



**St. Paul's United Church
2009 Annual Report**

Milton, Ontario

In Loving Memory 2009

Angela Jean Barron
Frederick William Bell
William Bowers
Gordon Robert Christie
Bill William Clinning
Harold Edward Coulson
Alfred Ford
Helen Foster
Robert (Bob) Free
Bill W.T.Gallinger
Keith "Buster" Russel Gould
Myrtle Gertrude Gullis
Jean Isabell Hadfield
Henry Arthur (Harry) Hall
Doris Elizabeth Harrington
Bonnie Laura Henley
George Albert Hiscott
Marion Augusta Irwin
Elsie Ann Jardin
Lyman Charles(Len) Jardin
Margaret Anne Jones
Pamela Anne Mary King
Belinda Elizabeth Kuipers
Nelson Lawrence
Steve Lenvay
Thomas Lloyd Marchment
Grace Margaret Mason
Bevis (Bev) McLean
Ted Edward Moore
Verna Elizabeth Richardson
John Samuel
Tetyana Shvetsova
Keith Raymond Siverson
Ted Grayton Stover
Charles Thomson
Bruce Kenneth Tripp
Armario Valente
Grace Eleni Vanellis
Carl L Wagner
Jacqueline Walker
Debra Elaine Wilson

St. Paul's United Church
Annual General Meeting
February 8, 2009

MINUTES

Present

Kathy Sellers, Audrey Cairns, Amelia Randell, Susan Hunt, June Black, Jack White, Marie White, Mavis O'Neil, Mike Ledwith, Laura Jeffrey, Bill Smelser, Sheila McBride, Mike McBride, Carol Clarke, Grant Woodall, Sandra Pollen, Judy Hunter, Suzanne Watts, Lynn Shire, Marg Brown, Doug Brown, Ron Love, Barb Love, Nancy Mahony, Don Mahony, Carol Hyde, Graham Morris, Judy Henderson, Jane Baynton, Ione Cox, Jim Dills, Shirley Dills, Sue Butson, Werner Anders, Wendy Schau, Treasa Lamb, Ken Lamb, Linda Edgar, Joan Woodall, Mary Fraser, Sharon Pyle, Ethel Arnold, Don Arnold, Jean Lillie, Diana Ward, Kay Bratty, Glenn Gordon, Karen Gordon, Roy Chan, Claudette DuTour-Chan, Diane Dickie, Mary Almey, John Dransfield, Val Dransfield, Tracey Antaya, Heather Shoemaker, Harvey Shoemaker, Judy Chartrand, Lorna Turner, Bob Osser, Wilma Tyrer, Rebecca Givens, Grant Rushton, Mary Judge, Genevieve Rushton-Givens, Julian Rushton-Givens, Liz Wilson, Alex Judge, Jim Hawkins, Julia Picotte, Richard deLeon, Eddie Hales, Kathleen Hales, David (Vanna) Wentzell, Eileen McElhinney, Jack Varcoe, Eleanor Jackson, Ruth Garber, Ann Sault, Ruth Parkinson, Verna Robbins, Eileen Bailey, Mabel Coulson, Hermine Moore, Mavis Leslie, Rupa Mahony-Reid, Geza Gaspardy, Tina Gaspardy, Erin Gaspardy, Bob Grupp, Sarah Grupp, Susan Grupp, Deb Harrold, John Appleton, Doug Dryden, Jim Hunter, Charles Thompson, Lois Thompson, John Hough, Betty J. Smith, Fannie Hunter, Nancy Sutherland, Shirley Ramsbottom, Ed Ramsbottom, Gretchen Greene O'Brien, Rev. Gaylyn McLean,

MOTION 09:03 BE IT RESOLVED to accept the reports of all church committees, as presented in the Annual Report.

Moved by Tina Gaspardy

Seconded by Ken Lamb

CARRIED

Update from Task Forces

Vision: Mavis O'Neill updated members on the vision for St. Paul's, including spiritual and building needs.

Transition: Gaylyn McLean spoke about the factors involved in the process of change for St. Paul's.

Fund Raising: Harvey Shoemaker outlined the focus of his team and the energy they brought to the onerous task at hand and the projections of Harder and Associates, a professional fundraising company.

Development: Geza Gaspardy described the work of determining the most desirable configuration option. Two "expressions of interest" have been presented: a condominium with a higher level of care involvement; and a leasehold arrangement with assisted living involvement. Worship, activities and administration needs would be included in either choice. The Task Forces all agreed "**YES WE CAN**"!

Next Steps in the Process

- a joint meeting with Trustees and Council to consider the recommendation of the Task Forces, which is #2 – the Leasehold Concept
- A congregational meeting to receive/vote on the Recommendation
- A 90-day review in which the contract of the developer is formalized; a project manager chosen; rezoning issues – heritage considerations – traffic impact, etc. would be looked into
- Church and Residence preliminary plans presented
- Marketing Plan developed

Report from Trustees

Rev. John Benham noted that the roof issues are still very much a concern – 3 large coping stones have fallen on the Main Street side overnight. He also noted the Trustees have increased the number of times they met in 2008.

Report of Treasurer

Werner Anders reported that Melissa Coulson, Chartered Accountant, had completed a review of the financial records for 2007. She made several recommendations which are being implemented.

MOTION 09:04 BE IT RESOLVED to approve the 2007 audited financial statements for St. Paul’s United Church, as presented.

Moved by Doug Dryden Seconded by Don Mahony **CARRIED**

Werner outlined the 2008 statement of revenue and expenses; and presented the 2009 operating budget. He also noted that the “loan” from the capital account to the operating account had been paid in full from the surplus from 2008.

MOTION 09:05 BE IT RESOLVED to approve the 2008 financial statements, as presented by Werner Anders.

Moved by Mary Almey Seconded by Catherine Schau **CARRIED**

MOTION 09:06 BE IT RESOLVED to approve the 2009 Operating Budget as presented by Werner Anders

Moved by Heather Shoemaker Seconded by John Dransfield **CARRIED**

Report of Mission and Service

Mary Almey outlined several projects which are funded by our M&S offerings.

MOTION 09:07 BE IT RESOLVED that the amount of \$42,000 be the Mission and Service goal for 2009.

Moved by Mary Almey Seconded by Rebecca Givens **CARRIED**

Report of Nominating Committee

Kathy Sellers thanked members of the 2008 Council, and recognized those persons who are not continuing in their Council roles. She also thanked the people who have stepped up to join the 2009 Council. She asked for nominations from the floor for one Council position. The list of names recommended for election as Council members for 2009 are as follows:

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|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| Chairman | Kathy Sellers |
| Past Chairman | (vacant) |
| Vice Chairman | (vacant) |
| Secretary | Gretchen Greene O’Brien |
| Treasurer | Julia Picotte and Richard De Leon |
| Members | Werner Anders |
| | Avy Beharri |
| | Susan Butson |
| | Rebecca Givens |
| | Susan Grupp |
| | Dave Hamilton |
| | Don Mahony |
| | Don Meads |
| | Bob Osser |
| | Heather Shoemaker |
| | Bob Walker |
| | Joan Woodall |

MOTION 09:08 BE IT RESOLVED to elect the members of Council for the year 2009, as presented.
Moved by Tina Gaspardy Seconded by Diana Ward **CARRIED**

New Trustee

Doug Dryden has agreed to join the Trustees. One more person is needed.

MOTION 09:09 BE IT RESOLVED to appoint Doug Dryden as a Trustee of St. Paul's.
Moved by Geza Gaspardy Seconded by Lynn Shire **CARRIED**

Halton Presbytery Representative

MOTION 09:10 BE IT RESOLVED to appoint Judy Chartrand as the third representative to attend Halton Presbytery meetings, on behalf of St. Paul's.

Moved by Liz Wilson Seconded by Mabel Coulson **CARRIED**

Installation of new Council / Trustees

Rev. Sarah Fanning and Rev. John Benham duly installed the members of Council and Trustees.

Appointment of Auditor

MOTION 09:11 BE IT RESOLVED to appoint Melissa Coulson, Chartered Accountant, to the position of Auditor for St. Paul's for 2009.

Moved by Werner Anders Seconded by Doug Dryden **CARRIED**

New Business

Amelia Randell thanked all volunteer Sunday drivers. She and others are grateful for this ministry.

Certificates of Recognition for past service to the life and work of St. Paul's were given to Werner Anders and Judy Chartrand.

MOTION 09:12 BE IT RESOLVED that whereas the rules of the United Church of Canada state that members of a congregation must vote at the church site on any matters relating to church property;

AND WHEREAS the congregation of St. Paul's United Church, Milton, feels that the upcoming vote about partnering with a developer is of such importance that as many members of the congregation as possible should be allowed to vote on this matter;

AND WHEREAS representatives of Hamilton Conference have advised that a congregation may, by resolution, widen the class of members eligible to vote on matters relating to property to include members who are unable to attend at the church site;

NOW THEREFORE it is moved that the members of St. Paul's United Church, Milton, be eligible to participate in the congregational vote to accept or reject any proposal to partner with a developer (the "Vote") be expanded to include all those who are not able to be present at the church on the date(s) scheduled for the Vote; and the off-site voting procedure be as follows:

- (a) Members who are unable to be present at the church for the Vote must advise the office administrator of their request to vote off-site fifteen (15) days before the Vote;
- (b) Notices shall be sent either by email to info@stpaulsmilton.org or by mail addressed to St. Paul's United Church, 123 Main Street East, Milton Ontario L9T1N4 to the attention of Cindy Allin, Administrator;
- (c) A ballot and accompanying information will be emailed or mailed to the member for return to St. Paul's on or before the date scheduled for the Vote.

Moved by Geza Gaspardy Seconded by Michael McBride **CARRIED** (1 vote against)

It was noted that a list of members would be available in the church office prior to the Vote. Rev. John noted that March 1 is New Members Sunday.

MOTION 09:13 WHEREAS our Auditor has advised us that there is insufficient time to prepare audited financial statements for the annual general meeting in February;

BE IT RESOLVED that Article 6 of the St. Paul's United Church Constitution be amended by changing the date of the annual general meeting from February to April;

And further **BE IT RESOLVED** that the one-year term of the incoming St. Paul's United Church, Milton, Council be extended to April 2010 to accommodate the change in the date of the annual general meeting.

Moved by Werner Anders Seconded by Susan Butson

CARRIED

It was noted that Budget meetings will be held at the end of each year for the ensuing year.

Remarks of Incoming Chairman

Kathy Sellers challenged members to step out of their comfort zone and join the Spirit Team of St. Paul's. She ended her remarks by quoting President Obama "The time has come to reaffirm our enduring spirit to choose a better history, to carry forward that precious gift, that noble idea passed on from generation to generation."

Date of 2010 Annual Meeting

MOTION 09:14 BE IT RESOLVED that the date of the next annual general meeting be April 11, 2010.

Moved by Carol Clarke Seconded by Jim Hawkins

CARRIED

It was suggested that there be a combined worship service on Annual Meeting Sundays.

Closing Prayer

Rev. Sarah Fanning offered a Closing Prayer

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 pm.

Reflections on 2009

There is an ancient Chinese proverb that says, "May you live in interesting times." This saying can certainly apply to the life and work of St. Paul's United Church through 2009. It has been an interesting year of many transitions and changes.

Rev. Elaine Beattie was with us for the month of January, and Rev. Sarah Fanning was called to St. Paul's and began her ministry with us on February 1. Rev. Sarah has been delighted to be able to offer a number of Adult Education programs during 2009, including "Faith & Film", which explored connections between the Bible, our faith, and themes as depicted in movies; and "In the Beginning", an in-depth study of Genesis 1 to 11.

Transitions have been present with our music staff as well. Sadly, Judy Hunter decided to retire at the end of August. Jane Wamsley joined us as interim music director from September through December, and has been delightful working with our choir and ministers. In February of 2010, Don Cassono will join us as our new music director, and we know that everyone will be extremely welcoming to his presence and his gifts among us. We have definitely been journeying through interesting times.

We are not alone as we journey. Throughout the Bible, we read of many people that were challenged by the events they faced in life. The exodus of the Hebrew people, and their later exile in Babylon are just two examples. But even in these somewhat trying times, they received words of comfort, hope and encouragement from prophets such as Moses and Isaiah, who reminded them of the many things that God had done, and continued to do.

As we look back over 2009, there is no doubt that it has been a challenging year full of changes and transitions. It is our hope that, like the Hebrew people, we too will recognize the many things that God has done and continues to do amongst us and through us. As we worship, study, and work together as the people of St. Paul's United Church, may we continue to feel the sense of hope, comfort and encouragement from God, and from each other. May we continue to live as God's people, through interesting times!

Rev. Sarah Fanning and Rev. John Benham

Chairperson of Council Report

So many stories from the Bible revolve around waiting. The Israelites waited to leave Egypt, Noah waited for the flood to recede, people waited for the coming of the Messiah, Jesus waited in the Garden of Gethsemane. Waiting is hard and you have to be faithful to wait.

At St. Paul's we are waiting too. Beginning with the Long Range Planning Team as they charted a future path of our congregation, and moving on to the work of our Vision, Building, Transition and Fundraising Task Forces, we have waited to see how St. Paul's will evolve into a congregation that will meet the challenges of the next generations. Waiting is hard and you have to be faithful to wait.

We have all noticed a drop in attendance as we go through this waiting period. People have confessed to me that the swirl of controversy about the redevelopment of St. Paul's has made attending worship an uncomfortable experience for them. I encourage you to return and wait with us. Waiting is hard and you have to be faithful to wait.

But while we wait, there has been a lot of activity at St. Paul's that shows that our members are committed to taking the mission and ministry of St. Paul's to a new level. Your Church Council and Action Teams have

worked energetically to keep the ministry of St. Paul's strong during 2009 and I would like to thank all members of Council and the Action Teams for their dedication and enthusiasm.

The Vision Task Force has rolled out a vision that calls us to be a welcoming, serving and transforming congregation. The spirit of change created by this vision is invigorating and infectious and already I see differences in the way we at St. Paul's are doing things.

The introduction of a satellite ministry to reach out to young, non-church attending residents of new Milton is an outreach that embodies our desire to welcome, serve and transform. The Mission and Outreach Action Team has continued their battle to assist the homeless in Milton. Adult education, a vibrant Sunday School, the Shawl Ministry, a new Music Director, the return of the Extended Communion Table and many, many other programmes show that even as we wait, St. Paul's continues to evolve as a caring and committed congregation. Waiting is hard and you have to be faithful to wait. But those who faithfully wait are rewarded. Moses led his people out of Egypt. Noah stepped on dry land again. Christ came and rose again. And St. Paul's will emerge from this long season of waiting as a strong and dynamic congregation that will welcome, serve and transform our community and the wider world. Please be faithful with the rest of our congregation as we wait together.

Kathy Sellers

St. Paul's United Church- Trustee Board

Income Statement

Year ending December 31, 2009

Income:

Bank interest	494.84
Investment Interest Income	5,276.25
Crozier Estate Income	19,310.56
Memorial Donations	2,325.00
Rental Income	13,200.00
Total Income	40,606.65

Expense

Reconciliation Discrepancies	.06
Building Repairs	2,133.88
Rental Property	3,151.51
Elevator License	412.50
Safety Deposit Box	42.00
Crozier Estate To Council	19,310.56
Forgive loan	<u>30,000.00</u>
Total Expense	55,048.51
Net Income	-14,241.71

St. Paul's United Church – Trustee Board

Balance Sheet
December 31st, 2009

Operating

Assets:

Bank	116,017	*1
GST	0	
Less Due to Capital Funds	<u>31,227</u>	*2
	84,790	

Surplus:

Balance beginning of year	30,963	*3
Deficit 2009	(14,442)	
Balance end of year	16,521	

Capital

Assets and Investments:

Rental Property	245,750	
Loan to Council	0	*4
GIC's sale of manse	372,967	*5
Due from operating	<u>31,227</u>	
	649,944	

Deficiency:

Balance at beginning of year	676,139	
Deficit	(26,195)	*6
Balance at end of year	649,944	

Notes:

- *1 Bank of Montreal and ING
- *2 Peacock bequest
- *3 Retained earnings from 2008
- *4 Loan to Council was forgiven
- *5 Interest is paid to Council for housing allowance
- *6 Forgiveness of loan, change in Due to Capital (2008 = 25,544); change in property valuation for house

W. LORNE BROWNE BURSARY FUND

After the tragic death of St. Paul's minister, the Rev. W. Lorne Brown in a road accident in the late 1970's, an "In Memoriam" fund was established on February 19, 1979. This fund is now known as "The Lorne Browne Bursary Fund" and is administered by a Subcommittee of Trustees pursuant to policies last revised and approved on November 18, 2008.

The interest earned on the capital amount held in the fund is used to award one or more bursaries each year of not less than \$500 and not more than \$1,000 to a student entering training or in training for the Ministry of the United Church of Canada. Consideration will first be given to applicants sponsored by St. Paul's, followed by applicants sponsored by Cedar Park United Church, Point Claire, Quebec and St. James, Islington (being charges served by The Rev. Brown before coming to minister at St. Paul's).

There is currently about \$14,500 in the capital fund which is invested. On account of the currently low rate of interest being earned, there was an insufficient amount in the interest/income fund to permit the payment of a bursary in 2010. We estimate that there will be over \$1,000 in the income fund by the end of 2010, to allow us to award a \$1,000 bursary in 2011.

During 2010, the Subcommittee will focus on seeking contributions to the capital account of the Bursary Fund in order to generate more income in the future from which bursaries may be awarded. Cedar Park and St. James, Islington United Churches will be invited to contribute to this fund in memory of one of their former ministers and will be informed of their eligibility to be considered for scholarships in the future. The Subcommittee will also promote awareness at St. Paul's in order to solicit contributions to the fund from local members and adherents.

Anyone wishing to make a contribution to the bursary fund this year should contact the members of the Subcommittee, Carol Hyde or Theo Wolder.

Theo Wolder and Carol Hyde

Lorne Brown Bursary

December 31, 2009

Operating:

Assets

Bank 2,066.81

Capital

GIC 13,076.41

Notes: 2009 Donations were \$200.

Separate GIC purchased for Lorne Brown incorporating interest earned in 2009

Communications Action Team Report

Herald Newsletter: Ten issues of our Herald Newsletter were published in 2009, the 21st year since its inception in 1989. Marlene Grimwood and Carol Hyde co-edited the 2009 editions, with the ongoing support of Lorna Turner. Grant Rushton continues to provide excellent photography on a regular basis, with several other capable assistants as needed. We continue to hold monthly meetings with the editors and major contributors, in attempts to keep the content interesting and helpful. Janis Young continues to do the graphic lay-out and design. Lorna oversees all activity and acts as liason with the printing company Colour Works. Brenda Jorgenson-Low is our advertising co-ordinator, and St. Paul's Family of Business and Professional people who advertise on our back page contribute significantly to the cost of this production. The cost of this advertisement remains at \$175.00. We are grateful for this support and encourage anyone wanting to advertise to contact Brenda. Finally, a large team of volunteers meet regularly to collate and organize their distribution. We still have a vacancy for a circulation manager. Our routes continue to be expanded into the new areas of town, with approximately 50 couriers delivering St. Paul's news around Milton.

Coming Events Brochure: Three times per year, St. Paul's membership is provided with a calendar of events for the coming months at St. Paul's. This publication has become very valuable in highlighting special worship services, educational events, Church School themes, and many special events. Cindy Allin continues to gather the information and produce these brochures. They are distributed in the Herald, and are available in the office and at the Welcome Centre display.

Website: The website continues to be enhanced with current information and photos of activities taking place in and around St. Paul's, with a concerted effort being made to keep this site current and to highlight new events. Please check it out at www.stpaulsmilton.org.

Sound System: This component of our services has now been transitioned to a newly created Technical Support Team which now manages all of the technologies involved in weekly services. They are currently looking for volunteers.

Signage: Our committee membership continues to rotate through a schedule for the weekly changing of the outdoor sign message, informing all of upcoming services or activities. We were fortunate to have two new volunteers come forward this year to join in this chore. While a new outdoor sign has been approved in principle by Council, this has been put on hold pending the long term plan for St. Paul's.

Library: Our Lorne Brown Resource Centre remains open and active, found at the entrance of our Fellowship Room on the second level. Bob Osser continues to serve as our librarian. Everyone is encouraged to visit and make use of the large scope of valuable material held here.

Photo Directory: New families to St. Paul's, or families that missed the Directory photos taken in '07, had an additional opportunity to have their photograph taken by Grant Rushton. New staff have also been invited to be photographed. Cindy has been editing and updating our congregational list, inclusive with emails, so this will be available soon on line or may be printed. A digital image file of each family is being held at the church, and we anticipate offering further photography sessions for newcomers to our congregation, allowing us to update and reprint/revise the directory regularly rather than reproducing an entire new directory every five years.

Annual Report: As the calendar year comes to an end each year, our committee focuses on producing St. Paul's Annual Report. Cindy gathers this data from all committees and groups, and Craig Hughes organizes, and co-ordinates the production of this report. The committee works to assist with the final product, and it is made available at or before the Annual meeting. Look for it as a new addition to our website this year.

Champion advertising: We continue to budget for and oversee the weekly advertisements found in our local Champion newspaper. The cost per ad increased in the fall. Committee members also worked to create a submission this year for our inclusion in the "Places of Worship" guide for 2009. We also assisted the Worship Team with an Easter advertisement in the Champion, choosing a Wonder Café poster creation.

Milton Area Christian Churches Working Together: Lorna Turner continues to very capably represent St. Paul's, and acts as Secretary on this community committee. Our Action Team provides St. Paul's financial support.

Respectfully submitted.

Suzanne Watts

Fellowship Events Team Report

The fellowship Events Team continues its goal of promoting fun and fellowship at the social events for the congregation of St. Paul's as well as raising money for the church.

The following events took place during the 2009-year.

January

- o Card-A-Rama a fun evening for bridge and euchre enthusiasts
- o Pot Luck Lunch Graham Hall
- o Women of Note Concert

February

- o Valentine Dance-Graham Hall
- o The AGM meeting & pot luck lunch
- o Welsh Male Chorus - Sanctuary

May

- o Liberty Quartet Concert

June

- o Farewell Concert Women of Note

July

- o Golf Tournament

September

- o Fashion Show & Luncheon

October

- o Card-a-Rama

November

- o Gala Dinner, Dance & Auction
- o Turkey Supper

December

- o Christmas Food Fair

Scheduled events planned for 2010:

January:

- o Saturday 23rd Card-A-Rama

February:

- o Saturday 20th Voices of Showtime Concert

March:

- o Saturday 13th Appreciation Dance with Don Singular & his Memory Lane Orchestra

April:

- o Saturday 17th A Cappella Singers

August:

- o Saturday 28th 9th Annual Golf Tournament at Carlisle Golf & Country Club

September:

- o Saturday 11th Liberty Quartet Concert

October:

- o Saturday 16th Doug Barr Children's show Afternoon performance

November:

- o Thursday 18th Annual Turkey Supper

December:

- o Saturday 4th Annual Christmas Fair

If anyone has any suggestions for any other fund raising activities that they would like to see, feel free to submit their suggestions to anyone on the Fellowship team. We look forward to hearing your ideas!

Thank you for your assistance in helping to make all our events so successful. The Fellowship Events Team gratefully appreciates your efforts!

Organizing events for St. Paul's with assistance from people such as you makes it all worthwhile.

Anyone wishing to join this fun work team please contact any of the following people: Doug Dryden, Kathy Sellers, Iva Everett, Jack White, Harvey Shoemaker, Doug Kocher or Sylvia Duckett-Smith, who will give you all the information you would like to know.

Iva Everett—Secretary

Fellowship Events Team

2009

Cash Flow Report

CATEGORIES	INFLOWS	OUTFLOWS	NET
AAW Sign Income	\$1,968.00	\$3,690.00	-\$1,722.00
Burlington Welsh Choir	\$1,445.00	\$894.76	\$550.24
Card-A-Rama	\$1,147.11	\$565.54	\$581.57
Choir CD's	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$20.00
Dorland-Haight(cards&paintings)	\$2,481.00	\$2,374.05	\$106.95
Fashion Show	\$3,559.51	\$971.85	\$2,587.66
Gala Dinner Auction	\$31,159.56	\$18,178.80	\$12,980.76
Golf Tournament	\$9,810.00	\$3,480.72	\$6,329.28
Liberty Quartet	\$1,445.00	\$3,075.37	-\$1,630.37
Misc Income	\$7,395.56	\$7,325.25	\$70.31
Quilting Group	\$1,473.54	\$200.00	\$1,273.54
Sign Rental	\$1,343.82	\$1,914.44	-\$570.62
Turkey Supper	\$5,705.75	\$2,106.06	\$3,599.69
Valentine Dance	\$620.00	\$281.38	\$338.62
Women Of Note	\$4,539.00	\$2,667.80	\$1,871.20
Christmas Fair	\$2,149.75	\$1,251.35	\$898.40
Uncategorized	\$45.23	\$503.63	-\$458.40
TOTAL	\$76,307.83	\$49,481.00	\$26,826.83
Bank Charges		\$559.13	
Credit Card Charges		\$195.01	
GST		\$827.57	
Transfer To Church General Account		\$24,000.00	
TOTAL	\$76,307.83	\$75,062.71	\$1,245.12
FET Office Float	\$50.00		
FET Float	\$75.00		
Year end balance	\$4,045.73		
Total	\$4,170.73		

Submitted by Doug Dryden--Chairman Fellowship Events Team

Finance Action Team Report

During the year our new software system, Church Watch, was integrated with our accounting system, QuickBooks. Church Watch records our givings and we appreciate in particular the efforts of Julia Picotte and Judy Chartrand in implementing this system. We are also grateful for the ongoing work of Doug Dryden and Judy Chartrand towards automating our annual charitable tax receipts system using Church Watch.

As will be seen from the weekly bulletins we are in need of more volunteers for our count teams. This is a very important part of our church activities. More help spreads not only the work load but it also allows us to maintain internal control over our income so that no single individual at any one time is responsible for handling weekly givings. Students can get credit for their volunteer hours by participating in this activity. Mike Bedard has been in charge of count teams for many years and we thank him for his continuing dedication.

The Review Engagement for 2008 was completed by Melissa Coulson, our “auditor”, in the summer of 2009. Melissa’s recommendations for improvements were less numerous than in the previous year which illustrates the progress being made in our Finance area.

Following an intensive review of our payments covering the years 2007 and 2008 we were able to recover PST of \$2400 and GST of \$1150.

In connection with our plans for the re-development of our building, Cash Projections were issued in the spring covering the years up to 2015. These were used not only for our own internal purposes but also as part of our proposals to Presbytery.

During the year our co-Treasurers Julia Picotte and Richard DeLeon tendered their resignations. We thank them for their contribution to St. Paul’s. Eddie Hales took over as Treasurer in October 2009. Thanks also go to Bob Walker for steering the Finance Action Committee during the past few years and for his valuable contribution which is much appreciated. Bob continues as a member of our Committee. Finally, thanks to Werner Anders for preparation of our 2010 Budget.

Eddie Hales, Chair

Membership Action Team Report

The past year has been another rewarding year for volunteers that serve on the Membership Team. The Welcome Table continues to be supported each week by two volunteers on a rotational basis, the Seekers course continues to be offered twice a year, the ASK course is offered annually and the Baptism team was again very busy handling the number of requests for Baptism. During the year 23 children were baptized, 7 young people were confirmed, 1 adult was baptized, and 16 people joined or rejoined St. Paul’s through Transfer, Reaffirmation or Profession of Faith.

We welcomed to St. Paul's in 2009, the following new members:

Joyce Anderson	Peter Anderson	Melissa Benham	Tasha Brunner
Rachel Brunner	Joanne Collins	Stuart Creasor	Erin Gaspardy
Ian Graham	Joy Graham	Sarah Grupp	Alison Hewton
Sue McCutcheon	Yvonne Morris	David Patterson	Julia Picotte
Tim Picotte	Nicole Schau	Betty Smith	Marian Tackie
Alex Taylor	Carol Taylor	Irene Tosio	Carol Williams

As with all of our Action Teams, new volunteers are always welcome to assist with Welcoming, Transforming and Serving. The Baptism Team is presently in need of one or two people to help with the monthly baptisms, the ASK Team need new volunteers and new people are always needed to assist with greeting, the welcome table and coffee preparation.

Judy Chartrand, Chair

Roll Clerk Report

Membership at December 31, 2008

Resident Members	603
Non Resident Members	107

Increase to Roll by

Reinstatements	
Certificates	3
ReAffirmation	8
Profession of Faith	10
Adult Baptism	3
From Historic	0

Removed By

Transfer	2
Death	5
To Non Resident	8
To Historic	15

Membership at December 31, 2009

Resident Members	574
Non-Resident Members	97

Activity During Year

Baptisms	26
Funerals	40
Marriages	21

Students now show in the Non Resident Numbers

Judy Chartrand, Roll Clerk

Jan-10

Meditative Prayer Report

Meditative Prayer is an ancient form of contemplative prayer rooted in the Gospels and the early Christian monastic tradition. The St. Paul's Meditative Prayer Groups are guided by resources offered through The World Community for Christian Meditation (www.wccm.org). Meditation helps people of all ages and cultures to find a simple, practical and meaningful way to awaken and deepen their spiritual life.

The Meditative Prayer group at St. Paul's is strong and vital. First formed in 2005, approximately 10-15 people have participated during 2009 with a core group of eight to ten gathering weekly on Monday evenings throughout the year.

The Meditative Prayer group meets on Monday at 7:30 pm at a member's home under the leadership of Lorna Turner, Ann Sault and Janice Linke. For two weeks in October, introductory sessions were held in the sanctuary at St. Paul's to welcome any newcomers who were interested. Newcomers are always welcome, no matter when or where we are meeting.

If you would like more information, please contact Lorna Turner (905-878-8903, lorna@turnerfamily.ca) or Ann Sault (905-878-1286, asault@sympatico.ca).

Memorials Committee Report

There were 67 memorial donations made in 2009.

A laptop computer, IN MEMORY OF STEVEN ANDERSON, was donated by his parents PETER and JOYCE ANDERSON.

The wireless microphones, IN MEMORY OF HARRIS BUTSON, were donated by his daughter SUSAN BUTSON.

Carol Kerr, Memorials Committee

Mission and Outreach Action Team Report

The Mission and Outreach team continued a keen focus on the provision of an Out of the Cold initiative to support those most in need in our Milton community. Substantial dialogue with multiple parties enhanced our detailed understanding of the challenges and benefits such programs can bring.

The increasing support from within and outside Milton included guidance from the Etobicoke Out of the Cold program and Halton Region Task force. An open forum was held with attendance by local churches, Halton Housing and All Saints Anglican Church in Etobicoke which boosted support of the local steering committee. Local challenges with the town council bylaws disappointingly meant that a proposal for funding from Halton Housing could not proceed. As an alternative, The Fifth Wheel was approached as a possible motel Ministry with support from Carol Willems- Payne, a social worker currently overseeing motel ministry for the Salvation Army and the Region of Halton. The location proved to be not appropriate because of inadequate electrical wiring to support cooking etc. Locally, the Deck and other Churches were approached to house an out of the

cold program with no success. Currently, discussions are ongoing with a transitional housing facility in Oakville, John Gregory continues to update his blog on homelessness and Milton Christian Churches Working Together is receptive to ongoing discussions.

The ‘Mission of the Month’ continued with articles in the Herald, information tables in Graham Hall following Church services, two mission service Sundays and presentations by ‘Bridging the Gap’ and Maplehurst correctional facility. Wesley Urban Ministries was well supported by the congregation both at the June barbeque and the No Cost Christmas store in December. A successful garage sale in August allowed the committee to finance support for additional local and world organizations.

The webpages were revised at the beginning of 2010.

The 2009 budget is in two parts- \$9,600 from the Crozier estate for local initiatives and \$4,500 for other beneficiaries.

Contributions

Locally- Benevolent fund, Salvation Army, Hope Place, Recovery House, Satellite ministry and Maplehurst-books donated.

Non-local Food Grains, Wesley Urban Ministries, Leprosy, Mission, Foreign mission support, Micro Credit Loan, Doctors without Borders and World Vision

Members: Mary Almey, Tracey Antaya, Jane Baynton, Audrey Cairns, Val Dransfield, Irene Gilbert, John Gregory, Jane Hayward, Brenda Hicks, John Hough, Ruth Parkinson, Bob Walker.

Ruth Parkinson, Chairperson

Nursery Report

The St. Paul’s Nursery cared for approximately 2–8 children each Sunday during 2009. The children range in age from birth to three years old.

The nursery is staffed exclusively by volunteers, who in 2009 included: Bev Wright, Carol Taylor, Carrie Wentzell, Debbie Taylor, Diana Ward, Jackie Carter-Myles, Janine Theben, Jean Lillie, Jennifer Stojanovski, Kaitlyn Gilham, Kaitlyn Myles, Karen Gordon, Karen Lauriston, Kathy Sellers, Lorna Turner, Monica Low, Sarah Grupp, Sherry de Leon, Susan Grupp, and Vicki Thomson. (Our apologies to any volunteer inadvertently missed from this list.)

The nursery is typically staffed from 10:15 until 11:45 each Sunday from January to June and September to December. The nursery was not staffed through July and August but was available to parents. At least two adult volunteers are in the nursery each Sunday, and we often have the assistance of teen helpers and the children thoroughly enjoy the company of our teen helpers.

Nursery volunteers are always needed, and we will gratefully accept as much (or as little) time as you have to give and work around your personal schedule. If you can offer your time to this vital ministry to our young families, please email: nursery@stpaulsmilton.org or call Lorna Turner 905-878-8903.

Lorna Turner, Nursery Coordinator

Property Action Team Report

St. Paul's is a large and aging facility and property issues continually arise. The lack of a Property Committee makes coordinating upkeep of our building difficult.

In late January, 2009, three large coping stones fell from the south gable of the sanctuary and were repaired by Roof Tile Management at a cost of \$4817.00.

In February, 2009, the annual lift inspection revealed unacceptable levels of water under the lift. The sump pump was replaced and the lift cavity was cleaned up.

Energy efficient lighting was installed in Graham Hall in May, 2009 with grant assistance from Milton Hydro. This lighting will reduce our electricity costs.

In December, 2009, the Christian Education Centre was broken into and vandalized. New doors were installed on the ministers' offices and an improved locking system was put on the main office. Repairs were also made to the Main Street doors to the Christian Education Building and the window locks in Graham Hall.

The Trustees arranged for Bob Peterman, the engineer who did the Building Condition Assessment Report in 2006, to perform an updated inspection. He noted several structural issues requiring immediate repair including an unstable south chimney, some wobbly masonry and coping stones and loose roof tiles. In February, 2010, Roof Tile Management placed strapping on the chimney to stabilize it and performed other repairs. The cost of this work was \$4,612.50.

The lift continues to require frequent repairs - some due to the less-than-the-state-of-the-art equipment and technology and some due to misuse. Council investigated options to reduce our lift expenses but learned that an annual maintenance contract is not available and that upgrades are prohibitively expensive. Bills for lift repairs to February, 2010 amounted to \$10,441.55.

I would like to thank the people who have assisted me with property matters. Doug Lafrance, our custodian, does a lot of minor maintenance and deals with repair people and tradesmen. I thank him for treating our facility as if it were his own. Cindy Allin also deals with day to day property matters in her usual efficient manner. Several men have also helped me with repair projects including Larry Schuyler, Ron Break, Geza Gaspardy and David Wentzell. If I have forgotten anyone, please know that I appreciate your assistance.

As always, anybody who wishes to step forward to join the Property Committee would be most welcome.

Kathy Sellers, Acting Chair of Property

Prayer Shawl Ministry Report

Four people met in the Fellowship Room April 2009 to determine if there was interest in beginning a prayer shawl ministry at St. Paul's. Shawls are knit or crocheted and given to individuals who are undergoing major changes in their lives. Some of the shawls are knit by individuals and others are knit by many people for a specific person. Nearly 40 people were involved in creating the 22 shawls given out by the group in 2009. Some of the shawls were given to individuals at St. Paul's and others were given to people connected to members of the shawl ministry.

Jill Merk

Spirituality Group Report

We meet on Wednesday's in the Fellowship room. Last year we met at 12.30 and have now changed to noon this year. Last year we read and discussed:

- * "Open the Door" by Joyce Rupp
- * "Can you drink the cup?" by Henri J. M Nouwen
- * "Faith in my Neighbour" World religions in Canada

We also used guided meditations and journaling.

We try to choose books and discussions that do not require people to be there every week, and if a week or so is missed the discussion still flows for everyone.

We continue to pray and support one another and names brought forward by the group. We are a small group of seven and welcome anyone who would like to share this lunch hour with us as we journey towards a deeper personal relationship with God.

Jackie Jones

Stewardship Action Team Report

In 2006 when St. Paul's wanted to call a second minister, Halton Presbytery gave us a reality check. We were told that our offerings and other revenues were too low to permit us to add another minister. At that time, after discussions with Presbytery, we were allowed to go ahead with the call on the condition that an annual Stewardship Campaign be held and the congregation agreed to help to make the campaigns a success. Stewardship campaigns have been run for the past three years. The emphasis of each campaign has been threefold - give your time, your talents and your treasures to St. Paul's. However, the culture of making a commitment to our church is difficult to instil. The Stewardship Committee notes that the number of commitment pledges is dropping when there had been expectations that over the 3 years, the number would increase. This makes prudent planning and budgeting increasingly difficult.

This year's four week Stewardship campaign focused on the theme of Stepping up for St. Paul's. Werner Anders spoke the first week to give an overview of the campaign. Mabel Coulson talked about giving your Time to St. Paul's by attending church and being a visible part of our church family. Keith Marnoch spoke about donating your Treasures and Barb McFarlane discussed giving your Talents, whatever they may be.

The campaign results for the past three years are as follows:

	2007	2008	2009
Forms Sent out	456	407	413
Estimate of Givings Returned	138 (30%)	120 (29%)	99 (24%)
# Who Increased Local Offering	66	63	29
# Who Kept Local Offering the Same	55	53	58
# Who Decreased Local Offering	0	0	11
# Who Increased Mission & Service	Not Available (NA)	29	8
# Who Kept M&S the Same	N/A	38	37
# of New PAR Givers	N/A	7	6

As you can see, we are experiencing a slow but steady decline in responses to the annual Stewardship appeal and the Stewardship Committee is at a loss to explain why.

I would like to thank the members of the Stewardship Committee, Werner Anders, Doug Dryden, Susan Grupp and Harvey Shoemaker for their dedication in presenting this year's campaign.

Kathy Sellers, Stewardship Chair

Sunday School Report

Our St. Paul's KIDS Program has had another terrific year. Our preschool (3-4 year olds) and elementary (5-10 year olds) programs run most Sundays from 10:30-11:30am during church time. Here are some of the highlights for 2009:

- A good time was had by all on our Family Fun Day in February, where families participated in an afternoon of tobogganing at Lowville Park, followed by a potluck and games back at the church.
- We also hosted a Family Hike Day in May at Hilton Falls, where we enjoyed a walk through nature and time together.
- Lynn Shire helped to lead us on another exciting VBC adventure in August. Teaching the Lord's Prayer while on Safari was a fun way to spend our mornings for a week, and the kids LOVED it!
- In October, the children collected canned goods for the Salvation Army, and in December, we sold over 100 cookies during our church bake sale. Proceeds from the sale were sent to Wesley Urban Ministries to help families in need. Also during December, the children collected pennies for World Vision and ended up raising nearly \$200.00. With help from the UCW and a friendly anonymous donor, we managed to send in \$1000 to World Vision. Way to go kids!!
- The year finished off with a bang as we presented our Sunday School Christmas Pageant on December 6th. The preschool group sang two Christmas songs, and the elementary group reminded us of the true meaning of Christmas with their re-enactment of the Christmas Story.

Thank you to all the wonderful parents who devote their time and energy to making this children's ministry work. A special thank you to Kim Wenger, Lesley Fraser, Lynn Shire, and Jennifer Stojanovski. We are always happy to see new faces - come out and join us anytime!

Leslie Fraser

St. Paul's Singles Report

The Singles group meets on the second Sunday of each month for lunch.

At present we have 19 members.

This year's activities included a Thirteenth Anniversary Luncheon in January. Birthdays are celebrated each month. A Barbeque was held in July.

A Bus Trip to see the Famous People Players in Toronto was enjoyed by all.

A cheese sale was sponsored in November and the proceeds of \$665.50 were given to St. Paul's General Fund.

A mini silent auction was held to raise funds for donation to our Benevolent Fund and to the Milton Music Teachers Association to honour Judy Hunter.

Gift Baskets were made and sold at the Bazaar in December with the proceeds going to St. Paul's.

On December 12th, twenty-two people enjoyed a lovely Christmas Dinner and Party.

All singles are welcome.

Eileen Bailey

Technology and Support Action Team Report

This group was formed in late November 2009 in an effort to consolidate all of St. Paul's technical matters under one roof. Previously, technical items like computers, sound systems, and visual systems were under the responsibility of individual action groups with no central co-ordination, nor central budget.

The new team encompasses the existing projection and sound teams and will recruit additional skilled personnel to support our existing systems and co-ordinate our future needs.

The plans for 2010 include revamping the operating software and the office software on our existing computers, plus looking into an additional ministerial laptop and a new desktop for the outer office. Improvements to the sound system planned for 2010 include better monitors in the choir area and new rear speakers.

Anyone with interest in these areas are encouraged to contact Don Mahony at 905 875-0010.

Don Mahony, Chair, Technology and Support Team

Worship Action Team Report

First impressions from three recent visitors attending services at St. Pauls: "This place is a hive of activity." "There is a real sense of community. Very friendly!" "There is a lot going on here. The bulletin boards are amazing!"

We extend God's love, as exemplified by Jesus Christ to our families, our neighbours, our community of Milton, and the global community. The Worship Action Team is committed to providing a variety of worship experiences that enable our diverse congregation to further their Christian relationship with God. Many helping hands serve and lovingly share their time and talents. With grateful hearts the Worship Team thanks those who participate in our services: our Ushers; Greeters; Welcoming Teams; Offering Collectors; Flower & Decorating Teams; Scripture Readers; Bulletin Folders; Count Teams; those who prepare and serve Communion elements; Projection and Sound Teams; St. Paul's Senior Choir, Musicians and Worship Band; Cindy & helpers who prepare bulletins; Cindy & Staff for powerpoint presentations; Youth Drama Teams; Sunday School Leaders; Sunday Drivers; the Staff of St. Paul's and Coffee makers!

A few Memorable Services & People from 2009:

- Sun Jan 18 - Elaine Beattie's last Sunday
- Sun Feb 1 - Emerging Spirit Sunday - Welcoming Rev. Sarah Fanning
- Sun Feb 22 - Iona Worship Sunday with Carol Hyde
- Sun Mar 8 - Covenanting Service for Rev. Sarah Fanning
- Sat Mar 28 - An Evening of Contemporary Worship
- Sun Mar 29 - Emerging Spirit Sunday. Celebration of the Life of Jesus through (various mediums)
- Fri Apr 10 - Good Friday St. Paul's Senior Choir, with Music Director Judy Hunter
- Sun Apr 12 - Easter Celebrations and Communion: Two great services 10:30 pm.
In the Sanctuary with Judy Hunter, Dawn Brodie & St. Paul's Senior Choir. A celebration for
Young Families in Graham Hall with the St. Paul's Worship Band
- Sat Apr 18 - Evening Celebration of Rob Croezen's Music

Sun May 24 - Camping Sun. A Celebration of our Youth Ministries-Cam Fraser
July & Aug - Summer worship with Rev Howard Sullivan and the people of Knox Presbyterian Church
Sun Oct 4-Stewarship Sun -Rev. Gaylyn Mclean
Sun Oct 25 - Anniversary Sun - Rev. Elaine Longland
Sun Nov 1 - Mission and Outreach Sunday - Rev. Pete Hoyle
Sun Nov 8 - Remembrance Day Services: Rev John Benham; Rev Sarah Fanning
Mon Dec 21 - Service of Light and Hope -Rev Sarah Fanning; Interim Music Director Jane Wamsley; Ione Cox, Joanne Collins, Liz Wilson
Thurs Dec 24 - Christmas Eve Services:
5 pm: Worship for Young Families - Cam Fraser, St. Paul's Youth Band
6:30 pm: Lessons & Carols - Rev Sarah Fanning; Interim Music Director Jane Wamsley; Genny Rushton; Keryll Brown; Mallory Bryson; St. Paul's Brass Band; Nicolette Parant on flute.
10:30 pm: Carols & Communion - Rev John Benham; Jane Wamsley; St. Paul's Senior Choir & Dawn Brodie.

WAT meeting highlights from 2009:

1. The WAT coordinated a congregational team to attend the UCC "Living the Hope" conference and workshops held at Eden United Church, Mississauga on Feb 20 and 21. Living the Hope was an Emerging Spirit opportunity for congregational teams to probe deeply into re-imagining Sunday morning, making community connections and exploring the leadership issues of a vital ministry of hospitality. It was gratifying to note 10 people from St. Paul's attended.

2. In cooperation with the Communications Action Team, the WAT recommended to Council that the projection team sub-committee coordinated by Don Mahony & the sound team sub-committee coordinated by Bob Osser be combined to form one Technical Services Action Team. Hardware budget items related to electrical technical equipment used for sound; audio/ visual & information technology projection are now overseen by Don Mahony.

3. We were saddened by the decision of our much loved and long time Music Director Judy Hunter to retire from the Music Ministry at St. Paul's. In May, 2009 the WAT in cooperation with M & P selected a Joint Search Committee and team leader to search for a new Music Director. We are thankful for the leadership and organizational skills of Sue Butson. After five months of meetings, interviews, auditions, and negotiations a candidate was selected in late December. We gratefully acknowledge the expertise and teamwork of Sue Butson, Laura Jeffrey, Ron Break, Imesia Ewan, Deb Taylor and Liz Wilson. We look forward to working with our new Music Director Don Cassano early in the New Year.

4. The members of the WAT at the time of this report:

Joanne Collins	Sue Butson	Sharon Pyle
Mona Hummel	Judy Chartrand	Liz Wilson
Cam Fraser	Rev John Benham	Rev Sarah Fanning

In the Fall of 2009 to the End of April 2010 it was unanimously decided that extra precautions should be taken during flu season in order to help reduce the possibility of an H1N1 flu pandemic. Specific concerns regarding Greeting and Communion were relayed to Council. As a result the following procedures were accepted:

Greeting - no handshaking, no passing-of-the-peace and to let our smiles be our welcome.

Communion: There will be no intinction offered; silver tongs are being used by the Ministers to hand out bread into worshipper's cupped hands; disposable cups are being used for the wine elements and an empty tray is being used to collect used cups.

“Most people walk in and out of your life but only friends leave footprints in your heart.”author unknown.

Respectfully submitted by,

Liz Wilson, WAT chair

Satellite Ministry (the Annex) Report

In the winter of 2009 people began talking about Satellite Ministry. Rev. Peter Hoyle from Halton Presbytery, the Vision Task Force, the Contemporary Worship Planning group and church staff began asking how we could connect with the new residents of Milton. A small group of people took this idea, and began crafting it into a plan for Satellite Ministry.

In May 2009 the idea was presented to council and it was decided that St. Paul's would move forward in September creating a Satellite Ministry - a secondary worshipping space connected to 123 Main, intentionally located in New Milton.

Planners met with representatives from Halton Presbytery and received enthusiastic support. We were able to receive funding both through the National Church Common Fund (alloted through Hamilton Conference) and from the Halton Presbytery Contingency fund; a special grant to purchase new technology.

In September of 2009 we began our task. The name **The Annex** was chosen as it encapsulates our underlying hope to create space for worship. We launched a website at the address www.theannexmilton.ca that has become a focal point for the ministry.

Our first worship gathering was held on Sunday, October 3 on the patio of Cafe Deda in the Hawthorne Village neighbourhood. Since it was world wide Communion Sunday we held a communion service under the tree on the patio. Attendees drank coffee, sang songs and discussed the morning's Scripture reading - it was a great time. Sunday services were held indoors in the same plaza on November 7 and December 5.

Tuesday Night services were held indoors at Cafe Deda as well. These services involved music, video and book studies. Leading up to Advent we were challenged to reconsider the story of Christmas and how personally celebrate as we participated in **the Advent Conspiracy**.

The Annex will continue to make space for new ways of worship into 2010. Come and check it out.

Funding for 2009

National Church Common Fund	5,000
Halton Presbytery Contingency Fund	5,000
St. Paul's Growth Fund	2,000
St. Paul's Trustees Crozier Estate	2,000
St. Paul's Special Fundraising	1,000
Satellite Ministry Offerings	1,000

Cam Fraser (St. Paul's Staff Associate)

United Church Women Report

Monthly meeting attendance averaged 21. Program speakers included Jim Dills who spoke on the Scotch Block project, Ruth Parkinson who told us of her Mission Trip to Honduras and Rev. Sarah Fanning who speech was entitled "Getting to know you". Carol Hyde talked to us about the "Iona Monastery" where Carol spent a year in charge of the Housekeeping. Nancy Benham was also a guest speaker, her topic being "Life as the wife of a Minister". We had two pot luck meetings: one held at the Church in June, and the second one was held in the home of Murray and Carol Wilson, our Christmas Meeting.

For our Spring Tea our guest speaker was Carol Hyde. She gave a talk and slide presentation of her time spent on the Isle of Iona in Scotland.

This year we held a "Bakeless" Bake sale, which was very successful. Because of health concerns we were advised we wouldn't be able to hold a Bake sale at the Market, hence the bakeless sale.

Throughout the year we catered for several funeral lunches. We made cole slaw for the Annual Turkey Dinner and baked pies for the event. Mincemeat was made for the Food Fair, but we did not make meat pies this year because of the Health concerns of the Town in this regard.

All women of the congregation are welcome to join with us on the second Tuesday of each month in the Fellowship Room at 7.30 pm for a time of fun and fellowship.

Nancy Sutherland
Secretary

Diana Ward
President

UCW Annual Report for 2009

Balance on hand January 1, 2009 **\$1,387.20**

Receipts

Food Fair	\$1,767.64
Catering	\$900.00
Funeral Teas	\$2,150.00
Unit Offering	\$1,290.00
Spring Tea	\$1,031.00
Bake Sale	\$903.00
UCW Presbyterial Annual Meeting	\$180.00
Donations	\$87.00

Total Receipts \$8,308.64

Disbursements

St. Paul's Church	\$3,000.00
St. Paul's Groups	\$150.00
Catering	\$92.56
Funeral Teas	\$469.38
Congregational	\$368.81
UCW	\$116.48
Food Fair	\$584.35
Kitchen Fund	\$405.00
Spring Tea	\$343.32
UCW Presbyterial Retreat	\$180.00

Donations

Mission and Service	\$1,436.00
Five Oaks	\$300.00
Sleeping Children Around the World	\$210.00
World Vision	\$50.00

Total Disbursements and Donations \$7,705.90

Balance on hand December 31, 2009 **\$1,989.94**



Vision Task Force Report

2009 marked a very busy year as the newly appointed Vision Task Force (VTF) worked faithfully to fulfill its directive from Church Council. During this period, the VTF completed its mandate to: discern a collective vision of St. Paul's family of faith; articulate that vision in a form that would motivate our attitudes, behaviours and actions; communicate this to the congregation and the community at large; and create a vehicle to use that as a filter into the future.

After examining all of the earlier vision, mission, and focus statements and all of the recent surveys (JNAC, LRP, etc.), significant time was devoted to looking for repeated themes. We found that the congregation consistently communicated the same desired directions. However, we decided we needed to look at the foundations of our faith as well, examining the great commission and the two great commandments given by Jesus. Finally, we listed all of the activities currently occurring at St. Paul's, new initiatives and proposed initiatives. These activities too fell into one or more of the dominant themes that you had articulated. Three dominant 'commissions' or 'pillars' emerged from this cross referencing to create the following vision statement for St. Paul's:

We wish to be a **Welcoming**, **Transforming**, and **Serving** community of faith, carrying the message of God's divine love into the community and the world in the Spirit of Jesus.

The first 'pillar' challenges us not only to be **welcoming** within the walls of St. Paul's but to carry our welcome out to the new residents of Milton. The second 'pillar' challenges us to provide varied worship experiences and educational opportunities that enable our diverse congregation to further their Christian relationship with God. As a result of participating in these programs we are 'changed' people, a 'transformed' people, reflecting God's divine love through Jesus 'living' in us as we journey through our daily lives. The third 'pillar' challenges us to be a serving congregation; a people of action, looking outward instead of inward, extending God's love to our families, our neighbours, our community of Milton, and the global community. We value the opportunity to be good stewards who use our financial, human, and environmental resources, wisely. We are to be a people known for Christian action.

The emerging vision was widely communicated to the congregation throughout 2009. It was marked by a momentous event in our history as St. Paul's Council and Trustees approved the wording of the vision and the graphic, above.

There is great energy in this vision that you have professed for our family of faith at St. Paul's! Its relevance to Church life is already being realized by Action Teams launching successful new initiatives complementary to it. It is a bold vision which will continue to build upon our rich heritage for a bright future. May God continue to guide us as we strive to be faithful to the commission we have been given!

Respectfully Submitted,

**Mavis O'Neil (Chair), Judy Henderson, Mona Hummel, Keith Marnoch, Sharon Pyle,
Lorna Turner, Jack White**

Building Task Force Report

The Building Task Force began its work on October 21, 2009. This team replaced the former Development Task Force which had completed its work of preparing the Letter of Intent, which was signed with our development partners. The new Building Task Force was named to reflect the dual purposes of creating a building, but also 'building' the future St. Paul's. The members of the Task Force included co-chairs Don Mahony and Carol Hyde, Andrew Kocher, Ron Break, David Wentzell, Paula Patterson, Nicolette Parant, and Bob Walker. John Benham, Pat Parant and Geza Gaspardy are associate members. The group has met ten times since its inception, three times with its development partners.

The Task Force met with Stephen Baker and representatives of Parallel Realty and the Mady Corporation in November to discuss next steps in moving the renewal project forward. Kathy Sellers, Carol Hyde and Don Mahony attended the Milton intensification meeting November 4 to better understand the implications for our site. This phase is one of exploration by all parties as to the feasibility of the project.

At the December 3, 2009 meeting it was learned that the Mady Corporation had withdrawn from the team and had been replaced by ProjectCore, who has had extensive experience with heritage restorations in the entertainment sector and has already completed a church/condo project in Toronto. Due to the change in developers, extra time was needed to complete new pro forma information and conceptual drawings for the committee to view. This report was initially due in mid-January 2010.

In the interim, the committee completed due diligence searches on all the partners except for the new developer. The results have all been favourable. The team also visited a Life Lease project in Georgetown to get a better understanding of the issues in managing a life lease facility.

The Building Task Force co-chairs met with the Town planners to bring them up to date on the progress of the development so they are able to respond to the growing interest in this project. A meeting with the Life Lease partners has been postponed until after the conceptual drawings are completed and presented to the task force.

On February 2 the regular team members and a number of associate members met with our partners, and their architect, and were presented with their vision of our future building. There was a plan view and a view from Main Street for us to review. The general feeling of the task force was very positive. A lengthy discussion was held with the architect on the reasons for certain elements of the design. The need for a revised letter of intent to include ProjectCore was also requested at the meeting, which has since been completed.

To fill the position of co-chair after the departure of Carol Hyde, Gaylyn McLean has stepped forward and agreed to fill the position on a temporary basis until a permanent solution can be found.

The future plan will be for the task force to accept the conceptual drawings then present them to the Council and Trustees for their approval. It is the Task Force's objective to make the approved conceptual drawings available for congregational comment immediately thereafter. At an appropriate time, small cluster groups will be formed to provide the Task Force with the congregation's views on more specific building functions such as kitchen configuration, incorporation of memorial items, music requirements, Sunday school accommodation, etc.

The Task Force has made presentations to the congregation on Dec. 13 and Feb. 14 and has had regular updates in the Herald to explain the process to date and to thank the congregation for its patience as we all work through this exciting, but also complex and necessary process.

Don Mahony

ST PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH, MILTON

2009 ANNUAL REPORT

INCOME STATEMENT
(EXCLUDING TRUSTEES)

	<u>2008</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>2009</u> <u>BUDGET</u>	<u>2009</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>2010</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
INCOME				
Givings - Local	\$253,740	\$264,000	\$247,483	\$255,000
- Loose	11,099	16,000	8,480	10,000
- Facility Improvement	16,935	17,000	16,642	18,000
- Presbytery Assessment	6,359	6,000	5,442	6,500
Mission & Service	41,470	42,000	42,136	43,000
Funding from Trustees - Housing Allowance	14,834	15,000	14,310	14,235
- Crozier	19,311	19,300	19,310	19,300
Fellowship Events	41,171	64,000	76,208	37,000
Satellite Ministry	-	-	13,357	19,000
Church Rentals	42,906	24,220	38,370	33,000
UCW and other Groups	13,809	-	3,603	3,000
Memorial and Other Donations	3,990	3,100	1,592	1,500
Miscellaneous Income	1,634	1,000	4,166	4,000
	<u>467,258</u>	<u>471,620</u>	<u>491,099</u>	<u>463,535</u>
Less M&S	-41,470	-42,000	-42,136	-43,000
TOTAL NET INCOME	<u>\$425,788</u>	<u>\$429,620</u>	<u>\$448,963</u>	<u>\$420,535</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Salaries and Benefits	\$206,721	\$242,108	\$256,367	\$238,081
Establishment Costs - Heat and Electricity	20,166	20,000	23,567	21,500
- Janitorial incl. Supplies	31,267	30,000	31,691	33,100
- Maintenance & Repairs	16,607	25,799	20,126	21,955
Administration	18,005	18,916	14,845	19,594
Satellite Ministry	-	-	16,251	23,000
Presbytery Assessment	12,063	13,053	10,906	12,935
Groups - Fellowship Events	28,486	38,000	59,531	17,000
- Christian Development	2,670	3,418	712	1,000
- Worship	2,939	2,470	4,025	2,570
- Communications	3,412	3,475	1,929	3,400
- Outreach	14,986	14,000	8,409	10,000
- Finance	3,075	3,000	3,190	3,075
- Other Groups	3,388	8,235	5,500	9,620
Technology	-	-	-	7,800
Miscellaneous Expenses	28,549	7,146	6,230	3,040
	<u>392,334</u>	<u>429,620</u>	<u>463,279</u>	<u>427,670</u>
Extraordinary Expenses - Task Forces	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$392,334</u>	<u>\$429,620</u>	<u>\$463,279</u>	<u>\$427,670</u>
SURPLUS / (SHORTFALL)	<u>\$33,454</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$14,316)</u>	<u>(\$7,135)</u>

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SUMMARY BALANCE SHEET
(EXCLUDING TRUSTEES)

	<u>December 31, 2008</u>	<u>December 31, 2009</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Bank - operating accounts	\$24,553	\$16,420
Capital Fund - bank	24,257	45,062
- GICs	70,931	50,666
GST Recoverable	3,702	3,949
Property	3,241,780	3,241,780
Furniture & Fixtures	36,702	36,702
Computer Equipment	<u>7,835</u>	<u>7,835</u>
	<u>\$3,409,760</u>	<u>\$3,402,414</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Accounts Payable	\$8,820	\$7,400
M & S Payable	8,156	7,440
Prepaid Mission Support Grant	9,434	9,434
Due to Trustees	30,000	-
Provision for Satellite Ministry	<u>-</u>	<u>9,106</u>
	<u>\$56,410</u>	<u>\$33,380</u>
<u>NET EQUITY</u>	<u>\$3,353,350</u>	<u>\$3,369,034</u>

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Ministers

The Rev. John Benham The Rev. Sarah Fanning
Cam Fraser (lay minister)

Director of Music

Judy Hunter (retired September 2009), Jane Wamsley (September to December 2009)

Church Administrator

Cindy Allin

Chairperson of Church Council

Kathy Sellers

Vice-Chairpersons of Church Council

Sue Butson and Heather Shoemaker

Church Treasurer

Julia Picotte, Richard de Leon, Eddie Hales

Council Secretary

Gretchen Greene O'Brien

Council Directors

Bob Walker	Susan Grupp
Debora Harrold	Werner Anders
Joan Woodall	Liz Wilson
Rebecca Givens	Don Meads
Dave Hamilton	Bob Osser
Don Mahony	
Carol Hyde (trustees rep.)	Judy Chartrand (presbytery rep.)

Additional Responsibilities

Board of Trustees – Rev. John Benham, Rev. Sarah Fanning
Christian Development – vacant
Communications – Suzanne Watts
Fellowship Events Team – Doug Dryden
Finance – Bob Walker/Eddie Hales
Membership – Judy Chartrand
Memorials – Carol Kerr
Ministry & Personnel – Debora Harrold
Mission & Outreach – Ruth Parkinson
Pastoral Care – vacant
Presbytery Representatives – Gretchen Greene O'Brien, Ruth Parkinson, Judy Chartrand
Property – Kathy Sellers (acting)
Stewardship – Werner Anders, Harvey Shoemaker, Susan Grupp
Doug Dryden, Kathy Sellers
Worship Liz Wilson
UCW – Diana Ward