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Robert McClure United Church  
2021 ANNUAL REPORT

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*Celebrating the Life, the Ministry & the People  
of Robert McClure United Church*

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## Minister's Report

Another year of the Covid-19 pandemic has come and gone. While we have still been conducting most of the church's ministry on-line, still living with face masks and 6 feet social distancing, things have shifted in the past year thanks to the availability of vaccines.

Because life was opening up in Alberta, in May, we decided to end Praying Through the Pandemic on-line prayer time. In the fall, I started seeing congregation members in-person for pastoral care.

Sadly, we said good bye to Jack Liland, one of only 2 funerals I conducted this year. Though I didn't conduct the funeral service, we also said goodbye to our friend Richard Taylor.

There were no baptisms or weddings this year.



After many years of starts and stops, we finally approved a new church logo which reflects our Affirming Ministry status.

Food Pantry continues to make a difference in the lives of many of our neighbours and I attend every Thursday to connect with people and attend to pastoral needs.



Mardi Gras 2021

Thank you, my dear congregation, for your faithfulness in the past year, I know it hasn't been easy. A special thank you to the Official Board for their faithful work during another difficult year:

Chair: Lynn Robertson

Secretary: Heather Templeton

Treasurer: Karen Dingwall

Worship: Barb Humphrey

M & P: Karen DeCarle

Chinook Winds Regional Reps: Darlene Montgomery and Barb Lough

Caring Committee: Barb Lough  
Affirming Ministry Action Committee: Linda Bossler  
UCW Rep: Jeanette McDonald  
Re-Opening Adhoc Committee: Linda Bossler

Respectfully submitted.  
Rev Kelly Osgood

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## **Official Board**

The Official Board of Robert McClure UC consists of the Chairs of various Committees, plus the Board Chair and Secretary, and the Church Treasurer. As Board Chair, my responsibilities are to prepare the agenda for each meeting, make sure we follow this agenda (to the best of our ability), and also make sure that each needed motion is passed appropriately. We meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month, except for July and December. Before the meeting, each member is asked to submit a SNAP (Summary of News And Progress) report to the secretary, who then distributes them to all members along with the Agenda for the meeting. By reading these before the meeting, we save time that can then be spent on other things, such as Check In, a Devotion and a Workshop.

When I did my report last year, I don't believe that I thought we would be in the same situation again this year. However, we are currently still having our Board meetings through Zoom, as are many of the other committees. There are some groups able to meet at the church, but only after receiving permission from the Board, and only in the sanctuary. Our Ad Hoc Re-opening Committee has been doing wonderful work at planning the arrangements necessary for everything to be safe when we do finally open all things up, especially our Worship Services. I do want to thank them all, and especially the Chair, Linda Bossler, for their hard work.

The various committees will give you the details of what they have been doing, and I want to thank all of the Chairs and members for keeping things going through these still trying times.

Although most of the Province's restrictions are being lifted, it doesn't mean that we will be having our regular services immediately. There are still many safety measures needed to be ready before that happens, but we will keep everyone up to date as to when the church will be ready for each event to happen.

In more positive news, our refugee sponsorship is now moving forward. You can read the details in the report, but please note that we still need to continue contributing to the Refugee Fund to help them.

I wish to thank the members of the Board for another good year. The Worship Committee has done a wonderful job with our online Sunday Services; Rev Kelly and other contributors have

enriched our thinking with their sermons and talks, and our Food Pantry volunteers and the Caring Committee have been working constantly to help those in need in our community. Everyone on the Board has continued their great work throughout the year, even with the restrictions still happening around us.

I hope everyone will continue praying for our church, and, whenever the time comes, meet together once again at Robert McClure.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lynn Robertson  
Board Chair

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## **Affirming Ministry Action Committee**

After the last AGM, the committee members consisted of Darlene Thompson, Barb Lough, Darlene Montgomery, Louise Omania, Kelcie Perih and Linda Bossler. Ken Thompson took a sabbatical from the committee with the intent to rejoin when meetings resumed in-person.

Throughout this past year, the committee has focused on the work to develop the Inclusive Language Guidelines. Our goal was to develop guidelines that honour all the diversity named in our Affirming Faith Statement – “celebrating and acknowledging diversity in age, health, race, economic status, ethnicity, beliefs, culture, gender identity, sexual orientation.” Our work has been informed by several resources that were identified and researched by committee members. The work to finalize the document involved joint meetings with the Worship Committee and presentations to the Board. I am delighted to announce that on November 23, 2021, the Official Board accepted and passed, as a living document, the Inclusive Language Guidelines for Robert McClure United Church. The full document can be viewed on the church website. I would like to thank the members of AMAC for all the dedicated time, energy and work that went into creating the guidelines. It was a “BIG” undertaking.

At the request of Rev. Kelly Osgood, the committee undertook to navigate all that was involved to include Robert McClure UC in the 211-information database. This is another way to let the wider community know about our affirming ministry, the food pantry, the community garden, etc. As we return to the building, more of our programs can be included.

The P.I.E (public, intentional, explicit) celebration in worship was held on March 14. AMAC and the Worship Committee worked hard to create a wonderful online worship service. Kelly Strain shared a very touching, personal testimony as part of the message that day. Louise Omania offered a very creative ‘recipe’ for Deep Dish Diversity PIE.

Working together with the Worship Committee, there was a celebration of Pride Sunday on June 6th. We had an opportunity to hear again a testimony from Sim Gilbert as part of the message – Intimately, Uniquely, Distinctly Created.

An opportunity to tune into the annual City-Wide Pride Service was offered to our congregation on September 5, 2021. The Rev. June Joplin was the guest preacher that day. June made international headlines last summer when she came out as a trans woman and was subsequently fired by her Baptist congregation in Mississauga. She currently serves as Associate Pastor of the Metropolitan Community Church of Toronto.

Through out the year there were new learnings and inspirations brought to the committee from members who attended ‘Adding Sparkle to Your Rainbow’ (webinar offered by Affirm United); Queer Virtue Lenten Series and Jumpstart Your Affirming Journey (both offered by Affirming Connections).

Respectfully Submitted by Linda Bossler (Chair)

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## **Board of Trustees**

The Board of Trustees is a committee made up of six members of Robert McClure United Church and the minister, who are responsible for the ongoing well-being of the church property, building and capital assets within.

The trustees provide the opportunity for a sober second thought regarding certain decisions, proposals or suggestions from the Official Board and any external institution which might affect the property or assets of Robert McClure United Church.

The trustees are Rev. Kelly Osgood, Barbara Humphrey, Carolyn Stuber, Jack Lough, Wayne Wonnacott, Robert Bossler and Craig Wonnacott.

Here are the items we worked on this past year.

- In last year’s report, the assessed property value was recorded as \$1.7M, - this was - incorrect, it should have been \$2.79 M. The assessed value for 2022 is \$2.910M.
- RMUC Insurance is to be renewed at \$2.0m since the Farmers Market is not likely to occur.
- The Pandemic Bridging Loan from The United Church of Canada has been extended to Dec 31, 2023 interest free
- An automatic door opener on the main entrance was installed by DeKlerk Electric in June; bathroom doors were not installed due to cost.
- Our waste removal contract was terminated with Waste Connections Canada, and new service with e360 began in July. This change in service will save the church \$400 per month (\$4800/yr). The new waste bin includes a lock to prevent unauthorized use.
- A concrete ramp was installed by contractors working for the Pineridge Apartments. There was some major work needing to be done on the Apartments’ property which necessitated the removal of the chain link fence and the raspberry plants in the

community garden. As repayment, once the work was completed and the fence replaced, they poured a new concrete ramp sidewalk at the East entrance of our building.

- As per the City of Calgary, RMUC is now responsible for an annual inspection of the fire hydrant at the south end of the property. This inspection was completed in May, at a cost of \$238.
- A security camera was installed near the front door. This was in response to an individual experiencing homelessness who was regularly sleeping in the front gardens. On some very cold nights this past winter, the individual also started fires beside one of the front pillars, causing some damage, and prompting the camera install. Since the camera was installed, the individual has not returned.

Individuals, small groups or committees may contact any trustee at any time if they have any items of concern regarding the property and/or the assets of Robert McClure United Church which they feel need to be investigated or discussed that would not normally be addressed by the Official board.

Respectfully submitted  
by Craig Wonnacott (Trustee)  
on behalf of the Board of Trustees

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## **Caring Committee**

The purpose of the Caring Committee is to provide care and connection with the McClure church family and friends.

There are subgroups under the Caring Committee umbrella, including Bridges of Love, Card Ministry, Food Pantry, Healing Heart, Healing Prayer Chair, Hospital Visiting Ministry, Prayer Chain, Prayer Shawl Ministry, Senior's Socials, and Telephone Ministry.

All of these groups have something in common: their focus is outreach from the heart into the congregation and community.

Members of the Caring Committee Team include Shirley Skulmosky, Donna Pederson, Shirley Dufour, Garth Paynter, Marilyn Shingoose, Maureen Routley, Sharon Smith, and Barb Lough (Coordinator).

### **Bridges of Love**

- In 2020 we became a part of the *Bridges of Love Society* which is a network of local churches that provides an alternate place of emergency preparedness when first responders are over-extended. This includes providing an emergency gathering place in times of disaster should the need arise.

### Card Ministry

- In 2021, 14 cards were sent/provided, including get-well, sympathy and support. This compares to 29 cards in 2020. Gratitude was often expressed for being remembered in this way.
- If you know of someone needing this support, please contact the Coordinator.

### Food Pantry

- Volunteers with the Food Pantry include Alan Barton, Mac Dingwall, Sandy Ert, , Randy Manson, Norm McDowell, Garth Paynter, Otto Sanchez, Wendy Smith, Verne Stuber, and Barb Lough (Coordinator).
- Ron MacRury, Lorna McKenzie, Joan Liland, Cynthia McTaggart and Pat Hlady also support the Food Pantry in various ways, but are not on-site on distribution day.
- We were saddened by the passing in September of long-time Food Pantry volunteer, Richard Taylor.
- The Food Pantry is open to clients on Thursdays from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. Minister Kelly Osgood provides spiritual care to clients requesting this care during food distribution time.
- We receive donations of food from organizations such as Spinz Around, Leftovers, Cobs Bread in Marda Loop, No Frills in Temple, Country Lane Chicken, Chestermere Safeway, and bread from Costco.
- As well, many people support us with gifts of groceries, pasta, beans, canned fruits and vegetables, and plastic shopping bags, and much more, for which we are so grateful.
- In 2021 we received a grant from The United Church of Canada, through Chinook Winds Region, in the amount of \$3,000.00. The grant helps cover such expenses as the \$1,200 per year fee to Spinz Around; the weekly rental of a U-Haul van used to pick up food from Spinz; latex gloves, masks, sanitizers, bread bags, produce bags, etc to assist in the operation of the Food Pantry.
- NOTE: In 2021 this small Food Pantry, and its enthusiastic and hard-working volunteers, provided food to over 9,000 people, approximately the same number as in 2020. One third (3,131) were children and 1,236 were seniors. We sincerely believe we are experiencing God's grace in action, feeding hungry people.
- The 2021 Thanksgiving Gazebo Gifts and Christmas Eve Manger Gifts were so appreciated by our clients. The Food Pantry Coordinator and Volunteers sincerely thank you. Food Pantry clients were grateful to receive many items, including hats, scarves, mitts, gloves, personal care items, treats and goodies. Your generosity helped brighten the day for people depending on us for assistance.
- We were the lucky recipient of 75 stuffed animals from the Calgary Flames organization's *Hitmen Teddy Bear Toss*. Thanks to Armand Massey who originated this idea a couple of years ago, and to Ron MacRury and Mac Dingwall who went to the Saddledome to pick them up. Our littlest clients loved the gift of a bear, or a unicorn, or a zebra, or other sweet stuffie.



### Healing Heart

- There is a group of volunteers trained in various healing energy modalities including healing touch, reiki, healing prayer, etc. We've been on a pandemic-enforced hiatus for a couple of years, but we anticipate a rejuvenated ministry as soon as we are allowed to be in each other's presence once again.

### Healing Prayer Chair

- Prior to pandemic, we provided a healing prayer chair during communion. A script was written for the members doing the praying, just in case they got stuck for words.
- Anyone needing particular and confidential prayer was encouraged to sit in a chair at the back of the sanctuary once they had received communion. They would then be anointed with healing oil if they so chose, and prayer specific to their need would be invoked. Others wanting prayer were asked to maintain confidential distance until their turn in the chair.
- There was good response to this particular ministry, and we anticipate revitalizing it when we are able to be in the building once again.

### Hospital Visitors

- Six Caring Committee members participated in a training program for hospital visitors, under Alberta Health Services. We were a pilot project for Chinook Winds Region of The United Church of Canada.
- Due to the pandemic, no hospital visiting is taking place beyond designated family members at this time.
- We wait to see how this ministry will happen once the pandemic restrictions end.

### Prayer Chain

- Members of this ministry include Margot Aftergood, Maeve Bard, Karen de Carle, Barb Humphrey, Barb Lough, Jeanette MacDonald, Kelly Osgood, Heather Templeton and Donna Pederson (Coordinator).
- The Prayer Chain is a dedicated group of 'pray-ers', who pray regularly and faithfully, prayers of concern, gratitude and healing. The prayers include those shared at the online Sunday Worship Service, the online *Praying Through the Pandemic*, and requests that are made directly to Coordinator Donna Pederson, or others in the Prayer Chain Group.
- This group spends time every week, prayerfully and selflessly, sending God's love and energy, to so many individuals. During the course of the past year, we have seen increasing numbers of folks needing and requesting this support.
- It is important to note that any prayers that come through the committee members, (apart from those spoken at Sunday Candle Prayer Time) are kept in strictest confidence. We all recognize the importance of this ministry and the comfort and peace it brings, as is often communicated to us by those we pray for.

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Our prayer shawl group did not meet in 2021 because of the Covid situation, however we did give out 14 shawls to very deserving persons.

We were able to keep up to these requests due to the generous donations of a few persons who carried on knitting and turning in their shawls. A huge thank you to these ladies. This ministry is one of love and caring for persons who are in a difficult time in their lives and need a warm hug in the form of a handmade shawl. It also provides a meaningful way for those who wish to donate their time and talent.

Hopefully we will be able to return to gathering on Monday evenings to knit together and enjoy a time of fellowship as well.

*Respectfully submitted, Carolyn Stuber (Chairperson)*

#### Senior's Socials

- This ministry held one social in 2020 before the pandemic shut down everything. We so look forward to being together again when we're able.

#### Telephone Ministry

- Members of the Caring Committee who have been trained in the arts of listening and communicating God's loving care through telephone calling include: Shirley Dufour, Garth Paynter, Donna Pederson, Shirley Skulmoski, Jeannie Trach and Barb Lough
- Calls were made to the entire congregation in February, April, June, September and November. Many people welcomed the callers during those call-outs, expressing appreciation for the contact. As well, some callers made additional calls to people on their lists whom they felt needed extra caring during these strange days.

The focus of the Caring Committee and all groups under this caring umbrella, is nurturing people in body, mind and spirit, connecting us with God and with each other in this diverse, inclusive community.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barb Lough  
Caring Committee Coordinator

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## Financial Report

Here are the financial highlights from 2021:

- 1) For the month of December we incurred a net surplus of \$1,950.69 compared to our budgeted surplus of \$7,739.60. We ended the year with a net deficit of \$(16,958.99) compared to our budget of zero. Offerings are \$(45,065) under budget, salaries are under by \$13,447 and the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy exceeded budget by \$11,748.
- 2) At December 31, 2021 we had \$17,333.92 in the bank made up of \$27,341.32 in designated funds and \$(10,007.40) in operating funds 'overdraft'. We also had \$4,865.00 in grocery gift cards on hand. By comparison at December 31, 2020 we had \$35,813.42 in the bank made up of

\$26,515.44 in designated funds and \$9,297.98 in operating funds. Operating funds decreased by \$(19,305.38) in 2021.

3) We received \$18,748.17 from the Government of Canada in Emergency Wage Subsidy.

If there are any questions or concerns or you would like more information please let me know by emailing [kddingwall@hotmail.com](mailto:kddingwall@hotmail.com) or calling 403-969-2140.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Dingwall  
Treasurer

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## Generosity Committee

*John 13: 34-35*

*“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”*

We had a Stewardship Sunday on Feb 7, 2021 with the focus on "What this Spiritual Community Means to Us"

In 2021 we held the following fundraisers and managed to contribute \$6,588 to the finances of the church:

Soup	\$355
Chocolate	\$686
Christmas & Easter lights	\$1,210
Online concert	\$380
Digital Portraits	\$1,440
Grocery gift cards	\$1,077
Pampering	\$1,017
Pizza	\$413
Skip the depot	\$10

Thank you to the congregation for supporting these fundraisers and keep your eye out for more to come in 2022.

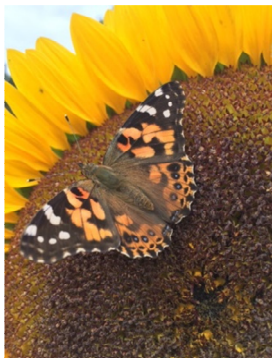
Submitted with gratitude by,  
Karen Dingwall  
Chair of Generosity

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## McClure Fellowship of Gardeners

We are one of only a few gardens in Calgary with no residency requirements – members simply provide their rental fee and ongoing volunteer hours working on common areas. The garden provides us with opportunities to connect with other gardeners and horticulturalists from our community and beyond. Check our Facebook page, click on story, for a brief history of the garden.

The 2021 season had its ups and downs:



- Covid -19 continued to determine how we could gather as a community of gardeners, however we managed meet our fellow gardeners in a safe manner.
- The fence along the north side of the garden was removed to allow the repair of the underground parking in the apartments. The gogi berries and raspberries had to be removed and dirt was piled on the beds along the fence. This meant a slow start for some gardeners who were unable to plant until after the first week of June. The contractor had promised to provide us raspberries to replace the ones that had to be moved; hopefully we will receive them this year. The gogi berries were moved to the northwest corner along the fence. Gardeners missed the berries, hoping we will have some to pick in 2023.

The Garden:

- We had 56 beds, this included the program beds rented by Trellis
- 2 round herb beds.
- 2 large beds that were used to grow potatoes, garlic, strawberries. A portion of one of the long beds rented by 2 gardeners.
- The orchard has Saskatoons, cherries, grapes, strawberries, apples, rhubarb and red currants; the fruit from the orchard was available to both garden and church members. There was a very poor harvest in 2021.

Activities:

- In person AGM was cancelled due to Covid restrictions. The AGM report and the financial report were shared on line.
- We had 27 gardeners, which included 4 new gardeners. Monthly work bees were cancelled, however we had great cooperation from gardeners the compost arrived.
- In all about 100 pounds of potatoes as well as beets, zucchini, onions and tomatoes were donated to the Food Pantry. Individual members also donated produce to the food pantry.
- Garlic was also planted in part of one of the long beds. The garlic harvest of 2021 was a bit better than in 2020. Most of garlic was used for fall planting, with a small amount was sold.

- Until we hear from last year's gardeners we are unsure how many beds will be available in 2022. For information contact Lorna McKenzie, 403-285-7725, or Joan Liland, 403-852-1108 or email <mccluregarden@gmail.com>.

Future plans:

- Hopefully we will be able to have an in person annual meeting in 2022
- Remove unproductive beds that are shaded by trees.

Donations and Volunteers:

With thanks to the following:

- Brent Barr, for his continuing work with the irrigation system.
- Jack Lough for helping to repair beds
- Garden Members, their families and friends, who volunteer to maintain the garden's common areas.
- Community volunteers.
- Devynne Wonnacott, for maintaining our Facebook page.
- Louise Omania for her work in the garden, even when she didn't have a garden bed. We wish her well as she has returned to Australia. We will miss her expertise in the garden
- Andrea Eastman for identifying our invasive weeds and removing most of them. Also for remedial planting in the potato patch beside the church.
- Brad Miller for providing a beehive for the garden.
- Lorna McKenzie, Barb Lough, Maeve Bard, Lynn Machan-Gorham, and Joan Liland, who served as the Board of Directors for the garden.

Contributions:

Thanks to the many agencies that contribute to the garden's success:

- Robert McClure United Church, for the use of the land, water, power, copying and meeting facilities.
- The Community Garden Resource Network (Calgary Horticultural Society).

Submitted by Joan Liland

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## **Ministry and Personnel**

Our team is comprised of Donna Pederson, Patricia Bears, Heather Templeton and Karen DeCarle.

M & P's purpose is to support our employees and ministry leaders. Support can take on a variety of different forms such as ensuring a safe and healthy workplace, developing or refining processes, facilitating communication, and where necessary, working to resolve conflicts.

Our team also conducts performance assessments for our employees and works with them to ensure that their day to duties align with the mission and vision of Robert McClure United Church and they are well equipped to be successful in their respective roles.

In 2021, the impact of Covid on our employees and ministry leaders has been a challenge. It has been necessary to adapt to evolving restrictions and uncertainty. Despite this, our staff have maintained the highest level of commitment, patience, and kindness to serve those in need all while setting aside their own personal worries. We are truly blessed to have such a talented group at RMUC, and it has been my, and my team's privilege to work with, encourage and support them.

One of the main focusses of M & P this past year has been to get better visibility on the job duties our staff and volunteers. This has involved collecting information, determining how the prior descriptions are aligned with the values of RMUC and specifically how they reflect our values as an Affirming Congregation. In the coming year we hope to finalize that project and also to identify additional ways we can support all those who lead others within the church.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen DeCarle Chair, Ministry & Personnel

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## **Music Ministry**

This year has been another in the church history books! Because of the Pandemic, we have been recording music every other week to be used on the live stream for Sunday morning worship.

Because of the parameters of the One License regulations, we are greatly restricted in the music choices we have available for use in the live-stream venue. This adds to our frustration at times in trying to use new material or even songs that would work better with the subject matter that is being presented by our minister on Sunday mornings. So, our planning then has limitations when it comes to the presentation of music. But we do our best in the situation.

I'm so grateful and thankful to the Quarantine Quartet for their talents and for the dedication they have had for recording these past 2 years! They have done a great job indeed. The members are Jack Lough, Sam Bossler, Gord Humphrey, and myself. Barb Humphrey also has been a great help from the Worship Committee and so has Kelly Osgood. Then we must also say a huge thank you to our Videographer, Amanda Shaw. She always puts a creative touch into the videos which we enjoy on Sunday mornings.

I hope there will be a semblance of normalcy coming very soon to our practice and performance offerings we can bring to the church congregation. We all miss our practice times very much.

Thank you to all of the musicians in the music ministry at our church!  
I feel blessed to have the opportunity to work with all of you.

Respectfully submitted by  
Beth Ann Friesen

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## **Refugee Report**

The Aslam family Naeem and Fozia and their 3 children Anika (14 years old), Micayel (9 years old), and Anayil (8 years old) have met with the United Nations Refugee Agency for their refugee interviews and their medical assessments over the last few months. They were successful in their interview and passed their assessments. It is now just a matter of waiting for the government to inform them on when they can get their documentation and an idea of when they can fly out of Thailand.

A bit about the family:

Naeem, Fozia and their family are originally from Pakistan however, due to their Christian beliefs and their involvement with a young man who asked for assistance, they were forced out of Pakistan and fled to Thailand. They are unable to return to Pakistan as the family (a very affluent family) of the young man they assisted continues to threaten them with violence as well as jail. It was once they fled to Thailand that they began looking for sponsors to help them get to Canada.

Scarboro United Church has donated \$8000.00 for the family which will be put into a trust fund that can be used once they arrive in Calgary.

Many of you have donated money, clothing, household items and furniture. The family has asked that I share with you their appreciation for all that the church has done so far and they send blessings to us all.

Our next big need is housing which at this time is difficult to set up as we do not have a set date of arrival.

With Thanks - Heather Templeton

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## **Re-Opening Ad Hoc Committee**

The committee members include Andy Armstrong, Linda Bossler, Karen DeCarle, Barb Humphrey, Barb Lough, Kelly Osgood, Garth Paynter, and Isabelle Templeton.

The committee's work has resulted in a Re-opening Plan that has 4 phases and it is considered a living document. The implementation of each phase is determined by the Board. To date, the Board has approved Phase 1 (February 23, 2021) and Phase 2 (November 23, 2021).

Phase 1 includes all the protocols as outlined by AHS and the City of Calgary. These protocols are updated as necessary. Phase 1 also includes protocols for cleaning, sanitizing, and lines of communication specific to our church setting. In Phase 1, use of the building was limited to Office, Worship recording sessions, Food Pantry and Traveling Teacups. Committees and Small Group Ministries were asked to request approval from the Board to hold in-person meetings.

Phase 2 opened up possibilities for in-person meetings with the Church Administrator and the Minister. These are to be arranged ahead of time and based on the safety and comfort of those involved. This phase also gives the Worship Committee permission to determine when it would be safe to begin in-person worship services. Everything that is in Phase 1 applies to Phase 2.

The activation of Phases 3 and 4 are yet to be determined. Phase 3 allows for Rental Congregations and Outside Groups to use the building following the same protocols as outlined for RMUC. The protocols for Phase 4 will be developed in the New Year. This will cover what needs to be in place for WonderKids and Youth Group to resume their programs in-person.

Respectfully submitted by  
Linda Bossler (Chair)

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## **Wednesday Evening Learning Circle**

The Learning Circle met via zoom for 2021. We appreciate Sam and Linda Bossler for hosting the group for most of the year. We were able to meet in the sanctuary for Advent, on Wednesdays, approved by the Board, and following all protocols for distancing, masking and ventilation.

We enjoyed an interesting DVD-based study titled *How did Jesus Become God*, led by Professor Bart Ehrman. It challenged us to study the biblical history of the journey of an itinerant preacher from Galilee to Son of God, and then God.

Our Lent Study was *Learn to Pray* which was very enjoyable and good respite from always having to think about the pandemic.

The Advent program was based on the late Marcus Borg's work *Beyond Belief* and featured his wife, Rev Marianne Borg, introducing segments titled *Centred in the Spirit*, *Meeting Jesus Again* and *Followers of The Way*.

We so appreciate being able to gather in person for this class. You are most welcome to journey with us.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barb Lough, Facilitator

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## United Church Women (UCW)

Whoever you are, just as you are, you are welcome. We study, pray and encourage each other and support local and global charities through activities. Normally we hold Side Door Gatherings in the library about once a month, but the pandemic made those gatherings not possible in 2021.

Here's a breakdown of our finances for 2021:

### Income for 2021

Pie Sales	\$1,369.00
Cookie Dough	114.00
Calendar Sales	90.00
Total Income:	\$1,573.00

### Expenses for 2021

Bank Charges	\$87.00
One License Renewal	337.00
RMUC Food Pantry gift cards/bus tickets	750.00
Calendars	98.44
Pie Supplies	541.96
UCW Christmas Party	<u>38.48</u>
Total Expenses:	\$1,852.88

### Summary

Bank Balance as of December 31, 2020	\$1,741.00
Plus: Income for 2021	\$1,573.00
Less: Expenses for 2021	<u>(\$1,852.88)</u>
Bank Balance as of December 31, 2021	<u>\$1,461.12</u>

The highlight of the year was our UCW Candlelight Service and Christmas Party on Zoom. We had 31 people join in the fun, fellowship, and worship. We first had our Candlelight service with the advent candles and ending with Silent Night lighting our own candles.

At the party, we revealed our Sunshine Friends, played the dice game (with a new spin), dressed Christmassy with hats, neck wreaths and reindeer ears (you can only see shoulders and heads on Zoom). Special package deliveries were made to each person that joined in the party. The packages included a candle, baked goodies, mandarin orange, candy cane, chocolates, napkin, special Christmas ornament and of course a wrapped gift for the famous dice game. Thanks to Barb Lough for making the baked goodies, Jeanette McDonald for organizing the candlelight service, Donna Perry for delivering the packages, and Gord Humphrey for wrapping all the dice game gifts.

As part of our mission each Christmas we donate to a charity. This year we each filled a gift bag with items such as socks, shampoo, sanitizer, hand soap, toothpaste & toothbrushes for the Food

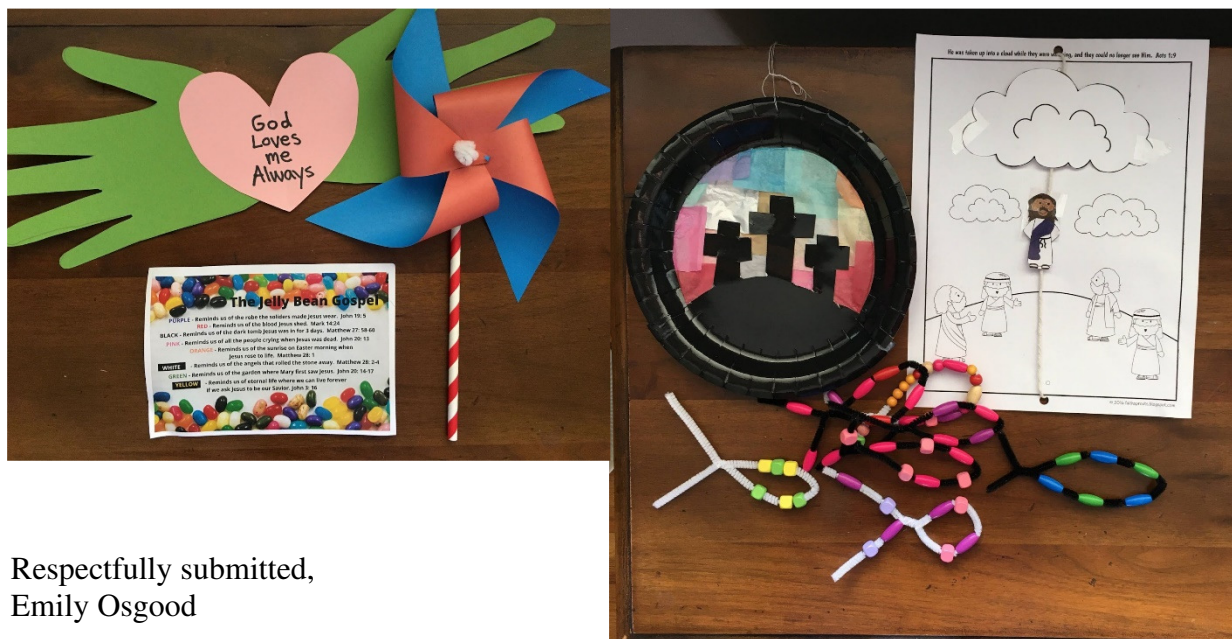
Pantry. UCW also donated funds to the Food Pantry so that necessary personal items could be purchased to be given to the clients.

A Sunshine Friend is someone you care for secretly all year with inexpensive or homemade gifts, baking, or cards. It's not the gift that matters it's the caring that happens. Contact the church office if you would like to know more about Sunshine Friends.

Submitted by,  
Barb Humphrey  
On behalf of UCW

## WonderKids

In 2021, Wonderkids met through Zoom about a dozen times. We usually began with an icebreaker activity, followed by a Bible story, body prayer, and craft. Kahoot quizzes and polls were always a favourite. The jelly bean themed lesson was also a hit. The crafts pictured include a pinwheel for the breath of the holy spirit, the jelly bean gospel, fish, a Good Friday sun catcher, and an ascension Jesus which really moved up into the clouds.



Respectfully submitted,  
Emily Osgood

## Worship Committee

2021 continued to be a year of the Covid Pandemic. Every time we thought maybe we could worship in the church building the number of Covid cases, people in the hospital and intensive care continued to increase. It's been an unbelievable time which became our new kind of "normal".

We worshipped online Facebook Live. Here's some highlights:

- We celebrated Epiphany worship on January 3 - "Arise, shine, for the Light of the World has come! Darkness covers the earth and its people, but the radiance of God's Light burns away its shadows, illuminates the smallest corner. Alleluia!"
- Also in January, while our minister Kelly Osgood was on continuing education our worship services were led by lay leaders. The first Sunday, the message was written by Barb Humphrey but thanks to Sam and Linda Bossler for leading the worship service on "Come and Follow Me". And the second Sunday was led by our Licensed Lay Leader, Barb Lough, with her message titled "God will Raise up a Prophet."
- Kelly Osgood preached on Stewardship Sunday, where she invited us to think about times when we are not a good steward. What are the behaviours of someone who does not take good care of God's creation and all the gifts given to us?
- February 14 was Mardi Gras. Thanks to Amanda Shaw and her wonderful talents with videographer we were able to hold our parade online. Kelly Osgood shared the meaning of Mardi Gras and reflections on mask wearing – the masks we wear everyday because of the pandemic and the masks we wear for Mardi Gras.
- Ash Wednesday, the day after Shrove Tuesday, is the first day of the forty-day season of Lent. At RMUC we practice this ritual on Ashes Sunday which was on February 21. Kelly Osgood did an amazing job of marking a cross on a window frame so that we could all experience the ritual online. The ritual turns our heart, mind, and soul towards God. We remember that God created us from dust and to dust we will return.
- Our Lent series was where we contemplated the symbol of broken glass – beach glass to be specific. Ordinary pieces of tableware or bottles tossed into the ocean. Year's pass, and then one day, there it is upon the shore: a small piece from one of those long-ago discarded objects. Shifting currents have rounded its edges; polished its surface. An ordinary fragment of glass that time and adversity have transformed into something beautiful.

*Vessels, holy and whole  
Broken, needing the One  
Open, body and soul  
Healer, come.*

This is the journey we took for Lent. Jesus healed and restored those considered broken.

- We celebrated P.I.E (public, intentional, explicit) Sunday on March 14. Affirming Ministry Action Committee (AMAC) and the Worship Committee worked together to create this online worship experience. Kelly Strain shared her personal testimony and Louise Omania shared her creative recipe for PIE.
- March 21 marked our 52<sup>nd</sup> online Covid worship service.
- Palm Sunday was on March 28 with a palm parade and drama called "Great Deeds of Power" with the characters: Matthew, the tax collector – Gord Humphrey; Simone, the fisherwoman – Amanda Shaw; Jamie daughter of Zebedee – Laura Strain; Thomas – Rob Bossler; and Narrator – Kelly Osgood. Here's the link to the YouTube video for the drama

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rDAq5PRCh58&list=PLdY1OOYPdBLTuzljtdsPebkmuNjKs6w3L&index=13>

- April 2 was Good Friday. Thanks to Kelly Strain, Isabelle Templeton, Heather Templeton, BethAnn Friesen, Andy Armstrong, Connie MacRury, Karen DeCarle, Amanda Thompson, Jack Lough, Sim Gilbert, Barb Humphrey, and Sam Bossler for reading scripture. We shared in an anointing of oil for Extravagant Love where we thought of the people whose extravagant love had been poured out upon us, offering us care.
- On Holy Saturday we gathered at the church outside (following all covid protocols) for “Journey to the Cross” with different stations to stop at to reflect on the life of Jesus ending at the empty cross in the gazebo. We held a “Waiting for a Miracle Lights Campaign” which was a new beginning in Christ love for the Easter season. Lights were illuminated at the gazebo and loved ones and prayers were shining bright.
- Easter Sunday was a worship service with communion, Alleluia’s, butterflies, joy, and Christ is Risen Indeed.
- Kelly Osgood preached a series during the Easter Season (which is the season from the Sunday after Easter Sunday all the way to Pentecost Sunday), on exploring how Jesus reconciles and makes new through the cross and the resurrection.
- Earth Day was held on Sunday April 25. This service was planned by the worship committee and the message was shared by Barb Humphrey called “God’s Beautiful World and Creation”
- On May 9 our worship celebrated Mother’s Day and Christian Family and the focus was on all people who provide mothering, nurturing, empowerment, and challenges.
- May 23 marked Pentecost Sunday where we celebrated the Holy Spirit who lives in us.
- On May 30, Barb Lough led worship where we learned about “The Trinity? What is it?”
- The first Sunday of June is the United Church of Canada Pride Sunday where we celebrate the lives and ministry of LGBTQIA+ and Two Spirit people in all their diversity. Sim Gilbert shared his testimony.
- June 20 worship focus was on Father’s Day & Indigenous Day of Prayer planned by Barb Lough, Linda Bossler, BethAnn Friesen and the worship committee. We were honoured that Shirley Shingoose Dufour shared her story on reconciliation and being a residential school survivor.
- That brings us to the summer months where Rev. Kelly Osgood preached on messages called “Peter and John Before the Council,” “The Apostles Meet Opposition,” “The Story of Stephen,” “Preaching Good News,” and “The conversion of Saul.”
- While Kelly Osgood was on vacation, we embarked on a journey during a worship series called “Travel as a Spiritual Act – Life is a Journey not a Destination.” It is a journey about traveling as a spiritual act. The first Sunday worship was led by Sam and Linda Bossler. Sam’s message was “Leaving Home.” The second Sunday in the series was led by Barb Lough with a message called “The Encounter.” The third and fourth Sundays were led by Barb Humphrey with messages called “The Reflection” and “Coming Home.”
- For the September long weekend, we invited people to join in worship with the annual City-Wide Pride Service which was presented by Calgary's Affirming Network of Faith Communities and Affirming Connections. The Rev. June Joplin was the guest preacher.
- September is the start of beginnings like the start of the church year, school and activities commence, committee meetings, and small groups gather. Kelly Osgood told a story

called “No more Miracles” by Marc Gellman and many thought-provoking messages such as “The Desert Complaint Committee”

- October Kelly Osgood shared a pet blessing where we thank God for the animals in our lives and for the sacred spaces we have been blessed to be stewards of. A blessing for these creatures and this creation. This was in honour of Saint Francis of Assisi.
- Thanksgiving weekend we gathered at the church outside (following all covid protocols) for a Walk in “Thanks-Giving” to appreciate God’s gifts and express thanks for God’s world and creation. The walk was based on the United Church of Canada “The New Creed” and we must say thanks to Kelly Osgood for her photography talent. Each line of the creed had one of her photos to compliment the words.

*We are not alone,*

*we live in God’s world.*

*We believe in God:*

*who has created and is creating*

- Thanksgiving Sunday’s message was focused on being grateful.
- October 31 not only is Halloween, but it also marks All Saints Day where we lifted up the Saints of old, modern saints, and the Saints among us, for through the Holy Spirit, we are all part of the eternal, the divine, the Holy Imitating Christ.
- November 7 was a Sunday of Remembering. Jack Lough read “In Flanders Field” accompanied by Amanda Shaw’s video of honouring Remembrance Day. Words were shared by Donna Pederson and Sharon Smith from WW2 and Afghanistan Veterans. Reading of the names and candle lighting to Remember was done by Barb Lough. The service included Act of Remembrance, Commitment to Remember, and Laying of the Wreaths.
- Advent begins with the first Sunday of Advent and the lighting of the Hope candle by Jeanette McDonald and Delores Massey. The second Sunday of Advent is the candle of Peace which was lit by Mac and Karen Dingwall. The third Sunday of Advent is the candle of Joy which was lit by Shirley & Alli Skulmoski. And the fourth Sunday of Advent is the candle of Love which was lit by Carolyn & Verne Stuber. Kelly Osgood’s messages for Advent were “Invited to the New Kingdom,” “Invited to Repentance,” “What Do You Call Mary?”
- The virtual Christmas Pageant was recorded on Zoom and of course then Amanda Shaw took all the recordings and produced a production called “Sharing the Good News” which was a televised newscast immediately following the birth of Jesus. It was a light-hearted, contemporary take on the Nativity story. The players were Kelly Osgood as Michelle Handler (the on-scene reporter), Bev Hafeli as Bev Angel, Kacee and Merek Thompson as Kacee and Merek Angel, Gord Humphrey as Gord Shepherd (the surfer dude), Molly, Ashley and Grace Pentony as the shepherds, Cindy Davis as Lisa Lamb, and Alexi Gelin as Alexi Lamb. Sam Bossler made a special appearance as “The King.” The news anchor, better known as the Truth Checker, who seemed to know the actual details and offered small corrections was our own Barb Lough. Tradition continued as we ended the pageant singing “Happy Birthday Jesus.” Here’s the link to the YouTube video of the Christmas Pageant <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCge0tg0jxMQyLfICPdkjHiQ>
- That brings us to Christmas Eve. Oh, the weather was cold outside, so we held our “Journey to Bethlehem” inside the church building. Registration was required and all covid protocols were followed. It was breath-taking with the luminary bags lining the

pathway. As you journeyed there were stations set up with a story candle, lantern and scripture that told the Christmas Story. The last station was the nativity with Mary, Joseph, and baby Jesus. Thank you for all manger gifts that we received for the Food Pantry.

- Part of the Christmas Eve journey was a fundraiser called the “Heart Connections Christmas Tree - Share the Light” where you could buy a Christmas light bulb in honour of someone. Ribbons with their names were tied onto the strings of lights. The lights lit up the Christmas tree in the sanctuary. The sight was spectacular. Thanks to Bev Hafeli for organizing the fundraiser.
- We also held our traditional Christmas Eve Communion and Candlelight Worship Service online at 9:30 pm. The Christ Candle was lit by Linda and Sam Bossler.
- The Sunday after Christmas was Boxing Day, December 26 and it was a worship service of Scripture & Carols. The focus was the meaning of Boxing Day (using a resource from ‘Advent Unwrapped’ from the United Church of Canada).

Part of our worship planning was how could we help people feel more connected to worship. So, we created “take home worship bags.” The bags were put outside the church front doors for people to pick up. Throughout the year we had Lent, Holy Week, Pentecost, Ordinary Time, Advent and Christmas Bags. They included items for the special services and for you to set-up your own worship centre at home.

Online worship does have its challenges. Technical issues from no sound, frozen screens, black screens, copyright issues, software issues, reboots all the way to funny faces. But we persevered and got through all the challenges even with some laughter and some tears too!

Thanks to Emily Osgood the WonderKids continued to meet on Zoom. They meet a couple times a month after church on zoom. The resources that we are using for WonderKids are from First Third Ministry of the Chinook Winds and Pacific Mountain Regional Councils of the United Church of Canada. They are called Faith@Home kits which empowers creative and engaging practices. These kits include practices, materials, activities, and craft supplies for the Liturgical Seasons of the Christian year.

We were very privileged to have Emily Osgood as our Artist in Residence for the summer through the Canada Summer Jobs grant program. She is very artistic and had many great ideas for her residence. Her projects included:

- Emily held a brain-storming session with congregational members to discuss the mural that she would paint on the door of the sea-can. It was discussed what Bible story best describes our congregation? What colours, shapes, and images come to mind when you think of the church? And what do you want the mural to communicate about the church to the neighbourhood? A decision was made that it would be a dove with the rainbow colours bursting out from the dove with the colours continuing onto the adjacent garbage container storage.

- Kelly Osgood challenged the congregation to read the Book of Acts during the summer and when completed they could choose a miniature painting of several different biblical images done by Emily.
- Emily painted Advent and Christmas images on acrylic to hang in the sanctuary windows.
- One project was to focus on the small groups of the church and put that into a wall mural.
- Painting on the plexiglass for the musicians
- Emily took a stained-glass course and made a stained glass hanging of the sunrise which is hanging in the window of the church.
- Emily taught the Parable in Art Workshops for All Ages - there was no experience needed but just a desire to have fun, learn some techniques, share the parables of Jesus, and express your own creativity. Emily shared her leadership and creativity with us to paint the parables using watercolour paints.
- Emily painted *215 and Counting, 2021* which is remembrance of that on May 27, 2021, 215 unmarked graves of Indigenous children were found at a residential school site in Kamloops, BC, after which, hundreds more were discovered across Canada, and continue to be. In light of this discovery, memorials around the country were assembled with children's shoes, each pair representing a child lost to the residential school system. This painting is of one of these memorials, assembled in Vancouver, BC. Inspired by Orange Shirt Day, each shoe has a bit of orange in it. The painting will be hung in the narthex at Robert McClure United Church until all 94 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's calls to action are completed by the Canadian government.

The experiences and creativity that Emily provided for our congregation were part of our faith journeys. Watch this YouTube video [https://youtu.be/LrwihfUWK\\_s](https://youtu.be/LrwihfUWK_s) to see some of Emily's masterpieces and her explanation of each project.

Amanda Shaw is our amazing videographer. We are so very grateful for her artistic, imaginative and talents. She's so talented and willing to try anything and the graphics and animation that she adds to the videos are amazing. This year she has been painting pictures to the scripture readings. They are breath-taking. We will be framing some of her artwork and watch for the fundraiser of a book "Scriptures through the Pandemic" including Amanda's paintings.

So many thanks to be extended – to our actors and narrators, scripture readers, worship planners, candle lighters, all the people that went out of their comfort zone and recorded themselves to be included in our online worship.

Thanks to Barb Lough and Linda and Sam Bossler for their leadership during worship and providing inspirational messages.

Thanks to the Worship Committee – Heather and Isabelle Templeton, Karen Dingwall, Andy Armstrong, BethAnn Friesen and Kelly Osgood for your support and imaginations and learning new ways to worship. Your dedication and worship planning are so appreciated.



Thanks to the musicians and especially the Quarantine Quartet – Sam Bossler, Jack Lough, BethAnn Friesen and Gord Humphrey. Not only are they the musicians but they are the worship set up people too. They help change the seasons of the church calendar from one recording to the next and sometimes even from one song to the next song. Seasons don't usually happen that quickly during real time but in recording time they do. Of course, these recordings can't happen without Amanda Shaw and Kelly Osgood.

Thanks to Barb & Jack Lough, Garth Paytner, Heather Templeton, Gord Humphrey, Linda and Sam Bossler for helping with the “Journey to the Cross,” “Walk in Thanks-Giving,” and “Journey to Bethlehem.” The Worship Committee and our friends come up with these ideas (sometimes out of this world kind of ideas!) and then it takes a group of people to make it all come together.

There isn't a thank you big enough to say to Devynne Wonnacott, our Church Administrator. She is the glue that keeps the church together. All I can say is thank you, thank you, thank you and many more thank yous. She is fantastic! A special thanks to her for helping put the “take home worship bags” together. And making sure that all the music we use is licensed for online worship.

And, of course, we must extend our gratitude and gratefulness to our minister, Kelly Osgood. With her help we all continue to live our vision – intentionally creating space where the Holy Spirit sets our hearts ablaze and bursts out.

All I can say is THANK YOU!

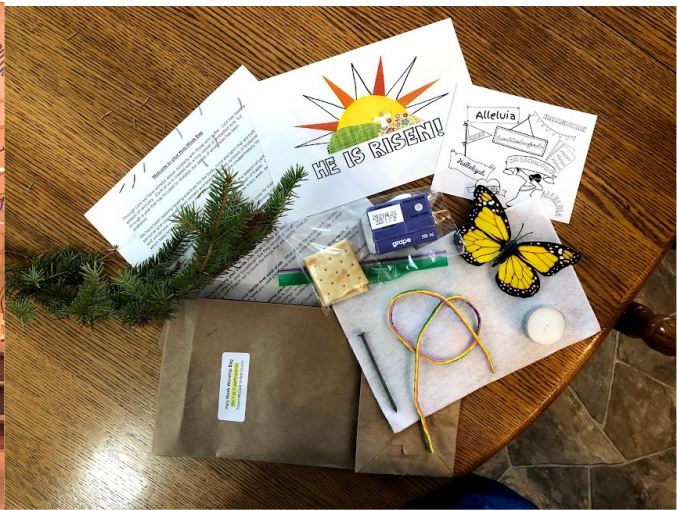
If you have any suggestions or recommendations, please contact anyone on the Worship Committee.

Serving on the Worship Committee is a rewarding and wonderful experience. Please consider being part of this group.

Submitted with thankfulness and gratitude  
By Barb Humphrey, Worship Chairperson

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CALGARY'S AFFIRMING NETWORK PRESENTS  
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AN INTERFAITH SERVICE  
 FEATURING  
 REV. JUNE JOPLIN!

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 5  
 10AM MDT













## **Ministries On Pause**

Some groups and ministries were unable to continue during the pandemic. We hold the following groups in our memory, and we hope for a return when it is safe to do so:

Hearts on Fire Bible Study

New Memberships Ministry

Teat, Toast and Talk

Youth Group

Healing Circle

Right Relations

## Minutes from the Annual General Meeting held March 16, 2021

2020-1

Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting of Robert McClure United Church Board,  
Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at Robert McClure United Church, 5510 26 Avenue NE, Calgary,  
Alberta, at the call of the Chair, Lynn Robertson via Zoom

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### In Attendance

Lynn Roberston-Chair

Heather Templeton-Secretary

Isabelle Templeton

Debbie Vanstone

Jack Lough

Barb Lough

Barb Humphrey

Gord Humphrey

Linda Bossler

Sam Bossler

Brian Robertson

Brent Barr

Caryle Barr

Andy Armstrong

Sharon Armstrong

Verne Stuber

Carolyn Stuber

Kelly Osgood

Garth Paynter

Karen Dingwall

Devynne Wonnacott

Craig Wonnacott

Maureen Routley

Karen DeCarle

Darlene Kormos

Patsy Lane

Darlene Montgomery

Jeannie Trach

Jeanette McDonald

Louise Omania



2020-2

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 Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at Robert McClure United Church, 5510 26 Avenue NE, Calgary,  
 Alberta, at the call of the Chair, Lynn Robertson via Zoom

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1. Called to Order at 7:04 pm
2. Opening Prayer: Minister Kelly Osgood
3. Enabling Motion:  
**Motion:** Craig Wonnacott/Sam Bossler move that all those in attendance can participate fully in the meeting and vote on upcoming motions  
 Motion carried
4. Approval of Agenda:  
**Motion:** Brian Robertson/Karen DeCarle move to approve the agenda as submitted  
 Motion carried
5. Approval of 2020 AGM minutes from March 3, 2020  
**Motion:** Heather Templeton/Isabelle Templeton move the approval of the 2019 AGM minutes as presented  
 Motion carried
6. 2021 proposed Budget  
**Motion:** Karen Dingwall/Karen DeCarle move to approve the 2021 proposed budget as submitted.  
 Motion carried
7. 2020 Financial Report  
 Motion: Karen Dingwall/Carolyn Stuber move to approve the 2020 Financial Report as submitted  
 Motion carried
8. Approval of Annual Report:  
**Motion:** Devynne Wonnacott/Andy Armstrong move to accept the 2020 Annual Reports as submitted  
 Motion carried
9. Leadership Team  
 Lynn Robertson-Chair  
 Heather Templeton-Secretary  
 Barb Humphrey-Worship/Trustee Representative  
 Darlene Montgomery-Chinook Winds Representative  
 Karen Dingwall-Treasurer/Generosity  
 Karen DeCarle-Ministry & Personnel Representative  
 Barb Lough-Caring Committee/Chinook Winds Representative  
 Linda Bossler-Affirming Ministry Action Committee/Adhoc Reopening  
 Committee Representative  
 Jeanette McDonald-UCW Representative  
 Kelly Osgood-Minister

**Motion:** Linda Bossler/Darlene Kormos move the approval of the 2021 leadership team and that pending Duty of Care clearance, the congregation approve the leadership team

2020-3

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named in the minutes and empower the board to appoint individuals to fill any remaining vacancies.

Motion carried

10. Closing prayer

11. Adjournment

Motion: Sharon Armstrong move the 2020 AGM be adjourned at 7:40 pm

Robert McClure United Church  
**Balance Sheet**  
As of 31 December 2021

31 Dec 21

**ASSETS**

**Current Assets**

**Chequing/Savings**

**First Calgary Savings**

**Designated Funds**

Bible Study Buddies	23.00
Emergency Fund	1,065.00
Food Pantry	7,474.32
Front Door Repairs	157.49
Grocery Gift Cards	4,779.00
Memorial Funds	93.26
Parking Lot Upgrade	8,000.00
Refugees	1,401.11
Thank Offering Fund - New	317.48
Training	75.00
Trustees Account	200.00
UCC Innovation Grant	3,271.03
Women's Retreat	182.08
Wonder Kids	65.41
Youth Group	237.14

**Total Designated Funds** 27,341.32

**First Calgary Savings - Other** (10,007.40)

**Total First Calgary Savings** 17,333.92

**First Calgary Share Account** 48.75

**Total Chequing/Savings** 17,382.67

**Accounts Receivable**

**Accounts Receivable** 532.81

**Total Accounts Receivable** 532.81

**Other Current Assets**

**Accrued Accounts Receivable** 1,270.00

**Prepaid Deposits & Expenses**

**Alarm System** 318.86

**Coop Gift Cards** 1,050.00

**Superstore Gift Cards** 3,815.00

**Total Prepaid Deposits & Expenses** 5,183.86

**Total Other Current Assets** 6,453.86

**Total Current Assets** 24,369.34

**Fixed Assets** 468,314.66

**TOTAL ASSETS** 492,684.00

**LIABILITIES & EQUITY**

**Liabilities**

**Current Liabilities**

**Other Current Liabilities**

**Accrued Liabilities** 753.82

**Deferred Revenue**

**Bible Study Buddies** 23.00

**Robert McClure United Church**  
**Balance Sheet**  
As of 31 December 2021

	<u>31 Dec 21</u>
Emergency Fund	1,065.00
Food Pantry	7,479.58
Front Door Repairs	157.49
Grocery Gift Cards	9,450.00
Memorial Funds	93.26
Parking Lot Upgrade	8,000.00
Refugees	1,401.11
Thank Offering - New	317.48
Training	75.00
Trustees Account	200.00
UCC Innovation Grant	3,271.03
Women's Retreat	182.08
Wonder Kids	65.41
Youth Group	237.14
<b>Total Deferred Revenue</b>	<b>32,017.58</b>
<b>Mission &amp; Service Payable</b>	<b>270.00</b>
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	<b>33,041.40</b>
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>33,041.40</b>
<b>Long Term Liabilities</b>	
Presbytery Loan #2	56,350.00
Presbytery Loan #3	52,300.00
Presbytery Loan #4	17,300.00
Presbytery Loan #5	31,800.00
Presbytery Loan #6	31,800.00
UCC Emergency Loan	10,000.00
<b>Total Long Term Liabilities</b>	<b>199,550.00</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>232,591.40</b>
<b>Equity</b>	
Opening Bal Equity	398,145.65
Retained Earnings	(101,381.66)
Net Income	(36,671.39)
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>260,092.60</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>492,684.00</b>

**Robert McClure United Church**  
**Profit & Loss Budget Performance**  
December 2021

	Dec 21	Budget	\$ Over Budget	Jan - Dec 21	YTD Budget	\$ Over Budget	Annual Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>							
<b>Income</b>							
<b>Offerings</b>							
Affirming Committee	109.05			109.05			
Bathroom Renovations	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,134.84	3,735.00	(2,600.16)	3,735.00
Emergency Fund	0.00	16.67	(16.67)	280.00	200.00	80.00	200.00
Food Pantry	157.49			2,485.67			
Front Door Repairs	0.00			2,442.51			
General Envelope	12,796.67	21,627.00	(8,830.33)	119,686.29	167,055.00	(47,368.71)	167,055.00
Loose Offering	0.00			0.25			
Mission & Service	270.00	270.00	0.00	3,240.00	3,240.00	0.00	3,240.00
Refugees	0.00	150.00	(150.00)	1,504.99	1,800.00	(295.01)	1,800.00
Thank Offering - new	0.00	26.42	(26.42)	0.00	317.00	(317.00)	317.00
WELC (Wed Eve Learning Circle)	441.52	0.00	441.52	441.52	200.00	241.52	200.00
Wonder Kids	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	65.00	(65.00)	65.00
Worship	0.00			221.00			
<b>Total Offerings</b>	<b>13,774.73</b>	<b>22,090.09</b>	<b>(8,315.36)</b>	<b>131,546.12</b>	<b>176,612.00</b>	<b>(45,065.88)</b>	<b>176,612.00</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>13,774.73</b>	<b>22,090.09</b>	<b>(8,315.36)</b>	<b>131,546.12</b>	<b>176,612.00</b>	<b>(45,065.88)</b>	<b>176,612.00</b>
<b>Expense</b>							
<b>Administration</b>							
<b>Building Expenses</b>							
Building Repairs	0.00	159.75	(159.75)	0.00	1,917.00	(1,917.00)	1,917.00
Building Supplies	0.00			32.90			
Electric & Water	0.00			728.76			
Electricity, water and gas	859.64	833.33	26.31	7,310.90	10,000.00	(2,689.10)	10,000.00
Fire Safety	0.00	62.50	(62.50)	1,012.98	750.00	262.98	750.00
Garbage Bin & Pickup	68.16	366.67	(298.51)	3,587.07	4,400.00	(812.93)	4,400.00
Insurance	495.50	358.33	137.17	5,615.90	4,300.00	1,315.90	4,300.00
Kitchen Supplies	0.00	37.50	(37.50)	27.64	450.00	(422.36)	450.00
Property Maintenance	628.38			2,078.14			
Security System	78.75	41.67	37.08	686.25	500.00	186.25	500.00
<b>Total Building Expenses</b>	<b>2,130.43</b>	<b>1,859.75</b>	<b>270.68</b>	<b>21,080.54</b>	<b>22,317.00</b>	<b>(1,236.46)</b>	<b>22,317.00</b>
<b>Office Expenses</b>							
ADP Service Charges	22.19			316.69			
Bank Charges	9.00	58.33	(49.33)	281.85	700.00	(418.15)	700.00
Computer Software	0.00			205.00			
Lock Box Annual Inspection	0.00	40.00	(40.00)	205.00	640.00	(435.00)	640.00
Office Supplies	0.00	108.33	(108.33)	75.83	1,300.00	(1,224.17)	1,300.00
PAR Charges	17.50			210.00			
Paypal charges	0.00			5.80			
Photocopies	(5.00)			1,191.67			
Postage	84.00			84.00			
Telephone	145.89	183.33	(37.44)	1,756.83	2,200.00	(443.17)	2,200.00
Website Maintenance	25.32			302.68			
<b>Total Office Expenses</b>	<b>298.90</b>	<b>389.99</b>	<b>(91.09)</b>	<b>4,635.35</b>	<b>4,840.00</b>	<b>(204.65)</b>	<b>4,840.00</b>
<b>Wages &amp; Payroll Expense</b>							
Caretaker	0.00	734.00	(734.00)	0.00	4,404.00	(4,404.00)	4,404.00
CPP Expense	283.39	299.75	(16.36)	3,481.12	3,597.00	(115.88)	3,597.00
EI Expense	37.09	145.83	(108.74)	1,710.58	1,752.00	(41.42)	1,752.00
Employee Benefits	1,325.51	1,368.33	(42.82)	16,048.45	16,420.00	(371.55)	16,420.00
Mileage	0.00	41.67	(41.67)	0.00	500.00	(500.00)	500.00
Music Director	1,021.00	1,820.83	(799.83)	12,255.00	17,057.00	(4,802.00)	17,057.00
Summer Students	1,048.33	0.00	1,048.33	16,190.42	16,111.00	79.42	16,111.00
Tuition	0.00	143.67	(143.67)	466.44	1,724.00	(1,257.56)	1,724.00
Wages & Salaries	7,705.83	7,951.67	(245.84)	93,386.31	95,420.00	(2,033.69)	95,420.00
<b>Total Wages &amp; Payroll Expense</b>	<b>11,421.15</b>	<b>12,505.75</b>	<b>(1,084.60)</b>	<b>143,538.32</b>	<b>156,985.00</b>	<b>(13,446.68)</b>	<b>156,985.00</b>
<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>13,850.48</b>	<b>14,755.49</b>	<b>(905.01)</b>	<b>169,254.21</b>	<b>184,142.00</b>	<b>(14,887.79)</b>	<b>184,142.00</b>
COVID	0.00			221.65			
<b>Miscellaneous</b>							
Observer Expenses	0.00	4.17	(4.17)	175.00	50.00	125.00	50.00
<b>Total Miscellaneous</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>4.17</b>	<b>(4.17)</b>	<b>175.00</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>125.00</b>	<b>50.00</b>
<b>Professional Fees</b>							
Human Resources	50.00	25.00	25.00	50.00	300.00	(250.00)	300.00
<b>Total Professional Fees</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>300.00</b>	<b>(250.00)</b>	<b>300.00</b>
<b>Program Expense</b>							
Affirming Committee	0.00	37.50	(37.50)	151.00	300.00	(149.00)	300.00
Emergency Fund	0.00	16.67	(16.67)	280.00	200.00	80.00	200.00
<b>Food Pantry</b>							
Donations in kind	685.02	375.00	310.02	11,581.60	4,500.00	7,081.60	4,500.00
Food Pantry - Other	0.00	250.00	(250.00)	184.02	3,000.00	(2,815.98)	3,000.00
Spinz membership	0.00			300.00			
Food Pantry - Other	153.74			3,517.89			
<b>Total Food Pantry</b>	<b>838.76</b>	<b>625.00</b>	<b>213.76</b>	<b>15,583.51</b>	<b>7,500.00</b>	<b>8,083.51</b>	<b>7,500.00</b>
Front Door Repairs	0.00			1,119.30			

**Robert McClure United Church**  
**Profit & Loss Budget Performance**  
December 2021

	<u>Dec 21</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 21</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>
Mission & Service Expense	270.00	270.00	0.00	3,240.00	3,240.00	0.00	3,240.00
Music/Choir Expenses							
Choir Music	0.00	41.67	(41.67)	0.00	500.00	(500.00)	500.00
Piano Tuning	0.00			150.00			
Total Music/Choir Expenses	0.00	41.67	(41.67)	150.00	500.00	(350.00)	500.00
Pastoral Care	0.00	8.33	(8.33)	0.00	100.00	(100.00)	100.00
Presbytery Assessment	758.92	833.33	(74.41)	9,107.04	10,000.00	(892.96)	10,000.00
Refugees	0.00	150.00	(150.00)	1,504.99	1,800.00	(295.01)	1,800.00
Stewardship	0.00	8.33	(8.33)	226.00	100.00	126.00	100.00
WELC (Wed Eve Learning Circle)	454.57	16.67	437.90	454.57	200.00	254.57	200.00
Wonder Kids	48.88	25.00	23.88	48.88	300.00	(251.12)	300.00
Worship							
Online Services	1,084.14			1,084.14			
Pastoral Supply Minister	0.00			221.00			
Subscriptions	0.00			420.66			
Worship Supplies	794.38			1,180.86			
Worship - Other	0.00	183.33	(183.33)	0.00	2,200.00	(2,200.00)	2,200.00
Total Worship	1,878.52	183.33	1,695.19	2,906.66	2,200.00	706.66	2,200.00
Total Program Expense	4,249.65	2,215.83	2,033.82	34,771.95	26,440.00	8,331.95	26,440.00
Total Expense	18,150.13	17,000.49	1,149.64	204,472.81	210,932.00	(6,459.19)	210,932.00
Net Ordinary Income	(4,375.40)	5,089.60	(9,465.00)	(72,926.69)	(34,320.00)	(38,606.69)	(34,320.00)
Other Income/Expense							
Other Income							
Donations	1,495.00	275.00	1,220.00	2,669.23	3,300.00	(630.77)	3,300.00
Emergency Wage Subsidy	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,748.17	7,000.00	11,748.17	7,000.00
Fund Raising							
Catering	0.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	355.00	2,400.00	(2,045.00)	2,400.00
Chocolate Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00	686.50	600.00	86.50	600.00
Christmas Lights	550.00			1,210.00			
Concert	379.75			379.75			
Digital Portraits	240.00			1,440.00			
Grocery Gift Cards	162.50			1,076.90			
Pampering Fundraiser	380.00			1,017.50			
Pizza Fundraiser	0.00			412.60			
Fund Raising - Other	0.00			9.80			
Total Fund Raising	1,712.25	1,000.00	712.25	6,588.05	3,000.00	3,588.05	3,000.00
Gifts in Kind	3,084.93	625.00	2,459.93	14,858.03	7,500.00	7,358.03	7,500.00
Grants Received							
AB Govt COVID Relaunch grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,753.00	1,750.00	3.00	1,750.00
Canada Summer Jobs	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,518.00	8,670.00	(152.00)	8,670.00
Ucc Food Pantry	0.00	750.00	(750.00)	1,579.38	3,000.00	(1,420.62)	3,000.00
Total Grants Received	0.00	750.00	(750.00)	11,850.38	13,420.00	(1,569.62)	13,420.00
Interest Income	0.16			7.59			
Kitchen Rental	33.75			896.25			
Weddings, Funerals & Baptisms	0.00	0.00	0.00	350.00	100.00	250.00	100.00
Total Other Income	6,326.09	2,650.00	3,676.09	55,967.70	34,320.00	21,647.70	34,320.00
<b>Net Surplus (Deficit) Before Amortization</b>	<b>1,950.69</b>	<b>7,739.60</b>	<b>(5,788.91)</b>	<b>(16,958.99)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(16,958.99)</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Amortization Expense	1,642.70	1,462.67	180.03	19,712.40	17,552.00	2,160.40	17,552.00
<b>Net Surplus (Deficit) After Amortization</b>	<b>307.99</b>	<b>6,276.93</b>	<b>(5,968.94)</b>	<b>(36,671.39)</b>	<b>(17,552.00)</b>	<b>(19,119.39)</b>	<b>(17,552.00)</b>

**Robert McClure United Church  
Draft Budget for 2022**

<b>Income</b>	<b>2.021 Budget</b>	<b>2.021 Actuals</b>	<b>2.022 Budget</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Local Offerings	167,054	119,796	157,563	Required to balance the budget
Rent	0	896	9,000	\$8k for Spanish church from April
Fund raising (net)	3,000	6,588	15,000	required to clear overdraft
Weddings & Funerals (net)	100	350	300	
United Way	3,000	1,303	1,300	
Emergency Wage Subsidy	7,000	18,748	0	
Canada Helps & Facebook	300	1,366	500	
Gifts in Kind	3,000	3,276	3,200	
Canada Summer Jobs grant	8,670	8,518	8,670	
Alberta COVID relaunch grant	1,750	1,753	0	
Emergency Fund	200	280	300	
Other		8	0	
Refugees	1,800	1,505	1,800	
Food Pantry	3,000	4,065	4,000	
Thank Offering - Building Repairs	317	0	0	
WELC	200	442	200	
Wonder Kids	65	221	300	
Bathroom Renovations	3,735	3,577	0	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>203,191</b>	<b>172,692</b>	<b>202,133</b>	
<b>Targeted Giving</b>				
Mission & Service offerings	3,240	3,240	3,240	
Refugees	1,800	1,505	1,800	
Food Pantry	4,500	15,647	14,500	
	0			
<b>Total Targeted Giving</b>	<b>9,540</b>	<b>20,392</b>	<b>19,540</b>	
<b>Tithe Amount</b>	<b>20,319</b>	<b>17,269</b>	<b>20,213</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>				
<b>Ministry Expense</b>				
Affirm Action Committee	300	151	300	
Stewardship	100	226	200	
Food Pantry	3,000	4,002	4,000	
Emergency Fund	200	280	300	
Refugees	1,800	1,505	1,800	
Wonder Kids	300	49	300	
Worship	2,200	2,907	2,800	
Choir/Music	500	150	500	2 piano tunings @ \$150, \$200 sheet music
Lay Minister	0	0	500	
Ministry & Personnel	300	50	250	
Thank Offering	317	0	0	
Regional Assessmnt	10,000	9,107	5,655	
WELC	200	455	200	
Caring Committee	100		0	
<b>Operations</b>				
Office	1,300	1,352	1,300	
Advertising	0	0	60	
Bank	700	814	800	
Building Maintenance & Repairs	1,600	3,230	3,000	
COVID	0	222	0	
Insurance	4,300	5,616	5,940	
Lockbox Annual Inspection	640	205	200	
Kitchen Supplies	450	28	100	
Telephone & internet	2,200	2,265	2,300	
Electricity, gas & water	10,000	8,040	9,000	
Security system	500	686	700	
Fire Safety	750	1,013	1,000	
Garbage Pickup	4,400	3,587	816	
Broadview	50	175	100	
<b>Contractors</b>				
Music Director	17,307	12,327	15,550	
Caretaker	4,404	0	7,500	
<b>Salaries</b>				

Minister's Salary & Benefits	90,919	89,296	93,126
Office Administrator Salary & Benefits	28,243	25,725	28,950
Videographer	0	7,673	6,216
Summer Students - yard maintenance & artist	16,111	8,517	8,670
Total Expenses	<u>203,191</u>	<u>189,651</u>	<u>202,133</u>

Net Surplus (Deficit) before Depreciation                    **0**    **-16,959**                    **0**

Depreciation (non cash)	17,552	19,712	19,712
Net Surplus/(Deficit) after Depreciation	<u>-17,552</u>	<u>-36,671</u>	<u>-19,712</u>

-36,671



Notes:

2.2% increases in sal:  
budget

1) Minister's Salary and Benefits		<u>2022</u>	
Salary			<b>73,295</b>
Education			1,493
Sabbatical			0
Telephone			500
Mileage			500
EI & CPP Church's portion			3,954
UCC Pension & Benefits Church's portion			13,384
Total			<u><u>93,126</u></u>
2) Office Administrator's Salary and Benefits		<u>2022</u>	
Salary			21,538
Vacation pay			1,831
EI & CPP Church's portion			1,649
UCC Pension & Benefits Church's portion			3,933
Total			<u><u>28,950</u></u>
3) Music Coordinator		<u>2022</u>	
Contractor	2months @ Covid pay		2,000
	6 months		7,500
	4 months regular		5,800
Continuing Education			250
Total			<u><u>15,550</u></u>
4) Caretaker		<u>2022</u>	
Contractor			7,500
Total			<u><u>7,500</u></u>
5) Videographer			
Jan - June 2022		5,591 salary	
		479 cpp and ei	
July - Aug 2022		625	
		18 cpp and ei	
		<u>6,216</u>	

Yard Maintenance		
8 weeks, 40 hours, \$15/hour	4,800.00	
vacation pay	192.00	0.048133
cpp	240.28	0.050058
ei	110.44	0.023008
	<u>5,342.72</u>	0.022123

Artist in Residence	
8 weeks, 25 hours, \$15/hour	3,000.00
vacation pay	120.00
cpp	138.24
ei	69.02
	<u>3,327.26</u>

8,669.98

Paid by Canada Summer Jobs