



# St. John's Anglican Church Parish of Horton

*Rooted in ancient wisdom  
and growing into a vibrant future.*

## ANNUAL REPORT 2024

*This parish is located in Mi'kma'ki,  
the traditional and unceded lands and waters of the Mi'kmaq.*

*We are all Treaty people.*

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**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting  
St. John's Anglican Church  
Parish of Horton  
February 18, 2024**

**Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum** - There being a requisite quorum, The Rev'd Nicole Uzans called the Annual General Meeting to order at 11:15 AM

**Opening Prayer** - Rev'd Nicole opened the meeting with prayer. Election of Chair of Meeting - Warden Cameron Finlay moved to appoint Rev'd Nicole to chair the meeting. Bob Wrye seconded the motion which carried.

**Election of Secretary of Meeting** - Cameron moved to appoint Linda Ellis as Secretary of the meeting. Second, Denyse Nelson. The motion carried.

**Approval of the minutes of the AGM held on Sunday, February 26th, 2023** - Jim Nelson moved to approve the minutes of the past AGM, Camille Herbin seconded. All in favour, none opposed.

**Unfinished business from 2023 AGM** - None

**New Business** - Pat Moore pointed out that directions on the use of the acoustic augmentation aids that are available for those with hearing loss are inadequate. This will be referred to the Property Committee for further action.

**Communications** - None

**Financial Report for 2023** - Treasurer Bob Wrye reviewed the following reports on the finances at St. John's:

- Insurance Report - As part of the accounting changes, there is no longer a dedicated page to insurance coverage. The values for Property cover are listed on page 33 in the section marked Assets. Coverage for contents has been increased by \$20,000 and Bob has arranged for the property evaluator for our insurance carrier, Ecclesiastical Insurance, to review the Church. Bob will arrange with an insurance agent to do a home value calculation on the Rectory.
- Investment Review - The list of investments is found on p 33 of the Annual Report. Bob pointed out that the returns from the Diocesan Trust Fund has been changed from 4% income and 4% addition to portfolio to a 5%/3% ratio. This is because we are going to be focusing on income rather than growth from our investments.
- Finance Report - Gary Dunfield, our bookkeeper, has structured the reports to meet current accounting standards so they may appear different from those of past years. Pages 30-32 in the Annual Report contain the basic income and expense report for the year.

Fuel and taxes have increased, new expenses in the Live Stream program and Outreach were

incurred, leaving a deficit of \$17,851.62.

- Following a brief discussion, Bob moved that the Finance Report be approved; Ian MacDonald seconded the motion. All in favour, none opposed.
  - Following Bob's report, Cameron presented some slides (attached) to visualize how our money is spent. He demonstrated that going forward there is an increased focus on Parish of Horton Worship, Pastoral Care and Spiritual Growth, and a decreased percentage of our resources on administration.
  - Bob Wrye pointed out that the Finance Committee is looking for additional members and Ian MacDonald volunteered.
- Budget Summary for 2024 - The budget for 2024 reflects the goal of growing the church. In addition, this year's budget includes funding for new initiatives, which were un-budgeted last year. A deficit of \$20,071 is predicted for 2024. To the extent that this change in focus will require additional funding, low performing investments may need to be tapped to support new initiatives. • Bob asked that 2024 Budget be approved. Murray Phillips seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**Acceptance of Reports (Rector's, Wardens. and Annual Report)** - The individual reports can be found on pages 6-9 of the Annual Report

- Rev'd Nicole Uzans thanked the Wardens, Parish Council, and the congregation for their support during the past year.
- Karen Padovani drew attention to the addition of Live Streaming to our AV offerings and commended Meg Finlay for her excellent work in developing and maintaining our website.
- Murray Phillips referenced the St. John's Email Prayer Chain, which currently has 44 members. A subscription box is available on the St. John's web site.
- Ron Stuart moved that the reports be accepted. Jim Nelson seconded the motion, which was carried.

**Elections** - The Rev'd Nicole Uzans presented the slate of nominations for Wardens, Parish Council:

Wardens

- Karen Padovani
- Cameron Finlay

Treasurer - Due to the Canons and Bob Wrye's length of service, a motion to approve his continuing on as Treasurer was required.

- Cameron made a motion to approve Bob as nominee for Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Denyse Nelson and carried.

Parish Council

- Val Burtzell
- Bill DeGrace
- Dale Hennigar

- Michelle Mansfield
- Jim Nelson
- Ron Stuart
- Dianne Thorpe

Synod Delegates

- Patsy Clothier
- Cameron Finlay
- Dale Hennigar (alt.)

WAICC Representative • Rob Hankinson

The Rev'd Dr. Bruce Matthews made a motion to approve the nominations. Murray Phillips seconded it. All in favour, none opposed.

The following slate of Committee Leadership Roles was presented:

- ACW - Dianne Thorpe, Beth Turner
- Greeters & Counters - Murray Phillips
- Finance - Bob Wrye
- Sanctuary Guild - Camille Herbin
- Property - John Whidden
- Stewardship - Open
- PWRDF- Liz Adamson
- St. Anne's Camp - Jim Nelson

**Commissioning for Lay Leaders** - Rev'd Nicole thanked Beth Turner and Linda Ellis, whose terms on Parish Council are expiring, and Helen Whidden for her service as PWRDF representative.

She recognized Dianne Thorpe and Bill DeGrace who will be joining Parish Council and thanked Liz Adamson who will be taking over as PWRDF representative.

Bob Wrye moved that the meeting be adjourned at 12:17 PM The meeting was adjourned following the singing of a hymn.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Ellis, Secretary

**Parish of Horton**  
**OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES - 2024**

Rector: .....The Rev'd Nicole Uzans  
Music Director ..... Dr. Michelle Boyd  
Parish Administrative Assistant ..... Deborah MacDonald  
Sexton ..... Peter Brown  
Auditor..... John Whidden  
Digital Communications Manager ..... Meg Finlay  
Book Keeper ..... Gary Dunfield

Members of Parish Council (additional to Rector):

Wardens ..... Cameron Finlay & Karen Padovani  
Treasurer ..... Robert Wrye  
Secretary..... Michelle Mansfield  
Members at Large.....Dale Hennigar, Ron Stuart, Val Burtzell, Bill DeGrace,  
Dianne Thorpe, Jim Nelson

**PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEES FOR 2024**

(For duties, see Canon 35) The Rector and Wardens are ex-officio members of all committees

**SIDESPEOPLE**

Murray Phillips

**FINANCE**

Robert Wrye (Chair & Treasurer)  
Gary Dunfield (Book Keeper)  
John Whidden (Secretary)  
Ian MacDonald

**SYNOD DELEGATES**

*(also members of Regional Council)*

Dale Hennigar (alt.)  
Patsy Clothier  
Cameron Finlay

**REPRESENTATIVES TO WAICC**

Rev. Dr. Rob Hankinson  
Rev. Nicole Uzans  
Val Burtsell  
Ron Stuart

**SANCTUARY GUILD**

Camille Herbin (President)  
Elaine Slauenwhite (Co-President)  
Beth Turner (Treasurer)  
Cathy Stewart (Vice-President &  
Flower Convener)

**ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN (A.C.W.)**

Beth Turner & Dianne Thorpe (Co-Presidents)  
Dianne Thorpe (Secretary *pro tem*)  
Judy Amos (Treasurer)  
Debbie MacDonald (Devotions)

**PARISH REPRESENTATIVE FOR PWRDF (NOW  
ALONGSIDE HOPE)**

Liz Adamson

**PROPERTY**

John Whidden (Chair, Churchyard)  
Gordon Thorpe

**REPRESENTATIVES TO ST. ANNE'S CAMP**

Jim Nelson



**PASTORAL STATISTICS ACCORDING TO THE DIOCESAN SCHEDULE  
2024 (2023) (2022) POPULATION**

1. Total Families on Parish Roll: **(175)** (175) (175)
2. Total Individuals on Parish Roll: **(240)** (240) (240)
3. Baptized Communicants on Parish Roll: **(240)** (240) (240)
4. Confirmed Persons on the Parish Roll: *uncertain*
5. Number of Identifiable Givers: **(92)** (100) (107)
6. Average Sunday Attendance: **(61)** (70)\* (65)\* *\*These years were affected by pandemic lockdowns. Attendance reflects online listening/viewing via YouTube, as well as in-person attendance when possible. During all periods of in-person worship, the 10am service was also recorded and uploaded to YouTube.*
7. Christmas Eve and Morning Attendance: **(70)\*** (132) (129) *\*Snow storm*
8. Easter Attendance: **(96)** (103) (80)
9. Pentecost Attendance: **(74)** (54) (59)
10. Second Sunday in September Attendance: **(58)** (56) (56)

**Online Worship Service Stats Summary  
2024 (2023)**

Average weekly YouTube views	50	(49)
Average weekly YouTube views for Services of the Word	46	(47)
Average weekly YouTube views for Eucharist services	50	(50)
Christmas Eve views (2 services)	73	(42)
Christmas Morning livestream views	37	(27)
Easter Morning views	60	(34)
Pentecost views	34	(33)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in September videos ( <i>start of term</i> )	42	(72)

11. Average Attendance at The Elms and Wolfville Nursing Home (monthly): **(30)** (30) (30)
12. Lay Parish Staff: **(5)** (5) (4)
13. Average Attendance at Post-Secondary Dinners: **(8)** (8) (0)

**MINISTRY TO YOUTH, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**

1. Number of Teachers: **(13)\*** (0) (0) *\*volunteers at Community Roots day camp (we no longer have an active Sunday School)*
2. Number of Registered Pupils: **(12)\*** (12) (0) *\*enrolled in Community Roots day camp*

## PARISH RECORDS

**2024** (2023) (2022)

1. Baptisms: **(0)** (3) (1)
2. Persons Confirmed: **(0)** (0) (0)
3. Marriages: **(0)** (1) (1)
4. Funerals: **(7)** (6) (12)
5. Interment of Ashes **(2)** (3) (0)
6. Received from other Communion **(0)** (0) (0)

## ORGANIZATIONS AND GROUPS

**2024** (2023) (2022)

1. St. John's Anglican Church Women average attendance at monthly meetings: **(12)** (15) (9)
2. Sanctuary Guild **(23)** (23) (23)
3. Brass Cleaners **(2)** (2) (9)
4. St. John's Adult Choir **(13)** (12) (14), *performing anthems or motets most weeks. Practice weekly*
5. Individuals who lead the Prayers of the People at the 8am service **(2)** (3) (2)
6. Individuals who lead the Prayers of the People at the 10am service **(6)** (5) (5)
7. Individuals who read the lessons at the 8am service **(5)** (6) (6)
8. Individuals who read the lessons at the 10am service **(16)** (13) (10)
9. Eucharistic Assistants for the 8am service **(3)** (2) (2)
10. Eucharistic Assistants for the 10am service **(5)** (5) (4)
11. 8am Greeters **(4)** (4) (3)
12. 10am Greeters **(8)** (8) (8)
13. 10am Counters **(8)** (8) (8)
14. 10am Livestream Operators **(5)**\* *\*new ministry started in September, 2023*
15. Number of small group studies **(6)** (5) (6)

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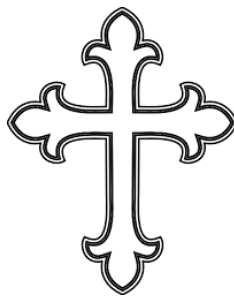
MARRIAGES

INTERMENT OF ASHES

Michael Bawtree  
Roy Wilmhoff

FUNERALS/CELEBRATIONS OF LIFE

Alwyn "Andy" Andrews  
Pauline Margaret Wright  
Stephen John Slovenz  
Ursula Helga Baker  
Pat "Patricia" Anne (McCulloch Anderson) Moore  
Patricia Louise "Patsy" (Myra) Clothier  
Julia Elisabeth Stewart



## **RECTORS' LETTER – *Surging Forward, Letting Go***

As your Rector, my focus can change several times in the course of a week – or even a day! I may be out for coffee with a student, then called to the bedside of someone who is dying. Meanwhile, my desk is piled high with plans for a Parish Council retreat, a half-finished Sunday bulletin, craft supplies for a children's camp, and a scrawled reminder to get in touch with a new member who had lots of questions after church. From every church group I connect with, I hear about challenges with membership or personalities, as well as members' excitement about new opportunities and ideas. There is so much possibility and so many needs that I am frequently exhilarated, and sometimes exhausted.

When I need to regain perspective, I go to Evangeline Beach. There, the steady rhythm of the waves reminds me of an essential rhythm in our lives. Just as each wave roils forward to the shore and falls back into the wide ocean, so we need rhythms of *surging forward* and *letting go* in our practices of living the faith we proclaim.

As you will read in this parish annual report, we pressed *forward* with new projects last year. We hosted a Community Roots camp for kids and launched a new partnership with the Front Street Community Oven. We also persevered in ministries that are growing from small beginnings. Our Pop-Up Study Café and our partnership with Valley Hospice have benefitted from the efforts of people to make the tweaks and adjustments to engrain these ministries in the wider community. And of course, so many of our ministries thrive on the commitment of our members to simply do what it takes, year after year. These efforts are essential to our rhythm of life together.

Of equal importance in the life of faith is our willingness to *let go* – and sometimes, this can be even harder than surging forward! As your pastor, I see how much wisdom and humility it takes for people to retire from roles they have held, or to retire whole ministries that are no longer as vibrant as they once were. I stand in awe of the faith that accompanies people at the very end of life, when they surrender everything to the eternal love of God. Such 'release' is not defeat, but an acknowledgement of our efforts completed. Please bear this in mind as you read about the funerals, retirements, and changing shape of the ministries profiled in this annual report.

As a community of faith, we need the energy of forward momentum, as well as the ease of resting together in the grace of it all. We need the prayers, gifts, and vision of every 'inquiring and discerning heart' in our midst to discover *together* how God is guiding this community. When we are united in faith, we surge forward *and* we let go, trusting in God's encompassing care through all of our beginnings, our endings, and beyond.

It is an honour and a joy to be with you in the rhythms of our shared life. Thank you for all that you do and all that you are. May God bless us, refresh us, uphold us, and empower us as we continue in the way of faith.

Yours in Christ, The Rev. Nicole Uzans  
Rector, St. John's Anglican Church (Wolfville)

## WARDENS' REPORT

On a spring Saturday morning in May, your Parish Council gathered to reflect on the past year at St. John's and look towards the future. We reviewed the many ways we are living our mission in our community, considered the ways Wolfville has changed over the last 20 years as well as the Town's vision for the future, and imagined ourselves in this growing and increasingly diverse town. We also identified a few concrete ways to enhance our welcome to newcomers, increase accessibility, and improve safety. These discussions guided our work during the year.

As we look back at 2024, it is our engagement with the community that jumps off the page. To highlight just a few initiatives:

- connecting with children in the community through a week-long summer camp
- strengthening a partnership with a community organization that extends access to food and addresses issues of social isolation for people in the community of Wolfville and surrounding area
- offering a quiet and welcoming space for university students during exam times.

For one week in July, St. John's was home to the **Community Roots Summer Camp**. The church resonated with the sounds of campers and volunteers as together we played, sang, created, and shared stories of Christ's light in the world. We connected with ourselves, one another, our community and God. Community Roots, which is fully funded by the Anglican Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, both encourages young people to grow in their faith – or to learn about Christianity for the first time – and develops leadership capacity in communities so that meaningful, local ministry can continue to happen for children and youth.

St. John's accessed \$12,500 in funding from The Windsor Foundation, allowing us to sponsor four community cookouts at **the Front Street Community Oven** and grow our community connections. These Thursday cookouts were truly community events, where people from all walks of life cooked together at the outdoor oven and ate together at common tables in Robie Tufts Park.

We hosted a **Pop-up Study Café** during the Acadia University spring and fall exam periods, providing students with a quiet space to study and lots of treats to keep them fueled. Volunteers from the congregation were on hand to put the kettle on and offer a warm welcome. Our successive efforts have gained traction with the December café seeing a record number of students appreciating the space and hospitality.

These are just a few illustrations of the many ways St. John's has engaged with the wider community. Further on in this annual report you will find many others: Hike for Hospice, Songs for All Souls, several talks sponsored by the ACW that engaged the wider community, and an immensely successful yard sale.

Our church building also welcomed the community by providing the venue for a second Musique Royale concert, and as a rehearsal space for a theatre troupe that raised funds for the new Wolfville library. The Queer Chorus and the Lit Wits book club, both community groups, continue to meet at St. John's. Our cemetery is a favoured place by many as a green space for walking, meditating, and eagle watching.

We continue to care for our building that provides both a place for our worship and a space where the larger community can gather. The audio system was augmented to enhance the sound at the back of the church. And through a generous anonymous donation as well as hours of volunteer labour, panels and lighting were installed behind the north facing stained glass windows so their true colours shine once again. These windows will enhance the beauty and elegance of the St. John's worship space for years to come.

Our website, which is the first door through which many new people encounter St. John's, underwent a refresh to ensure it remains a vibrant, welcoming and informative space. Via social media posts, our events have a wider viewing and greater engagement with the community.

On behalf of Parish Council, we extend a huge thank you for all who work tirelessly and mostly behind-the-scenes to make St John's the purposeful, joyful, musical, and welcoming space that it is. The deep and passionate love for this community, both within and beyond our walls, is written on the faces of everyone who engages the stranger or creates a safe space for the lonely or afraid. This is a place where everyone can and does participate as they are able, for the betterment of all, answering the call to be hands and feet of God in our community.

Respectively submitted,  
Cameron Finlay and Karen Padovani, Wardens

## **DIGITAL COMMUNICATION MANAGERS REPORT**

2024 was another great year for online ministry! Our website and social media continue to keep our parish connected with each other and the many great events we host, as well as being a welcoming front door and friendly advertisement to folks looking to join. Through our website, livestreams, and social media presence, we are building a community - not solely online, nor solely in-person, but a blended parish that serves many different people in many different places, both spiritually and physically.

Our website grows, changes, and adapts on a weekly and monthly basis to reflect what St John's is doing and who St John's is. A front door into many of our ministries, the website is often the first place people go to find out more about who we are on a weekly basis, what we do beyond church services, and how we serve our wider community. In basic numbers, we have had over 5000 views of our website in the last

year alone! Our highest months for website visits are June, September, and December – and this is easily explained. In June and September, we know that students are accepting offers to study at Acadia and other local schools, and moving to Wolfville: they and/or their parents are looking for a spiritual home-away-from-home. In December, folks look for somewhere to celebrate Christmas, and this year, I have met and heard from families that joined us both in-person and virtually because they were able to find St John’s online.

Indeed, our livestreams continue to serve a consistent community of folks who worship with us online *during* our church services (including me in the Netherlands!), as well as reaching many people who worship with us online later in the day or week. This year, our videos were viewed 3831 times, up by 36% from last year, and we gained 28 new subscribers to our YouTube channel! Our world is increasingly busy and demands a lot of time from us – by continuing to livestream our services, people are still able to worship with us weekly when they might ordinarily only make it to church a few times a year. In addition to our 124 subscribers on YouTube (as of Jan. 2025), we have an average of 50 views per Sunday service – indicative of a growing digital part of our congregation. Our ‘online chapel’ is a real community beyond numbers – and I know that many feel connected to each other, even though simple “good morning” and “amen!” messages sent to one other during our livestreams. My thanks, as ever, go to the growing “Stream Team” who generously volunteer their time to operate the equipment at every service. I know that those who worship with us digitally are grateful for their efforts.

Finally, our social media is one of our best advertisements to the digital world. Our online following reaches from Wolfville, throughout Nova Scotia, across Canada, and even internationally! We communicate with our congregation on more than just Sunday mornings – we share posters, images, and events with the wider community through Facebook and Instagram. Why not follow us if you are on social media, and make St John’s part of your regular scrolling? This year, we saw another increase in followers on Instagram who are students at Acadia University. They are excited to connect with St John’s because of our student ministry – including the Pop-Up Study Cafés, Student Dinners, and the choir. On Facebook, our posts are shared and “liked” by religious and spiritual institutions/groups from across Canada. How wonderful to be connected with so many churches in a global community!

In addition to following us on social media – why not check out our blog on a regular basis? This is where we share good news, projects, and events held at the church by our parishioners. Our blog really showcased our good works this year – plenty of talks, musical events, and community outreach stories were shared. Take a look, and, if you attend or organise an event at St John’s this coming year, let’s celebrate it on our blog! Send a write-up via email (with pictures please!) to

[wav.stjohnsanglicanwolfville@gmail.com](mailto:wav.stjohnsanglicanwolfville@gmail.com) describing your event, and I'll see that it gets posted.

Our digital communication is an important way to show our love of Christ and community to those both within and beyond our physical walls. Online ministry reaches so many in our modern age: those who worship in person regularly, those who live their lives online, and those who cannot be with us in-person, for whatever reason. As always, then, it is truly a blessing and a privilege to share the St John's community with the world through our online presence, and I look forward to new projects this coming year!

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret Finlay  
Digital Communications Manager  
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#### **WOLFVILLE AREA INTERCHURCH COUNCIL (WAICC)**

The Wolfville Area Inter Church Council (WAICC) met nine times in 2024, normally on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, from 7-8:30 pm in the Manning Memorial Chapel Lower Hall. These meetings were of a hybrid style allowing attendance of those unable to meet in person.

#### **Notable Moments:**

In January, the report of the "Investigative Seniors Housing Committee (2023)" was received. This previous year's survey resulted in 197 responses from 8 WAICC member churches/organizations.

WAICC representatives attended the Mayor's Housing Forum held at L'Arche. WAICC Executive members attended "Spiritual Care and the Chapel" meetings at Valley Regional Hospital.

Wolfville Food Bank management notified WAICC of the federal Food Bank Standards Review. (Original review deadline has been extended to March 2026).

WAICC notified the Canadian Council of Churches of our decision to hold a highly successful and well attended NEIGHBOURS'MEAL in place of a Week of Prayer for Christian Unity worship service. A Bylaw Review committee was struck to update the 1982 statement.

In February an invitation was received from the North American Interfaith Network (NAIN) for WAICC to host a NAIN conference.

WAICC initiated an AD Hoc Committee to examine and respond to Wolfville's "Unhoused and Housing Insecure".



The purchase of OWL technology was approved, in order to facilitate more efficient hybrid meetings of the Council.

In April a motion was approved to designate “up to \$200,000 for Housing Needs” Also WAICC advertised that additional amounts donated for this purpose were “tax creditable”. WAICC Special Needs responded to requests for support for an international student. The Food Bank noted that requests were received from more “large, multigenerational families”.

In June at the WAICC AGM, held at St. Francis Church, a tribute was offered to Diana Shelley, “faithful, long serving” retiring Convenor of WAICC Special Needs. The Ad Hoc Housing Committee was made a Standing Committee; WAICC accepted NAIN’s Invitation for NAIN Connect2025; AND new representatives (Ron Stuart and Val Burtzell) from St. John’s were welcomed.

September’s meeting began with a Moment of Silence for WAICC’s ‘faithful and long serving” Treasurer, Ray Bishop. Program guests questioned if WAICC should not have a role in “Public Theology”. The new Housing Committee’s membership was confirmed, and an Interim Treasurer (Devon Edmonds) was appointed.

In October WAICC hosted a Site Visit from NAIN’s Board of Directors. Their response was both positive and encouraging. New representatives from member churches were received and welcomed. A donation of \$2000 to the Canadian Council of Churches 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Campaign was approved. An Accountability and Transparency Document for the distribution of designated Housing Funds was accepted.

In November, the annual letter of thanks and encouragement of continued support from WAICC donors was prepared (postal circumstances interfered with distribution). A SAVE the DATE for NAIN Connect 2025 was generated by WAICC’s web minder Bruce Dienes. Preparations for “Christmas in a Lower Key” were made. And those are just a few notable moments!

**In 2025 WAICC** will celebrate 55 years of ecumenical witness and service. In 1970 WAICC was a unique feature on the church landscape of this province. In 2025 each one of WAICC’s activities will be an occasion to remember and honour the efforts of founding member churches and organizations and their faithful representatives through the past decades.

**The current member churches and organizations of WAICC** are St. Francis Roman Catholic Church; St. John’s Anglican Church; Orchard Valley United Church; Port Williams United Baptist Church; Wolfville Baptist Church; the Valley Meeting of the Society of Friends; L’Arche Homefires; and Manning Memorial Chapel, Acadia University.

Each church or organization nominates representatives to WAICC.

**The 2024-2026 Executive Officers** are:

Rev. Dr. Scott Kindred-Barnes, Chair;

Rev. Nicole Uzans, Vice Chair;

Rev. Dr. Rob Hankinson, Secretary;

Ms. Devon Edmonds, Treasurer;

Ms. Nancy Harbers, Past Chair.

**Respectfully submitted**, Rob Hankinson, one of St. John's representatives to WAICC,  
along with Ron Stuart and Val Burtzell.

### **POP-UP STUDY CAFÉ**

Students in our university town are often looking for quiet spaces to study, especially as they prepare for exams. St. John's has been responding with a Pop-up Study Café during the spring and fall exam periods. The café offers a warm and welcoming space to study, relax, and recharge.

The concept behind the Pop-Up Study Café is simple: create a comfortable, quiet environment for students to focus on their work while providing little touches that make their study sessions enjoyable. We transformed our sanctuary and meeting room into an inviting café complete with cozy seating, spaces to work individually or in groups, free wifi, and much appreciated snacks.

The Pop-Up Study Café not only creates a space for academic focus, it also fosters a sense of community. Students are able to take a break and connect with others, exchange tips on study habits and chat over their warm drinks. Many words of encouragement and a conversation between volunteers and students have taken place over the kettle in the kitchen.

The café also provided volunteer hosts with the opportunity to deepen their relationships with each other. In between serving students, they shared their stories, chatted about books they are reading, and discussed initiatives unfolding at St. Johns. This initiative resonated with the wider community as well, some who saw the sandwich board sign stopping in to visit and see what was going on. They all expressed enthusiasm and support for the student outreach.

We have been overwhelmed by the response and depth of gratitude expressed by the students, including notes and cards of appreciation. The Pop-Up Study Café is proof that simple acts of kindness -- a warm welcome, community, and hot chocolate -- can go a long way in creating a positive and supportive environment for university students.

Respectfully submitted

MaryEllen Finlay & Karen Padovani

## MUSIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The choir enjoyed another year of singing together in 2024, with a real highlight being the growth of the Choral Scholar Program. From January to the end of April we had a total of six Choral Scholars adding their voices to the choir: Amelia Wheeler, Bailey Pringle, Breton Hickey, Emma Martin, Emma Proctor, and Rileigh Lewis. Unfortunately, school commitments prevented Emma Proctor and Rileigh from returning in the fall, but in September we were delighted to welcome Kyla Neville to the choir as well. We love the energy and enthusiasm that these talented students bring to the choir, in addition to their beautiful voices. Thank you to everyone who donates to the Choral Scholar fund to make this important and beneficial outreach possible.

In addition to our Choral Scholars, we enjoyed having several instrumentalists join us throughout the year: Emily Markwart (organ), Ella Burt (flute), Anneka Dunnewold (clarinet), Abbie Coventry (saxophone), Rebecca Czerny (violin), and Ciara Wheeler (oboe). It was also wonderful to welcome Patti and Ron Stuart back to choir this fall. Of course, we are grateful to all of our stalwart choir "regulars" who volunteer their time every Thursday and Sunday: Adam Boyd, Cameron Finlay, Cathy Stuart, Elaine Slauenwhite, Franziska Kruschen-Leiter, Helen Whidden, John Whidden, and MaryEllen Finlay.

Some particularly noteworthy happenings of the year were singing two anthems this fall with brass quartet, having the Hopkins Trumpet Trio as our musical guests for the 9pm Christmas Eve Service, and having members of Acadia University Singers provide music for the service prior to Remembrance Day. Carrying on what has now become an annual tradition, the choir also offered numerous musical selections for "Choral Sunday" on the last Sunday of Lent. As part of that service, the choir sang Mendelssohn's largescale anthem, "Hear My Prayer," with Amelia doing a lovely job of the challenging soprano solo part. It was also exciting to have several of the Choral Scholars conduct the choir throughout the year:

Emma Proctor, Emma Martin, Breton, and Bailey each took a turn at rehearsing and leading the choir in an anthem, which was a rewarding challenge for them, and a great opportunity to put into practice the skills they are learning at school.

A new idea we tried out this year was having several "pop-up" choir anthems during the summer. Participation in the "pop-up" choir was open to anyone interested; we met early before the service to rehearse a quick-to-learn anthem, and then at the appropriate moment during the service those participants "popped up" to the front of the church to sing. It was a fun way to enjoy some choir music during the summer, without the necessity of a weekly commitment, and it was also nice to have a few congregation members who aren't typically in the choir sing with us.

On the Sundays without a pop-up choir, Amelia graciously offered music for us as a soloist throughout the summer. She did a beautiful job, and we are grateful for her hard work and

dedication. We are also grateful to Meg Finlay for the solo work as well as choral singing she did during her Christmas vacation; we miss her dearly, and it's very much appreciated how she jumps back into choir on her visits home.

In addition to the growth of the Choral Scholar program, the choir also benefitted from an increase to the annual budget for music. As a result, we were able to add quite a few pieces of choral music to our library. It is both inspiring and satisfying to be able to share new music with the congregation, and provides a nice balance to the work we do in learning music as we alternate between old favourites and new.

The church organ was tuned this fall. While it was due for a tuning anyway, this particular tuning had to be arranged on rather short notice when one Sunday morning in August I discovered that several of the pipes had fallen drastically out of tune since the previous Sunday. Thankfully, the organ tuner (Robert Hiller) just happened to be in Nova Scotia at the time and was able to fit us in with only a couple of weeks' wait. While it is inevitable for an organ to gradually fall out of tune over time, the suddenness with which about five pipes went significantly out of tune within the span of a week suggests that those pipes might have been bumped. Robert suggested it could have been caused by a bird (?); regardless, the incident offers an important reminder of the delicateness of the organ pipes and why they should not be touched by anyone other than a professional tuner. In any case, all is well again and the organ should not need tuning (hopefully) for at least another year or two. Finally, one more positive development of this past year was the re-positioning of the music filing cabinet, and the addition of a fabulous shelving unit on top of it that creates individual slots for choir members to store their music. We are very grateful to Cameron Finlay for putting his design and carpentry skills toward this task – it's wonderful to have such multi-talented individuals among us the choir.

As we look forward to 2025, we hope it will be a year of continued growth and invigoration for the music program at St. John's. I end my report by acknowledging my gratitude to all our hard-working, enthusiastic, and dedicated choir members, for the joy and light you bring to our fellowship together.

Respectfully submitted by  
Michelle Boyd, organist & music director

**ALONGSIDE HOPE, formerly known as PRIMATE'S WORLD RELIEF & DEVELOPMENT FUND (PWRDF)**

After a two year process PWRDF has changed it's name to ALONGSIDE HOPE which reflects its collaboration with funding organizations and donors.

On Oct.24 PWRDF was named to Charity Intelligence Top 100 List. As you know many well-known charities could be named so it is an honour to have PWRDF included in showcasing this among smaller charities.

PWRDF continues to work in partnership with other countries. An example of this was its recent involvement with Thailand-Myanmar border. They received an international Award for their services to refugees. As well PWRDF has been connected with women's empowerment groups and human rights organizations in Colombia. In addition, PWRDF has been working with various Indigenous groups in Ecuador, Peru and Mexico.in their Indigenous Midwifery Program.

In Zimbabwe PWRDF has been instrumental in planting trees and crops to assist their fragile watershed to withstand drought and floods.

PWRDF has supported fourteen Refugee Sponsorships with the Anglican Church of Canada and has been active with First Nations in community projects.

Because of the postal disruption this year and the fact that fewer people were sending Christmas cards, distribution was limited. The Parish was made aware of the World of Gifts Program that allows parishioner to contribute to its vital programming that supports partners in building resilient and sustainable communities as well as responding to emergencies.

In conclusion, the Anglican Church celebrated 65 years as an agency of the Anglican Church of Canada.

Respectfully submitted  
Elizabeth Adamson

### **FRIENDLY VISITOR'S PROGRAM**

The friendly visitors' program at St. John's, led by the Reverend Nicole Uzans is an outreach program encouraging congregational members to visit people who are no longer able to attend our church but have the desire to stay connected with us. Typically, two-person teams or individuals visit nursing homes or private homes, once or twice a month.

Most visits consist of offering opportunities to ask questions about the church, listening to their stories, offering them a current bulletin, or any other information of interest to them and, if wanted, having a brief prayer.

The group at the end of 2024 consists of 6 members including The Reverend Nicole Uzans. Unfortunately, our list of visitees has diminished significantly due to the advanced age of the group and almost all of the few remaining visitees now have significantly reduced mental capacity so the group has become less and less active. We have not had the addition of any new people needing visits for some time.

Easter cards were handwritten and distributed to the small number of visitees.

Once again with intermittent restrictions caused by Covid-19 visiting was curtailed at times. Following the discussion at the end of 2023 that the number of people needing visits within the criteria of our mandate is gradually decreasing over time and that perhaps the group may need to 'refocus' in the future, it was further discussed in 2024 and decided that perhaps this particular group with its particular mandate should be put on hold for the moment as other outreach programs to help alleviate the 'loneliness crisis' which covers a wider range of age groups might be more practical.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chris Maltby/Acton

### **THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

This year the Committee lost a key member with the death of Steve Slovens. He was ever willing and able to help with the mundane chores, and he was a very inventive and fine wood worker; the cabinet for streaming controls, the chair dollies and the votive candle table stand as proof of his recent creations for St. John's, though he was always modest about his work. Gordon Thorpe and I miss him not only for his skills and aid, but also for his readiness to pop in to Charts for a coffee, a chat and an update report on the state of his sailboat. The year was quiet as far as property was concerned. One project was the installation of wiring for two lamp poles on the south edge of the parking lot which will provide better illumination; this is expected to be complete in the spring. The other also involved lighting, the installation of light panels behind the stained-glass windows in the north wall of the chancel, urged and paid for by a parishioner. The details of the windows are now clear and vibrant.

Both church and rectory had minor fixes required, but nothing major. Aaron Rogers has taken over responsibility for mowing, and that work was very well done over the summer and fall. In the graveyard there were a number of stones which needed to be reset. We continue to keep a sharp eye on the trees; a dozen or so have had to be taken down over the last few years as they, and most of the other mature ones, are at or beyond their expected life span. We plant replacements where they will fit to maintain the traditional shaded ambience.

Thanks to Gordon for his help, and the Rector and Wardens for their support and interest in property matters.

John Whidden  
Chair

## ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN'S REPORT

All women in the parish are invited to be part of our ACW. We meet at noon in the church on the third Monday of the month except July and August. Our ACW met nine times in 2024 with an average attendance of ten. We support our church through fundraising and then put these funds to work for our parish, diocese and outreach programs.

We have an ongoing Book Sale in the sunroom which is very successful. This also provides us with a way to reuse and recycle our books and puzzles. Our annual Canadian Church calendar sales also support our fundraising.

We continue to offer monthly support to World Vision. St. John's ACW has been supporting World Vision for over 40 years. Our current foster child Judith lives in Nicaragua. We receive updates throughout the year on her progress.

Our local outreach projects in 2024 included St. Anne's Church Camp, Wolfville Area Food Bank, Scouts Canada, Lions - the Last Bell Program, the Portal, the Grief Library at Valley Hospice, Acadia Singers - Singing In Flanders Field, L'Arche, SMILE at Acadia University and Valley Hospice.

We had three guest speakers at our meetings. These meetings were open to the public. Dr. Michelle Boyd gave a presentation of the Acadia Singers trip to Flanders Field. Terri Milton discussed the Grief Library - a new project with Valley Hospice and Kate Garant gave a very informative talk about the Valley Hospice. Jim Nelson was present at our June meeting. He gave a very informative presentation of St. Anne's Church Camp, complete with photos and videos. Sunday, March 10 was Mothering Sunday. Simnel Cake was shared with parishioners after both services.

In early November the ACW was busy preparing Plum Puddings. 186 were made this year. Thank you to Vicki Harris for all her hard work coordinating this project and thank you to everyone who participated in the preparations and the steaming of the puddings. White Ribbon Sunday was observed on November 24.

Our annual Christmas Bazaar was held on Saturday, November 30. It was very successful and enjoyed by all. Thank you to everyone who helped make this a success.

In December the ACW prepared 28 shoeboxes for the Mission To Seafarers in Halifax. This ministry was established in England in 1856 and has been supported through the Anglican Church since then.

Our ACW also provided receptions to three funerals in 2024. Thank you to all the ladies of our parish who provided their support and assistance throughout the year.

Respectfully Submitted, Dianne Thorpe

**ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN’S FINANCIAL REPORT**

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditures</u>	
Bazaar	\$4435.25	St. John’s Church	\$3000.00
Bring & Buy	\$187.00	World Vision	\$ 588.00
Dues	\$ 82.00	Supplies for events	\$ 366.91
Books	\$ 250.00	Plum Pudding Supplies	\$ 405.83
Calendars	\$ 316.00	Float	\$ 725.00
Donations	\$1420.00	Gift for Dot	\$ 100.00
Float	\$ 725.00	Linens	\$455.42
		Flowers	\$36.01
		Calendars	\$201.25
		<u>Outreach</u>	\$1200.00
Interest	\$ 0.01	SMILE	200.00
		Lions	100.00
		The Portal	100.00
		Food Bank	100.00
		St. Anne’s Camp	100.00
		Singing In Flanders	400.00
		Grief Library	100.00
		Hospice Foundation	100.00
Subtotal	\$ 7415.26	Subtotal	\$7078.42
Bank Balance 2024	\$ 3370.68	Bank Balance 2025	\$3707.52
Total	\$10785.94	Total	\$ 10785.94

Respectfully submitted,  
Judy Amos, Treasurer

**SANCTUARY GUILD**

The members of St. John’s Sanctuary Guild continued to faithfully carry out their important work in 2024.

We work very well together, often helping each other in times of illness or unexpected absence, and sincere thanks is extended to all of our team members for your dedication.

Over the past year we have been able to provide the necessary supplies for preparing the Altar for Holy Communion as well as those special needs for Easter and Christmas Services. We are funded by our Parishioners with memorial donations, investment income, and especially this year by a generous donation from the ACW who we work with hand- in- hand in many endeavors.



Our lovely old altar is beautified weekly with flowers from the above sources and, as we try to keep our expenses reasonable, donations from Parishioner's gardens in the "garden" months.

As our income is now managed by the church treasurer, please note that the only sure way to have memorial flowers entered into the Sunday bulletin is by contacting Cathy Stewart or Camille Herbin directly.

Respectfully submitted-Camille Herbin  
President Sanctuary Guild

### **ST. JOHN'S EMAIL PRAYER CHAIN (SJACPC)**

The St. John's Anglican Church email Prayer Chain (sjacpc) was established on December 10, 2006, to permit prompt reactions to requests for prayer. In 2024, 31 prayer requests were sent, and the members have responded with prayers. We have seen the power of this ministry and the comfort and help it brings to those prayed for and those praying for them. There is not a high volume of emails associated with the prayer chain, with an average of 47 emails per year. Last year was a little slower than average with 31 emails. Everyone is encouraged to join the prayer chain. We currently have 45 members. If you are not currently a member, I encourage you to join. You can **join** by sending a blank email to [sjacpc+subscribe@googlegroups.com](mailto:sjacpc+subscribe@googlegroups.com)

A subscription box is available on the St. John's web site, and you can send a request through that link, or you can call Murray Phillips (902-542-1342) or speak to me, and ask to join.

**NOTE: Any member** of the email list can request prayer by **sending a message** to the list, using [sjacpc@googlegroups.com](mailto:sjacpc@googlegroups.com) as the email address. Replies go to the message sender by default.

Respectfully submitted,  
Murray Phillips  
Prayer Chain Coordinator

### **REPORT OF THE ST. JOHN'S SIDESPEOPLE (Greeters and Counters)**

Thank you to everyone that served as either a greeter or as a counter in 2024. We had to recruit a couple new volunteers to replace folks that were unable to continue for a number of reasons. I want to acknowledge the service of both those retiring and those volunteering. We have a very good team at the moment, however **we can always use a few more greeters and counters.**

The overwhelmingly positive first impression people get of St. John's Anglican Church, Parish of Horton is the reception they get from our greeters and ushers. The friendly and warm greeting goes a long way to making a newcomer feel welcome and consider making us their spiritual family.

The COVID-19 "layoff" inspired a number of parishioners to switch to **Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR)** donations. Perhaps this would be a useful idea for you. This is a monthly pre-authorized direct transfer to the Church from your bank. For details, please contact Bob Wrye or me. This has resulted in smaller "in person" collections and made the job even easier for our counters.

Only cheques made out to *St. John's Anglican Church* can be processed. Even when the final recipient is another organization this is true. Receipts for your donation will come from *St. John's Anglican Church* and our treasurer will transfer the funds to the other organization. Any cheques made out to others have to be returned, or mailed to them, resulting in delays. Please, **put your donor/envelope number on any non-collection envelopes or cheques** to assist in getting the donation credited correctly. People on PAR receive a set of blue envelopes and these have the number on them.

With our counters making a "night deposit" at the bank, the accuracy of the counters is especially important, since once the money is in the bank, it is impossible to get information on an individual donation. **In order to make the tracking of donations to various donor accounts, it is essential that parishioners mark special requests on their envelope rather than on the cheque.** Some people also include a list in their envelope, and this is extremely helpful. The counters try to transfer the information, if it is not marked on the envelope, but this takes additional time and may be missed.

If you are interested in becoming a greeter or counter (or both), please contact me. (902) 542-1342 or [phillips.murray@gmail.com](mailto:phillips.murray@gmail.com).

Respectfully,  
Murray Phillips, Chair of Sidespeople.

### **STE. ANNE'S CAMP**

Ste Anne's Anglican Youth Camp has been providing an out of doors experience for 100's of Nova Scotians since it was founded in 1946 by Reverends Dewolf, Elliott , Tufts. . The camp is owned by all the Anglican churches in the valley region. The laity of the churches are responsible for the maintenance of the camp.

The camp provides facilities only not programme. Each user of the camp brings their own staff and programme

The Camp is setup on a cost recovery basis so the user fees are affordable. Ste. Anne's never has a large cash reserve and is dependent upon support from the various member churches and donations from individuals. The Annual Turkey Supper is an important source of income.

Covid was a significant set back. During the three years no maintenance could be done and income was minimal.

During the COVID period many groups and organizations lost volunteers and financial support.

Ste Anne's Camp was no different. Post Covid we were not sure how to go about getting the camps maintenance requirements met or if we indeed had clients to use the camp.

Most of the camp users came back. Since costs had increased so much we negotiated with the largest of them to adjust our fee structure to a level that they could handle and would allow us to meet our expenses.

The Anglican Church in Annapolis Royal includes a number of young families who see the potential of the camp and have become actively involved. They have picked up the slack and are involved in all aspects of the camp. They organized a very successful Turkey Supper. We ended the year with a modest balance in our bank account sufficient to cover start up costs for the next camping season.

Respectfully Submitted,  
James Nelson  
Parish representative on Ste Anne's camp Board

### **TEA & TALK**

*History of this ministry:* Patsy Clothier truly was a connector! She had a lively spirit and a natural way of inviting people into the joy she experienced in following Jesus. In 2020/21, Patsy participated in the diocesan Connectors program in missional leadership, where she was encouraged to create local opportunities for people to talk about faith and grow in relationship with each other & God. Tea & Talk was born! This bi-monthly gathering at the Church Brewery offered a friendly space where people could respond to conversation prompts about faith while enjoying 'a beverage of their choice' (as Patsy was clear to say!)

As a midweek gathering out in the community, Tea & Talk was a public witness to the beauty of a faith community and a place where people could explore Christianity outside of a church. MaryEllen Finlay, who took the Connectors program in 2022/23, joined Patsy as a co-host and they led this group together until Patsy passed away in November, 2024. Together, they welcomed seekers and nurtured friendships amongst all who gathered.

We give thanks for Patsy’s joyful leadership, her loving witness, and her abiding friendship. May we all be inspired by her love for Christ and community.

*Future directions:* A Tea & Talk reunion was held on Tuesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Eight people joined together to remember Patsy and to share in conversation once again. All felt Patsy’s joy and remembered her determination to involve everyone in sincere and meaningful conversation. Since the format of Tea & Talk enables such rich conversation to flow, the feeling from those gathered is to continue these gatherings every two months or so. Conversation starters will always be offered and stories are certain to follow! MaryEllen Finlay will act as lead coordinator, booking the venue, publicizing the gatherings, and keeping an email list of participants. All are warmly invited to attend.

### **FRONT STREET COMMUNITY OVEN PARTNERSHIP**

In 2024, St. John’s applied for a grant from the Windsor Foundation and received \$12,500 to partner with The Front Street Community Oven (The Oven) on a series of community cookouts.

The Oven is a not-for-profit social enterprise with a vision for a community where everyone belongs. They offer weekly Community Cookouts, serving the most disadvantaged and vulnerable community members in a non-stigmatizing and inclusive community setting. In this joyful space where everyone cooks together, eats together, and shares stories, social isolation is reduced and mental health improves – especially among vulnerable groups. With the support of The Windsor Foundation, St. John’s was able to expand the capacity of these Community Cookouts.

St. John’s hosted 4 cookouts (August 22, September 5, October 17 and October 24) at The Oven in Robie Tufts Park in Wolfville. St. John’s volunteers, together with The Oven team and staff, provided ingredients to ensure all were fed. Just as importantly, we connected publicly in welcoming people from all demographic backgrounds, fostering life-changing connections. These Thursday cookouts were truly community events, where people from all walks of life cooked together at the outdoor oven and ate together at common tables. From pita & salads, to fruit crumble & local cheeses, to wood-fired pizza, meals always included healthy, local ingredients and skills instruction in cooking and food handling.

2024 was the busiest year to date for The Oven! The four Community Cookouts hosted by St. John’s saw the following impact:

TOTAL PARTICIPATION:	452 people, for an average of 113 people per cookout
TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS:	108, for an average of 27 hours per cookout
TOTAL MEALS PREPARED:	505 meals

But beyond the numbers are the stories of real, meaningful, human connection. It was encouraging to see personal opportunities and community strength emerging from these efforts to connect. We would like to share a few examples:

- Unhoused community members and Town Councilors cooked and shared meals together, fostering a sense of equality and inclusion.
- A film industry worker helped an unhoused participant secure an ongoing job on a film set. This person is doing better with purposeful work and long hours and is working towards being able to pay for their own place again soon.
- Two other participants found jobs through the cookouts, as the experience helped forge connections and opened up new opportunities.
- Another participant was able to secure an apartment

St. John's embraced this opportunity to become more 'hands-on' in our approach to improving social welfare in the local community. It was a joy for St. John's members to be amongst the seniors and singles, families and students, unhoused folks and newcomers all eating together! We learned relationship-building skills, as well as concrete skills of fire mastery and food preparation. The partnership between the Oven and St. John's leveraged our collective volunteer capacity and resources towards a larger impact than we could have had separately. Especially in a small community like Wolfville, such collaboration strengthens learning, awareness, and response to human need.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Rev. Nicole Uzans

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

The past year was, I believe, a very successful one in the life of our Church in many ways. From a finance point of view, we finished with a deficit of \$7,222, which was lower than the \$20,000 we had budgeted and the 2023 deficit of \$17,000.

As usual, the bulk of Income came through parishioner's contributions. Despite some of the challenges in our economy, offerings were up slightly. Additionally, we showed a significant increase of \$22,000 in our investment income. Two main factors contributed to this increase. First, we received interest on the endowment from Bill Pearman (given in 2022). Second, we made the decision to take 5% monthly interest from our Diocesan Consolidated Trust Fund investments, rather than the 4% of previous years. Even with this change, our invested income in this fund grew by 3% over the year.

On the Investment front, Royal Trust turned over control of the Troyte-Bullock bequest, which they have managed for the last 40+ years, to our Church to manage. The bequest was roughly \$100,000 at the time it was made. We have already received a cheque for \$271,000 and when the CRA has completed their review, we are hoping for up to \$20,000 more. All of this will be invested in our Diocesan Consolidated Trust Account.

On the Expense side for the year, our expenses came in at the budgeted amount. We reviewed our insurance on the Rectory and had a replacement cost evaluation done. As a result of this, we increased the value of the building for insurance purposes. We have asked the Diocesan Insurer to do an evaluation on the Church building, but are still awaiting completion of this.

On the Capital side, the three stained glass windows between the church and the sunroom were backlit so that the windows can be seen clearly inside the church. This was suggested by and paid for by an anonymous donor. We have begun work on a project to install lighting for our parking lot. This is an expensive project, but we have received a significant grant from the Tartan Foundation.

With a grant from the EKM Foundation, we have purchased a defibrillator, which should be installed this winter. As it has for many years, The Tartan Foundation once again gave a year-end grant of \$7,000 to be used towards general operating. With a grant of \$12,500 from the Windsor Foundation, we were able to partner with the Front Street Community Oven on community cookouts.

We received a donation from the estate of Shirley E Harris, with a request that it be used for a capital project; Parish Council is exploring this. As we have for many years, we also received a \$3,000 donation from ACW. Ways and Means held a successful Yard Sale, led by Dale Hennigar, and Ron Stuart continues to offer painting classes, with proceeds going to the Church.

As noted last year, a review of results for the past 13 years shows that during that period, we had a very small accumulated financial Surplus. In 2025, we will steward our financial resources to grow our presence in the wider community and to maintain or improve our property wherever we can.

Thank you again to our financial team for their continued work on our behalf. Gary Dunfield has taken over as our Accountant/Bookkeeper and Envelope Secretary. He has done a great deal to bring our records in line with current standards. Finally, I want to thank all of you for your continued and generous support of the life of our Church and the projects we support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert Wrye, Treasurer, Chair, Finance Committee.

### **Finance Committee Meeting January 25<sup>th</sup> 2025**

Present: Nicole Uzans (Rector), Bob Wrye (chair), Karen Padovani (warden), Cameron Finlay (warden), Gary Dunfield (bookkeeper), John Whidden (secretary)

Regrets: Dale Hennigar, Ian MacDonald

The meeting was opened with a prayer by the Rector.

#### **1. Rectory Heating**

In order to move ahead with the installation of heat pumps for the rectory, we must first have an efficiency test done by Efficiency Nova Scotia which may enable us to take advantage of provincial grants. We can then move ahead with inspections, suggestions and estimates. This will be contingent on the approval of the Capital Items budget by the congregation at the AGM.

#### **2. Oil Tanks**

There is a 20 year age limit on standard oil tanks by the insurance company. The church tank must be changed this year, and the rectory tank in the next year or so. Bob will get the specifications for various type of tank from the diocese.

#### **3. Budget**

a. The Capital Items section of the budget contains items which are to be financed by withdrawals from investments. This money will come from the sale of long held mutual funds which will be sold, and the amount not used for capital items will be invested in the Diocesan Fund which will, on past performance, give us a much better return.

b. Several adjustments were made to a number of budget items; the amended budget was agreed unanimously, and will be presented to Parish Council on Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting then adjourned.

John Whidden, Secretary

**AUDITOR'S REPORT:** *This report will be made available at the Annual General Meeting*

**St. John's Anglican Church, Wolfville**  
**Statement of Income and Expense**  
**December 31, 2024**

	2024 Actual	2024 Budget	2023 Actual
<b>Income</b>			
<b>General Offering</b>			
Weekly Envelopes	87,604.25	87,000.00	86,428.42
Open Offering	1,724.14	2,000.00	2,236.50
Initial Offering	135.00	150.00	165.00
Easter Offering	1,561.00	1,500.00	1,454.00
Lenten Coin Card	10.00	-	-
Harvest Offering	360.00	900.00	609.00
Advent Coin Card	-	50.00	170.00
Christmas Offering	2,064.00	3,000.00	2,114.00
Misc. Income	561.86	-	-
<b>General Offering Total</b>	<b>94,020.25</b>	<b>94,600.00</b>	<b>93,176.92</b>
<b>Endowments</b>			
Cameron Bequest	5,532.29	5,200.00	4,161.27
Fairweather Bequest	11,302.30	10,500.00	8,501.34
General Investments	22,824.86	26,000.00	20,626.31
Troyte-Bullock Beq.	5,211.37	6,600.00	6,381.64
Pearman Invesments	9,996.72	10,000.00	-
<b>Endowments Total</b>	<b>54,867.54</b>	<b>58,300.00</b>	<b>39,670.56</b>
<b>Diocese</b>			
Grant-Campus Ministry	3,000.00	3,175.00	3,000.00
<b>Diocese Total</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>3,175.00</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>
<b>Organizations</b>			
ACW	3,001.98	3,000.00	3,058.31
Rental	850.00	1,000.00	1,250.00
Ways and Means	2,612.20	1,500.00	1,421.30
<b>Organizations Total</b>	<b>6,464.18</b>	<b>5,500.00</b>	<b>5,729.61</b>
<b>Rector's Disret.</b>			
Donations	1,212.57	500.00	350.00
<b>Rector's Disret. Total</b>	<b>1,212.57</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>350.00</b>
<b>Special Projects</b>			
Donations-WAICC Food	-	200.00	-
Outreach Fundraising	75.00	100.00	400.00
Parishioners Doantions	-	500.00	-
Young Adult Ministries	2,523.75	1,500.00	226.58
<b>Special Projects Total</b>	<b>2,598.75</b>	<b>2,300.00</b>	<b>626.58</b>



	2024 Actual	2024 Budget	2023 Actual
<b>Special Donations</b>			
Major Capital Repairs	10,207.36	5,958.34	14,000.00
Miscellaneous	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
<b>Special Donations Total</b>	<b>17,207.36</b>	<b>12,958.34</b>	<b>21,000.00</b>
<b>Music Program</b>			
Choir Books/Music	-	150.00	10.00
General Music Donations	30.00	500.00	30.00
Scholar Bursaries	6,150.00	6,000.00	4,025.00
Elliot Choir End.	295.66	275.00	222.39
Ritcey Music End.	432.52	400.00	325.33
Choir Gowns	-	2,000.00	-
<b>Music Program Total</b>	<b>6,908.18</b>	<b>9,325.00</b>	<b>4,612.72</b>
<b>Scantuary Guild</b>			
Donations	2,265.88	2,000.00	-
Investment Income	727.27	-	-
Income from/to Deferred	-	-	-
<b>Scantuary Guild Total</b>	<b>1,392.12</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Designated Giving</b>			
PWRDF	4,595.00	7,000.00	4,347.00
AST	115.00	75.00	75.00
St. Anne's Camp	235.00	-	1,020.00
WAICC	370.00	-	825.00
Canadian Bible Society	-	265.00	265.00
Other designated gifts	12,500.00	-	-
<b>Designated Giving Total</b>	<b>17,815.00</b>	<b>7,340.00</b>	<b>6,532.00</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>205,485.95</b>	<b>195,998.34</b>	<b>174,698.39</b>

## Expenses

	2024 Actual	2024 Budget	2023 Actual
<b>Administration</b>			
PAR Fees	181.00	175.00	173.00
Bank Charges	465.66	300.00	369.88
CH Fees	22.93	50.00	35.95
Liability Insurance	1,670.00	1,600.00	1,245.00
Office Expenses	4,248.70	4,500.00	4,488.38
Postage	80.64	275.00	250.49
Programs and Committees	301.30	500.00	506.56
<b>Administration Total</b>	<b>6,970.23</b>	<b>7,400.00</b>	<b>7,069.26</b>
<b>Ways and Means</b>			
Fundraising	-	350.00	-
<b>Ways and Means Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>350.00</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Music</b>			
Choir Books/Music	485.55	600.00	878.36
Music Licenses	354.00	400.00	-
Organist Wages	12,306.36	12,306.00	11,753.88
EI & CPP	809.88	810.00	759.48
Scholar Bursaries	6,150.00	6,000.00	4,025.00
Soloists	1,250.00	800.00	700.00
Choir Gowns	-	8,000.00	-
Guest Organist	200.00	600.00	400.00
<b>Music Total</b>	<b>21,555.79</b>	<b>29,516.00</b>	<b>18,516.72</b>
<b>Scantuary Guild</b>			
Flowers	1,392.12	2,000.00	-
<b>Scantuary Guild Total</b>	<b>1,392.12</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other</b>			
Allotment	20,448.00	20,450.00	24,024.00
Capital-AV Project	-	-	12,974.42
Capital-Other	10,207.36	4,000.00	-
<b>Other Total</b>	<b>30,655.36</b>	<b>24,450.00</b>	<b>36,998.42</b>
<b>Outreach</b>			
General Outreach	14.98	600.00	500.00
St. Anne's Camp	250.00	250.00	1,500.00
WAICC-Dues	300.00	250.00	-
WAICC-Food	900.00	500.00	300.00
Young Adult Ministries	-	-	175.00
Community Outreach	12,575.00	1,500.00	-
<b>Outreach Total</b>	<b>14,039.98</b>	<b>3,100.00</b>	<b>2,475.00</b>

	2024 Actual	2024 Budget	2023 Actual
<b>Pastoral Care</b>			
Rector's Discr. Fund	1,212.57	500.00	350.00
Misc.	-	200.00	-
<b>Pastoral Care Total</b>	<b>1,212.57</b>	<b>700.00</b>	<b>350.00</b>
<b>Admin. Staff</b>			
Admin. Assistannt	6,761.04	6,761.00	6,457.56
Bookkeeper	6,593.52	6,594.00	6,177.49
Envelope Secretary	-	-	683.04
<b>Admin. Staff Total</b>	<b>13,354.56</b>	<b>13,355.00</b>	<b>13,318.09</b>
<b>Student/Replacements</b>			
Stipend	-	1,295.00	1,275.00
Travel	-	200.00	47.30
<b>Student/Replacements Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,495.00</b>	<b>1,322.30</b>
<b>Rector</b>			
Stipend	45,469.65	45,445.00	41,838.00
Employment Expenses	15,680.91	15,263.48	14,042.16
Travel	1,257.05	1,500.00	1,234.50
Guest Persider Stipend	555.00	-	-
Guest Persider Travel	213.28	-	-
<b>Rector Total</b>	<b>63,175.89</b>	<b>62,208.48</b>	<b>57,114.66</b>
<b>Church Property</b>			
Janitor	6,098.53	6,732.00	6,098.53
Cleaning Supplies	703.37	500.00	410.78
Electricity	2,797.08	2,500.00	1,860.90
Fuel	2,037.84	5,000.00	4,612.95
Grounds	1,715.95	1,300.00	1,839.82
Insurance	6,694.00	7,500.00	6,780.00
Memorial Gardens	430.00	-	37.36
Organ Maintenance	731.00	900.00	-
Repairs & Maintenance	3,721.35	2,500.00	1,806.83
Snow Removal	2,031.74	1,500.00	1,420.69
Wolfville Taxes	118.23	235.00	212.16
Telephone	2,691.45	2,500.00	2,242.63
Water & Sewer	314.02	300.00	277.59
Signage	-	3,000.00	-
Major Capital	-	2,500.00	-
<b>Church Property Total</b>	<b>30,084.56</b>	<b>36,967.00</b>	<b>28,019.91</b>

	2024 Actual	2024 Budget	2023 Actual
<b>Rectory</b>			
Electricity	947.99	1,200.00	1,586.98
Fuel	3,042.34	4,000.00	4,963.50
Grounds	1,517.88	1,300.00	1,373.84
Insurance	2,230.00	1,300.00	1,268.00
Repairs and Maintenance	1,189.12	1,500.00	297.69
Wolfville Taxes	7,591.33	7,105.00	6,285.83
Water & Sewer	303.88	300.00	263.79
<b>Rectory Total</b>	<b>16,822.54</b>	<b>16,705.00</b>	<b>16,039.63</b>
<b>Spiritual Development</b>			
Books-Prayer & Hymn	-	300.00	-
Church Socials	-	300.00	-
Streaming Services	3,600.00	4,250.00	5,342.91
Service Supplies	824.32	1,000.00	233.77
Guest Speakers	119.39	825.00	-
Youth	-	-	51.58
Leadership Development	479.29	500.00	-
Forward Day by Day	135.36	-	165.60
Spiritual formation	445.43	750.00	-
<b>Spiritual Development Total</b>	<b>5,603.79</b>	<b>7,925.00</b>	<b>5,793.86</b>
<b>Youth and Young Adult</b>			
Ministries	2,523.75	3,100.00	-
<b>Youth and Young Adult Total</b>	<b>2,523.75</b>	<b>3,100.00</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Designated Giving</b>			
PWRDF	4,595.00	7,000.00	4,347.00
AST	115.00	75.00	75.00
St. Anne's Camp	235.00	-	20.00
WAICC	370.00	-	825.00
Canadian Bible Society	-	265.00	265.00
<b>Designated Giving Total</b>	<b>5,315.00</b>	<b>7,340.00</b>	<b>5,532.00</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>212,706.14</b>	<b>216,611.48</b>	<b>192,549.85</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>205,485.95</b>	<b>195,998.34</b>	<b>174,698.39</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>212,706.14</b>	<b>216,611.48</b>	<b>192,549.85</b>
<b>Operating Surplus (- Loss)</b>	<b>- 7,220.19</b>	<b>- 20,613.14</b>	<b>17,851.46</b>

St. John's Anglican Church, Wolfville  
 Balance Sheet  
 December 31, 2024

	2024	2023
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Operating Banks</b>		
Main Bank Account	60,197.16	36,444.65
<b>Operating Banks Total</b>	<b>60,197.16</b>	<b>36,444.65</b>
<b>Other Bank Accounts</b>		
Bank Special Appeals	2,551.59	2,551.58
Churchyard Bank	9,022.53	13,720.49
<b>Other Bank Accounts Total</b>	<b>11,574.12</b>	<b>16,272.07</b>
<b>Receivables</b>		
Accounts Receivable	7,000.00	6,198.01
HST/GST Receivable	1,508.34	0
<b>Receivables Total</b>	<b>8,508.34</b>	<b>6,198.01</b>
<b>Investments</b>		
Scotia Bank	77,130.00	63,440.00
CIBC - 310 - General	422,434.71	335,157.77
CIBC - 311 - Graveyard	23,237.59	20,853.64
CIBC - 309-Special	9,388.51	8,401.64
Diocese - General	976,952.84	645,536.57
Diocese - Graveyard	96,211.44	58,611.27
<b>Investment Total</b>	<b>1,605,355.09</b>	<b>1,132,000.89</b>
<b>Property</b>		
Church Building	2,085,519.00	2,005,307.00
Church Stained Glass	87,000.00	87,000.00
Church Organ	200,000.00	200,000.00
Church Contents	126,854.00	106,854.00
Rectory Building	657,300.00	360,474.00
Rectory Contents	16,000.00	6,125.00
Rectory Barn/Garage	32,176.00	32,176.00
Rectory Barn Contents	614	614
<b>Property Total</b>	<b>3,205,463.00</b>	<b>2,798,550.00</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>4,891,097.71</b>	<b>3,989,465.62</b>

## Liabilities

	2024	2023
<b>Accounts Payable</b>		
Accounts Payable	13,032.53	18,520.31
<b>Accounts Payable Total</b>	<b>13,032.53</b>	<b>18,520.31</b>
<b>Source Payable</b>		
Fed. Tax Payable	1,663.58	0
CPP Payable	431.28	0
EI Payable	185.13	0
<b>Source Payable Total</b>	<b>2,279.99</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Payable to Others</b>		
Churchyard	612.21	-4,698.99
Other Payable	22,496.12	0
<b>Payables to Others Total</b>	<b>23,108.33</b>	<b>-4,698.99</b>
<b>Deferred Income</b>		
Choral Scholar Bursaries	1,497.28	4,937.28
Outreach	1,946.67	2,325.00
Rector's Disc. Fund	1,449.45	1,617.02
Major Capital Fund	17,001.71	7,895.92
Young Adult Ministry	0	1,773.42
Scantuary Guild	2,949.80	0
Choir Gowns	120	0
Other	2,385.00	0
<b>Deferred Income Total</b>	<b>27,349.91</b>	<b>18,548.64</b>
<b>Funds Held in Trust</b>		
General		
Diocese	647,369.33	574,681.71
CIBC Wood Gundy	0	53,030.04
CIBC Income Fund	83,131.17	21,514.72
United Health Shares	3,416.10	2,789.24
Scotia Bank Shares	77,130.00	63,440.00
CIBC RBC Shares	319,025.76	242,674.00
<b>General Total</b>	<b>1,130,072.36</b>	<b>958,129.71</b>
<b>Special Investments</b>		
CIBC Wood Gundy	9,388.51	8,401.64
<b>Special Investments Total</b>	<b>9,388.51</b>	<b>8,401.64</b>
<b>Memorial Funds</b>		
CIBC Income Fund	16,861.68	15,149.77
Dioceses	42,266.75	37,805.27
<b>Memorial Funds Total</b>	<b>59,128.43</b>	<b>52,955.04</b>

	2024	2023
<b>Graveyard</b>		
Dioceses	96,211.44	58,611.27
CIBC Investment Account	23,237.59	20,853.64
Bank	9,022.53	9,021.50
<b>Graveyard Total</b>	<b>128,471.56</b>	<b>88,486.41</b>
<b>Other Trusts</b>		
Diocese-Misc.	37,316.76	33,049.59
Goudge	1,727.21	1,697.54
Gesner	139.79	114.08
Special Appeals	739.96	739.96
<b>Other Trusts Total</b>	<b>39,923.72</b>	<b>35,601.17</b>
<b>Funds Held in Trust Total</b>	<b>1,366,984.58</b>	<b>1,143,573.97</b>
<b>Capital Assets</b>		
Investment in Capital Assets	3,205,463.00	2,798,550.00
<b>Capital Assets Total</b>	<b>3,205,463.00</b>	<b>2,798,550.00</b>
<b>Troyte-Bullock</b>		
Dioceses	250,000.00	0
<b>Troyte-Bullock Total</b>	<b>250,000.00</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>4,888,218.34</b>	<b>3,974,493.93</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Current Retained Earning	-7,221.23	-17,851.46
Adjustment prior year	-4,698.88	
Accumulated Retained Earnings	14,971.69	32,823.15
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>3,051.58</b>	<b>14,971.69</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	<b>4,891,269.92</b>	<b>3,989,465.62</b>

**St. John's Anglican Church, Wolfville**  
**Deferred Income Accounts**  
**December 31, 2024**

<b>Deferred Income Funds</b>	<b>Balance Jan 1, 24</b>	<b>Donations</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>Balance Dec 31, 24</b>
Choral Scholar Bursaries	4,937.28	-2,710.00	6,150.00	1,497.28
Outreach	2,325.00		378.33	1,946.67
Rector's Discretionary	1,617.02	1,045.00	1,212.57	1,449.45
Major Capital	7,895.92	19,313.15	10,207.36	17,001.71
Young Adult Ministry	1,773.42		1,773.42	0.00
Scantuary Guild	1,348.77	2,993.15	1,392.12	2,949.80
Choir Gowns		120.00		120.00
Other (grant)		2,385.00		2,385.00

<b>Funds Held in Trust Bank Account</b>	<b>Balance Jan 1, 24</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>Balance Dec 31, 24</b>
Special Appeals	739.96			739.96
Goudge Trust	1,697.54	29.67		1,727.21
Gesner Trust	114.08	25.63		139.71
				2,606.88

<b>Church Yard Funds Held in Trust</b>	<b>Balance Jan 1, 24</b>	<b>Donations/Income</b>	<b>Expense</b>	<b>Adjustment for MV</b>	<b>Balance Dec 31, 24</b>
Bank	13,720.49	0.92	4,698.88		9,022.53
Dioceses Investments	58,611.27			37,600.17	96,211.44
CIBC Investments	20,853.64			2,383.95	23,237.59
Due to/from Operating	-4,698.99	9,645.31	4,334.11		612.21
<b>Total</b>	<b>88,486.41</b>				<b>129,083.77</b>

<b>Memorial Funds held in Trust</b>	<b>Balance Jan 1, 24</b>	<b>Transfer</b>	<b>Donations</b>	<b>Adjustment for MV</b>	<b>Balance Dec 31, 24</b>
Dioceses Investments	37,805.27		2,825.00	1,636.48	42,266.75
CIBC Investment	15,149.77			1,711.91	16,861.68
<b>Total</b>	<b>52,955.04</b>				<b>59,128.43</b>

<b>Special Investments Held in Trust</b>	<b>Balance Jan 1, 24</b>	<b>Adjustment for MV</b>	<b>Balance Dec 31, 24</b>
CIBC Investments	8,401.64	986.87	9,388.51

<b>General Investments</b>	<b>Balance Jan 1, 24</b>	<b>Bequests</b>	<b>Adjustment for MV</b>	<b>Balance Dec 31, 24</b>
Dioceses Investments	574,681.71	250,000.00	322,687.62	897,369.33
CIBC Wood Gundy	53,030.04			
CIBC Income Fund	21,514.72		8,586.41	83,131.17
CIBC United Health Shares	2,789.24		626.86	3,416.10
CIBC RBC Shares	242,674.00		76,351.76	319,025.76
Scotia Bank Shares	63,440.00		13,690.00	77,130.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>958,129.71</b>			<b>1,380,072.36</b>

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**ST. JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH -- PARISH OF HORTON  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - DECEMBER 31, 2024**

**MEMORIAL FUNDS - NOVEMBER 1973 - DECEMBER 2024**

**In Memory of:**

Mr. Agar Adamson	100.00	Mr. Charles D. Fry	640.00	Mrs. Joan Mills	150.00
Mrs. Muriel Allen	250.00	Mrs. Elizabeth Fry	25.00	Mr. George L. Mitchell	60.00
Mr. Robert Allen	325.00	Mrs. Frank W. Fry	15.00	Mrs. Kathleen Mitchell	250.00
Dr. Noel Andrews	195.00	Mr. Delancey Gesner	115.00	Mrs. Pat Moore	45.00
Mrs. Anne Annand	130.00	Mrs. Marion Gesner	100.00	Mrs. Pat and Reg Moore	25.00
Mrs. Bernice Apt.	150.00	Mrs. Edith Gilbert	15.00	Mr. Charles Morris	135.00
Mr. Laurie Archibald	60.00	Mrs. Amy Gill	110.00	Mrs. Bernice Muggah	290.00
Rev. S.J. Armstrong	265.00	Miss Dorothy Gow	120.00	Mr. James Muggah	598.00
Mr. Allen Arnold	50.00	Mrs. Elizabeth Grant	120.00	Mrs. Marjorie Mulkins	45.00
Dr. Eric Balcom	10.00	Mr. Nelson Grant	35.00	Rev. J. Austin Munroe	175.00
Col. Samuel R. Balcom	100.00	Mr. Roderick G. Grant	77.00	Mrs. Clara Murphy	10.00
Mrs. Harold Barkhouse	15.00	Mrs. Helen Gucker	250.00	Mr. Eric G. Murphy	50.00
Mr. George Barrett	135.00	Mr. Philip Gucker	75.00	Mrs. Kathleen Murphy	470.00
Mr. James Barrett	135.00	Mr. Fred Hake	90.00	Mrs. Bessie Murray	10.00
Mrs. Lori Best	570.00	Mrs. Lesley Haliburton	25.00	Mrs. Evelyn Nelson	150.00
Mr. Barney Bishop	10.00	Mrs. Lucy Hamper	280.00	Mrs. Julia J. Parker	80.00
Mrs. Margaret Bishop	20.00	Rev. Henry Harris Hamilton	53.00	Mr. Clifford Patterson	125.00
Ms. Mary Bird	100.00	Mrs. Shirley Harris	2,500.00	Mrs. Elizabeth Patterson	360.00
Rev. William Bishop	150.00	Mr. Victor Harris	110.00	Mrs. Lillian Patterson	630.00
Miss Mary Black	55.00	Mrs. Geneva Hart	20.00	Mrs. Rosella Patterson	150.00
Mr. Fred C. Blakeney	100.00	Mr. Graham Harvey	10.00	Mr. Bill Pearman	50.00
Mrs. Mildred S. Blakeney	30.00	Mr. Doran Henderson	70.00	Mrs. Margaret Pearman	120.00
Mrs. Helen Boggs	145.00	Mrs. Earl Henderson	70.00	Mrs. Joan Perry	130.00
Mrs. Audrey Boutlier	75.00	Miss Felice Herbin	25.00	Mrs. Sandra Pineo	20.00
Mr. Cecil Boutlier	25.00	Mr. Fred Herbin	50.00	Mrs. Alice Pitblado	45.00
Mrs. Sandra Manning Brittain	40.00	Mr. John F. Herbin	1,280.00	Mr. George B. Pope	100.00
Mr. Dal Browne	25.00	Mrs. Gail Herbin	498.00	Mrs. Mary Porter	100.00
Miss Ethel M. Brown	210.00	Ms. Pam Herbin	50.00	Mr. Gerald Porter	1,255.00
Miss Marcia Calkin	205.00	Mrs. Dorothy Hergett	557.50	Mrs. Otto H. Porter	260.00
Mr. Donald Campbell	300.00	Mr. Harold Hergett	1,345.00	Mr. Cyril Reid	422.00
Mrs. E. Phyllis Campbell	150.00	Ms. Doris Hicks	250.00	Mrs. Dorothy A. Reilly	25.00
Dr. A.E. Cameron	100.00	Mr. Paul Hobson	490.00	Dr. William C. Rice	200.00
Miss. Alice Cameron	50.00	Mrs. Mary Y. Hopgood	75.00	Mr. David Ross	605.00
Mr. & Mrs. Gilbert Carberry & Ruth	35.00	Mrs. Juanita How	25.00	Mr. Robert Ross	1,040.00
Mr. Stephen Carver	764.00	Mr. Henry How	350.00	Capt. George Ruffee	25.00
Mrs. Ethel Cavanagh	25.00	Mrs. Anne Hughes	300.00	Miss Jeanette Ruffee	1,065.00
Mr. Victor Cavanagh	50.00	Ms. Barbara Jaques	50.00	Mrs. Ruth Sanford	25.00
Mrs. Jean Cayford	260.00	Mr. Waldon Kelly	25.00	Mr. Arthur G. Sangster	15.00
Mrs. Barbara Cheney	700.00	Mrs. Marjorie Kerr	10.00	Mrs. Arthur Sangster	275.00
Mrs. M. Edna Chipman	5.00	Mrs. Francis King	50.00	Mr. R. Townsend Schuster	100.00
Mr. Douglas Clarke	175.00	Miss Mary King	170.00	Archdeacon J.E. Sheey	5.00
Mr. Douglas H. Cochrane	50.00	Dr. Paul Kinsman	255.00	Dr. Basil C. Silver	123.00
Mr. Don Conrad	400.00	Mrs. Hazel Kirkpatrick	349.00	Mrs. Mary Etta Silver	25.00
Mr. Frank Conrad	1,197.50	Mr. & Mrs. Dennis A. Lake	355.00	Mrs. Marjorie Sircom	500.00
Mrs. Grace Conrad	1,227.50	Mrs. Vera Lake	10.00	Mrs. Minnie Spencer	100.00
Mr. Roy Conrad	25.00	Mr. David Leckie	490.00	Mrs. Shirley E. Stanley	25.00
Mrs. Ruth Conrad	180.00	Mrs. Jane Leckie	100.00	Miss Charlotte (Sally) Starr	435.00
Miss Jean Creighton	112.00	Mrs. Pauline Lonergan	20.00	Mrs. Olive Stoddard	1,255.00
Mr. Ralph V. Creighton	25.00	Miss Eileen Lott	260.00	Mrs. Rose Strain	50.00
Mr. Charles Crossley	260.00	Mr. William Thomas Lott	139.00	Mrs. Beatrice Stuart	100.00
Mrs. Edwina Cruickshanks	30.00	Mrs. Winnifred Lott	120.00	Mrs. Yvonne Stuart-Kotze	100.00
Mr. David Doake	110.00	Ms. Ann Lowe	25.00	Mrs. Florence Taylor	645.00
Miss Elizabeth Dixon	100.00	Mrs. Jean Lowe	50.00	Dr. Richard Taylor	125.00
Frank & Alice Dixon	135.00	Mrs. Kathleen Lugar	25.00	Mrs. Verna Sweet	25.00
Miss Mabel Dixon	25.00	Mr. Colin Macdonald	430.00	Mr. C.J. Templeman	260.00
Ms. Barbara Dok	100.00	Mrs. Eva MacDonald	125.00	Mrs. C.J. Templeman	700.00
		Dr. Ian & Marjorie MacDonald	50.00	Lyn Hicks Terbors/Doris Hicks	400.00

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**MEMORIAL FUNDS - NOVEMBER 1973 - DECEMBER 2024**

**In Memory of:**

Mrs. Justine Draper	50.00	Mr. John R. MacDonald	100.00	Mrs. Anne Thomsen	130.00
Mrs. Dorothy Eaton	325.00	Miss Ethel MacKay	20.00	Mr. Robert Thexton	50.00
Dr. John B. Eaton	220.00	Mr. E.K. MacKay	20.00	Miss Margaret Troyte-Bullock	740.00
Mrs. Carol Elliott	1,200.00	Capt. Lauchian MacKay	20.00	Mrs. Trenna Turner	177.00
Canon Russell Elliott	805.00	Mrs. Lauchian MacKay	20.00	Mrs. Doris Vavasour	25.00
Mrs. Rachel Erskine	20.00	Mrs. Christine Mahon	194.00	Rev. K.B. Wainwright	10.00
Mrs. Ethel Eye	100.00	Mrs. Nellie Manning	100.00	Mrs. Melita Waterbury	60.00
Miss Minnie Eye	5.00	Mr. Sydney C. Mannig	40.00	Mrs. Kathleen Watson	625.00
Ms. Pat Fice	200.00	Mrs. Viola Marsh	80.00	Mr. James Weatherbee	300.00
Dr. Eugene Fairweather	50.00	Mrs. Desiree McCormack	50.00	Mrs. Kathleen Weatherbee	50.00
Mr. George Frank	790.00	Mr. Basil McMichael	100.00	Mr. Don Wells	100.00
Mr. Arnold Feener	50.00	Rev. Cal McMillan	1,000.00	Mrs. Howard Whidden	20.00
Mr. Frank C. Fice	200.00	Mr. Denzil Melville	193.00	Mrs. Martha Wilkins	100.00
Mrs. Hilma Frank	420.00	Mr. Earl Miles	75.00	Mr. Ralph Winter	100.00
Mr. William Frank	245.00	Mr. Roy Miles	25.00	Mrs. Gladys Walsh	270.00
Mrs. William Frank	500.00	Winnie & Arthur Miles	100.00	Dr. Alex Wright	30.00
				Mrs. Janet Wrye	820.00
				Bank Interest Reinvested	183.17
				General	50.00
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					49,439.67
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Mrs. Lynn Uzans	2,899.00	Designated for the Choral Scholar Fund			

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**ASSETS -- GENERAL ACCOUNT INVESTMENTS**

\$1,000.00	DR. NOEL ANDREWS -- memorial by wife Evelyn and family
\$15,000.00	MRS. ANNE ANNAND -- bequest in memory of husband, FREDERICK WILLIAM ANNAND
\$5,000.00	MR. ACE BALSOR -- bequest
\$19,000.00	MRS. THELMA BISHOP -- bequest
\$5,000.00	GEORGE A. BOGGS -- bequest and HELEN S. BOGGS -- gift
\$1,000.00	MISS ETHEL BROWN -- bequest
\$82,500.00	MISS ALICE CAMERON - bequest
\$2,000.00	MRS. JESSIE LEE CAMERON -- bequest and MISS ALICE CAMERON -- gift
\$21,910.17	MR. DONALD PETER CAMPBELL -- bequest
\$300.00	MRS. EDNA CHIPMAN --bequest
\$1,400.00	MRS. AMY CLARKE -- bequest
\$500.00	JOSEPH H. CLEVELAND -- bequest
\$2,500.00	MR. DOUG COCHRANE -- memorial by wife Donna and family
\$500.00	A.G. and E.B. COWIE -- bequest
\$2,000.00	MR. EDMUND A. CRAWLEY -- bequest
\$1,000.00	MISS JEAN CREIGHTON -- bequest
\$500.00	RALPH V. CREIGHTON -- bequest
\$2,000.00	EDWINA CRUICKSHANKS -- bequest
\$1,000.00	ALMA DAY - memorial by family
\$500.00	MISS MABEL DIXON -- bequest
\$2,000.00	MRS. DOROTHY ELLIOTT -- Memorial by Canon Russell Elliott
\$160,000.00	DR. EUGENE FAIRWEATHER -- bequest
\$500.00	MR. & MRS. W. KENNETH FRASER -- bequest
\$5,000.00	AGATHA GANONG -- bequest
\$500.00	LESLEY HALIBURTON -- bequest
\$200.00	WILLIAM S.H. HAMILTON -- bequest
\$500.00	HAROLD HAMON -- bequest
\$2,000.00	VICTOR HARRIS -- bequest
\$500.00	MISS FELICE E. HERBIN -- bequest
\$100.00	MRS. MABEL E. JONES -- bequest
\$1,000.00	MISS MAUDE P. KENNEDY -- bequest
\$4,000.00	MISS F. MARY KING -- bequest
\$2,000.00	FREDERICK C. KINGDON -- bequest
\$50,719.83	MISS EILEEN LOTT -- bequest
\$2,000.00	MRS. ANN LOWE - bequest
\$2,000.00	MRS. KATHLEEN LUGAR -- bequest
\$3,000.00	MRS. J. MARJORIE MACDONALD -- bequest
\$3,850.00	MRS. PATRICIA MARTELL -- bequest in memory of husband Rev. Canon William Rigby Martell
\$5,000.00	MISS JEAN MARSH
\$1,900.00	MRS. BASIL MCMICHAEL -- Memorial by Mr. Basil McMichael
\$7,500.00	BERTIE L. and MABEL RUDOLF MESSIAS -- bequests
\$500.00	MRS. M. GERALDINE MITCHELL -- bequest
\$3,000.00	MR. ROY MURPHY -- bequest in memory of wife MARJORIE GUE
\$10,000.00	MISS MARGOT MURRAY -- bequest
\$250.00	MR. ROY NICHOLSON -- bequest
\$500.00	MRS. LILLIAN RACHEL PATTERSON -- bequest
\$2,000.00	MRS. MARGARET PEARMAN -- bequest
\$4,000.00	MR. GERALD L. PORTER -- bequest
\$2,500.00	MRS. MARY E. PORTER -- Memorial by friends and family
\$0.00	DR. VICTOR S. PRIMROSE -- bequest of \$95,000 used for church purposes
\$1,000.00	MISS E. ADAH RUDOLF -- bequest
\$2,000.00	MISS JEANNETTE RUFFEE
\$5,000.00	MR. CHARLES D. SHERWOOD -- bequest

\$10,000.00	DR. BASIL C. SILVER -- bequest
\$1,000.00	MISS CHARLOTTE "SALLY" STARR -- memorial by Helen s. Boggs
\$9,250.00	MISS CHARLOTTE "SALLY" STARR -- bequest
\$450.00	J. BEVERLY and MRS. HELEN STARR -- bequest
\$200.00	MISS ETTA G. TAYLOR -- bequest
\$1,000.00	MRS. FLORENCE D. TAYLOR -- Memorial by Dr. R.H. Taylor
\$56,400.00	DR. R. H. TAYOR - Gift of 1,000 shares of Scotia Bank
\$3,000.00	MISS ADA M.S. WARD -- bequest
\$1,000.00	MRS. MELITA W. WATERBURY - gift
\$11,500.00	MR. HENRY S. WATSON -- bequest
\$3,000.00	A.M. WEATON -- bequest
\$2,000.00	MRS. MARTHA WILKINS -- bequest
\$2,000.00	MRS. JEAN WINTER - bequest
\$45,325.00	MISCELLANEOUS MEMORIAL FUNDS -
\$5,500.00	PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF ALIANT SHARES
\$600.00	FORMERLY "POOR FUND"
\$2,914.03	MRS. GLORIA MAY FLETCHER
\$1,500.00	MRS GWEN ELLS
\$200,477.40	MR. BILL PEARMAN
\$271,820.00	Mr. HUGH TROYTE-BULLOCK

#### **MISCELLANEOUS INVESTMENTS**

5 common	Wolfville Curling & Badminton Club Limited
\$200.00	HELD IN TRUST FO WOMAN'S AUXILIARY -- now ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN
\$2,000.00	HELD IN TRUST FOR RECTOR'S LIBRARY FUND
	THE REV. RICHARD FERGUSON DIXON - D.D. Memorial by Miss Mabel Dixon
\$3,000.00	HELD IN TRUST - - INCOME TO ASSIST ANY WOMAN OF THE CHURCH OVER 50 YRS. OF AGE
	DR.MABEL GOUDGE -- bequest
\$2,600.00	HELD IN TRUST -- INCOME FOR STUDENT ASSISTANCE
	MRS. MARION GESNER -- Memorial by Dr. L.R. Gesner

#### **HELD IN TRUST FOR SANCTUARY GUILD**

\$200.00	(A) To Provide Altar Flowers in Memory of MRS. MARION GESNER Funds contributed by ACW and Sanctuary Guild
\$1,000.00	(B) To Provide Altar Flowers in Memory of MRS. LYNNE HIRSCH and MRS. VELMA JOHNSON Funds Contributed by Family
\$1,000.00	(C) To Provide Altar Flowers (earnings to augment general flower fund) Gift of Dr. Richard Taylor
\$2,000.00	(D) General Use MISS P. RUTH CARBERRY -- bequest
\$1,000.00	(E) To Provide Altar Flowers in Memory of MARY E. PORTER Gift of Gerald L. Porter
\$1,000.00	(F) To Provide Altar Flowers in Memory of GERALD L. PORTER Gift of the Porter Family
\$10,000.00	(G) Gift of Dr. R.H. Taylor in Memory of Florence D. Taylor
\$500.00	(H) Ann Mowat - Bequest - Income for Sanctuary Guild
	(I) To be Used for the Choir MRS. CAROL ELLIOTT
\$5,000.00	
\$6,000.00	(J) To be Used to Support the Music Program Gift of Douglas Ritcey in Memory of Margaret Sherwood Ritcey
Redeemed	(K) To be Used to Support the Curacy Program Anonymous Gift from a Parishioner

Redeemed

#### **Sunday School**

Raised by the Sunday School for Sunday School Projects  
One year redeemable - Royal Bank: .50%A, Aug. 8, 2018

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**PERPETUAL CARE OF GRAVES**

Ackerman, Helen	\$600	Erskine, Mrs. Rachel	100	Melville, Denzil	200
Adamson, Agar	300	Evans, James	550	Merriam, Mrs. Eleanor E.	100
Amos, James	450	Evered, H. Owen	200	Messias, B.L.	110
Anderson, William E.	100	Eye, James P.	100	Miller, Ronald and Edith	100
Armstrong, Rev. Stanley J.	110	Eye, Julia & Minnie	110	Miller, Ronald and Edith	100
Alden, John & Wendy	900	Flecknell, Robert T.	120	Mills, Lennox A.	110
Bawtree, Michael	300	Flecknell, Sydney	110	Moore, Patricia & Reginald	225
Bellworthy, Sydney J.	110	Fluke, John	130	Morgan, Louis G.	110
Bennett, Norman J.	110	Frank, George N.	110	Morris, Charles A.	120
Berryman, William J.	120	Frank, William	110	Morton, Douglas B.	225
Bird, John H.	110	Fraser, Edwin D.	200	Mowat, Mrs. Jacqueline	200
Bird, Norman	300	Fry, Charles D.	110	Muggah, James E.	200
Bishop, Barney S.	130	Fry, Rev. Frank W.	100	Murray, Margot	200
Bishop, Mrs. Bertha N.	100	John Fyfe	450	Parker, Clyde	120
Black, Wm. Marshall	130	Gesner, Delancey S.	110	Pearman, Mrs. Margaret	100
Blake, Kenneth W.	250	Gmeiner, Eugene F.	110	Pearman, William L.	110
Boggs, George A.	110	Gow, Mrs. Mabel A.L.	320	Perry, Merrill F.	110
<b>Both</b> , Gudren & Christophe	450	Grant, Nelson H.	110	Phillips, Dr. Wayne	200
Bowles, Marion L.		Hake, Fred	485	Phillips, Kathryne	300
(Dr. E.P. Bowles Lot)	150	Hall, Keith S.	200	Phillips, Murray & Mary	450
Brown, Miss Ethel	100	Hamilton, W.H.S.	200	Pickrem, Harry L.	130
Brown, Miss Isabella	400	Harris, Roger & Delsia	550	Pitblado, Mrs. Alice	200
Brown, John L.	100	Harris, Victor C.	225	Porter, Gerald L.	300
Brown, R.P.	50	Harris, Victoria	250	Porter, Otto H.	300
Browne, A.J. Dalzell	200	Harrison, Robert	110	Porter, Kirt & Bishop, Shannon	300
Campbell, Donald	200	Harvey, Graham R.	110	Prat, George A.	300
Campbell, Grieg	225	Harwood, Miss Caroline B.	100	Price, David G.P.	110
Carey, Allison	130	Hennigar Dale & Karen	550	Primrose, Victor	100
Carey, Mrs. Jane	110	Herbin, John F. Sr. and Frederic G.	130	Reid, Miss Adella	200
Carberry, Gilbert	110	Herbin, John F.	120	Reid, Cyril W.	250
Carter, Mrs. Jacqueline	200	Hergett, Doug & Faye	300	Rice, Dr. William C.	200
Carver, Stephen J.	300	Hergett, Harold	100	Ross, Dr. R.G.	110
Cavanagh, Lorne	200	Hicking, George H.	100	Rudolf, Miss Annie M.	100
Cavanagh, Victor	110	Hicking, James C.	110	Ruffee, G. Henry	220
Clarke, A.S.	200	Hill, D. Upton	110	Rundle-Woolcock, Eleanor	100
Cleveland, Joseph H.	110	Hillier, George	200	Russell, Rodney	110
Chipman, Reginald H.	110	Hirsch, David	110	Sanford, Henry W.	110
Clothier, William & Patsy	450	Hobson, Paul	550	Sherwood, Charles D.	140
Cochrane, Douglas H.	200	Horne, Samuel	50	Silver, Basil C.	110
Coghill, Alex S.	250	How, Henry W.	110	Sircon, Mrs. Marjorie F.	100
Colwell, John A.	120	Hutchinson, Mrs. A.B.	100	Stoddard, A. Borden	200
Collins, John	200	Jefferson, Mrs. Dorothy Stevens	150	Stuart, Ronald D.	110
Conrad, Donald	300	Keating, H.J.B.	110	Stuart-Kotze, Mrs. Yvonne	200
Conrad, Frank O.	130	Kennedy, Miss Maude E.	120	Tanner, Thomas	100
Conrad, Kevin	300	Lake, Dennis A.	120	Taylor, Richard H.	110
Conrad, Roy	200	Leckie, David F.	200	Templeman, Mrs. C.J.	110
Conrad, Dr. Scott & Miriam	550	Leonard, Mrs. Nancy	200	Thexton, R.G.	120
Cook, Douglas & Paula	200	Lordley, Miss Louisa M.	100	Thordahl, Maura Fraser	110
Cook, Eric	110	Lott, Miss Eileen	110	Troyte-Bullock, Miss M.	175
Coolen, Drayton C.	110			Vavasour, Charles	200
Corwin, Miss Maud S.	100			Wainwright, Rev. Kennedy	110

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Crawley, E. Sydney	100	Lucas, Dr. Colin C.	110	Wakeham, Robert N.	110
Creighton, Ralph	200	Lugar, W.R.B.	110	Walsh, J. Ernest	200
Creighton, Ralph V.	130	Lynch, Lawrence	200	Watson, John W.	110
Cunningham, Robert J.	200	MacAskill, Mrs. Sarita Apt	200	Wells, Donald & Elizabeth	300
DeGrace, Robert	200	MacAskill, Fred & Sarita	300	West, Donald E. & L. Audrey	200
Alan De-Stecher	600	Mahaney, Edward F.	110	Whidden, Helen & John	300
Margaret De-Stecher	600	Marston, Donald & Shirley	200	Wilkins, Charles F.	200
DeWolfe, Elisha	50	Matthews, Bruce & Pam	600	Winter, Herbert W.	110
Dixon, Frank A.	240	McCormack, G. Bryan	200	Winter, J. Ralph	100
Dixon, Miss Mabel H.	150	McCormack, G.H. Jeremy	200	Woodworth, Mrs. Ruth Deal	520
Eager, William H. & James H.M.	330	McGuinness, Dr. Norman	200	Wright, Dr. Alexander	200
Eaton, Mrs. John B.	100	McMillan, Rev. Cal	300		
Ells, Glen C.	225				
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					\$36,665.00

Total Perpetual Care	36,665.00
For General Purposes	14,825.00
Dr. Victor Primrose Bequest	5,000.00
Harold G. Evans Bequest	2,000.00
P. Ruth Carberry Bequest	2,000.00
H.A. Troyte-Bullock Bequest	1,600.00
Roy Conrad Gift	2,000.00
Rev. C. Russell Elliott Gift	500.00
	\$64,590.00
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**St. John's Anglican Church, Wolfville**  
**Budget for 2025**  
**December 31, 2024**

	<b>2024 Actual</b>	<b>2024 Budget</b>	<b>2025 Budget</b>
<b>Income</b>			
General Offering Total	94,020.25	94,600.00	94,250.00
Endowments Total	54,867.54	58,300.00	61,500.00
Diocese Total	3,000.00	3,175.00	3,000.00
Organizations Total	6,464.18	5,500.00	5,000.00
Rector's Disret. Total	1,212.57	500.00	500.00
Special Projects Total	2,598.75	2,300.00	2,000.00
Special Donations Total	17,207.36	9,500.00	31,000.00
Music Program Total	6,908.18	9,325.00	8,750.00
Scantuary Guild	1,392.12		1,500.00
Designated Giving Total	17,815.00	7,000.00	6,700.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>205,485.95</b>	<b>190,200.00</b>	<b>214,200.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Admistration Total	6,970.23	7,400.00	9,150.00
Ways and Means Total	-	350.00	250.00
Music Total	21,555.79	29,516.00	22,760.00
Scantuary Guild	1,392.12		1,500.00
Other Total	30,655.36	20,450.00	44,500.00
Outreach Total	14,039.98	3,100.00	3,000.00
Pastoral Care Total	1,212.57	700.00	500.00
Admin. Staff Total	13,354.56	13,355.00	13,664.00
Student/Replacements Total	-	1,495.00	
Rector Total	63,175.89	62,208.48	69,111.99
Church Property Total	30,084.56	36,967.00	31,878.00
Rectory Total	16,822.54	16,705.00	17,720.00
Spiritual Development Total	5,603.79	7,925.00	6,900.00
Youth and Young Adult Total	2,523.75		3,000.00
Designated Giving Total	5,315.00	7,000.00	5,700.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>212,706.14</b>	<b>210,271.48</b>	<b>229,633.99</b>
<b>Operating Suplus (- Loss)</b>	<b>- 7,220.19</b>	<b>- 20,071.48</b>	<b>15,433.99</b>

**Capital Items**

Heat Pump Rectory	15,000.00
Choir Gowns	8,000.00
New Oil Tank	3,000.00
Repairs to Rectory	5,000.00
Signage	3,000.00
Belfry Painting	7,500.00
	41,500.00