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IN AND THROUGH
QUISPAMISIS UNITED CHURCH**



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Annual Report

2011

OUR VISION

**"We envision that we share
and implement our core
values within our church
family, our local community
and the world at large,
engaging various media
that are relevant with
all generations"**

OUR MISSION

**We are a community of faith
and fellowship...
who invite others into this life and ministry...
we hope to be a light to the world by living as one people...
celebrating God's presence
through word and song...
equipping our children
and youth for the future...
by acting on God's calling to us within the culture in which we live!**

CORE VALUES

We believe in God as known through Jesus Christ and the work of the Holy Spirit and we strive to live by the example Jesus set.

We value a welcoming, inclusive, nurturing church community and we work to show this through support for each other, our social interaction and wise stewardship of our resources.

We believe we share responsibility for the welfare of our world and all that God created. Music is a moving force in our congregation.

We value our children and youth and prepare them for the future through our ministry with them while they challenge us to see ourselves through their eyes.

We believe that God's message is as relevant today as it has been through history and should be communicated in ways that speak to our diverse community about issues that are meaningful now.

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MINISTER'S REPORT

January 3, 2012

May God's blessing rest on each and every one of you!

What a wonderful year 2011 has turned out to be here at QUC!

So many wonderful things took place and so much amazing work was done that to cover it all in one page will be... well... impossible!

After introducing the Core Values in late 2010, the Appreciative Inquiry team shifted into high gear and got to work on the Vision and Mission statements for the congregation. On January 30th, Tracy Friars joined us at Sunday worship and led us through our Core Values and helped us to identify the key points that we would carry forward. Many of the congregation stayed for lunch in MacDonald Hall where the work continued. At the end of the day, the AI team had what they needed to go forward. Finally, on Anniversary Sunday, the Core Values, Vision and Mission statements were approved by the congregation! We celebrated with cake and coffee. With a clear mandate from the congregation, we are ready to move forward, knowing where we want to go and are committed to getting there!

With that under our belt, the Official Board thanked the AI team for their efforts and a new group was created to look at the way we do our work. As the newly formed Governance Committee gets ready to present their recommendations to the Official Board, you can feel the excitement building! With a new structure, we hope to have more time for our mission and to spend less time on administration!

Our second annual Vacation Bible School was a success in July with double the number of children from the year before! We spent a week in the town of Nazareth where Jesus grew up. We visited the marketplace, Mary's house and spent time with our tribe. Mark your calendars for July 16 – 20, 2012 for another exciting adventure!

Of course, there was more going on than just the management stuff! The Christian Life and Growth Committee took up the challenge of finding a youth worker to provide programming for our youth. Carly Schofield joined the QUC staff late in the year and is busy getting to know the youth and children and putting her energy into developing ideas for the youth.

During the year, we worshiped together, laughed together, cried together and worked together. We gathered for midweek services in Lent and Advent as well as special services for Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Sunrise, Longest Night and, of course, Christmas Eve. During 2011, we continued Coffee House worship services, being careful to plan them around 'low' Sundays so we wouldn't run out of chairs again!

'New Directions', our experiment in progressive worship on Sunday evenings ended in December. While the response to the offering wasn't overwhelming, we did learn a lot about what to do and what not to do. This information will provide us with valuable insights as we think about other ways to reach out to those who are outside our church family.

No annual report would be complete without mentioning the Sunday Night Jammers who have grown in number as well as confidence! The group has provided worship music for Sunday worship on the second Sunday of the month throughout the year and on Christmas Eve. This year, we even did some extra work providing some entertainment for the Tree Topper contest! And we continue to make 'joy' our reason for being...

The Tuesday morning study group did some different and innovative things this year. After completing our study of The Shack, we tried watching movies and doing theological reflection on what we saw and then, in September, we began a six week study, Countering Pharaoh. With that under our belt, we started Living the Questions 2 which will continue until April.

The Tuesday Evening group decided to continue to meet and used the Countering Pharaoh study, too. In October we started the Marcus Borg book, Reading the Bible Again for the First Time. Both groups are very open and it is great to be a part of this 'opening up of faith.'

The Sunday School experienced a growth spurt in September and we had to quickly organize some extra help. As usual, the congregation came together and folks came forward to help with these most important people in our congregation. We continue with Godly Play, but with split-out options for the older children as well as classes for Junior High and Senior High.

It is a joy and a pleasure to serve this congregation. I find it hard to believe that I have been with you for over two years now. What makes the work that I do here possible is the work that you do. The committees... Worship, Outreach, Christian Life and Growth, Session and Stewards all provide the foundation on which our church life rests. On behalf of all the people who benefit from the work that you do... Thank you and God Bless each and every one of you!

Pat, our organist, and the Senior and Junior Choirs make a joyful noise every week – leading us in hymn singing and opening our hearts to God's message through their anthems. Through the offering of their gifts, they minister to us, praising God and bringing life to our worship. The Cantata's are a highlight of our church year and are much appreciated.

This year has been a very rewarding one for me. I feel very much loved and accepted by this congregation and I am blessed to be sojourning with you. Of course, I couldn't do what I do without Donna... Thank you, Donna, for everything that you do for me and for the congregation of QUC!

Every day I thank God for the opportunity to serve and share with you. I anticipate that 2012, like 2011 will be a year of life-giving ministry and exciting faith formation.

With blessings and with love!

Rev. Audrey

BAPTISMS, CONFIRMATIONS, WEDDINGS, FUNERALS



BAPTISMS

Alexis Iris Bettle
Taylor Grace DeLong
Isabel Lynn Stewart
Magen Alexander Severin
Nolan Henry Luke Harding
Audrey Margaret Dunlop
Max Joseph Jesso
Benjamin Thomas Maillet
Shannon Maria Maillet
Amelia Grace Murphy



Liam Floyd
Shaelyn Clark
Daniel Snider
Ian Crowley
Harrison Hossack
Shannon Maria Maillet



Jason Kenneth Blois and Stacy Lynn Oliver
Brennan Hanson Scott and Amy Louise Carrier
Derek James Lounder and Tiffany Marie Olsen



FUNERALS

Lillian Flora Watson
Viola M. Daye
Helen Edith Norman

As we celebrate the past year and all of the blessings it has held, we give thanks to God for these people whom we have loved and who now seem lost to us. We hold in our hearts and minds: their lives, which were so dear to us; their names that are so precious. May all that was good in their lives; their many acts of courage, their innocence and their faithfulness continue to bring good now that they are gone. We remember them in this moment and honour and give thanks for their presence on earth.

Spirit of the Living God, walk among us and fill our saddened hearts with love and goodness. Replace our sorrow with compassion and our frustration with forgiveness and grief with love. As we join hands with the living, keep us aware of the unseen witnesses, who join us here. Sustain their families and friends with the comfort of your presence, the fearlessness of faith and the wisdom of those who have left us. Amen

TRANSFERS TO

John Roland Hill

TRANSFERS FROM

Olga Prior
Roland Melvin
Shirley Melvin

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING OF QUISPAMISIS UNITED CHURCH

Feb 13, 2011

In attendance: Brion Crossman, Diane Tonge, Margery Dunfield, Harry Dunfield, Evert Bos, Annie Walker, Donald Walker, Velma Bos, Larry Watson, Mert Cline, Patricia Vincent, Ray Tonge, Barb McBean, Sally Allanach, Rowena Anderson, Judy Hayward, Bruce Amey, Linda Amey, Marilyn Robertson, Don Robertson, Blaine Smallwood, Anne Smallwood, Jim MacDonald, Lynn MacDonald, Kim Brown, Brenda Forret, Dan Forret, Carolyn Kimball, John Hill, Rev. Audrey Louder.

Rev. Audrey opened the meeting at 11:32 with prayer.

Regrets were received from Bob and Faye Sherrard and Stu and Hughena Baker.

Dan Forret moved acceptance of the agenda, Harry Dunfield 2nd. Carried.

John Hill moved acceptance of the minutes of Feb 14, 2010, as reviewed. Annie Walker 2nd. Carried.

Business arising from the minutes:

- 1) Youth Worker – The contract with Alicia Walls has expired. Lynn moved that we pursue hiring someone for Christian Development as a youth worker for 7 hours per week. Diane 2nd. Carried.
Sally Allanach reminded everyone that the employee needs to be accountable to someone. Lynn will coordinate this with session.
- 2) Projector Screen in the Sanctuary – The results of a survey, with 24 respondents, indicated the great majority of respondents were positive towards the use of the projector in the sanctuary. The Worship Committee is addressing comments and issues, including the 4 negative surveys.
- 3) Appreciative Inquiry – Lynn announced that the committee is meeting again this week.
- 4) Fund Raising with Grocery Cards – On behalf of the stewards, Brion explained the work involved with managing this type of fund raiser. As such, the Stewards are not willing to take on the additional workload. Barb McBean suggested the Outreach Committee will look in to it.
- 5) Central Email List – As more names are added to the list, there is concern among some about the parameters for which the list may be used. It was generally agreed that acceptable use of the email list is for church or church membership related issues and not for commercial purposes.
- 6) Extended Outreach Group – Carolyn told of a program on Outreach being held in Tatamagouche on March 4 - 6.

Annual Committee and Group Reports:

- 1) Minister's report – Rev. Audrey presented an overview of her report and thanked Pat Vincent, the Choir, the Sunday Night Jammers, Blaine Smallwood, Judy Hayward and the entire congregation for their work and support of her in the church. Barb McBean moved acceptance of the report, Lynn MacDonald 2nd. Carried.
- 2) The remaining reports, except the treasurer's report were reviewed and edited. Lynn thanked the UCW for the cookie exchange. Barb McBean volunteered the Outreach Committee to take food to the food basket, replacing Betty Hughes, who requested to be removed as liaison with the KV Food Basket. Evert volunteered to advise the secretary of "food on sale" in the local grocery store flyers to have the items printed in the bulletin, as suggested purchases for the Food Basket. Larry commented on the wonderful Library we have. Carolyn Kimball moved acceptance of the reports as corrected, Annie Walker 2nd. Carried.
- 3) Treasurer's Report – Brion reviewed the report and pointed out the dependency on rental income and special fundraiser's to achieve our budget revenue. Carolyn inquired about a stewardship campaign. Discussion ensued about a program from Presbytery to encourage giving when tax receipts are issued. Brion moved acceptance of the report. Donald Walker 2nd. Carried.

Brion reviewed the 2011 budget, balanced at \$150,000. Plans for spending include a new sign, landscaping and a new exit from MacDonald Hall. Brion moved acceptance of the 2011 budget, Marjerie Dunfield 2nd. Carried.

New Business:

- 1) Church Sign – Audrey updated everyone on the idea of a proposed sign, which would be funded by a bequeath from Robin Wall. Larry Watson moved the stewards proceed with the purchase of a sign. Annie Walker 2nd. Carried
- 2) Election of Officers - Lynn MacDonald moved, Diane Tonge 2nd the motion that Rev. Audrey fill the position of Chairperson. Carried. Dan Forret moved, Donald Walker 2nd the motion that John Hill fill the position of Secretary. Carried. Donald Walker moved, Mert Cline 2nd the motion that Brion Crossman fill the position of Treasurer. Carried.
- 3) Sanctuary Entrance Roof – Larry commented on work that needs to be done to the small roof at the entrance to the church sanctuary. The stewards are aware of the issues and they are being resolved.
- 4) Ray Tonge suggested that an addendum of corrections be added to the report, rather than new reports being printed, in an effort to save paper.
- 5) Brenda Badger recommended that the session elders contact members who haven't picked up tax receipts as a way to get in touch with them.
- 6) Annie Walker recommended that a bulletin be produced, for distribution by elders, with the names and phone numbers of the minister and their elder.
- 7) Blaine Smallwood encouraged members of the congregation to "dig in" in the year ahead. Blaine thanked Audrey for giving 150% effort in her time with us.

Donald Walker moved adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,
John Hill

ADELAIDE BARBOUR UCW

The Adelaide Barbour UCW has about 25 ladies who regularly help out with refreshments at church functions and support the work of Quispamsis United, especially our Sunday School. Our dues are given through our church offering envelopes; our bank balance at the end of the year was about \$275.

This year we had fewer regular meetings, but did maintain our participation in projects, both old and new. In May and late November, we provided refreshments for fundraising musical events held in our sanctuary. Once again we hosted a reception for our Sunday School teachers at the end of June at the home of Sally Allanach. When the Godly play program needed a gatekeeper in the fall, six of our members volunteered to help out in September and October. Our group also continued to co-ordinate the bake sales at our April and November Turkey Suppers. We appreciate the donations to the sales from the congregation, as well as from our own members. Several of our group volunteered to clean out the refrigerator in the kitchen before the November supper. They also tackled cleaning Sunday School rooms and purging some of the accumulated and outdated materials. This year we did not pack shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child, but purchased fifteen plastic shoeboxes that the receiving family could use and that would not contribute to the garbage in their country. In November, St. Andrew's Kirk UCW invited us to a presentation by KV Outreach, which we found very informative. On December 6 we had a wonderful Christmas dinner event at Holly's Restaurant in Hampton. Thanks to Marilyn Robertson for arranging this event for the ladies of QUC.

In the new year, we hope to work on organizing a spring event for all the area UCW's. Suggestions for this are welcome. The telephone message list for UCW was recently updated. If you would like to be added to this list or have a change in your information, please call Brenda Badger at 847-7829.

AGNES ALLINGHAM UCW

The Agnes Allingham Unit of the U.C.W. holds their meetings twice a month on the second and fourth Wednesday at 1:30 pm in the church parlour. We have 15 members with an average attendance of 12. Our executive is as follows: Pres. - Lillian Rettinger; Secretary – Margery Dunfield; Treasurer – Gloria Moore.

Valentines were sent to our shut-ins, but this year our creative abilities were overloaded, so instead of designing and making them we opted to buy them, eliminating the possibility of misspelling words which sometimes happens.

Lillian and Annie took part in World Day of Prayer which was held at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Rothesay, in March.

We had a brown bag sale which brought in \$53.65. Our auctioneer and treasurer Shirley Melvin has moved to the city (we will miss her) so I guess for the next brown bag sale we will have to hire a new auctioneer or maybe one of our members will come forward and offer to do it.

Our unit donates \$50.00 per month to Outreach. We have given several prayer shawls away and put flowers in the church at Easter. We also contributed to the bake table at the turkey supper in March, and helped the Adelaide Barbour unit with two receptions.

We donated 12 chairs to the MacDonald Hall and filled 8 shoe boxes in Nov.

A number of members attended the special programs at Saint Andrew's Kirk Hammond River given by Luan-Marie Scott on family violence.

We have a new treasurer for our unit. Her name is Gloria Moore. She will do a great job.

For our Christmas party which was held on Dec. 6th, we joined the Adelaide Barbour unit and several women of the congregation at Holly's in Hampton. A great time was had by all.

We are still collecting Campbell Soup labels for the Landmark East School in N.S. and used postage stamps for the I.W.K. yard sale.

Respectfully submitted
Margery Dunfield/Secretary

Agnus Allingham U.C.W.
Financial Statement
Year Ending December 31st., 2011

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Expenses</u>	
Offering	371.26	Church Chairs	203.14
Brown bag sale	53.65	Crosses/graduation	32.45
Funeral Reception	260.00	QUC re: Outreach	200.00
Donations	70.00	Cards	37.23
Interest	.03	Postage	53.00
		B. Hughes/Sun Catchers	15.00
		Baptist Book Store	25.00
		Cochrans Market	38.72
		Flowers in Memory	10.00
		Shoe Boxes	70.00
	<u>754.94</u>		<u>684.54</u>
Balance Forward	204.49	Bank Balance	
		To Dec. 31, 2011	<u>274.89</u>
Receipts	754.94		
Total	<u>959.43</u>		
Expenses	684.54		
Balance	<u>274.89</u>		

Respectfully Submitted,
Gloria Moore (Treasurer)

AL GRAHAM AWARD

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." - Matthew 5:16

The Al Graham Award is an award of \$500.00 presented to any High School graduate student who is a member or adherent of the congregation of Quispamsis United Church.

Applications are received and reviewed by a selection committee with representatives from Session, Stewards, Christian Development and the congregation.

The successful applicant/applicants is/are announced at a Church service during late June.

Recipients to date: Krista Robertson - 1992; Jamie Backa and Shayne Graham - 1993; Sherry Vincent - 1994; Jason Hayward - 1995; Shawn Hayward - 1996; Amy Jackson - 1997; Heather Robertson - 1998; Jennifer Kiervin - 1999; Karl Grutzner - 2000; Scott Amey - 2001; Kim Kimball - 2002; Mark Grutzner - 2003; Clair Barefoot and Laura Crossman - 2004; James MacDonald and Heather Sherrard - 2005; Jamie Barefoot - 2006; Travis Young - 2007; Caleb Cummings - 2008; Bethany Young - 2009; Anastasia Smallwood - 2010; Selena Cline and Emma Crowley - 2011.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Members: Stu Baker, Chairperson
 Rowena Anderson
 Bruce Phillips
 Diane Tonge
 Bruce Amey, Secretary

The Board of Trustees is a group appointed by the congregation to approve major changes to property of the congregation. These changes would include acquisition, disposal, lease, demolition and expansion. The Board of Trustees acts on behalf of the congregation as directed by the Official Board.

There were no meetings held by the Board of Trustees in 2011.

Respectfully Submitted
Stu Baker, Chairperson
Board of Trustees



CHOIRS REPORT

Quispamsis Adult Choir has had a very event-filled year. Besides presenting anthems appropriate to the theme or lectionary readings of the day, there are other occasions that require our presence like Longest Night Service, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, our annual Advent Gathering on the first Sunday of Advent and, occasionally, funerals. We have also made an extra effort to visit seniors' homes. On Sunday December 18 we sang our cantata at Parklands to a very appreciative audience and we presented our Easter music to Parklands and Kingsway in April. We also sang with Jane Reinhart at her concert on May 19. On Good Friday Quispamsis and Saint David's choirs sang together here at QUC. We have had the pleasure of Ross Mouland's saxophone contribution on several occasions. Ross is always so willing to join us. He loves to play and adds so much to the singing with his soprano saxophone descants.

We provided special music through our summer services in July and some members assisted Saint David's Choir during August.

On December 18 we presented a Christmas Cantata "I Hear the Prophet Callin'" by Pepper Choplin. Various choir members narrated. We really enjoyed this cantata, and our efforts were well received.

Members enjoyed socializing a couple of times through the year. We want to thank Ruth and Richard Buckley for graciously hosting us in their lovely home.

I want to thank all who presented vocal and instrumental selections during or before worship throughout the year, and special thanks to Angela Murphy and Cindy Dutton who supplied when I took a break from my duties. They provide an opportunity for much needed family time. I also mention, on behalf of the choir, a special Thank you to Ken Sparkes for building our new "pigeon holes" to contain our folders and books, and to Patty Downey for making our attractive red scarves. Others help with music sorting and distribution. Our singers are very committed and as a congregation we should be grateful for their faithful contributions. Finally I invite new singers to our choir. We are always happy to have full time or "special occasion" singers join us. The Children's Choir meets regularly after church on Sundays. We opened our year with a special Welcome Back luncheon. This is a small but enthusiastic group of singers who sing at worship once a month and have enjoyed combining with the Adult Choir for Palm Sunday, Mother's Day, and other occasions They love to sing and are a joy to teach. Parents are very supportive and often children take their selections home to learn words.

It really helps a lot so Thank you to a special group of parents and grandparents. Thanks also to Marilyn and Elizabeth who help with robing and rehearsal.

Both choirs are always glad to have more singers. No auditions are necessary. Remember "All God's Creatures have a place in the Choir". Just bring a joyful heart and committed spirit to lead the congregation in singing each Sunday. With your prayers and support your choirs will continue to "Sing unto the Lord".

Yours in Christ's Service,
Patricia Vincent. Organist

CHRISTIAN LIFE AND GROWTH COMMITTEE

The Christian Life and Growth Committee, formerly the Christian Development Committee, resumed its meetings in April 2011. The name was changed at that time to align more closely with the Presbytery committees. Several new members were recruited for the work of this committee, as well as the representatives from Stewards, Session and Sunday School.

Overseeing the programs that promote spiritual life of the church, supporting the existing activities and creating new initiatives are the domain of this committee.

The quarterly meetings held this year were dominated by our search for a Youth Leader and the organization for the Sunday School year.

As a result of a decision at the Annual Meeting in February 2011, a job description for a Youth Leader (7 hours a week) was presented to the Committee. The advertising for the position began in April 2011 on various websites and in the Valley Viewer. By the July 2011 meeting, no applications had been received and it was decided that another round of advertising would go ahead in late August. When we still had no one showing interest by October, the Committee decided to revise the job description to focus on finding someone to work with the 12-18 age group. In addition to advertising the position again, the Committee agreed to pray for someone to fill our need. This time we had much more interest and the group met in early November to choose three candidates to interview. The interviews were held on November 16 -17, with Carly Schofield being our successful candidate. The Christian Life & Growth Committee looks forward to working with Carly as she promotes youth programs here at QUC.

Since there was no Sunday School Co-ordinator until Mary Crowley agreed to take the position in November 2011, it was left to the Christian Life & Growth Committee to organize for the opening of Sunday School in September 2011. We contacted last year's teachers, investigated curricula and made preparations for Sunday School registration. Our thanks to Carolyn Kimball for taking on the games for the Sunday School picnic and to the Adelaide Barbour UCW volunteers who helped with the Godly Play class during September and October. As a result of the feedback from the 2010-2011 teachers, a new group was set up to meet the needs of the older (Grades 2-5) children in Godly Play. Both this group and the Middle School class use the *Seasons of the Spirit* curriculum. The Senior High class has access to *Jesus 24/7* as a resource. Angela Murphy had several sessions for tots to provide a program for those just a bit too young to go to Godly Play. The Committee appreciated her taking this initiative. We have approached Stewards about improving the audio-visual situation in the Nursery.

The dates for our 2012 VBS are July 16-20. It is hoped that Kidzone will find another space during that week so we can accommodate more participants.

The Committee also monitors the Tuesday Study groups which appear to be thriving. An Adult Confirmation class is underway and we will discuss the possibility of a Retreat at our January meeting.

Any suggestions for programs that would enhance the Christian life here at QUC are welcome. Please keep our committee and its work in your prayers as we move ahead as a congregation.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Badger
(interim Session rep)

KENVAL UNITED CHURCH SUITES

I begin by inserting a paragraph from the 2010 Annual Report:

“If all goes well next year’s report should be relatively short as things seem to have finally fallen into place for the more routine business of being owner/landlords. Thankfully our financials now look stable with the income required to meet current obligations as well as meet the Government requirement for a Replacement Reserve.”

Well, things have fallen into the routine of being landlords, and this has allowed us to manage quite well with quarterly meetings. Thanks to the good work of our Property Manager, Wallace Floyd, tenant issues are managed and the property is well maintained. There is a normal turnover of tenants, which is also managed between Wallace and the Department of Social Development, with Board involvement at appropriate times.

In reference to the second sentence of the above paragraph, however, it is a different story – one that drives this to be a longer report than I had earlier hoped for. Finances during the first half of 2011 were stable and we had a modest cushion, so it was with confidence that we spent some capital to install a cedar hedge to provide a little privacy between tenants and next-door neighbours. In August, however, we were surprised to learn that the Town of Quispamsis was in the process of installing mains to provide municipal water to properties along Hampton Road. It had been stated to us before construction began that there were no near term plans for the extension of municipal water, so two wells, pumps and associated plumbing were installed instead. Nonetheless, KVUCS and the Town have a signed Development Agreement that requires us to connect to municipal water service once available. For connecting in 2011 the Town waived some fees. Compliance to this requirement has significantly drawn down our modest bank account, so much so that we have applied to CMHC for permission to tap into our Replacement Reserve. Yet to be determined is the total impact the new water & sewage service fees will have on our Operating Budget.

To make a short story long we have challenges before us in 2012. We are accustomed to this environment, however; there is always something to hold us close to the flame. Members of the Board of KVUCS Inc. individually, and as a board are second to none when it comes to dealing with challenges. There is no lack of resourcefulness, business acumen and determination, and, at the same time there is no want for compassion. After all, it is compassion that brought us together in the first place.

It is in this vein of compassion and caring that KVUCS is a member of the New Brunswick Non Profit Housing Association (NBNPHA), and that Board members independently meet with other organizations that are making plans to develop housing. We both benefit from and contribute to NBNPHA, and lend our assistance to others who are in various stages of or are trying to decide upon a venture. It is not that we don’t have enough to do in managing the Suites, but it is rewarding and exciting to participate in the greater non-profit housing community.

Much is owed to the Valley United Churches, Saint John Presbytery, Maritime Conference, the Home Mission Council and KV Housing for their past and continued support of KenVal Suites. A very special thank you to the KVUCS Board members – most of whom have been with the Board for several years now, and some of whom would appreciate an opportunity to move on to other projects. I extend an invitation, therefore, to anyone interested in knowing more about affordable housing, KenVal Suites in particular, to please contact me or any member of our Board.

KVUCS Board members and affiliations 2011:

Crowley, Mary	Quispamsis United
DeLong, Clifford	Quispamsis United
Dunnet, Lisa (Secretary, Director)	KV Housing Inc.
Fisk, George (Director)	Saint David's United
Jennings, Jill	KV Housing Inc.
Jennings, Dr. Shawn (Director)	KV Housing Inc.
Kimball, Hally (Treasurer, Director)	Quispamsis United
Larooi, Dirk (Director)	St. Andrew's Kirk United
Louder, Rev. Audrey	Quispamsis United (ex-officio)
MacNeill, Rev. Karen	St. Andrew's Kirk (ex-officio)
McKinnon, Harold (President, Director)	Saint David's United
Ogden, Debbie	Quispamsis United
Phillips, Bruce	Quispamsis United
Raeburn, Cheryl	Saint David's United
Schooley, Rev. Alan	Saint David's United (ex-officio)
Trecartin, Sheree	St. Andrew's Kirk United

Respectfully submitted,

Harold L. McKinnon
President, KVUCS Inc.

Library Report

The Library at QUC is a great resource for people who are looking for reading materials or videos... check it out and see what is there. Several new videos were added in the past year so check to see if there is something new you might enjoy.

Thanks to all those who donated books in the past year. It's good to have a steady supply of new reading material for those who use the library. If you have a particular request, we would like to hear it. We are always looking for new ideas!

Harrison Hossack assumed responsibility for the library and he continues to promote the library, offering suggestions on good reading from the selection there.

Respectfully submitted by Rev. Audrey on behalf of Harrison Hossack

MEMORIAL FUND COMMITTEE

The Memorial Committee has had two major projects this year--one completed and the other in progress.

A dolly that provides easy mobility for the grand piano was constructed.

Brent Rourke, owner of The Barn in Bloomfield, has been engaged to construct 40 especially designed chairs for the choir.

The Memorial Committee continues to be open to ideas for the prudent use of the monies in the fund.

Respectfully submitted,
Rose Jardine and Diane Tonge

MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

This past year has been a time of change and renewal for this committee. We were disappointed to receive the resignation of Jim Mac Donald, not only as committee chair, but as a member of this committee. We wish to thank Jim for all his hard work and dedication to this committee over the recent years.

Sally Allanach came on board this fall and, together with Stu Baker, is co-chairing this committee, until such time as a permanent chair can be found. The other members of this committee remain - Diane Tonge, and Cliff Delong. It should be noted that these 3 individuals have been on this committee for many, many years and, although very committed to the tasks at hand, are ready for change. Thus, succession planning for these members is a priority. It would be ideal if individuals/individual interested in supporting the staff of this congregation in this manner would come forward. It would be appreciated if at least one member per year of this committee could step down over the next 3 years after decades of service in this capacity. This is a very important role. This is our staff, our resources whom we need to serve.

The M&P committee seeks to provide a supportive role to both paid staff and volunteers of the church, as well as members of the congregation. This committee makes recommendations to the Official Board in regards to working conditions and wages for paid staff. This committee also maintains relation with our local Presbytery. Much of this committee's work is done quietly and confidentially, in order to be effective. This applies to all committee dealings, either working with staff or members of the congregation, who may bring forth comments and /or concerns. This committee will not entertain verbal comments, but will address any written, signed documentation which is shared with this committee. We believe in resolving any issues at the lowest possible level before they become problematic. This committee strives to maintain a harmonious environment for all to work, learn, serve and worship.

The members are dedicated to improve our service to the staff of Quispamsis United Church who include : Rev. Audrey Louder, Organist Patricia Vincent, Secretary Donna Larooi, Caretaker Judy Hayward and Youth Worker Carly Schofield. These individuals are working individually and collectively to improve service to this congregation, so we need to be there for them in order to guarantee their success.

Rev. Audrey is trying to adapt her services and work to be inclusive of all ages, from our newborns to our founding members. This is challenging, but a challenge she is willing to address, with our help.

Pat Vincent has agreed to continue her ministry of music with us for the upcoming year. We wish to congratulate Pat, in that 2010 marked her 50th year in organ music ministry. Music continues to be a strong foundation for this congregation.

Great thanks go out to Donna Larooi for her past 5.5 years with us. Donna has surely risen to the occasion, by keeping up with all the technological changes that have become a day to day necessity in her job and also the extended hours that have been required with the use of the screen in our weekly services. Unfortunately for us, Donna has tendered her resignation and will be leaving us on June 30, 2012. Thus the Congregation will need to strike up a search committee to fill Donna's position. Best wishes, Donna, to you and your family, as you enter this new phase of life called "retirement."

Judy continues her never-ending job of cleaning up after us week after week. She continues to enjoy her work with us and has on occasion solicited assistance from her son, Jason, if she is unable to complete her tasks due to her other work commitments.

Welcome Carly Schofield!! We have long awaited your arrival. Carly has been hired for 7 hours per week to help us address the needs of our youth. Currently she is just getting to know us and to see where she fits in, so please feel free to say "hello" to Carly and support her in these new endeavours.

In January, 2010, the United Church of Canada adopted new Guidelines for the M&P Committee. We are endeavouring to become familiar with these Guidelines and to follow their guiding principles, noting changes to previous Guidelines. For anyone interested in joining this committee or who is interested in the work of this committee, please visit the church website or feel free to speak with Stu, Sally, Cliff or Diane.

This congregation should be very proud of the staff we have here at Quispamsis United Church. They are truly dedicated to the work and people of this church and community.

Sally Allanach, Co-chair
Ministry and Personnel Committee

ORGANIZATION REVIEW COMMITTEE

The QUC Organization Review Committee, formed at the September 28 Official Board meeting, comprised of Brion Crossman, John Hill, Lynn MacDonald, Chris Young and Rev Audrey, met to review the present model of church organization and examine other models of Board governance, with the objective of improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the organization, keeping our Vision, Mission and Core Values in mind. The three accepted Pastoral Charge organization models, outlined in the United Church Manual, were reviewed: 1) the Session/Stewards/Official Board Structure (our current model), 2) a unified board structure, called a Church Board, and 3) a council structure, called a Church Council.

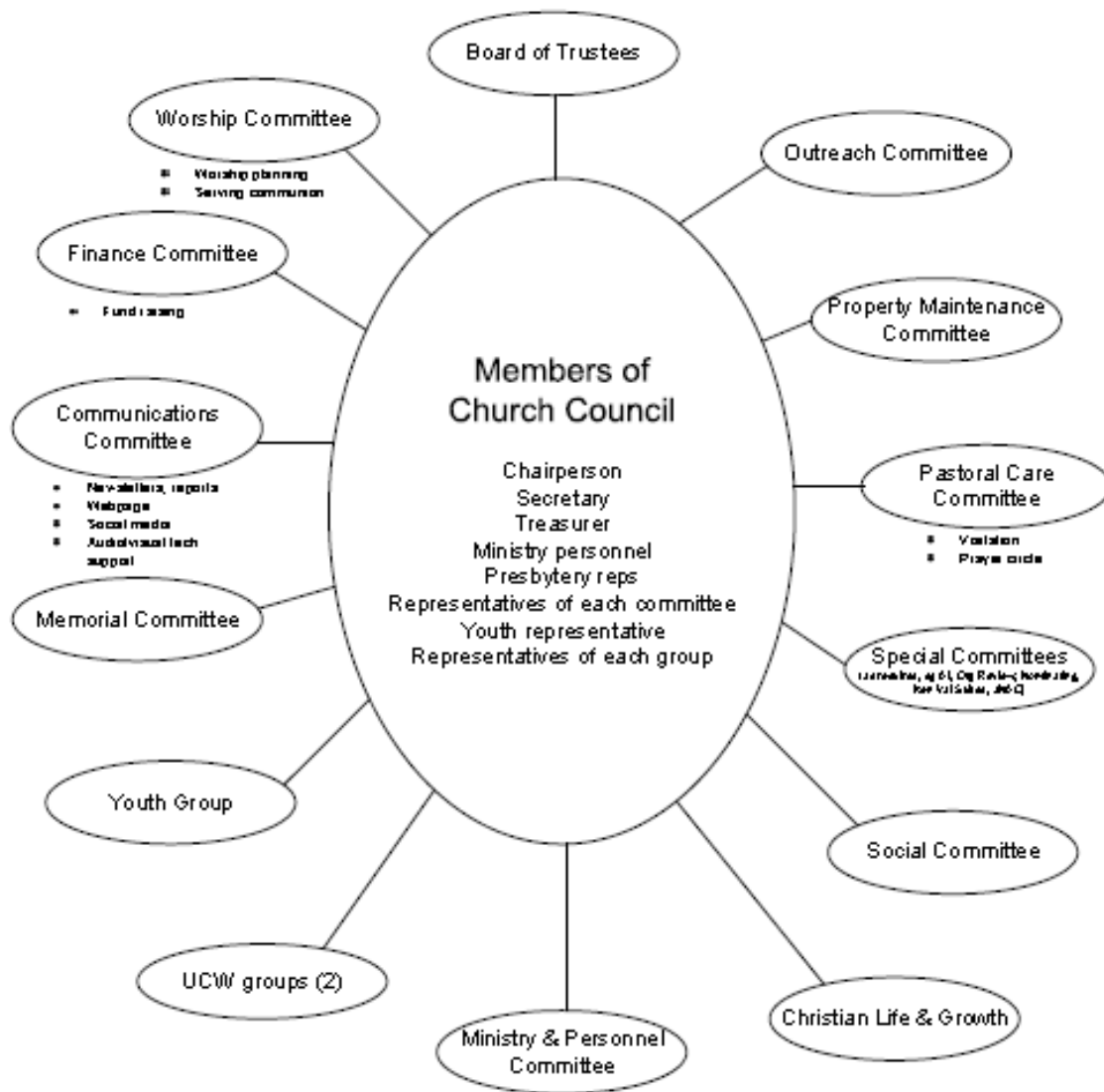
The Committee recommends that we change the organization structure to a Church Council and

presents the attached draft model for consideration. A Church Council allows the congregation to define the Committees. Representatives from each Committee, plus staff and a few individual assigned positions, will form the Church Council. A Church Council would provide an opportunity to streamline meetings (eg one meeting night per month for all working committees and the Church Council), thereby reducing the effort and time spent on administration. An implementation plan would need to be developed next, including roles and responsibilities for each committee and group and transition plans to move from the current Session/Stewards/Official Board structure to the Church Council structure. A timeline, allowing for the various review and approval steps by the Official Board, Congregation and Presbytery, would need to be established. It is anticipated that this could take one year to complete."

Suggested timeline to transform QUC organization from Session/Stewards/Official Board to a Church Council:

- Present recommendation to Official Board - Jan 25, 2012
- If approved by Official Board, proceed to present recommendation to Congregation - Feb 12, 2012
- If approved by Congregation, ask for additional volunteers to serve on Church Council Formation Committee - Feb 12, 2012
- Church Council Formation Committee - working sessions - February through June 2012
 - define roles & responsibilities of each committee, group & individual position in current structure and new structure
 - prepare a transition 'map' from current structure to new Church Council structure
 - review roles & responsibilities and transition plan with each existing committee & group to gather input; consider holding a workshop to gather feedback
 - nominate people to fill key positions, including chairs for each committee
- Prepare recommendation for Official Board - Sept 2012 meeting
- Present to Congregation - October 2012
- Present to Presbytery - November 2012
- Church Council to be in place - February 2013

Quispamsis United Church
Proposed Church Council Model



Organization Review Committee
Recommendations to Congregation Annual Meeting
February 12, 2012

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Our group remains active in many areas of Outreach for our Church, and our community.

NEWFOUNDLAND/LABRADOR - We participated in a drive for clothing for those in need, in 4 northern Newfoundland/Labrador communities this year. This was a joint project with Rev. Ellen Beairsto's McAdam congregation at St. Paul's United Church, as well as the congregation of Vanceboro United Methodist Church, and was organized by Liz Flogeras. This year we sent 12 boxes. We raised over \$200 toward shipping costs, through an after church Coffee Hour fund raiser.

SHORT TERM INDIVIDUAL NEEDS FOR OUR CHURCH AND COMMUNITY

This year we have been happy to help organize drives/meals for a few folks within the Church family, who needed help through tough times. We hope to offer this support in coming years, and we hope any who are in need of assistance for drives, or occasional meals on a short-term basis, will contact us! Also, if you would like to offer to take turns driving, or to supply an occasional meal to someone with a short-term need, please let us know.

We have found this is a wonderful way to show our support and to get to know those who need help. The recipients have been awed by the flood of support for them, and it does help!!! They KNOW they have a loving Church family!

Also this year we were once again able to help some folks from the Valley with financial support for acute needs related to basic survival - i.e. food, housing costs or heating costs.

SUPPORT FOR MARIA WEBSTER, a young girl in our congregation, was gained from an after church Coffee Hour, where all the donations were sent to Foundation Glycosolation, through the Saint John Regional Hospital Foundation. This foundation funds research into Maria's rare genetic condition.

SAINT JOHN COMMUNITY CHAPLAINCY is located in the basement of the Stone Church, 87 Carleton St., Saint John; the entrance is actually on Sewell St.

Saint John Community Chaplaincy is a Christian, faith-based agency that provides spiritual support and physical needs to those recently released from prison and those struggling with drug dependency and their families. Many who come to Chaplaincy have very limited means of self-support. Area churches are encouraged to assist Chaplaincy in various ways.

Quispamsis United Church continued its support this year by providing a meal once a month. We continue to purchase, prepare, and serve meals every 2nd Tuesday of the month. We have continued to serve an average of 80-100 people each month, at a cost of \$200 each month.

Our volunteer base is small, and we are always happy to welcome newcomers to join us for food preparation on the second Monday evening of each month, and/or for serving the food to the clients, in Saint John, on the second Tuesday noon hour of each month.

We also have a list of those who might be willing to fill a need some months, by making a dessert or meatballs, etc. - if you would like to offer your name for that list, please contact Karen Young at 848-1018 or Barb McBean at 847-2275

COVERDALE CENTER-148 Waterloo St., Saint John

The United Church has an ongoing involvement in the mission of Coverdale Center, which is a halfway house for women.

Some members of our congregation continue to donate toiletries and personal items for the women of Coverdale. These items are used in the shelter as well as the residential center and satellite apartments. Items can be given to Barb McBean at 847-2275, or alternatively, dropped off at the Waterloo St. address during Mon- Fri office hours.

CHRISTMAS FAMILIES - We provided for 10 families this year, coordinated through both the Christmas Exchange and the KV Fire Station. All these families were so very grateful for our willingness to help out. Our congregation was extremely generous, and we certainly appreciated it!

We accept the names of families who call in for help, and we coordinate with the Christmas Exchange to ensure fairness to all clients. We also accept names as possible from the Christmas Exchange. We then provide a “need” and a “want” for each family member.

Separate from that, we collect non-perishable food items during the weeks before Christmas, and then deliver them to the KV Fire Station, where they are added to other food items and placed in “orders” for all of our sponsored families served throughout the community. Each year the Fire Station receives countless donations from local businesses, churches and schools.

The families we support directly with gifts are also directed to the Fire Station to collect their food items. We supply the officials at the Fire Station with a list of family names, held in strictest confidence by them, so they can ensure fair distribution to those in need. This year volunteers from the Fire Station picked up our food from the Church, which was a big help!

UNITED CHURCH CLOTHING DEPOT - 68 Carleton St., Saint John

Church members drop clothing off inside our wheelchair-accessible door at the Church, and volunteers deliver them to the Depot, throughout the year. Donations can also be placed in the bin outside the lower door of the building on Carleton St.

KV FOOD BASKET - 346 Hampton Road, Quispamsis

We continue to support the Food Basket throughout the year, filling bins at the doors of the Church, and placing money donations in our offering plates. The food donations are collected by a volunteer and delivered to the Food Basket. As an alternative, the Food Basket also accepts donations directly, on Monday mornings at their location at 346 Hampton Road, beside the Quispamsis Arena.

CHRISTMAS COOKIE EXCHANGE

In early December, our cookie makers continued their annual tradition of a Cookie Exchange, through which we can donate cookies to those in need of some TLC in our Church community, and beyond. We have begun to recycle clean cookie tins, as we attempt to make our Church greener!

This year we supplied cookies to over 40 families in our Church and community, as well as to our 10 Christmas families, the women at the jail for their Christmas party, and Community Chaplaincy!

KENVAL UNITED CHURCH SUITES - 364 and 368 Hampton Road, Quispamsis

Members of our congregation continue to serve as members of the Board of KVUCS.

Also, we once again donated cookies to all the tenants at the Suites - they were thrilled!

Because of your support, we are able to reach out to so many areas of need - we couldn't do it without your financial, physical and prayer support. Please continue to help as is possible!

Barb McBean 847-2275/ Diane Tonge/Linda Reid/Anne Smallwood

SAINT JOHN PRESBYTERY REPORT

It shall be the mission of Saint John Presbytery to provide for the total ministry of the church within its bounds and to offer sympathetic and creative support to its member congregations and encouragement as they seek to fulfill the portion of that mission which is within their resources.

Chair Gordon Lebel

January meeting of Presbytery spent considerable time discussing the Program Fund. This was a continuation of discussions in 2010. After several motions the final outcome was as follows: that the Program Fund of Saint John Presbytery remain a voluntary fund supported by the Pastoral Charges of Presbytery. Financial support for the Program Fund has been diminishing over the years. This loss of support will continue to affect The Clothing Depot, Centenary Queen Square Adult Day Care Center and Coverdale Center for Women. While CQS Day Care and Coverdale Center receive funding from other sources, the Clothing Depot is 100% dependant upon the program fund. In 2011 six charges have decided not to support the Program Fund. Quispamsis United continues with its financial support.

The finance committee established a form to reimburse members of Presbytery for their travel to committee and presbytery meetings. Members can now be reimbursed 20 cents a kilometer for travel.

March The Christian Life and Growth Committee were pleased to announce 19 youth and 23 intermediates registered from our presbytery for Conference weekend. Their registration has been paid in full by Presbytery. In 2012 the deposit will be paid by the applicant. 42 youth from Saint John Presbytery attend the annual meeting of Conference! Two other church events that took place this year were Rendez Vous (a gathering of youth and young adults and leaders in Toronto,) and The Go Project for ages 9-19 in Halifax. Reports from both projects state the youth had a wonderful time and came back to their home church enthused about church life.

Overseas personnel Bill and Karen Butt visited Saint John Presbytery in March. Two congregations hosted them for a talk and meal.

May It was with regret that The United Church Hospital Chaplaincy became a victim of underfunding within Maritime Conference. Conference annual meeting decided that the end of

2011 would bring about the end of Saint John Hospital Chaplaincy and the two chaplain positions in Halifax.

Church in Action committee hosted Dr. Deborah Doherty as guest speaker at a Domestic Violence workshop at the Boys and Girls Club.

Christian Life and Growth hosted a Leading and Learning Workshop at Glen View United Church.

Saint John Presbytery has passed a motion that a limit of three consecutive one-year appointments be placed on retired ministry personnel to any charge.

September Just getting back from summer break, so there was not much to report from the Presbytery meeting.

November The meeting schedule for Presbytery came under review. A motion was made to hold Presbytery every month except July and August. This motion was tabled until the January 2012 meeting.

The Finance Committee noted that funding for the Program Fund is in a deficit position of \$12,047.00. \$10,935.00 will be paid from capital at Home Mission Council. It is obvious that with the present contributions the entire fund will collapse within three years. A special committee is to be set up to look at the Program Fund.

Conference has not submitted allocations from the Pastoral Charges as of the November meeting; therefore, the Saint John Presbytery budget is incomplete at this time.

Rev. Keith Lyons gave a presentation For the Child Taken for the Parent Left Behind. Keith had attended the Truth and Reconciliation meetings in Halifax and was so moved he has offered to present his talk to any church in the Presbytery.

Changes

Rev. Keith Lyons retires

Rev. Philip Griffin-Alwood to Hampton.

Rev. David Cleveland to Silver Falls

After many years of service, Rev. Jim MacDonald has retired from retired supply.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Kimball
Velma Bos

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP

We started meeting again in hopes of planning a trip for the summer of 2012 with the help of Reverend Ellen Beairsto who has taken 3 different groups of United Church youth on trips over the last 10 years.

She will assist us in our plans and application to the United Church Vision fund.

We have a great group of about 6 very busy high school students who have attended a few fundraising events.

We are very happy and excited about the fact that our church has hired Carly Schofield to work with the youth.

We sold bath salts, cookies in a jar and wreaths and now have \$1249 to deposit in a new account and require assistance to determine how to retrieve money from an inactive account at CIBC with about the same amount. Our new signing officers are Bob Crowley and Mabel Cline.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Young

SESSION REPORT

The Session of Quispamsis United Church meets on monthly basis to guide and oversee the spiritual matters of our church. At these meetings, elders hear reports from the various church committees, make decisions about changes to the services, entertain suggestions and complaints from the congregation, approve marriages, confirmations and transfers, and deal with items that come from Presbytery or the national United Church of Canada. The twenty-four elders who make up this body are each assigned a group of families who attend Quispamsis United as part of their pastoral care duties. Elders are also responsible for serving Communion on a rotating basis. Communion was served twelve times in 2011. New Elders were offered an orientation to serving Communion this year.

Early in the year concerns were brought forward that Elders were not always made aware of persons who were experiencing illness or other difficulties. The Outreach Committee has taken on the task of making our congregation aware of the needs of particular families and organizing ways that QUC could help. Using e-mail has been an effective tool to make this contact. There has been positive feedback from members about this endeavour, which reaches even those who do not attend regularly.

Barb McBean has been working on updating the Church lists of families. By June, there were still many families who had not been contacted to revise their information, so Barb volunteered to complete that task as well. As the church year was ending, the job was almost done. However, with new elders coming on, it was decided to wait to make the new assignments until after the Annual Meeting, Feb.12, 2012. It was also suggested that Elders not have their adult children on the list they are assigned. Any local family who has a child baptised in our church automatically is assigned an Elder.

The Appreciative Inquiry Committee was excused with the thanks of the congregation at the Congregational meeting held in October. It was at this meeting that the congregation approved the Vision and Mission statements for Quispamsis United Church. Session had recommended that these statements be presented. Our Vision states, "*We envision that we share and implement our core values within our church family, our local community and the world at large, engaging various media that are relevant with all generations.*" Our Mission states, "*We are a community of faith who invites others into this life and ministry. We hope to be a light to the world by living as one people, celebrating God's presence through word and song, equipping our children and youth for the future by acting on God's calling to us within the culture in which we live.*" Session discussed the implications of Dr. Alan Schooley's letter at its September meeting and recommended that it be presented to the QUC congregation at the October 23, 2011 meeting.

After much searching, Session is pleased to welcome Carly Schofield as Youth Worker for Quispamsis United Church. She began her contract on December 1, 2011.

The Pastoral Oversight Committee of Saint John Presbytery had scheduled a visit for November, but it has been postponed until after our Annual Meeting in February.

A committee has been struck to study various forms of Church governance. It will present its findings to the Official Board in January 2012.

A vote was held on three Remits from the national church. After discussion at several meetings, Session voted that each of the Remits be approved, meaning that *Statement of Faith (1940)*, *A New Creed*, and *A Song of Faith* are approved by our Session as part of the doctrine of the United Church of Canada. Results of the national vote will be available in 2012.

Permission to use the sanctuary was also approved by Session: in May, for Jane Rinehart's concert and in December for Cindy Dutton's piano recital.

Thank you to those Session members who are finishing their term. Your dedication and prayerful support are much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Badger
Recording Secretary

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

We were quite slack in 2011 and only planned one activity, I think.
18 people signed up for bowling. We had fun at the KV Lanes on February 19th.
Thanks to continued efforts on Velma's part we made some plans for 2012.

We are planning a games night for Friday, January 27th, an Irish coffee house for Friday, March 16th and a progressive dinner for Saturday, May 5th. Everyone is welcome. Please read the announcements and bulletin board for details.

We welcome suggestions and especially volunteers to make things happen.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Young

STEWARDS COMMITTEE

The Committee of Stewards is responsible for the finances and the maintenance of the church. The committee currently has twelve members and meets at 7:30 on the second Wednesday each month. Chairing the committee is Dannie Forret. Bill Whittaker is vice-chair and Kim Brown is recording secretary. Brion Crossman is the treasurer.

The 2011 budget of \$150,000 was proposed and accepted by the congregation at the annual meeting. As of December 31, 2011 we were modestly in a surplus position, attributed to the unbudgeted revenue from the mulch sale and the very generous support of the congregation in December.

This year saw the foundation of the Church painted and a new steel door on the rear exit. Heating wires were added to the roof to eliminate the ice buildup.

A bequest from Robin Wall in the amount of \$10,000 was used to purchase new gowns for the choir members in 2010. The balance of the bequest will go towards the purchase of a new sign for the church, planned for 2011, but due to our unforeseen Sewer issue, we placed this on hold until this coming year 2012.

We continue to work with the KV United Church Suites to resolve common issues, such as snowplowing and Sewer issue, which at present has cost the Church an amount close to \$5000. We currently have reached an agreement with the Suites to utilize their garbage removal bin.

We look forward to 2012 as a year in which our investment in the premises will invigorate existing members and attract new members to join our congregation.

Dan Forret

TREASURER'S REPORT
Treasurer's Report
For the Year Ending December 31, 2011

RECEIPTS	BUDGET 2011	ACTUAL 2011	BUDGET 2012
GENERAL OFFERING	\$112,000.00	\$109,809.12	\$112,000.00
LOOSE OFFERING	\$5,000.00	\$4,636.16	\$5,000.00
SUNDAY SCHOOL	\$200.00	\$60.50	\$200.00
SPECIAL/MISC	\$7,000.00	\$7,254.42	\$7,500.00
TOTAL GIVINGS FOR YEAR	\$124,200.00	\$121,760.20	\$124,700.00
<i>OTHER INCOME</i>			
HALL & CHURCH RENTAL	\$11,000.00	\$10,200.00	\$11,000.00
RENTAL (Other)	\$300.00	\$272.00	\$300.00
FUND RAISERS	\$8,000.00	\$9,140.68	\$9,000.00
INTEREST INCOME	\$6,500.00	\$5,846.27	\$6,000.00
TOTAL INCOME FOR YEAR	\$150,000.00	\$147,219.15	\$151,000.00
EXPENDITURES			
MINISTER'S SALARY	\$40,500.00	\$40,438.56	\$41,200.00
Housing allowance	\$15,100.00	\$15,060.00	\$15,100.00
travel/educ/book allowance	\$3,000.00	\$2,271.78	\$3,000.00
CPP/EI/PENSION EXP	\$11,500.00	\$11,556.51	\$12,000.00
PRESBYTRY	\$5,500.00	\$5,496.00	\$5,500.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$5,000.00	\$4,977.40	\$5,000.00
SECRETARY	\$5,000.00	\$4,686.00	\$5,000.00
ORGANIST	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00
MUSIC EXPENSES	\$1,000.00	\$862.10	\$1,000.00
C/D CHURCH	\$3,000.00	\$2,810.25	\$3,000.00
C/D SUNDAY SCHOOL	\$2,000.00	\$1,620.25	\$4,000.00
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE*	\$15,000.00	\$13,967.89	\$14,000.00
PARKING LOT MAINTENANCE	\$4,000.00	\$3,195.00	\$3,500.00
LOAN PAYMENTS	\$9,700.00	\$9,537.84	\$9,500.00
CUSTODIAL	\$5,200.00	\$5,200.00	\$5,200.00
POWER	\$11,000.00	\$11,332.47	\$11,000.00
TELEPHONE & INTERNET	\$2,500.00	\$2,056.34	\$2,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS	\$1,000.00	\$943.60	\$1,000.00
AL GRAHAM MEMORIAL	\$500.00	\$1,000.00	\$500.00
SABBATICAL LEAVE	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
TOTAL FOR YEAR	\$150,000.00	\$146,511.99	\$151,000.00
*This figure includes insurance costs.			

	LOCAL BALANCE	FUND BALANCE	
BALANCE LAST YEAR END	\$16,931.61	BUILDING	\$11,207.07
RECEIPTS	\$147,219.15	MEMORIAL	\$10,979.58
EXPENDITURES	(\$146,511.99)	OUTREACH	\$790.34
PRESENT BALANCE	\$17,638.77	BEQUEATHS	\$4,995.63
		SABBATICAL	\$500.00
		TOTAL	\$28,472.62

FUND BALANCE ACTIVITY

		Budget/2011	Actual/2011	Budget/2012
MISSION & SERVICE		\$13,000.00	\$11,873.31	\$13,000.00
BUILDING FUND	receipts	\$1,500.00	\$360.00	\$1,000.00
	expenses	\$0.00	\$4,018.15	\$0.00
MEMORIAL FUND	receipts	\$500.00	\$520.00	\$500.00
	expenses	\$0.00	\$85.65	\$0.00
OUTREACH FUND	receipts	\$3,000.00	\$3,053.44	\$3,000.00
	expenses	\$3,000.00	\$3,428.02	\$3,000.00

OUTSTANDING LOANS	
ORGINIAL AMOUNT	PRESENT BALANCE
\$70,000.00	\$65,618.96

In 2010 we borrowed \$70,000 from our manse funds, to pay off Home Mission Council loan, to purchase new windows, insulation, siding, and stairs. We are paying the loan back at 6% with payments at \$795 per month for 10 years with the interest being paid to ourselves and the principal each year going back to the Manse fund account and invested.

INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

The funds received from the sale of the manse in July of 2008 have been invested and the interest earned will be used to help offset the housing allowance paid to the minister

Investment balance	\$88,201.68
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Comments

This year we incurred an expense in the amount of \$4,018.15 for repairs to our sewer line from damage caused during the building of Kenvall suites. While there are discussions ongoing with regard to being reimbursed, they are going slowly. We have taken this money from the building fund and will replace it should we be reimbursed.

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED: Brion Crossman, Treasurer

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Our small but dedicated committee continues to meet monthly, trying to make all Worship services meaningful and enriching. Here are some of the things which come to mind when I think of the past year:

-as a congregation, we continue our love/hate relationship with technology as we use the screen in the sanctuary. I think most people would agree that it is a positive addition to our services.

In the fall we initiated a weekly video just before the service. We're trying to explore how God fits in and works in this age of Social Media. The feedback seems to be positive on the videos.

-The Coffee House Worship services continue to be well liked.

-Not so well liked were the New Directions Services, which took place two Sunday evenings per month. Attendance was low or non-existent, so New Directions has been cancelled.

-Definitely a highlight of the year was the visit by Linnea Good on Palm Sunday. She offered to come because she had heard good things about our church (yay,us!) and she led us in a very moving and spiritual service. Perhaps we could look at having guests on a more regular basis.

-In July we held an outdoor service in the Arts and Culture Park, and I think it was a resounding success. It's very easy to worship when surrounded by gorgeous plants on a lovely sunny summer morning.

-Judging from what I heard people saying, I think the Confirmation Service in June was extremely moving and meaningful for all who attended. It was obvious that Audrey had worked hard to inspire the confirmands, and they in turn inspired all of us. We are lucky to have them in our congregation!

-We're still working to get more people interested in the mid-week services held during Lent and Advent. The services are 20 to 30 minutes in length, and are meant to help people focus on these seasons of the church year. Please consider coming out for these Wednesday services this Lent and Advent.

Besides the things I have mentioned, our committee worked on regular services and on all the special services of the year, such as Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. We also hosted another social time in MacDonald Hall, this time inviting people to show off their Christmas Tree Toppers. Not many toppers were displayed, but everyone voted with enthusiasm, and I think everyone had fun.

I think that Worship Committee continues to be the most rewarding committee in the church. (I may be a bit biased.) As always, we need feedback if we are to do our job well. Please tell us what you like and don't like about services, and feel free to share any creative ideas that you have. We will continue to look for ways to help people feel the presence of God as they worship at Quispamsis United.

Faye Sherrard

USER GROUPS 2012

SUNDAY	11:15am	Children's Choir Practice	Pat Vincent	849-6376
	6:30pm	Sunday Night Jammers	Rev. Audrey Louder	216-0705
MONDAY	7-8pm	Martial Arts	Danny Keleher	640-2778
	7-9pm	New Horizons	Beth Fitzpatrick	849-8808
2nd	7pm	Community Chaplaincy	Karen Young	848-1018
TUESDAY	10:30am	Study Group	Rev. Audrey Louder	847-4924
	6-8pm	Brownies	Marie Wetmore	847-9446
	7pm	Study Group	Rev. Audrey Louder	847-4924
WEDNESDAY				
1 st	6:00pm	Worship Committee	Faye Sherrard	849-2462
2 nd and 4th	1:30pm	Agnes Allingham UCW	Lillian Rettinger	849-4454
2nd	7:30pm	Stewards	Dannie Forret	849-9009
4th	7:30pm	Session	Blaine Smallwood	848-1194
Occasional	7:30pm	Adelaide Barbour UCW	Brenda Badger	847-7829
Every 3 rd month	7:30pm	Official Board following 7pm Session Meeting		
THURSDAY	7:00pm	Adult Choir Practice	Pat Vincent	849-6376
	7:00pm	Youth Group	Carly Schofield	651-9600
	7-9pm	New Horizons	Beth Fitzpatrick	849-8808
	7pm	Martial Arts	Larry Keleher	640-2775
FRIDAY	6:30pm	Martial Arts	Mert Cline	849-1427
MONDAY to FRIDAY	3-6pm	Kidzone	Janie Stewart	849-0123 C 646-0679

NOMINATING COMMITTEE OFFICIAL BOARD 2011

Members of Session:

Rev. Audrey Lounder

Terms expiring January 31, 2012

Blaine Smallwood	Alyson Bos
Mary Flower	Rose Jardine
Linda Reid	Barb McBean
David Parkhill	Derreck DeLong
Karen Kidd	

Terms expiring January 31, 2013

Una Wilson	Lynn MacDonald
Joy McLaughlin	Chris Young
Anne Smallwood	

Terms expiring January 31, 2014

Mert Cline	Brenda Badger
Hughena Baker	Annie Walker
Diane Tonge	John Hill
Angeline Byers	

Committee of Stewards:

Brion Crossman, Treasurer

Terms expiring January 31, 2011

Harry Dunfield	Ray Tonge
Don Walker	Mike Martin

Terms expiring January 31, 2012

Kevin Winchester	Dannie Forret
Kim Brown	Chris McIntyre
David Thomas	

Terms expiring January 31, 2013

Bill Whittaker	David McLaughlin
Don Robertson	Velma Bos

Representatives from Christian Development Committee, Sunday School, U.C.W.'s, Board of Trustees, Chairman of Ministry & Personnel, Presbytery Lay Persons and Youth Group Representatives.

Respectfully submitted,
Stu Baker
Nominating Committee

INDIVIDUAL ASSIGNMENTS 2011

Offering Secretary	Linda Amey
Envelope Secretary	Hally Kimball
Assistant Envelope Secretary	Carolyn Kimball
Sunday School Superintendent	
Presbytery Representatives	Carolyn Kimball Velma Bos
Home Mission Council Rep.	Brion Crossman
Greeter Co-ordinators	Linda Reid Allyson Bos
Lay Reader Co-ordinator	Sally Allanach
Prayer Circle Co-ordinator	Lynn MacDonald
Library Co-ordinator	Harrison Hossack
Board of Trustees	
Bruce Amey	Rowena Anderson
Stu Baker	Bruce Phillips
Diane Tonge	
Ministry & Personnel	
Stu Baker	Clifford Delong
Jim MacDonald	Sally Allanach
Diane Tonge	
Group Committee	
Liaison w/Committee of Stewards	Chris McIntyre
Church Secretary	
Donna Larooi	
Outreach Committee	
Barb McBean	Linda Reid
Diane Tonge	Anne Smallwood
Memorial Committee	
Diane Tonge	Rose Jardine
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Velma Bos	Karen Young
Annie Walker	Janet McIntyre
Stacy Oliver	
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