cash in chequing account	9,955.53
Memorial/Building/Celebration GICs	20,530.95
Accounts receivable [I]	
HST-GST Receivable.	99.37
HST-PST Receivable	381.49
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	-
Total current assets [A]	30,967.34

Fixed assets	
Property, plant and equipment at cost	
Less accumulated depreciation	
Total fixed assets	

Other assets	
Long-term cash investments	
Equity investments	
Deferred income taxes	
Other assets	
Total other assets	
Total assets [E]	30,967.34

For the Period Ending 31/12/2018

LIABILITIES & OWNERS' EQUITY

Current liabilities	
Loans payable and current portion long-term debt [H]	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	
Total current liabilities [B]	

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Other liabilities	
Long-term debt [G]	
Accrued retirement costs	
Deferred income taxes	
Deferred credits and other liabilities	

Total other liabilities	
Total liabilities	
Total owners' equity [F]	30,967.34
Total liabilities + owners' equity	30,967.34

FINANCIAL REVIEW

I have examined the accompanying balance sheet and statement of receipts and disbursements of the Chisholm United Church (mission unit) for the year ended December 31, 2018. My examination included checking the books and accounts and a verification of the accounts with the bank statements and cash balances. In my opinion the accompanying statements present fairly the financial operations and recorded receipts and expenditures.

Date January 29 2019 Signed Ann Jacques
 Place Chisholm Occupation retired

Chisholm UCW Annual Report (2018)

Chisholm UCW members take turns each month giving a short devotion. This year we started studying the book, "Simon Peter, A Rock Moved By God". We held 9 meetings, one we shared with our sister churches, Trout Creek, Powassan and Nipissing where we embraced a presentation on Alzheimer's given by Dennis and Donna Landry.

We financially donated to our church, Christian Blind Mission, The Pines, a Kenya refugee girl coming to Canada, Operation Smile Canada and we sponsored a youth to attend Winterlude in Ottawa. We have also signed letters for Amnesty International. We send cheer cards throughout the year to folk and collect for the Powassan Food Bank twice a year and also as part of our white gift offerings at Christmas. We participated in World Day of Prayer hosted by Powassan United Church UCW. In April we provided refreshments at CUC Stargazing night. Our group purchased 1 spoon and 6 bibles, 1 bible and spoon for a baptism and 5 bibles for new members joining Chisholm United Church. We gave 2 quilts to families burnt out of their home.

We catered lunch for Christian Farmers Federation of Ontario, catered a beef dinner for Powassan Mason Lodge at the Powassan curling club, catered a celebration of life in July combined with a family reunion and catered a Christmas turkey dinner to the Powassan Seniors group.

In November we decorated our Christmas tree with knitted items to be given to families in need. Again at Christmas we held our Christmas Tea and Bazaar with the help of all of the ladies in the church and we sold Christmas puddings. We packed cookies given to our shut-in friends at Christmas and contribute a thank you gift to Anne Dockendorff, our organist. Our Christmas appeal this year was Feed Children in the Philippines and Staple Food for an indigenous family in the Parry Sound area.

Two of our members attended a special meeting called by Presbyterial UCW. They wanted to talk about the re-structuring of the United Church of Canada and its implications for the UCW's.

We enjoy much fellowship in our group and the ladies of our church work hard on behalf of the church. It is a pleasure to be part of this group.

Sue Brousseau, Secretary

Chisholm UCW Officers - 2018

President - Fay Pigeau

Vice President - Susan Major

Secretary - Sue Brousseau

Treasurer - Marilyn Humphrey

Worship - All members

Cheer Cards - Susan Major

Social Conveners - Fay Pigeau / Marilyn Humphrey

CHISHOLM UNITED CHURCH WOMEN'S

TREASURER REPORT 2018

BALANCE FORWARD FROM 2017 \$ 4262.92

RECEIPTS

DONATIONS	560.00		
WHITE GIFT (Powassan foodbank)	70.00*		
CHRISTMAS UCW PROJECT	230.00*		
CHRISTMAS TEA & BAZAR	1009.65		
FRIENDSHIP PINS SOLD	30.00		
CELEBRATION OF LIFE/REUNION	700.00		
MASON'S SUPPER	500.00		
SALE OF LEFT OVERS	16.31		
CHRISTIAN FARMERS SUPPER	200.00		
STAR GAZING NIGHT	54.40		
TURKEY SUPPER (Golden Sunshine)	495.00		
<u>MASON'S LUNCH</u>	<u>45.00</u>	<u>3910.36</u>	<u>3910.36</u>
			8173.28

EXPENSES

CHURCH CALENDAR 2018	6.00
CHURCH CALENDAR 2019	6.00
CHISHOLM UNITED CHURCH	2500.00
UCW PRESBYTERIAL FEES	49.00
BANK CHARGES	35.25
GROCERIES	448.95
CHEER CARDS AND STAMPS	33.71
WHITE GIFT (Powassan Food Bank)	70.00*
CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR ANNE	100.00

BLANKETS FOR FIRE VICTIMS	33.88	
CHRISTIAN BLIND MISSION	50.00	
OPERATION SMILE	50.00	*ITEMS INDICATED ARE FLOW THROUGH
SPONSORSHIP APPEAL	300.00	
MANDATE MAGAZINE	22.54	
ADVENT CANDLES	8.95	
BIBLES	83.96	
REV. TERESA	50.00	
YOUTH WINTERLUDE OTTAWA	120.00	
DONATION TO PINES	50.00	
BAPTISIM BOOK/SPOON	28.70	
CHRISTMAS APPEAL	240.00*	4286.94

3886.34

PREPARED BY MARILYN A. HUMPHREY

JANUARY 11, 2019

2018 OPENING BALANCE	4262.92	
+2018 RECEIVABLES	3910.36	
-2018 EXPENSES	4286.94	
		<u>3886.34</u>
ACTUAL BANK BALANCE	3599.78	
+CASH ON HAND	326.56	
O/S DEPOSIT	320.00	
LESS O/S CHEQUES	(50.00)	
	(70.00)	
	(180.00)	
	(60.00)	
		<u>3886.34</u>

WHITE GIFT DONATIONS

Unidentified givings	40.00
Joan Phillips	30.00
Grocery Gift Card	<u>25.00</u>
	95.00

CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Donations	230.00
Added \$10.00 From UCW GF	<u>10.00</u>
Total	240.00

Bazaar & TEA 2018

DECEMBER 01,2018

Door	58x\$5.00	290.00	
Donation		2.50	292.50
Bake Table			434.55
Craft Table			262.60
Sale of Friendship Pins			<u>20.00</u>
			\$1,009.65

FINANCIAL REVIEW

I have examined the accompanying balance sheet and statement of receipts and disbursements of **Chisholm United Church Women** for the year ended **December 31st, 2018**. My examination included checking the books and the accounts and a verification of the accounts with the bank statements and cash balances. In my opinion the accompanying statements present fairly the financial operations and recorded receipts and expenditures.

Date Feb. 1/19 Signed Susan Ford
Place Chisholm Twp Occupation Manager

Date Feb 1 / 2019 Signed Jay Pigeau
Place Chisholm Twp Occupation Retired

CHISHOLM UNITED CHURCH PRESBYTERY REPORT 2018

I started back with the Finance and Property meetings on April 9th, 2018. We will meet every month, excluding July and August. With the change to our new church model, there are not many months left to make sure that the funds remaining in Presbytery will be looked after in the manner that we choose.

North Bay Presbytery, Full Court, met at St. Andrew's on Saturday, April 21st, 2018. Being so close to Earth Day, our theme focused on our appreciation of our land, water and sky and what we can do to save it from destruction. Our Mission Committee Report focused on Right Relations, Greening, Youth and Mental Health and "NO CASINO". Our new business looked at electing representatives from our Manitou Conference to join with representatives from Cambrian and Algoma Regions who together form our new Region 6 Commission. We voted to share all funds, remaining in our Presbytery, with the new members forming Region 6. This will take place when the new Model of our Church begins in January 2019.

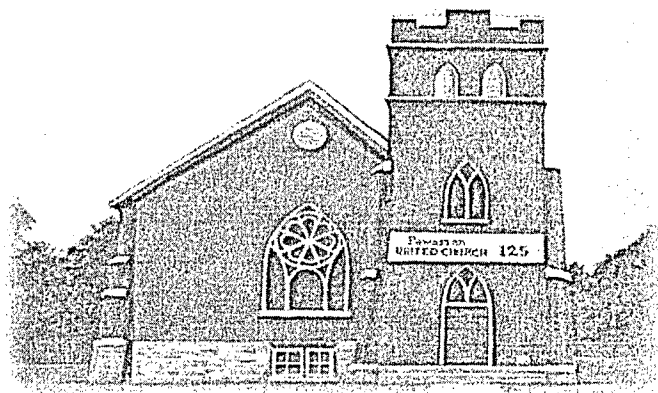
North Bay Presbytery, Full Court, met at Chalmers United Church, South River on September 19th, 2018. The Mission Committee report focused on priorities of youth, caring for Creation and Right Relations. The Committee is encouraging congregations to consider ways to reduce the use of single use plastics and water bottles. Region 6 will use NB Presbytery Youth Fund money for programing and not staffing. A motion was approved to transfer funds to Region 6 along with F & P Committee recommendations. The 2019 assessments will be a maximum increase of approximately 10% over the 2018 assessment. At the July 21 – 28th, 2018, GC (General Council) 43, the United Church of Canada welcomed our new Moderator, the Right Reverend Richard Bott. His sermon was on Racism, Discrimination and Marginalization. The Region 6 Transition Commission is promising that a bare bone of the new structure will be in place January 1st, 2019 and congregations will know who to call if they need information or services.

The final meeting of Manitou Conference was held at St. Andrew's Church on October 19th and 20th. This event was called "Dance with the Spirit" and was truly bitter sweet. As of January 1, 2019, we will be known as Region 6 and our size will have increased immensely. Ours is the only Conference which is increasing in size. Our new Executive Minister is Peter Hartmans. We have a new website, up and running, www.region6.ca. This website will give contact information for all of our executives and will be the "go to place" for guidance and information as to our new rules and guidelines. It was difficult to say goodbye to the way things were but we left with a feeling of hope that the changes were going to be positive and we were going in the right direction. We left this final meeting trusting that we were, indeed, following the path that God wants us to be on. Hope and Trust. God's Will and following God's Way.

November 17th was our final Full Court held at Trinity United. We had a communion service where each pastoral charge was represented in a candle lighting ceremony. It was full of wistful memories of accomplishments and anticipation of what our future holds within the new Three Council Model.

December 17th, 2018, voters selected a name for our new Conference. We are officially called "**Canadian Shield Regional Council**". God's Blessings to all in the new year.

Barbara Giroux



Powassan United Church

*Welcoming all
Caring for Each Other
Caring for God's World*

Vision for Powassan United Church:

- **To be guided by the teachings of Jesus and other compatible teachings and insights** (*presently we base our worship on the teachings of Jesus and hold study groups to further explore contemporary understandings of not only Jesus but other faith traditions along with the insights of science and credible scholarship*).
- **To live our Love in visible and active ways** (*presently this is evident in the way we care for one another and work with one another, both within and beyond our own community of faith*).
- **To be an inclusive community of faith** (*presently we seek to welcome and serve all regardless of who or what they are*).
- **To create a nurturing environment for spiritual and personal growth** (*presently we offer worship, service and a variety of learning opportunities*).
- **To be an umbrella community of communities** (*presently we support, encourage, serve and include a number of groups under the broad umbrella called Powassan United*).
- **To serve our local communities and world** (*presently we serve through Grace House Thrift Shop, the Basement Bookshop, Soup and Sandwich lunches, Powassan Mental Health Collaborative Group, Mission & Service Fund, and other causes both local & global*).

Values by which we try to achieve our Vision:

Our values guide our attitudes, behaviour and decisions as we try to live out our Vision/Mission.

The Powassan UC Council have named the following values for our community of faith:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every human being
- Justice, honesty and sensitivity in all our relationships
- Love, respect, empathy and compassion for all people
- Diversity and inclusiveness in beliefs, sexual orientation, physical and mental states of being
- Self-less commitment to the welfare of others
- Cheerful, enthusiastic and positive attitudes
- A healthy sense of humour and tolerance
- Nurturing vision, resourcefulness and teamwork
- Openness to life-long learning and growth

Vision and Values Statement, approved by the Powassan AGM, March 2018

POWASSAN UNITED CHURCH OFFICERS - 2018

CHURCH COUNCIL

Chairperson: Carole Dobbs
Secretary: Bob Jackson
Treasurer: Marion French

Rotation & committee assignment: *(3 year terms, with one renewal of 3 years possible; retirements effective the Annual meeting in the following year)*

To retire 2018: Art Barfoot (effective Dec 31, 2018)

*To retire 2019: Richard Paul (can be renewed)
Bob Jackson (can be renewed)*

*To retire 2020: Carole Dobbs (requires 1 year leave)
Sheri Brushey (can be renewed)
Louella New (can be renewed)*

To retire 2021: Margaret Butler (can be renewed)

Others: Marion French (indefinite appointment)

TRUSTEES (no term)

Peter Brushey
Jim Moore
Allan Gomoll

MUSIC:

Fay Jackson (Organist)

OBSERVER REPRESENTATIVE: Margaret Butler (ending Jan 2019)

PASTORAL CHG:

MINISTRY & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES (note: 4 yr term)

Betty Piper (retires end of 2021); Peter Brushey (retires end of 2018)

WORSHIP COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Bob Jackson; Sheri Brushey

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Carole Dobbs; Louella New

PRESBYTERY DELEGATE - Carole Dobbs

ALTERNATE DELEGATE - Betty Piper

(Presbytery ceased to exist Dec 31, 2018)

Powassan United Church Annual Meeting Minutes
(Held in conjunction with the Chisholm United Church Annual Meeting)
Powassan United Church, March 18, 2018

Attendance: Rev. Teresa Jones, Carole Dobbs, Bob Jackson, Fay Jackson, Louella New, Marion French, Sheri Brushey, Peter Brushey, Pat Purdon, Margaret Butler, Violet Ware, Fred Ware, Betty Piper, Arlene Hummel, Art Barfoot. Shirley Barfoot, Clara James, Richard Paul, Sherry Grasser.

Opening and Chairpersons: The Annual Meeting was opened by Rev. Teresa Jones who then declared Carole Dobbs as Chairperson for Powassan United Church and Susan Major as Chairperson for Chisholm United Church.

Recognition: Read by Carole Dobbs "We gather today on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe people, land they shared with others as a result of the Williams Treaty. Since time immemorial Indigenous peoples have walked on this land. May we live in peace and friendship on this all as a treaty people.

Secretary: Bob Jackson was declared Secretary for the Powassan United Church

Quorum: It was determined by Rev. Teresa Jones that a quorum was met for both the Chisholm congregation and the Powassan congregation.

Voting Privileges:

Powassan Motion: Moved by Fay Jackson and seconded by Louella New that all members and adherents be welcome to speak and vote at this meeting. **Carried**

Previous Minutes:

Powassan Motion: Moved by Louella New and seconded by Pat Purdon that the Minutes of our last Annual Meeting held March 5, 2017 be adopted as printed, p. 27-28. **Carried**

Introduction of Guest Speaker Rev. Lillian Roberts

Barbara Giroux, CUC Presbytery Delegate introduced Rev. Lillian Roberts who spoke on "A Church in Transition: Living Faithfully in a Changing Context"

Review of Reports:

Pastoral Charge Reports:

The art work of Taryn Humphrey (cover) and Josie Piper (p 10) was acknowledged with appreciation and thanks.

Pastoral Charge Motion: Moved by Sue Brousseau and seconded by Art Barfoot that the Pastoral Charge Reports (p 1-10) be received with thanks. **Carried**

Powassan Reports:

The art work of Jane Piper (p 25) was acknowledged with appreciation and thanks.

Powassan Motion: Moved by Louella New and seconded by Betty Piper that the Powassan Reports (p 26-43) be received with thanks. **Carried**

A question was raised about the Powassan United Church \$10,000 loan which was then referred to the Powassan United Church Council for their consideration and action.

Betty Piper expressed appreciation and thanks to Shirley Barfoot for all her dedicated work on behalf of Grace House and the UCW.

New Business:

PUC Vision and Values

Powassan Motion: Moved by Fay Jackson and seconded by Marion French that the Vision and Values for Powassan United Church (p 30) be adopted. **Carried**

Joint June Pastoral Charge Service/Picnic

Pastoral Charge Motion: Moved by David Dockendorff and seconded by Oscar Giroux that the joint Pastoral Charge Picnic consist of a Hymn-Sing Service followed by a Pot Luck Lunch to be held on Sunday June 24th at 11:00 am in Powassan United Church. **Carried**

Summer Worship Services

Pastoral Charge Motion: Moved by Fay Jackson and seconded by Barb Giroux that the 2018 Sunday July Services be held in Chisholm United Church beginning at 7:00 pm and the Sunday August and 1st Sunday in September Services be held in Powassan United Church beginning at 10:00 am. **Carried**

Powassan Congregation Leadership:

Church Council:

Carole Dobbs (Chairperson) who retires at the end of 2020 and then requires a 1 year leave;

Bob Jackson (Secretary) retires end of 2019 may be renewed;

Marion French (Treasurer) who is an ex officio member;

Richard Paul who retires at the end of 2019 may be renewed;

Sheri Brushey who retires end of 2020 may be renewed;

Louella New who retires end of 2019 may be renewed;

Margaret Butler who retires end of 2020 may be renewed;

Art Barfoot who has a 1 year renewable appointment;

Rev. Teresa Jones who is an ex officio member.

Trustees: Peter Brushey, Jim Moore, Allan Gomoll

PUC Pastoral Charge Leadership:

Ministry & Personnel Reps: (4 year term)

Betty Piper who retires end of 2021;

Peter Brushey who retires end of 2018.

Worship Committee Reps:

Bob Jackson and Sheri Brushey

Stewardship Committee Reps:

Carole Dobbs and Louella New

Presbytery Delegate:

Carole Dobbs, Betty Piper (Alternate) – both retire end of 2020

Powassan Motion: Moved by Shirley Barfoot and seconded by Richard Paul that we affirm our respective church officers and representatives on Pastoral Charge Committees and Presbytery for 2018. **Carried**

Allocation Formula Task Group:

Pastoral Charge Motion: Moved by Louella New and seconded by Sheri Brushey that the Chisholm United Church representatives to the Allocation Formula Task Group be David Dockendorff, Ray Ford, and Randy Brousseau, and the Powassan United Church representatives be Louella New, Marion French, and Bob Jackson, and that the Task Group present their proposal(s) to the October 2018 Official Board Meeting.

Carried

Gratitudes:

Rev. Teresa Jones thanked our guest speaker noting that this will be the last time we will be able to call upon her because of the changes that are happening in the United Church. Her presentation was much appreciated by all and very timely.

Rev. Teresa Jones also expressed her thanks and appreciation to all the members, adherents and supporters of the Mission and Ministry of the Powassan Pastoral Charge. She has been greatly encouraged by the faithfulness of all of us.

Betty Piper and Fay Pigeau expressed the deep appreciation and thanks from all of us to Teresa Jones for her dedicated leadership in helping us to be faithful to our Vision, Mission and Values, and her pastoral care and spiritual guidance. We are greatly blessed to have Teresa as our Minister. Thanks be to God!

Adjournment: Moved by Bob Jackson that the meeting be adjourned with the singing of "One in Love" in our traditional circle of Friendship.

POWASSAN UNITED COUNCIL REPORT 2018

As chair of Council, I have been very pleased at all that the Council has attended to this year. We have maintained the building and property as well as we could and finished our inventory at last; we arranged for the lawn to be cut and the paths shoveled as needed; we held a joint annual meeting with Chisholm which was deemed successful; we enjoyed our traditional picnic in a different format; we have moved Grace House Thrift Shop to 250 Clark and this has been quite successful but required many hands and we thank Lori Carmichael for her leadership; we became a Blue Umbrella certified church which means we are able to help people with dementia and support them; we reviewed our rental rates and policy and were able again to have our church be filmed in a Hallmark movie - Christmas in the summer!!; with the UCW we held a Volunteer Appreciation dinner in early December which was well attended and appreciated; we supported Rev. Teresa in planning a "Blue Christmas " event; we also hosted the Sacred Circle Dance event; we held a workshop on assisted dying; we prepared for Christmas services such as White Gift and Christmas Eve;

We had to accept the resignation of Art Barfoot and we thank him for his strong, varied help that he has given this Church. The Council misses his wisdom and assistance.

I give heart-felt thanks to my council members (past and present) for all their support and effort. God willing, we will continue to work on your behalf in the coming year.

Carole Dobbs

Council Chair

Powassan United Church 2018 Financial Statement

REVENUE

Identifiable Offerings	\$44,467.61
Loose Offering	1,391.60
Church Envelopes	70.00
Bulletins	220.00
Rent	6,130.10
Books	11,532.07
United Church Women	10,000.00
UCW for GH/Lift	5,179.37
Pop Cans	28.80
Int on Investment	1.45
Pancake Breakfast	1,678.45
Bean Luncheon	777.00
Apple Pies	982.00
White Gift	190.00
Commission from Sale of Painting	7.50
Mission & Service	9,494.00
Memorial	3,440.00
Solar Hydro	8,618.30
REVENUE	\$104,208.25
<i>Less Flow Thru money</i>	<i>-14,863.37</i>
TOTAL REVENUE	\$89,344.88

EXPENSES

Allocation	\$67,501.32
Custodian	6,496.31
Treasurer	2,160.90
Organist	2,274.91
Heating	11,037.84
Hydro	1,972.00
Public Utilities	1,192.17
Insurance	4,436.35
Snow/Lawn Maintenance	1,414.35
Bldg Maintenance	1,192.18
Custodian Supplies	88.06
Office Supplies	97.31
Church Envelopes	98.77
Service Charges/cheq	241.89
Financial Review	75.00
Web Page	353.40
White Gift	190.00
Gift	75.00
Book Room	539.32
Mission & Service	9,484.00
Grace House	2,813.14
Lift	2,366.23
Solar Hydro	799.03
EXPENSES	\$116,899.48
<i>Less Flow Thru money</i>	<i>-\$14,863.37</i>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$102,036.11

Flow Thru Money

<i>White Gift</i>	<i>\$190.00</i>
<i>Mission & Service</i>	<i>9,494.00</i>
<i>UCW for GH/Lift</i>	<i>5,179.37</i>
	\$14,863.37

Bank Balance Dec 31/18	\$28,613.32
+Outstanding Deposits	825.00
-Outstanding Cheques	-2,708.75
Balance	\$26,729.57

Marion French, Treas.

Balance Sheet

Assets	
Cash in bank	\$28,613.32
Long Term Savings	\$7,844.27
Total Assets	\$36,457.59
Liabilities	
Personal Loan	\$10,000.00
U C of Can Solar Loan	\$31,420.06
Total Liabilities	\$41,420.06
Equity	-\$4,962.47
Total Liabilities/Equity	\$36,347.59

Solar Report

Received for Electricity	\$8,618.30
-Hydro Ser Chg	-67.32
-Loan Interest	-673.25
-Loan Principle	\$4,126.75
2018 Profit	\$3,750.98

Powassan United Church									
2019 Budget									
	2018	Actual	2019				2018	Actual	2019
Revenue				Expenses					
Identifiable Offerings	\$41,000.00	\$44,467.61	\$41,000.00	Powassan Allocation			\$67,501.33	\$67,501.32	\$73,000.00
Loose Offering	\$1,000.00	\$1,391.60	\$1,000.00	Custodian Salary			\$6,402.13	\$6,496.31	\$6,510.00
Initial Offering	\$40.00	\$10.00	\$40.00	Organist Honorarium			\$2,000.00	\$2,274.91	\$2,300.00
Bulletins	\$250.00	\$220.00	\$250.00	Treasurer			\$2,111.82	\$2,160.90	\$2,200.00
Special Donations	\$500.00	\$28.80	\$500.00	Fuel Oil & Repairs			\$10,000.00	\$11,037.84	\$11,000.00
Rent	\$1,500.00	\$6,130.10	\$2,500.00	Hydro			\$2,200.00	\$1,972.00	\$2,200.00
Book Proceeds	\$10,000.00	\$11,532.07	\$10,000.00	Public Utilities			\$1,000.00	\$1,192.17	\$1,200.00
UCW Donations	\$15,000.00	\$13,529.15	\$15,000.00	Insurance			\$4,500.00	\$4,436.35	\$4,500.00
Int. on Investment	\$5.00	\$1.06	\$5.00	Snow/Lawn			\$2,500.00	\$1,414.35	\$2,000.00
Misc. General Rev.	\$1,000.00	\$257.50	\$1,000.00	Repairs			\$1,000.00	\$1,192.18	\$1,000.00
Pancake Breakfasts	\$2,400.00	\$1,678.45	\$2,000.00	Custodian Supplies			\$100.00	\$88.06	\$100.00
Bean Luncheon	\$1,200.00	\$777.00	\$1,200.00	Major Property Exp.			\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$-0
Apple Pies	\$3,500.00	\$982.00	\$3,500.00	Office Supplies			\$50.00	\$98.46	\$100.00
Mission & Service	\$9,000.00	\$9,494.00	\$9,000.00	Church Envelopes			\$100.00	\$98.77	\$100.00
Grace House	\$2,040.00	\$1,650.22	\$-0	Bank Chgs			\$100.00	\$73.90	\$100.00
Lift	\$2,000.00	\$-0	\$-0	PAR Charges			\$180.00	\$158.50	\$180.00
Solar Revenue	\$9,000.00	\$8,618.30	\$9,000.00	ADP Charges			\$15.00	\$9.49	\$15.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$99,435.00	\$100,767.86	\$95,995.00	Financial Review			\$50.00	\$75.00	\$75.00
				Other General Exp.			\$500.00	\$265.00	\$300.00
				Book Expenses				\$539.32	\$500.00
				Web Page			\$350.00	\$353.40	\$350.00
				Mission & Service			\$9,000.00	\$9,494.00	\$9,000.00
				Grace House Exp.			\$7,500.00	\$2,811.99	\$-0
				Lift Expenses			\$2,000.00	\$2,366.23	\$-0
				Solar Expenses			\$1,500.00	\$799.03	\$1,000.00
				TOTAL BUDGET			\$121,660.28	\$116,909.48	\$117,730.00
				Offering Needed Weekly (2018)				\$2339.62	
				Offering Needed Weekly (2019)				\$2264.04	
				Budget Committee			Louella New		
							Marion French (Resource Person)		

Powassan Trustee Report (2018)

Trustees: Peter Brushey
Jim Moore
Allan Gomoll

Land Registry Information

The Powassan United Church was registered in Parry Sound in 1926 under the name of "The Trustees of the Powassan United Church of Canada." There is a document on file in the Powassan Pastoral Charge Office.

Deed Description:

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Insurance

Insurance is through Hub International, Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Company of Canada

Inventory

Inventory was completed in 2017. Inventory photo's were taken (hard copies available) as well as the photo's were also put on a thumb drive and are kept in a safe of site.

<u>Powassan Statistics</u>	
Total Confirmed Membership (December 31, 2017).....	127
Received by Profession of Faith	0
Received by Transfer.....	0
Members Removed by Death.....	3
Myrtle Dudgeon	
Robert Brandes	
Ethel Heath	
Removed by Certificate or Other	0
Total Confirmed Membership (December 31, 2018).....	124
Total Non-resident Membership	56
Total Resident Membership.....	68
Households under Pastoral Care.....	119

"For consistency between the 2 congregations, the PC Official Board decided in December 2017, that persons be placed on the NRM list, when they reside 30 kms+ from the congregation of which they are a member."

POWASSAN UCW REPORT 2018

As co-chair, with Betty Piper and Louella New, we have had another busy year.

We held our monthly Soup and Sandwich lunches which are usually well attended and staffed as usual by our faithful workers.

We hosted the Eides residents to a barbeque in the early summer.

We hosted workshops on mental health (becoming a certified Blue Umbrella Church with our work with dementia patients), assisted dying with Dr Lecke,.

We shared our faith with our funeral receptions that we hosted.

We maintained our Prayer Shawl ministry with those in need. We donated to worthy causes such as Amelia Rising, Packsac Smiles and the local Food Bank.

We again, with many volunteers to help, made and sold turkey pies. They are so popular.

Our biggest undertaking this year was moving the Grace house Thrift Shop to 250 Clark. This involved many people. Our special thanks go to the Barfoot family, especially Lori Carmichael. Sheila Hodgins was our day-to-day manager and she put in many long hours. I don't know how Shirley Barfoot did this for so many years! But we are grateful that she did. When Sheila resigned, we had to take a different approach to our business. As liason, I had to actually go and do my share of supervision and it turned out to be quite enjoyable. Louella New, Mable Loxton , Betty Piper and I will keep doing this until we find someone who would like to take on the running of this most successful endeavour. The Grace House Management team, Margaret Butler, Pat Purdon and I continue to oversee things with help from Rev. Teresa.

We look forward to how the new governance system of the United Church will affect us and whatever happens we will continue to do our best to make this world a little better any way we can.

Carole Dobbs
Co-Chair

Financial Report - 2018
Powassan United Church Women

RECEIPTS

Grace House	\$ 23,247.30
GH Recycling	\$ 1,085.00
Turkey Pies	\$ 4,515.00
Offering	\$ 321.40
Soup & Sandwich	\$ 2,254.15
Funeral Luncheons	\$ 750.00
Bazaar	\$ 287.55
BBQ Sale of Supplies	\$ 36.00
Cookbooks	\$ 40.00
Carpets	\$ 180.72
Gift Certificate	\$ 50.00
Interest	\$ 4.60
Total Receipts	\$ 32,771.72

Bank Bal. Dec 22/17	\$ 11,631.48
Income	\$ 32,771.72
	\$ 44,403.20
Expenses	-\$ 28,305.03
Bank Bal. Dec 14/18	\$ 16,098.17

EXPENSES

Grace House	\$ 8,409.79
Turkey Pies	\$ 642.80
Soup & Sandwich	\$ 1,679.22
Luncheons	\$ 1,869.95
Powassan United Church	\$ 10,000.00
Treasurer	\$ 511.62
Banner	\$ 559.45
Elevator	\$ 1,245.16
Carpet	\$ 778.07
Piano	\$ 793.50
Stationary/stamps	\$ 158.99
Propane	\$ 97.13
Observer	\$ 50.00
Gift Certificates	\$ 300.00
Bank Ser Chgs/cheques	\$ 109.35
Donations	\$ 1,100.00
Total Expenses	\$ 28,305.03

GIC Investment Dec 21, 2018

Amount: \$1,525.50
 Interest Rate: 2.45%
 Term: 1 year, 6 months
 Maturity Date: July 3, 2020

Donations

Alzheimers Society	\$ 500.00
Refugee Sponsor	\$ 500.00
Amelia Rising	\$ 100.00
	\$ 1,100.00

Marion French

GRACE HOUSE THRIFT SHOP

As you can see from the name, we've made a few changes at Grace House. After Shirley Barfoot stepped down from active duty, we had to find a new way to run the shop. Shiela Hodgins stepped in and did the day to day running for awhile but she overextended herself in her determination to run things like Shirley, forgetting that Shirley had many helpers who took over certain steps.

We, the UCW, formed a Grace House Management Committee of which I am the town liason. The committee consists of Margaret Butler, Pat Purdon, Betty Piper and myself.

With a 'move co-ordinator' Lori Carmichael, we were able to make a location change from King Street to 250 Clark. We want to thank our generous hosts on King Street for the use of their building for many years. We were given permission to retain the use of the name, "Grace House" which we are proud to do. We owe you many thanks for your support over the years. We also want to thank the town for the invitation and support they have extended to us.

The move was accomplished with many helping hands from the Barfoot family and friends. The infrastructure was wisely placed and the space all utilized. When Shiela had to resign, we were in need of a new day-to-day leader. The UCW stepped up and, among us, we have managed to have a member there to help our willing volunteers run the shop each day.

We met with our volunteers and shared an informative time with them that helped us put faces to names and learn what the actual workers were thinking. We hope to do this regularly. We have about 50 names of present and past volunteers which is thrilling. We owe them so much and we appreciate all the work they do for us.

We continue to be a place where people can donate their gently-used item for others and where people can volunteer their time and talents to help others.

We are very proud of the outreach we have at the Grace House Thrift Shop and we hope to continue serving our church and our community for a long time.

Again, our heart-felt thanks to our volunteers and our customers for all they do for us and enable us to do.

Yours in Christ,
Carole Dobbs

POWASSAN ART GROUP

The Powassan Art Group continues to enjoy having our painting on display and for sale in the Downstairs Gallery better known as the Dining room. We again have had a few sales which garners a token amount for the church.

Hopefully we will gain some new members and be able to show some new work shortly. People do seem to enjoy looking at the pictures.

Thank you for allowing us this privilege.

Arleen Brandes and Carole Dobbs

Faith Development Report (2018)

Church School: In collaboration with Chisholm United we continue to have lessons ready for children's church school. Lessons are based on The Lectionary Story Books by Ralph Milton.

Adult Education: With a usual membership of nine, the Spring 2018 study arose from the book AN ALTAR IN THE WORLD written by Author: Barbara Brown Taylor. REVELATION was our seven session study source last Fall. The purchase of study guide booklets titled REVELATION FOR PROGRESSIVE CHRISTIANS by Donald Schmidt proved helpful.

We are very grateful to Rev. Teresa, an ever present source of help and inspiration.

Submitted by Margaret Butler

FOOD BANK REPORT (2018)

Our church makes a donation of food or money to the Local Food Bank each month. Many thanks to the members of the congregation who give so generously to this cause. We deliver these items each month to the Food Bank.

Over and above these regular monthly donations we also received an extra pile of food during our White Gift Service as well as monetary donations of \$190.00 that we were able to give to them as well. Just another way of sharing our 'salt and light' throughout our community.

Submitted by: Pat Purdon & Joan Coutts

Powassan United Church Card Ministry 2018

It has been a privilege to do the work of sending cards to those in need either at home or in the hospital. It is our hope that the people who are going through difficult times will feel supported by the thoughts and prayers of our church family.

If you are aware of anyone in need please let Marion our church secretary know.

Arleen Brandes

Solar Panel Report for the Year 2018

At the end of 2011 we installed our solar panels to help reduce climate change emissions and to help increase our income line for Powassan United Church. We did this with Presbytery restricted funds from the sale of the Powassan Manse, and a loan from the United Church at a very favourable interest rate.

We are now in our 8th year of operation and we have reduced climate change emissions by some 99,428 pounds, or about what 52 cars would emit in one year, while providing renewable electricity to our community.

We also received \$8,618.30 in 2018 for the electricity we have produced. After the United Church loan payments (\$4,800.00) and Hydro One Administrative Fees (\$67.32) we cleared \$3,750.98 for the Income line of Powassan United Church. It is important to remember that this past year has been poor year for producing solar electricity in our area because of the amount of snow cover that occurred in 2018. Although it was slightly better than the year before and we still cleared some \$3,751. More importantly we reduced climate change emissions to the benefit of our environment. Unfortunately it looks like 2019 may be an even poorer year for producing solar energy for the same reason. But even in a poor year we still produce a positive result for our planet each year.

The present balance of the United Church loan is \$31,524.13 which will all be paid off in May of 2026. Our payment is \$400 per month.

Submitted by Bob Jackson

BASEMENT BOOK STORE REPORT 2018.

The Bookstore could not function without its faithful, hard working, volunteers. Sharon Liddell, co-ordinator, retired in October, leaving the rest of the staff trained well and able to carry on without her, ever grateful for her expertise and commitment all those years. (There are still circumstances when "I wonder what Sharon would have done!")

We are also grateful to Emilia Smith, Russ Harmer and (other regulars) who devoted their time and energy to the store.

We welcomed new staff additions, Pat Clysdale, Sylvia Preaestegaard working on Thursdays, and Mike Raymond joining Joyce Lavalley and Gerri Butler on Saturdays.

Mike and Gerri agreed to accept a joint coordinator position.

Other faithful players function behind the scenes - Art Barfoot and his "team" who continue to supply us with great books **and** help us a great deal by recycling our surplus. Marian French represents us at council meetings. Thank you, Art and Marian.

We are grateful to Rev. Teresa who drops by occasionally to "check in."

The surplus and resulting waste of books are a source of concern for all the staff. To avoid the recycling of this surplus, we are always looking for new recipients. At present, we give some books to the Powassan Library and the Community Center for their used book sales. We continue to supply books to the Christian Salvage Mission, whose North Bay co-ordinator picks up on a regular basis. We will continue to offer free books to nursing homes and detention facilities as the need arises.

Children's books seem to "reproduce" themselves! We offered free children's books at the Pancake Breakfasts, Maple Syrup Festival and in July and August with some success: more of them went home with new owners.

In the coming months we hope to open up some floor space by rearranging the placement of some categories and shelving. We hope this will not only satisfy fire regulations but also improve the welcoming atmosphere of our cherished book store.

And cherished it is...by staff and patrons alike.

Gerri Butler, Co-ordinator

PRESBYTERY REPRESENTATIVE 2018

As your rep at Presbytery, I have attended 2 meetings , having to miss others on account of health and travel.

Our main concern was the revamping of our governance system and how it would affect us in 2019 and onward.

All these changes, of course, need to be funded and much time and energy was and is being spent to find ways to do this most equitably. The local treasurers are working at this now.

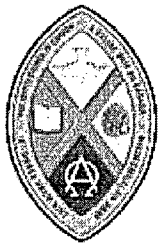
On the Finance and Property Committee, I host the monthly meetings here at Powassan United. We have been reviewing all the Annual Reports of N.B. Presbytery and trying to find ways to meet our financial commitments as fairly as we can. Much time and discussion is involved with the changes that are coming.

As of December 31, Presbytery and Manitou Conference no longer exist. We are now a part of Region 6 or as it known as Canadian Shield Region.

I will not be your representative on this new regional system but I have enjoyed my years as your Presbytery representative. May God's grace and blessing follow us into our new adventure.

Carole Dobbs

Presbytery Representative



Canadian Shield Regional Council

Engaging with the Spirit to Inspire,
Connect and Empower
Communities of Faith

Connecting with local ministry in our congregations in a new way...

Our family stretches across a large piece of geography, from Katrine in the south to Hearst in the north; from Val d'Or Quebec in the east to Thunder Bay in the west. Despite the vast geography we share a common identity as United Church communities of faith (congregations) and we share a common purpose to live faithful lives and serve the Gospel. The vision statement of the Canadian Shield Regional Council affirms that the primary purpose of this governance body of the Church is to empower you as you undertake local ministry.



Regional Council staff are part of that connection. Some of you will know many of the staff who have transitioned from previous Conference and presbytery positions into the new Regional Council. Will Kunder (1/2 time Congregational Support & Justice Animation), Melody Duncanson-Hales (Congregational Support, Youth, Stewardship), Susan Whitehead (Administrative support) and Lillian Roberts (Pastoral Relations) are continuing as familiar faces into the new structure though there are some changes in job

descriptions and they are being joined by others less known to you; Peter Hartmans (Executive Minister), Joan Bailey (part time Administrative Support Thunder Bay), Rachel Howes (Administrative support shared with Shining Waters) and as May 1, 2019 Rob Smith (Congregational Support part-time west). The Regional Council main office is located at Omond United Church and you are always welcome to call or drop in.

The Inaugural meeting of the Canadian Shield Regional Council will gather folks May 31 – June 2 in Sault Ste. Marie. Each community of faith (congregation) is to elect representative(s) at your Annual meeting. Representatives are your connection with the ministry we share as a Regional Council. Make sure you name a connector to share the stories of what others are doing.

A number of you ask, or perhaps more accurately comment that whether they call it Presbytery or Conference or Regional Council, it still names a part of Church Structure that seems rather remote and unattached to congregational life. So here's a commitment, the Regional Council and its staff are ready to respond to any requests for support, resources, information or a listening ear. If you need to know how your youth can find a United Church camping experience, or want to apply for a Capital Assistance Grant call Melody; need worship material for Sunday because your minister has fallen ill, Will is coordinating a week-by-week worship project; need information because the pastoral relations process or one of the staff is on medical leave, Lillian can walk you through the process; need to understand more about the denominational policies, Peter can share his wisdom; need general information about how things work or communication, give Susan a call; want to know about Ontario licenses to marry, Joan is your person; need some staff support to try getting a cluster of folks together from neighbouring congregations to talk about how to share outreach ministry, call Will, Rob, Melody or Lillian- we can all help.

We need each other to be the best and most faithful we can be! Don't let the fact that the structure has a new name make you apprehensive about reaching out. Let's build connections that help us to encourage each other (and maybe even have some fun!) as we live into new relationships within this "family of God" we call the United Church.