

St. Paul's United Church of Canada
 Leadership Team Meeting
 May 15, 2013

- Call to Order** Melissa Fiest called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm in Knox United Church in North Portal, SK.
- Attendance** Melissa Fiest, Linda Holden, Rob Andrist, Marilyn McCutcheon, Kaye Hemus, Don Kindopp, Pastor Brenna Nickel.
- Regrets: Astrid Friesen, Cheryl Deren, Charlie Stade
- Agenda** **Motion: Robert Andrist/Linda Holden**
 The agenda be approved as amended. CARRIED
 See Appendix A, page 5.
- Essential Ministries – Check-in** **Mission** – open at this time.
Property – Rob Andrist: took the letter in regards to the Day of Caring from the Estevan United Way. We will ask for volunteers to clean up yard and move furniture around in Room 201.
Sunday School – Linda Holden: Fun Day Picnic and bowling on June 9th, 2013
Pastoral Care – Kaye Hemus: a 30 minute information meeting around Health Care Directives will be held June 23rd, 2013 after church service. See Appendix C, page 7.
Worship – Pastor Brenna Nickel
 See Appendix B, page 6.
- Treasurer's Report** **Motion: Don Kindopp/Rob Andrist**
 The Treasurer's report be accepted as circulated. CARRIED.
 See Appendix D, page 8.
- Presbytery Report** A summary of the April 13th, 2013 Twin Valleys Presbytery was circulated.
 See Appendix E, page 9.

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Old Business

Estevan & Area Literacy
 Group

Motion: Rob Andrist/Linda Holden

That St. Paul's United Church extend an invitation to the Estevan & Area Literacy Group to use our facilities for their office. CARRIED

Motion: Linda Holden/Rob Andrist

The office of the Estevan & Area Literacy Group be the current youth room (Room 201). CARRIED

Marilyn McCutcheon declared a conflict of interest in the matter and declined to vote.

There was discussion around the Estevan & Area Literacy Group having tenant insurance. Discussion held around janitorial issues. Discussion around the Estevan & Area Literacy Group occupancy to have a neutral cost to St. Paul's United Church.

Farewell Tea for Eric &
 Erna Pullam

To be held Sunday, March 26, 2-4 pm at St. Paul's Christian Education Centre Auditorium.

Brenna working on worship.

Marilyn McCutcheon, Kaye Hemus and Linda Holden's House Group will provide cookies.

Kaye Hemus to ask Paul to set up tables.

Marilyn McCutcheon will provide a guest book and flowers.

Music Ministry - Sharon
 Elliot

Motion: Marilyn McCutcheon/Linda Holden

St. Paul's United Church hire Sharon Elliot for music ministry from May 26, 2013 to December 31, 2013,

That the Ministry Committee sign a contract with Sharon Elliot indicating a salary of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per month; Sharon to be involved in worship two (2) Sundays a month. CARRIED.

Auditorium Sale

Kaye Hemus reported that some parishioners feel strongly about the auditorium sale.

Brenna spoke of having a different fundraiser.

Suggestion to try a fundraising Interest Group in the Fall of 2013.

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New Business

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| Baptism Policy | <p>Motion: Marilyn McCutcheon/Rob Andrist
 St. Paul's adopt the new Baptism policy as presented by Pastor Brenna Nickel. CARRIED
 (This policy will be distributed sparingly by paper and posted on St. Paul's website by Pastor Brenna Nickel.</p> |
| Baptism – May 26, 2013 | <p>Names presented for baptism:
 Isla Tribiger (Melanie Butler)
 Avery Talsma (Jennifer Kuchinka)</p> |
| Baptism – June 16, 2013 | <p>Names presented for baptism:
 Rylee Stewart (Sponsor required)
 Morgan Raye Hirsch (Nikki Hirsch)
 Aaliyah Dukart (Robin Quantrill)
 John Wesley David Jones</p> |
| Worship – June 30, 2013
– led by Sharon Elliot | <p>Sharon Elliot has been invited to lead our worship service. Fees for pulpit supply and mileage to be paid.</p> |
| Goal Setting for
Essential Ministries | <p>To be brought forward at the next Leadership Team meeting.</p> |
| Congregational Meetings | <p>A discussion was held in regards to the calling of a Congregational Meeting and the purpose of such meetings.</p> |
| Nursery | <p>Signs have put up asking users to clean up after themselves.</p> |
| Stage Drapery | <p>To be discussed at next Leadership Team meeting. Rob Andrist will bring information on the stage drapery to the meeting.</p> |

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Correspondence

United Way Day of Care Rob Andrist will organize.

Smile Services Community Services
 Rob Andrist will contact Smile Services and
 organize.

New United Church
 Manual Several years ago the General Council embarked on
 a journey to simplify procedures and make the
 church more "user-friendly."
 As a part of this process, the by-laws portion of The
 Manual has been re-written from top to bottom.
 The new Manual comes into effect on August 1, and
 a webinar has been designed to let you know what
 differences you can expect to find.

Monday, June 10 8:00 pm – 9:30 pm

or

Wednesday, June 12 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

or

Thursday, June 20 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Adjournment

Motion: Rob Andrist/Linda Holden

The meeting be adjourned. CARRIED
 9:16 pm.

Melissa Fiest, Chair

Marilyn McCutcheon, Secretary

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Appendix A – Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Devotion
3. Approval of the Agenda, Reports, and Previous Minutes
4. Essential Ministry Categories- check in.
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Presbytery Report
7. Old Business:
 - a. Estevan Area Literacy Group
 - b. Farewell Tea for Eric & Erna Pullam
 - c. Hiring Sharon Elliot as Music Minister
 - d. Clarification Comments by K. Hemus re: Viability of Auditorium Sale
8. New Business:
 - a. Baptism – Review Updated Policy & Names and Info of those being baptized
 - b. Worship for June 30
 - c. Continue Goal Setting for Essential Ministries
 - d. Discussion on Congregational Meetings
9. Correspondence
10. Other
11. Adjournment

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Appendix B – Minister's Report

This past month has been a big interpersonal one for me, focusing on meetings and communication within the church. I've done several home visits – including newer members/adherents as well as our more experienced members. I spoke via phone and email to 8 families interested in baptism. Classes are scheduled for May 16 and June 6. Additionally, Kaye and I brought communion to both the nursing home, and Creighton Lodge, and I led a communion service at Hillview Manor as usual.

In terms of mission, leading up to our congregational meeting, I had several conversations with those involved with music in the church as well as Kathryn Robertson at the Estevan Area Literacy Group. I also met with Pastor Stewart from Trinity Lutheran to discuss the possibility of combining our youth programs and planning a second trip to Hope Village in Minot this year.

We had one funeral this month for our friend, Lawrence Rieder. It was my privilege to work with his family on planning the service.

In terms of “extra-curriculars”, I attended the Twin Valleys Presbytery meeting in Langbank in April, as well as the Ministerial meeting in Estevan this week. I'm working on a sub-committee of the ministerial to plan a city-wide “Back to Church” event for the fall to encourage those seeking a church home to try out one of our congregations.

I've started meeting with my cohort for the Destination Greenbelt Pilgrimage in August. Our group is from all over the country, which is really interesting and exciting.

Coming up in May and June, we have several special Sundays as well as Conference, obviously. I am planning to go to a worship workshop in Saskatoon in June, as well.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenna

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Appendix C – Pastoral Care Report

April 11, 2013 – assisted Pastor Brenna with Communion at Creighton Lodge

April 11, 2013 – took part with Brenna and four other congregants in Skype Interview re: Comprehensive Review of the United Church.

April 13, 2013 – attended Worship Service at Knox U.C. in North Portal. Delivered Prayer shawls to two people there – one-bereavement/ one-post surgery.

April 18, 2013 – Shirley Andrist and I did services at ERNH and Long Term Care; took fresh tulips to give to all at the services, and Brenna did the same during Hillview Manor Service. This gesture was well received.

April 18, 2013 – have one new person helping with hospital visiting- Betty Baniulis.

April 18, 2013 – attended St. Joseph's Hospital Memorial Service for those who died June to December 2012; we had Sam Dzuba, Ida Harris and Ron Galloway.

April 25, 2013 – assisted Brenna with Communion for three U.C. ladies at ERNH.

April 29, 2013 – completed Stewardship Survey for UCC

May 2, 2013 – assisted with Communion at Creighton Lodge for three UC members.

During the past month, have sent e-mail Well Wishes to four folks in Regina General Hospital.

May, 2013 – did one one-year bereavement visit.

Now deliver eight “full script” Church bulletins to PC clients; this number varies from time to time-eg-if we have someone in hospital at St. Joseph's.

Just a personal note; while I deal with sadness, loneliness and different degrees of loss quite a bit, the pay-off for me is the quiet phone call at home to say “Thanks. You listened to me.”

May 12, 2013- Mothers' Day carnations to 15 PC clients-not ERNH, LTC or HM.

May 14, 2013 – took one or two seniors to UCW Luncheon at Knox U.C.

Future Plans:

June 23, 2013 – Presentation by Co-ordinator of Palliative Care re: Health Care Directives and Power-of-Attorney in Sask. Subs/lunch available in the Narthex stat after Church Service. Presentation approximately 1/2 hr. plus any questions.

Currently reading Listening for the Heartbeat of God by Philip J. Newell.

Respectfully submitted,

Kaye Hemus , PCW

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Appendix D – Treasurer's Report

(a) **Financial Report** (April 30, 2013)

General Fund

Income:

Received Givings	54,301.18
Other Income	4,921.64
Benevolent Fund	47.97

59,270.79

Expenses:

Administration	2,443.77
Children & Youth	144.58
Congregation Life	1,295.44
M&P	42,596.85
Outreach	9,580.55
Property	10,756.03
Pastoral Charge	7,852.54
Benevolent Expenditure	47.97

74,717.73

Surplus (Deficit)

(15,446.94)

Balance Sheet

Capital Investment:	34,724.69
Trust Funds	164,238.14
General Fund	<u>17,815.25</u>
Total Assets	216,778.08

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Appendix E – Presbytery Report

Twin Valleys Presbytery Notes: April 13, 2013 at Langbank United Church, Langbank

*These notes are for the use of Twin Valleys Presbytery Congregational representatives to help in making congregational reports
(Communications Committee)*

Upcoming Events

April

- 19th – used closing sale Carnduff
- 24th – covenanting service for Val Cotrell (hospital chaplain) at Lakeview United in Regina 2:00
- 25th – Frog Moon Café at Calling Lakes 7:00. Justice & Right Relations
- 25th – ‘Messy Church’ workshop in Weyburn
- 27th – rummage sale Arcola

May

- 6th – UCW Spring Rally in Kipling. \$10.00. Contact Janet Kessler (736-2330) to register. Presentation by Janet Sigurdson
- 30th – June 2. AGM in Estevan. Theme: “Gathering Spirits – Building Relationships” Guest speaker: Ovide Mercredi

June

- 3rd – Women’s Day at Calling Lakes. Clowning with “God’s Frolicking Faithfuls”.

Worship

Barbara Wilkins and “God’s Frolicking Faithfuls”, the local clown troupe, led a lively worship of song, prayer and mime. It’s important to recognize attitudes that put up “walls that divide”, but God’s love can knock them down.

Elizabeth Goodson and Mike Williams led closing worship, “Thoughts on the road to Emmaus”. A communion service concluded worship.

Video: Moderator Gary Paterson

Asking for input from local congregations to the comprehensive

review process as the United Church envisions for the years ahead.

Reports

Treasurer’s Report

Bank balance = \$5,507.59
Received 1st & 2nd quarters = \$34,167.05
Conference allocation paid = \$33,319.59

Mission & Outreach

Concern expressed over sale of low income housing in urban areas. ‘Watercan’ mission project in Africa. Rooms available for families at Wascana Rehab. “Warm Welcome” program in Estevan.

Children & Youth

‘Camp caravan’ day camps being planned throughout TVP. Respond to Ryan’s blog survey (TVP website link).

Things to note

- Attendance: 27 delegates present: 22 lay, 14 clergy, 1 visitor; 9 regrets
- Pastoral charges asked to contribute an item to the M & S Silent Auction at Conference

Celebrations

Recognition of service to TVP for those who are leaving: John & Sally Bullas, Jamie Bushell, Dianne Robinson, ?

Upcoming Presbytery Meetings

2013: Saturday, September 28

Friday & Saturday, November 15 & 16

2014: Saturday, April 5