

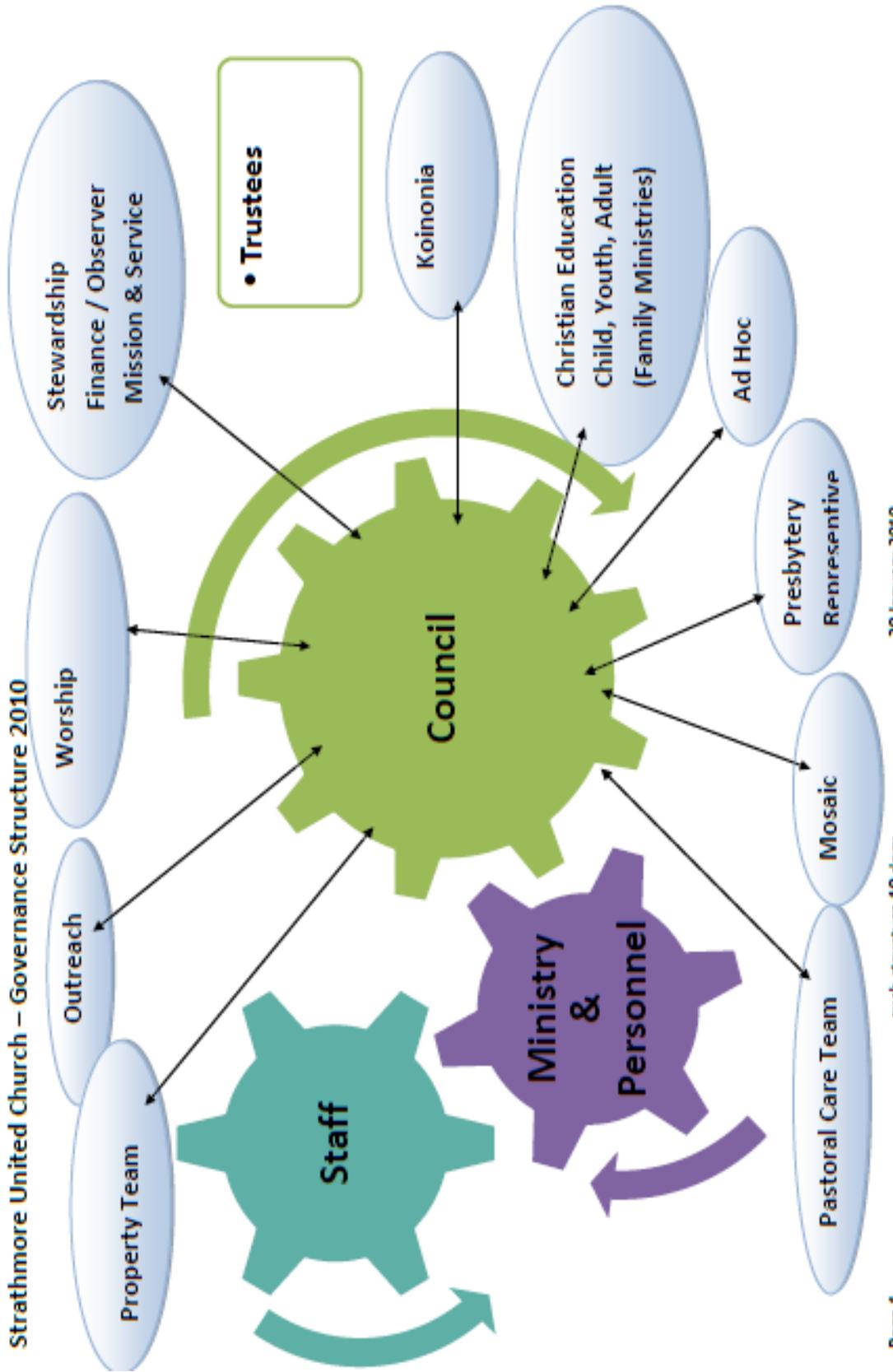
Strathmore United Church
2018 Annual Report
Presented at the Annual General Meeting
February 3, 2019



Strathmore United Church exists as a welcoming community of faith, to equip people for Christian discipleship and to support each other in our faith journeys as we go into the world to make a difference for Christ.

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Strathmore United Church – Governance Structure 2010



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Proposed Agenda

1. Lunch
2. Call to order
3. Opening prayer
4. Recognizing members & friends deceased in 2018
5. Nominate AGM Chair & Recording Secretary
6. Motion to extend voting privileges to adherents for temporal matters only
7. Approval of Agenda
8. Approval of 2018 AGM minutes
9. Business Arising
 - a.
10. Receive Reports
11. Finance
 - a. Receive Auditors Report (2017)
 - b. Receive 2018 Financial Report
 - c. Receive proposed 2019 Budgets
12. New Business:
 - a.
 - b.
13. Proposals and motions for 2019
 - a. Nominations
 - b.
14. Motion to adjourn
15. Closing prayer and hymn

Strathmore United Church AGM Minutes – February 4, 2018

Minutes for the Annual Meeting of the
Strathmore United Church
Held at 410 – 4 Street, Strathmore, Ab, T1P 1B4
February 4, 2018

1. Pot Luck Lunch
2. The meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m.
Henry Derksen, Karen Binns, Laura Janzen, Linda Stead, Beverley Hermanson, Phil Webb, Lynne Fair, Karen Wilkie, Anne Godsman, Betty Hilton, Marguerite Watson, Donald Ledene, Robert Wahl, Arlene Wahl, Susan Biskup, Doug Lewis, Jennette Lewis, Eileen McMorris, Janet Bolinger, Brad Ludlam, Charles Watson and Charlotte Watson.
3. Opening Prayer: Rev Pamela Scott led us in singing Grace.
4. Recognized members and friends deceased in 2017.
5. Nominate AGM Chair and Recording Secretary: Charles Watson nominated as Chair and Charlotte Watson as Recording Secretary. Carried
6. Motion to extend voting privileges to adherents for temporal matters only.
7. Approval of the Agenda: Lynne Fair added Rev. Pamela's Sabbatical to agenda. Betty Hilton moved as amended. Carried
8. Approval of 2017 AGM minutes: Arlene Wahl moved as presented. Carried
9. Business Arising:
10. **Reports Submitted:** Janet Bolinger moved we receive reports as presented. Carried
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11. a: Auditors Report – Page 25 – 2016 Report as submitted by Gerry Ledene. Laura Janzen moved as presented, 2nded by Laura Janzen. Carried.
b: Donald Ledene presented the Stewards Report – 2017 Financial. Karen Binns moved, Alice Bramley 2nded. Carried.
c: 2018 Budget – Linda presented Treasurer's Report Operating Budget. Linda moved as presented. Karen Wilkie 2nded. Carried.
12. New Business :
a: Sabbatical Report presented by M & P Representative Linda Derksen.
13. Proposals and Motions for 2018:

a: Nominations: Phil Webb appointed as Church Council Chair. Sharon White moved and Marguerite Watson 2nded. Carried

b: Church Representative will be appointed.

c: Lynne Fair gave thanks to Rev. Pamela for everything she does for the Church

“Pamela goes above and beyond.

d: Thanks extended to Bev Hermanson for all the hard work she does on the grounds.

14: Motion to Adjourn: Bev Hermanson made motion. Carried.

15: Closing Prayer: by Rev. Pamela

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Clergy Report

Annual Report 2018

It is with gratitude that I look back at 2018. For almost seven years now I've enjoyed the privilege of serving the church that gathers at Strathmore United. This past year I have experienced a time away for rest, refreshment and renewal. There was a little travelling: a road trip to Yellowknife and a preacher's conference in Washington DC. There was a time to reconnect with friends, those close by and those further afield. There was some major work done in my garden and there was time to catch up on some reading. All the while, you, the church, functioned as a vibrant community of faith. For this I am grateful.

The year ahead will hold some challenges. The United Church is restructuring and many of the changes will be felt at the local level. We are located in the Chinook Winds Region –a Region that is new and starting from scratch so to speak. Staff hires, office location, policies and procedures, volunteer recruitment and more all have to come together in short order.

We have yet to learn all the ways the changes in structure will affect us, but in the meantime, we will continue to live out our mission and live into our vision. We will continue to welcome people into the community, to equip people for Christian discipleship and to support each other as we go into the world to make a difference for Christ. We will continue with the familiar –Soup and a Bun, Book Club, Bible Study etcetera. We will embrace the new –Movie Nights and Meals to Go.

All the while we will be grateful for God's abundant provision as we gather to walk a Christian path in life, encouraging and supporting each other as we exercise the Gifts of the Spirit that we all possess. To God be the glory!

Grace and peace,

Rev. Pamela Scott

Clerk of Session Report

Baptisms

February 25, 2018 Madalyn Rose Hilton

Weddings

None

Funerals and Burials

May 5, 2018 Florence Mullen

Nov. 9, 2018 Blanche Arthur

We also mourn the deaths of :

Clarissa Krabsen, February 23, 2018, mother of Janet and Gwen Bolinger

The father of Anneth Aldridge, August, 2018, in Panama

Leona Stolz, August 22, 2018, mother of Charlotte Watson

New Members

None

Transfer of Membership's

April 1, 2018 Edgar Horner from Hanna United Church

Council Report

Church Council Report 2018.

Strathmore United Church Council is responsible for governing and overseeing the well being of our community of faith.

Council met once per month throughout the year except for July, August and December. While Rev. Pamela Scott was on sabbatical, Rev. Henry Friesen was able to attend and allow our meetings to continue.

Budget and finances continue to be a large part of council's role and a decision to make stewardship/ fundraising part of councils function was taken early in the year.

The process of creating new mission and vision statements was completed and voted upon by Council and will be presented at the annual meeting for discussion and approval by the congregation.

There was discussion throughout the year on the changing governance structure of the United Church of Canada. We are now part of the Chinook Winds Region, which replaces Presbytery and the Northwest conference.

Many other items were discussed, and decisions made including approval for acknowledgement of Treaty 7 Territory and use of our building for Strathmore Performing Arts Music Festival.

A reminder that council meetings are open to all on the 4th Tuesday of each month.

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Webb

Chair of Council

Ministry and Personnel Report

Lou Calloway, Linda Derksen and Jo Wilson are the M and P Team. We are happy to have Rev. Pamela back from her sabbatical with some new aspects to her preaching that we are enjoying.

The team contacted church staff, and no one has any concerns at this time.

We are still working on the revision of the Jobs and Duties Descriptions and hope to have all changes in soon.

This has not been a very busy year for the M and P Team.

Respectfully submitted

Jo Wilson

Trustees Report

In the United Church of Canada, a trustee is an individual who, along with other members of the Board of Trustees for a congregation, holds all of the property of the Congregation for the use and benefit of that Congregation. Activities of the Trustees are restricted and governed by public statute (laws), the United Church "Trust of Model Deed" (federal and provincial legislation that created the United Church of Canada), and direction of the Church Council. Adequate property and liability insurance coverage is a responsibility of the Board of Trustees.

We will be revising our list of Trustees at the AGM.
The re- issued Title for the Church has not arrived.
Hopefully more information will be available for the AGM.

Sincerely
Charles Watson (chair)

Worship Committee Report

The team is made up of Eileen McMorris, Laura Bakken, Fina Whieldon, Muriel Locking, Rebecca Brockmoeller, Muriel Locking, Allison Sanden, and Pamela Scott.

There were four meetings- March 7, May 9, August 29 and November 14 in 2018.

The Seder supper was held March 29 with approximately 30 people in attendance. Thank you to Linda Derksen for setting and decorating the tables. Pamela Scott talked about the traditional Seder supper foods and gave the meaning and prayers of the supper. Following the Seder foods and toasts, a roast beef supper was provided and served by the committee. Thank you to John and Allison Sanden and Fina Whieldon for preparing the meal and to the all the team for desserts and cleanup.

Mother's Day carnations were given on Mother's Day. Father's Day pens were given on Father's Day.

High school grads [four, of which two attended] were celebrated on June 2. In future we may contact and celebrate grads earlier in the spring, hoping they will be less busy and more likely able to attend.

A big thank you to Eileen McMorris for planning and arranging for pulpit supply. Pamela was on sabbatical and holiday leave from May until August 19. Henry Friesen led worship in May and June. Linda Ormson, Rosemary Ingraham, Norma Bell and congregation members led services in July and August. The services were all very good. We were happy to welcome Pamela back in August.

“Honoring Seniors Sunday” was held on September 30. Art and Marg Eeles were honored. We were privileged as each spoke and gave us their history of teaching school here in Strathmore, raising their family and being a wonderful part of our church and community. The service was followed by a potluck luncheon and cake to Honour All Our Seniors. Thank you to the UCW for donating the cake cost.

At the August meeting: the worship team agreed that acknowledgement that we are on Treaty 7 territory is important and should be recognized.

Also in August, Pamela inquired about the themes for the service. For several years our congregation has been following the world-wide Lectionary [based on the books of Matthew, Mark and Luke in a 3 year repeating cycle]. The committee along with Pamela decided to base the services on Core Preaching- going through the bible in one year, choosing the first 5 books of the Old Testament and the Gospels and a few others to give the core values. At Christmas, Pamela took a break from Core preaching to the Advent themes. We feel the new format of Core Preaching is being well received.

A Diversity evening [one that shows different cultures in our community] was held with the Philippine Cooking lesson and Supper on November 2. Thanks to Fina, Rebecca and Pamela for organizing and cooking. Everyone enjoyed the atmosphere and the tasty food.

God’s Blessing in the New Year.
Submitted by Allison Sanden

Buildings and Property Report

The Strathmore United Church Property Committee is responsible for providing a physical environment that promotes fellowship as well as supporting ministerial and administrative activities. The Property Committee ensures that routine maintenance and repairs are completed. In 2018, we also completed a number of larger scale repairs and improvements.

In 2018, we re-shingled the roof of the church. This project was initiated in fall 2017 when a windstorm blew a large number of shingles off the roof. Fortunately, our insurance covered the entire cost of this project. We also added a heat coil to the northeast facing section of the roof. Our hope is that this coil will help prevent the ice that builds up on the sidewalk below this section of the roof.

In 2018 we also replaced carpet in the Sanctuary. Volunteers helped us move furniture, pews and the piano so that this work could be completed.

Our elevator continues to be a challenge and proved particularly troublesome over the Summer. We are taking steps to ensure that volunteers are available during church and events to assist with running the elevator. We are also considering longer term solutions.

We are grateful to everyone who was assisted us during the year. Thank you!

Submitted by Randi Ludlum

Christian Education Reports

Christian Education at Strathmore United Church is chiefly developed through weekly Sunday School lessons. The "Feasting on the Word" Curriculum, which follows the scriptures of the weekly sermons, is followed. As our children mature, our contribution to the Sunday Services include taking a greater role, and the Christmas Pageant can be more complex. Our small group, through the guidance of their dedicated leaders, continue to show empathy and humility in their contact with the congregation.

The Christian Education Team consists of Randi & Melody Ludlam, Linda Derksen, Linda Freeman, Laura Janzen, Amy Webb, Eileen McMorris, Karen Wilkie, Donalda Ledene, Karen Binns & Pamela Scott.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Binns

KOINONIA Report

Koinonia is a group that literally runs itself, thanks to the generous and gifted group leaders and the congregation. As all the monthly leaders have returned it was felt that our yearly meeting was not needed. For anyone who doesn't know what Koinonia is, it is the recruiting of members to greet, usher, read, make coffee and serve communion. This is done by the eight leaders who spend time on the phone making sure these positions are filled. We do break for the two summer months when there is a sign-up sheet for each Sunday. If anyone feels like they would like to volunteer and are not on a group please speak to Gwen Moggey. Also, if anyone is interested in being a monthly leader we could always use more. It is a great way to meet fellow members. Thanks again to everyone.

The monthly leaders are as follows: October and February - Betty Hilton and Alice Bramley
September and March - Ellen Helfrich and Eileen McMorris
November and April - Bev Hermanson
December and May - Laura Janzen
January and June - Jo Wilson and Marian Brown

Submitted, Gwen Moggey

United Church Observer Report

I have reviewed our subscription list and made all necessary changes.

Respectfully Submitted
John Godsman.
Observer Rep.

Memorial Book Report

The Memorial Book exists to record donations given to Strathmore United Church in memory of members of the congregation as well to record Special memorial gifts given to the Church.

Respectfully Submitted
Jo Wilson.

United Church Archives

I submitted Annual Reports to the Archives Office.

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan Biskup

Pastoral Care Team Report

Members: Irene Appleyard, Jo Wilson, Anne Godsman, Wanda Hartall, Marianne Pinchbeck, Rev. Pamela Scott, Donalda Ledene, Ruth Radway, Susan Biskup, Kathy Light and Eileen McMorris

The Pastoral Care Team work together to connect with our congregation. We visit people at home or hospital, organize outings and informal social gatherings to help members of the congregation stay connected. We try share some laughter and fun as we support each other.

Cards of celebration and support, are sent out as these opportunities present themselves, on behalf of the congregation

We would like to thank: Ruth Radway, Susan Biskup, Kathy Light and Eileen McMorris who agreed to help with the extra visiting that needed to be covered this spring, in the absence of Rev. Scott while she was away on Sabbatical. Your help was greatly appreciated.

This team usually meet once a month to keep updated and to plan activities to care for our congregation. We are always looking for new ideas and people to help us do the work of this committee. If you have time and would like to work with us, please contact Donalda Ledene @ 403-934-5871

Respectfully Submitted,
Donalda Ledene
Pastoral Care Team Chair

Stewardship Report

In the spring of 2018 it was decided that the Stewardship team would no longer meet as a separate group. We decided that it was more beneficial and less repetitive to discuss and decide money matters with the whole church council present.

Members of the Council and congregation met in early January 2019 to revise the budget again this year. We went through line by line and compared the actual expense to the budgeted amount. We made a few more cuts. We hoped to set aside some money for technical supplies, the minister's sabbatical and for leadership costs. We weren't able to do this. The surplus that we had in our bank account is gone and we have to become more creative in order to meet the budget.

Last year we proposed a few options for improving our bottom line.

a) We asked if church members could increase the amount of money that they gave. We have approximately 97 people who donate to the church. Of those 97 people 39 have increased the amount they give. In fact the local fund giving is up almost \$5000. Thank you to everyone who helped make that happen.

b) If members of the congregation would organize some fundraisers then extra income could be generated. We held four fundraisers this year.

1) Movie and Dessert nights in May and November were held at the church. These nights drew smaller crowds but were well received. The desserts were provided by Charlotte Watson and were delicious. We raised \$330. We had to buy a video/dvd licensing agreement for 2018 & 2019 which cost \$188.50. This allows us to show as many movies as we want to within the year.

2) A fall supper was planned for the end of September. It consisted of ham, scalloped potatoes, salads and pies. There was a fairly good turnout for this event. The food was delicious and the leftover pies were sold. We made a profit of over \$2000.

3) Meals to Go is the name we have for the homemade meal & delivery program we tried in November. Our menu consisted of a choice of lasagna, cabbage rolls, chicken soup and apple crisp for dessert. We had an excellent response to this and made orders for 68 cabbage roll dinners, 66 lasagnas, 37 chicken soups and 45 individual sized apple crisps. All the food was purchased locally at the Co-op & Sobey's or donated. We raised over \$540. We felt that this was a worthwhile project and a good service to the community. We plan to do it four times in 2019- February, May, September & November. Order forms will be available approximately one month before preparation & delivery.

We plan to send letters of thanks again this year with the tax receipts. We have continued to see congregation members share their time, talents and treasures to make this church the great place that it is. We will also continue to provide power point presentations to show our financial progress. Our United Church financial giving program this year is called "Loving Our Neighbors". It provides us with five Sundays with complete worship and Sunday school programs emphasizing stewardship. We used these plans when Pamela was away throughout the past year. If we can provide our own pulpit supply within our congregation then we save \$220 + travel costs each time.

The Council welcomes any suggestions that lead to improvement of the financial state of our church.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Janzen

Guatemala Report

Ames is the mission project selected by us as the congregation of the Strathmore United Church. AMES (women in solidarity) is spearheaded by Rosa Escobar. The health clinic in Guatemala, which we support financially and prayerfully, trains women to become LPNs. It is an important endeavor, these women can then return to their communities often being the only health care person in their community. Many students are single mothers who work in sweat shops for low pay. Due to space commitments for classes only 30 students can be enroll for a session. The cost per student is \$451.00 US. None are able to pay the \$451.00 plus the cost of transportation and food. We had once came up with the idea of supporting a student with necessary funds but later considered that may be unfair to others who really cannot afford the costs. Rosa has not turned any one away and no student is singled out. All donations that come designated for the AMES clinic work go into the general fund for the program. However all donations are gratefully received.

Rosa is also an advocate for peace, justice, and equality for all peoples less fortunate through her tireless work with the AMES organization. It must be especially difficult for any type of peaceful life in South America at this time, and Guatemala who we support. Many are fleeing hoping for a better life-anything, they claim, has to be better than what they are leaving. However as we have read two Guatemalan children have died waiting to cross into the USA. Many more children are being separated from their family and taken far from their parents, not knowing if they will ever be reunited again.

Thank you for your prayers for Rosa, her work and her clinic. Thank you for your prayers of peace for the people and country of Guatemala. Thank you for your donations as a congregation. Thank you for supporting our "cookie Sundays". Thank you for the support of the Mary Martha Group and the UCW ladies. Thank you for all other donations-the soup and bun fund, and the recyclable change. We are extremely blessed and our goal of Christian kindness is to make a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters world wide. Thank you again.

Advent blessings and peace are greetings from Sister Marie Des Jarlais of GATE.

Respectfully we submit this report as written

Linda D. and Ellen

Legacy Gifts or Planned Giving

We are in need of a representative for this position. If you would like to volunteer please contact Susan in the office. 403-934-3025

Mission and Service Fund

We are happy to celebrate we are over our goal for M&S (Mission and Service) giving's for 2018 and I thank you all most graciously for your contributions. We will sing thanksgiving!

The Mandate Magazine is available on the display table for your perusal to get the total national picture with the happenings of M&S.

Arts on 817

Annual Report: Arts on 817

The committee members: Carolyn Steeves, Karen Wilkie, Janet Bolinger, Linda Derksen, Linda Freeman, Alice Bramley, Eileen McMorris and Donald Ledene

The **Season One Concert Series** included 3 performances:

Dec 2017- Christmas with the Heebee-Jeebee's

March 2018- Latitude 49

May 2018 – Foothills Brass

Revenue Season 1:

Ticket Sales	\$9390.00	
Cookie/water sales	<u>655.45</u>	
Total Revenue		\$10045.45

Expenses Season 1:

Total Performance expense	5675.00	
Other Expense	<u>586.27</u>	
Total Expense		<u>\$6261.18</u>
Net Income Season ONE		\$3784.27

After the completion of our first Concert Series it was deemed to be a success and a request for additional concerts was made by several concert patrons. We thank you for your support and hope you have enjoyed season one.

Season Two Concert Series includes 6 performances

Oct 2018- ReMix

Nov 2018 – Ton Beau String Quartet

Dec 2018 – Calgary Fiddlers

Feb 2019- Women of Note

Mar 2019- Arrogant Worms

May 2019 – The DearHearts

Revenue Season 2:

Ticket Sales	15,230.00	
Cookies/water sales	<u>455.25</u>	
Total Revenue to Dec 31/18		\$15,685.25

Expenses Season 2:

Total Performance Expense Fall 2018	5970.00	
Deposit expense Winter 2019	2790.00	
Other Expense	<u>663.39</u>	
Total Expense to Dec 31/18		<u>\$9,423.39</u>
Net Income to Dec 31/18		\$6,261.56

As the concert series cross the financial year end, we will continue to have revenue and expenses as we complete the SECOND CONCERT SERIES FOR THE 2018-2019

We would like to thank the Times newspaper for their support as a sponsor of the Arts on 817. We greatly appreciate all the promotional work they provide for these events. We have recently added a new partnership with “Renaissance Bakery”. They will be providing occasional intermission snacks as a way to promote their new business in the community, and they will promote our concerts at their place of business. Keep tuned for additional promotional ideas.

We greatly appreciate the support of the congregation and community as the committee attempts to provide a well-rounded selection of performers for your enjoyment. We welcome any suggestions that would improve the concert series. We are presently planning Season 3 as bookings must be made well in advance of the performance dates. As we plan, book and pay deposits for Season Three (2019-2020), we anticipate there will be some funds available to contribute to the current working budget of the church. We hope you are enjoying the performances to date and look forward to your continued attendance.

Respectfully submitted,

Donalda Ledene

Envelope Administrator Report

Envelope Administrator Report

Submitted by Karen Wilkie, Assistant Treasurer 2018

	2018	2017	2016
Number donating by envelope	59	57	59
Number donating by PAR (Pre Authorized Remittance)	30	31	30
Occasional Donations (No Envelope)	8	14	22
Total	97	102	112

Range	2018	2017	2016	2015
Over \$5001	3	6	5	3
\$4001 - \$5000	4	2	3	4
\$3001 - \$4000	5	3	4	2
\$2001 - \$3000	10	6	7	9
\$1501 - \$2000	9	13	9	7
\$1001 - \$1500	13	10	14	17
\$ 701 - \$1000	11	15	14	11
\$ 501 - \$ 700	7	13	7	13
\$ 301 - \$ 500	14	9	14	13
\$ 101 - \$ 300	14	15	16	11
\$ 1 - \$ 100	7	10	19	12
TOTAL	97	102	112	102

Includes occasional donations

Fund Totals Does not include \$18,000.00 given to Local Fund by the UCW

Category	2018	2017	2016	2015
Food Grains Bank	\$500.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$500.00
Gifts in Kind	\$5761.15	\$2781.45		
Guatemala Project	\$3,624.50	\$4,545.42	\$4,673.95	\$1,811.25
Initial Offering	\$123.00	\$160.00	\$130.00	\$100.00
Local Fund/General	\$101,510.65	\$96,213.00	\$95,466.50	\$96,390.90
M & S Fund	\$18,822.50	\$17,940.50	\$18,353.50	\$15,837.50
Memorial Fund	\$123.00	\$1,656.48	\$150.00	\$1,550.00
Observer	\$90.00	\$165.00		\$50.00
Other(Other, loose)	\$3291.25	\$2,998.10	\$6,028.11	\$8,178.39
Piano/Arts on 817	\$30.00	\$8,925.00	\$15,325.00	
Special Projects	\$115.00	\$1,185.00	All put to Guatemala	\$31.25
Sunday School	\$51.00	\$95.55	\$219.45	\$66.80
TOTAL	\$134,019.05	\$134,184.05	\$140,646.51	\$124,516.09

Treasurers Report

Strathmore United Church

December 31, 2018

	Year to Date	Budget 2018	Budget 2019
LOCAL FUND - Opening balance		18,353.91	-
Envelope Offerings	101,495.65	126,068.48	130,506.93
Loose Offering	3,286.25	4,500.00	4,500.00
United Church Observer	90.00	125.00	125.00
United Church Women	18,000.00		
Initial Offerings	123.00	125.00	125.00
Sunday School	98.75		
Photocopier	61.00		
Misc.	7,614.00	8,500.00	8,500.00
local fundraising (net)	2,598.55		
Total Local Fund	133,367.20	157,672.39	150,008.91
LOCAL FUND EXPENSES			
ALLOCATIONS			
Presbytery	4,278.35	4,270.00	4,831.00
Total Allocations	4,278.35	4,270.00	4,831.00
ADMINISTRATION			
Office and Postage	466.32	600.00	500.00
Telephone & Internet	2,073.93	2,300.00	2,300.00
Advertising	288.89	500.00	400.00
Photocopier	3,202.70	3,500.00	3,500.00
Misc.	75.32	100.00	100.00
Bank Charges	644.83	600.00	650.00
Web Development	-	500.00	-
Gst	1,674.96	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total Administration	8,426.95	9,100.00	8,450.00
PROGRAM AND LEADERSHIP			
Christian Education	201.77	500.00	500.00
Worship Team	721.21	1,000.00	800.00
Stewardship	219.38	250.00	250.00
Pastoral Care	26.13	150.00	50.00
United Church Observer	1,115.28	1,300.00	1,100.00
Leadership Development	-	500.00	-
Total Program and Leadership	2,283.77	3,700.00	2,700.00
SALARIES, HONORARIUMS AND BENEFITS			
Music Team	4,450.00	5,200.00	4,500.00
Caretaker	8,478.00	8,500.00	8,500.00
Secretary	6,570.00	6,570.00	6,570.00
Treasurer	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Assistant Treasurer	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Minister	67,243.86	66,601.68	64,372.91
Employer Expense	12,790.92	12,561.27	12,560.00
Manse phone	1,005.00	1,005.00	960.00
Pulpit Substitutes	1,045.00	1,250.00	850.00
Travel Allowance	2,194.07	1,500.00	1,200.00
Professional Development	1,393.00	1,564.44	1,415.00
	108,169.85	107,752.39	103,927.91
Property Expenses			
Insurance	6,509.00	6,600.00	6,600.00
Utilities	9,986.99	12,000.00	11,000.00
Caretaker Supplies	968.12	750.00	1,000.00
Church Maintenance	8,163.73	5,000.00	5,000.00
Carpet	208.90		
Grounds Maintenance	5,473.47	8,500.00	6,500.00
Total Property Expense	31,310.21	32,850.00	30,100.00
Total Local Fund Expense	154,469.13	157,672.39	150,008.91
NET INCOME - LOCAL FUND	(21,101.93)		

	Year to Date	Budget 2018	Budget 2019
MISSION AND SERVICE FUND	18,847.50		
Congregation	2,000.00		
United Church Women			
Income	20,847.50	18,000.00	18,000.00
Expense	20,847.50		
TOTAL	-	18,000.00	18,000.00
SPECIAL APPEALS			
Guatamala/Food Grain Bank	5,265.20	3,000.00	3,000.00
Expense	8,436.85		
TOTAL	(3,171.65)	3,000.00	3,000.00
Interest/Manse			
Fund transfer/carpet expense	1,860.26		
Expense	13,000.00		
TOTAL	(11,139.74)	-	-
Arts on 817			
Income	19,301.65		
Expense	15,796.86		
TOTAL	3,504.79	-	-
MEMORIAL			
Income	100.00		
Expense			
TOTAL	100.00	-	-
SPECIAL PROJECTS			
Income	358.00		
Expense	138.05		
TOTAL	219.95	-	-
NET INCOME	(31,588.58)	-	-
Fund Balances at December 31, 2017	Opening Balance	2018 Transactions	Closing Balance
Local Fund	18,353.91	(21,101.93)	(2,748.02)
Arts on 817	7,257.56	3,504.79	10,762.35
Special Projects	11,528.45	219.95	11,748.40
Memorial	150.00	100.00	250.00
Guatamala	3,171.65	(3,171.65)	-
Choir	879.18		879.18
Leadership Devopment	63.67		63.67
Benevolent Fund (Soup and Bun)	2,833.92	-	2,833.92
Manse	190,596.90	(11,139.74)	179,457.16

STRATHMORE UNITED CHURCH

Financial Statements

December 31, 2017

AUDITORS REPORT

To the Church Council Strathmore United Church

I have audited the balance sheet of **Strathmore United Church** as at **December 31, 2017** and the statement of operations and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the organization's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

Except as explained in the following paragraph, my examination was made in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

Qualifications in common with many charitable organizations, the **Strathmore United Church** derives part of its income from the general public in the form of donations which are not susceptible to complete audit verification. Accordingly, my verification of revenue from the source was limited to accounting for the amounts recorded in the records of the **Strathmore United Church**.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the organization as at **December 31, 2017** and the results of its operations and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.



GERRY LEONE

Strathmore, Alberta
January 3, 2019

STRATHMORE UNITED CHURCH

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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STRATHMORE UNITED CHURCH

BALANCE SHEET

	December 31	
	2017	2016
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash (Note 4)	\$ 234,835	\$ 270,692
	<u>\$ 234,835</u>	<u>\$ 270,692</u>
 LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Funds		
Special Projects	11,528	10,322
Choir Fund	879	879
Leadership Development Fund	84	84
Guatamala Fund	3,172	2,226
Benevolent Fund	2,834	2,854
Arts on 817 Fund	7,258	-
Piano Fund	-	15,325
Memorial Fund	150	9,069
Chimes	-	1,642
Local Fund	18,354	37,714
Manse Fund	190,597	190,597
	<u>234,835</u>	<u>270,692</u>
	<u>\$ 234,835</u>	<u>\$ 270,692</u>

APPROVED BY THE CHURCH COUNCIL

STRATHMORE UNITED CHURCH

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CASH FLOWS

	Year Ended December 31	
	2017	2016
REVENUE		
Local Fund		
Sunday School	\$ 149	\$ 239
Envelope offerings	95,652	95,472
Initial offerings	160	130
Loose offerings	2,948	4,331
Miscellaneous income	12,613	16,560
United Church Observer	165	0
United Church Women	18,000	17,000
	<u>129,688</u>	<u>133,732</u>
Other Income		
Benevolent Fund	0	124
Interest income	2,489	2,782
Memorial fund	1,286	150
Piano Keys	35,332	15,325
Mission and Service fund	19,941	18,301
Special appeals	5,161	4,583
Special projects income	1,355	430
Arts on 817	8741	0
	<u>74,304</u>	<u>41,694</u>
Total Receipts	<u>203,992</u>	<u>175,426</u>
EXPENSES		
Salaries, Honorarium and benefits - Schedule 1	97,730	97,722
Property - Schedule 1	34,468	33,387
Administration - Schedule 2	9,871	8,344
Program and leadership - Schedule 2	2,706	4,922
Donations and allocations - Schedule 2	4,272	4,201
	<u>149,048</u>	<u>148,576</u>
Excess (deficiency) before other items	<u>54,945</u>	<u>26,850</u>
Other Items		
Mission and Service fund	19,941	18,301
Arts on 817 Concerts	1,950	
Piano	38,490	
Special Appeals	4,216	3,344
Special Projects	149	1,497
Benevolent Fund	20	30
	<u>64,765</u>	<u>23,171</u>
NET INCOME	<u>-\$ 9,821</u>	<u>\$ 3,679</u>

STRATHMORE UNITED CHURCH

SCHEDULE OF EXPENSES

Schedule 1

Year Ended December 31

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Salaries, Honorarium, Benefits		
Assistant treasurer	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Caretaker	8,442	8,424
Employee benefits	11,795	12,724
Housing Allowance	-	15,000
Manse phone	960	660
Minister	60,798	44,175
Music Team	4,425	5,050
Professional development	1,356	1,359
Pulpit substitutes	824	1,400
Secretary	5,380	5,223
Travel allowance	1,151	1,108
Treasurer	1,600	1,600
Total Salaries, Honorarium and Benefits Expenses	<u>\$ 97,730</u>	<u>\$ 97,722</u>
Property		
Caretaker supplies	\$ 1,341	\$ 659
Grounds Maintenance	9,123	7,209
Insurance	6,509	6,067
Repairs and maintenance	8,543	11,976
Utilities	8,952	7,476
Total Property Expenses	<u>\$ 34,468</u>	<u>\$ 33,387</u>

STRATHMORE UNITED CHURCH

SCHEDULE OF EXPENSES

Schedule 2

	Year Ended December 31	
	2017	2016
Administration		
Advertising	\$ 417	\$ 778
GST	1,844	887
Interest and bank charges	658	568
Miscellaneous	248	19
Office and postage	890	467
Photocopier	3,529	3,429
Telephone	2,285	2,196
Total Administration Expense	\$ 9,871	\$ 8,344
Program and Leadership		
Christian education	\$ 421	\$ 405
Stewardship	246	209
Library Books	45	-
Pastoral Care	143	173
Leadership development	-	2,060
United Church observer	1,268	1,015
Worship supplies	584	1,060
Total Program and Leadership Expenses	\$ 2,706	\$ 4,922
Donations and Allocations		
Presbytery and Conference	\$ 4,272	\$ 4,201

STRATHMORE UNITED CHURCH

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended December 31, 2017

NOTE 1 - PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZATION

Strathmore United Church is a not for profit organization. It is a registered charity under the Income Tax Act.

NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Non property and property receipts and disbursements are recorded on a cash basis. Within the church a number of groups carry out their own fundraising and make their own disbursements. Their financial statements reflect only payments made from general funds to their groups and contributions from their groups to general funds.

The accounting policies for the statements of funds are as follows:

- Capital receipts are recorded on a cash basis
- Investments are recorded at cost, any gain or loss is recognized on disposition
- Interest and dividend income is recorded on a cash basis
- Disbursements are recorded on a cash basis

NOTE 3 - FUNDS

Local Fund - Revenue and expenses relating to program delivery and administrative activities.

Special Fund - Fund set up initially for the building addition. Presently to be used for special projects to be determined by the Council.

Memorial Fund - Funds on hand were reallocated to the Piano account as of September 2017.

Chimes Fund - with permission of the Donee funds were transferred to the piano account.

Manse Fund - 3 GIC's were opened with proceeds from the sale of the Manse. The interest earned on this fund may be used annually for operating costs. The remainder of this fund is restricted to the purchase of a new Manse.

Benevolent Fund - Proceeds of the monthly Soup and Bun lunch have been restricted for use with the Guatemala Project

Guatemala Fund - Proceeds are restricted for use with the Women in Solidarity Clinic in Guatemala City

Leadership Development Fund, Choir Fund, Piano Fund, Youth Group Fund - are restricted to use as per the Fund's name.

NOTE 4 - CASH

	2017	2016
General Account	\$ 32,931	\$ 40,217
RBC GIC	30,000	60,000
Chinook Credit Union	70,284	69,247
Chinook Credit Union Shares	207	198
GIC (Manse account)	54,820	54,633
ING Bank (Manse account)	46,592	46,397
	<u>\$ 234,835</u>	<u>\$ 270,692</u>

Strathmore United Church
Profit & Loss
January through December 2017

	<u>Jan - Dec 17</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 16</u>
Income		
4001 · Local Fund		
4002 · 1. Envelope Offerings		
4022 · Envelope = Par	42,879.00	42,474.00
4002 · 1. Envelope Offerings - Other	52,773.40	52,998.00
Total 4002 · 1. Envelope Offerings	<u>95,652.40</u>	<u>95,472.00</u>
4003 · 2. Loose Offering	2,948.10	4,331.11
4004 · 3. United Church Observer	165.00	0.00
4005 · 4. United Church Women	18,000.00	17,000.00
4007 · 6. Initial Offerings	160.00	130.00
4011 · 10. Misc.		
4500 · Local fund - stewardship fr	462.00	3,445.81
4011 · 10. Misc. - Other	12,151.40	13,114.53
Total 4011 · 10. Misc.	<u>12,613.40</u>	<u>16,560.34</u>
4150 · Sunday School	149.15	238.65
Total 4001 · Local Fund	<u>129,688.05</u>	<u>133,732.10</u>
4100 · B. Other Income (appeals)		
4006 · 5. Special Appeals		
4006.1 · World day of Prayer	0.00	0.00
4006.2 · Soup and Bun	0.00	123.70
4006.3 · Food Grains Bank	300.00	300.00
4006.4 · Guatamala Project	4,836.32	4,282.90
4006 · 5. Special Appeals - Other	25.00	0.00
Total 4006 · 5. Special Appeals	<u>5,161.32</u>	<u>4,706.60</u>
4191 · Youth Group	0.00	0.00
Total 4100 · B. Other Income (appeals)	<u>5,161.32</u>	<u>4,706.60</u>
4101 · 1. Mission & Service Fund		
4105 · 1. M&S - Congregation		
4105.1 · M&S Special	0.00	810.00
41055 · M&SPar	9,796.00	10,458.00
4105 · 1. M&S - Congregation - Other	8,144.50	5,032.50
Total 4105 · 1. M&S - Congregation	<u>17,940.50</u>	<u>16,300.50</u>
4106 · M&S - UCW	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total 4101 · 1. Mission & Service Fund	<u>19,940.50</u>	<u>18,300.50</u>
4180 · 7. Memorial Fund	1,286.48	150.00
4190 · 9. Special Projects Fund		
4185 · 8. Special Proj. Expenses	-148.61	0.00
4192 · Piano Keys	35,331.50	15,325.00
4190 · 9. Special Projects Fund - Other	1,355.00	430.00
Total 4190 · 9. Special Projects Fund	<u>36,537.89</u>	<u>15,755.00</u>
4201 · Arts on 817	8,741.05	0.00
4210 · Interest	2,488.56	2,781.91

Strathmore United Church
Profit & Loss
January through December 2017

	<u>Jan - Dec 17</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 16</u>
Total Income	203,843.85	175,426.11
Expense		
5010 · A. Donations and Allocations		
5011 · 1. Presbytery	4,272.41	4,200.54
Total 5010 · A. Donations and Allocations	4,272.41	4,200.54
5030 · B. Administration		
5031 · 1. Office and Postage	890.40	467.42
5032 · 2. Telephone	2,284.84	2,195.84
5033 · 3. Advertising	416.97	777.55
5034 · 4. Photocopier	3,529.36	3,429.33
5036 · 5. Misc.	248.04	18.95
5037 · 6. Bank Charges	657.78	567.60
5038 · 7. Gst	1,843.55	886.97
Total 5030 · B. Administration	9,870.94	8,343.66
5050 · C. Program and Leadership		
5051 · 1. Christian Education	420.66	404.70
5052 · 2. Worship Supplies	583.59	1,060.14
5053.5 · Pastoral Care	142.54	173.40
5054 · Stewardship	246.26	209.10
5055 · 4. United Church Observer	1,268.29	1,014.63
5057 · 6. Leadership Development	0.00	2,060.00
5058 · Library Books	45.00	0.00
Total 5050 · C. Program and Leadership	2,706.34	4,921.97
5100 · D. Salaries, Honorarium, Benef		
5105 · 1. Music Team	4,425.00	5,050.00
5115 · 3. Caretaker	8,442.00	8,424.40
5120 · 4. Secretary	5,380.00	5,222.50
5125 · 5. Treasurer	1,600.00	1,600.00
5130 · 6. Assistant Treasurer	1,000.00	1,000.00
5135 · 7. Minister	60,798.42	44,174.64
5145 · 9. Travel Allowance	1,150.70	1,108.05
5150 · 10. Professional Development	1,355.55	1,359.00
5155 · 11. UIC, CPP, United C. Pensio	11,794.62	12,723.83
5160 · 12. Pulpit Substitutes	824.00	1,400.00
5170 · 14. Manse phone	960.00	660.00
6561 · Housing Allowance	0.00	15,000.00
Total 5100 · D. Salaries, Honorarium, Benef	97,730.29	97,722.42
5210 · E. Property Expenses		
5165 · 13. Grounds Maintenance	9,122.64	7,208.81
5212 · 2. Insurance	6,508.98	6,067.23
5213 · 3. Utilities	8,952.32	7,476.42
5215 · 4. Caretaker Supplies	1,341.37	658.82
5216 · 5. Church Maintenance	8,542.54	11,976.05
Total 5210 · E. Property Expenses	34,467.85	33,387.33

Strathmore United Church
Profit & Loss
January through December 2017

	<u>Jan - Dec 17</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 16</u>
5305 · G. Other Expenses		
5066 · 5. Benevolent Fund	20.00	30.00
5306 · 1. Mission and Service Fund	19,940.50	18,300.50
5311 · 6. Memorial Fund	38,490.43	0.00
5312 · 5. Special Appeals	4,215.92	3,343.22
5313 · 7. Special Projects	0.00	1,497.07
5314 · 8. Arts on 817 Concert	1,950.00	0.00
Total 5305 · G. Other Expenses	<u>64,616.85</u>	<u>23,170.79</u>
Total Expense	<u>213,664.68</u>	<u>171,746.71</u>
Net Income	<u>-9,820.83</u>	<u>3,679.40</u>

Foothills Presbytery Representative Report

Annual Report: Presbytery

The last meeting of Foothills Presbytery took place at Cochrane United Church on Nov 27, 2018. Following a day conducting the final order of business of the Presbytery, a farewell service of closure was shared.

With the restricting of the church and the change from conferences and presbyteries to a regional format the New Year will bring changes in structure and connections for the church.

Foothills Presbytery connected the rural churches around the city of Calgary for many years. Going forward we will meet new congregations as we continue to do the work of our church.

Respectfully Submitted

Donalda Ledene

United Church Women

Agape Ladies Fellowship Group

Agape is a lady's fellowship group that usually meet the First Tuesday of the month from Sept to June. We are a group who, individually, have many interest and experiences. Our programs vary, depending on the creativity of the planning members, but we are always entertained and well fed. We enjoy lots of fun and laughter, share our opinions/ideas and prove to be a great bunch with whom to brainstorm new ideas. If you are looking for an evening out, please consider joining us for an Agape Evening.

If you would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact Donalda Ledene at 403-934-5871 or gledene1@telus.net for more information.

Respectfully submitted,

Donalda Ledene

Quilters Report

Thanks to all who support and encourage us. In 2018 we delivered 86 quilts. We support the Calgary Pregnancy Care centre (Strathmore), Growing Opportunities, RCMP, Victim Services, Wheatland Shelter, Mustard Seed Housing, and others when a need arises.

We gave a quilt to the Syrian family (now in Calgary) to celebrate the birth of their new baby girl.

We have welcomed new member Mary Kinsey who is eager to learn and help.

New donations of excellent quilting fabric continue to arrive, so we must keep stitching.

In spring of 2018 we hosted a Come and Go Tea and Quilt display. 62 attended.

Thanks to all who shopped and so generously donated for the Christmas crafts that we made. It helps to pay for our batting.

In November we were saddened to hear that Blanche Arthur had passed away. She was instrumental in getting this group started 13 years ago. She was an inspiration to us all. Her family made a generous donation of fabric to our group.

Submitted by Ruth Radway.

UCW Annual Report

The United Church Women have accomplished a lot in 2018, with significant help from men of our congregation, volunteers from the community, Crowfoot 4-H Club and parents, and the Spartans Football Team members. We are grateful to all of you. The Thrift Sales were very successful again this year with amazing support from our wider community. Our low prices were appreciated by our customers especially in challenging economic times. Funds raised enabled the UCW to support a wide variety of local and broader causes including our own church (see the UCW Financial Report). Close to 47% of Thrift Sale monies have gone to Church Council in support of our church. We are blessed to be able to share with so many worthy causes.

UCW purchases this year were modest, 6 new white tables, a heater and installation for the large shed and boot trays. Carpets were cleaned, kitchen supplies purchased, and a kitchen cleaning team organized. Thank you, Linda Derksen, Anne Godsman and Edna Nixon.

There was a work bee to clean marks from the tables, leading to Wahl's volunteering plastic to cover the tables for protection from crafting children!

Campers from the Mustard Seed received support as well as one of our own children.

Three funeral lunches were catered this year.

The executive for 2019 -2021 are:

Chairperson - Alice Bramley

Vice-Chairperson - Lynne Fair (a position filled after 2 years of prayer and begging, thanks Lynne!)

Secretary - Sharon White

Treasurer - Anne Godsman

Thrift Sale dates for 2019 are later than usual due to Easter and Thanksgiving falling later than usual. They are:

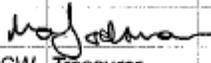
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UCW Financial Reports

UCW ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT -
S.U.C. AGM. FEBRUARY 30 2019

		INCOME	
Thrift Sales	April October	18,861.70 20992.95	39,854.65
Lunch after Funerals (3)			1105.00
Foothills Presbytry			
		TOTAL	40,959.65
		EXPENSES	
Christmas Gifts			1150.00
Mission and Service			2000.00
Church Council			18,000.00
Charitable Donations			7750.00
Thrift Sales Expenses			2351.71
Misc.Exp.			
Bank Fees			49.00
Babysitting			510.00
8 New Tables			349.79
Electrical Panel			309.75
Carpet Cleaning			315.00
Camping			870.00
Flowers & Plants, Postage, Kitchen Supplies, etc			487.47
		TOTAL	33872.72

Bank A/C Balance on December 31st.2018 13 Cheques Outstanding		17,874.22 3175.00				
	BALANCE	14,699.22				
				Respectfully Submitted		
				Anne Godsman		
				 UCW Treasurer		