

REPORT OF THE VESTRY FOR 2020

ST. PHILIP’S CHURCH, MILFORD, ONTARO

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A. MINUTES St. Philip's Church Annual Vestry Meeting 28 February 2021

The Vestry took place in the church and due to the ongoing concerns about Covid infections, provision was also made for parishioners to join by Zoom.

All materials submitted to Vestry for consideration were distributed by email as PDF files

1) Call to order, welcome and prayer:

Rev. Don Davidson called the meeting to order and began with a prayer

2) Appointment of Vestry clerk:

Rev. Don nominated Josef Cihlar; no other candidates were nominated.

Adoption **Moved:** Paula Walker **Seconded:** Shirley Guy. **Carried** (no dissent)

3) Attendance, regrets, additions to the agenda, and approval:

Twenty attendees signed the form for legitimate Vestry members. Arnold and Elizabeth Robb participated online (through a Zoom connection). No Regrets were presented.

Agenda approval: **Moved:** Murray Guy **Seconded:** Bill Cowan. **Carried** (no dissent)

4) Minutes of the last annual meeting: 2019 Vestry minutes (from Feb 10, 2020)

i. Review and approval

The Minutes were previously distributed. No comments were made.

Approval:

Moved: Josef Cihlar **Seconded:** Paula Walker. **Carried** (no dissent)

ii. Matters arising

None brought forward

iii. Additions to ministry reports for 2020 (previously distributed)

None brought forward

iv. Motion to pass all 2020 ministry reports

Moved: Alfie Deyo **Seconded:** Ted Foy. **Carried** (no dissent)

5) Nominations report

The Nominations report was previously distributed. No further nominations were made.

Adoption of the nominations: **Moved:** Glendon Walker **Seconded:** Ted Foy. **Carried** (no dissent)

6) St. Philip's Treasurer's Report for 2020

The Treasurer (Bruce Walker) presented the report and commented on the individual items.

Rev. Don commended St. Philip's for the high level of donations to Mission (PWRDF, Henry Budd, DOORS), substantially larger proportion of total giving compared to other churches he is familiar with.

Adoption of Treasurer's report:

Moved: Bruce Walker **Seconded:** Elizabeth Hill. **Carried** (no dissent)

7) Central Treasurer's report for 2020

The Parish Treasurer (Bill Cowan) presented the report for 2020. He noted that the Parish received \$5521 from Government of Canada as a partial compensation for the reductions during Covid pandemics. He also reported that St. John's Church contributed \$20,000 to the CM&M in 2020, and that St. Andrew's Church covers 50% of the cost of priestly services.

In response to a question, Bill noted that the Parish Expenses are not shown in the budget for St. Philip's.

Adoption of the Parish Budget Report for 2020:

Moved: Bill Cowan **Seconded:** Bruce Walker. **Carried** (no dissent)

8) Proposed St Philip's Budget for 2021:

Bruce Walker presented the budget.

Since the level of donations to the Operating Fund decreased last year due to the Covid pandemic and a similar impact is expected in 2021, the Wardens proposed that the 2021 interest from a recent memorial donation to St. Philip's (approximately \$2500) be transferred to the Operating fund for this year, and that the issue be revisited next year.

Moved: Josef Cihlar **Seconded:** Glendon Walker . **Carried** (no dissent)

Adoption of Treasurer's budget for 2021:

Moved: Bruce Walker **Seconded:** Elizabeth Hill. **Carried** (no dissent)

9) Proposed Parish Budget for 2021

For 2021, Bill Cowan noted the uncertainty of budget requirements in view of the ongoing process of finding a new Incumbent, and read the planned approach to this issue (attached to the Vestry report).

Bill Cowan proposed that \$200 be contributed annually to the Anglican Diocese of Ontario Foundation, in addition to the ongoing contributions to the Anglican Foundation of Canada.

Bill also announced his intent to cease acting as Central Treasurer by the next Vestry, and noted that depending on the arrangements concerning St. John's Church, a Central Treasurer may no longer be required.

Adoption of the Parish Budget for 2021:

Moved: Bill Cowan **Seconded:** Glendon Walker. **Carried** (no dissent)

10) New business

Only one new business item was brought forward.

The Wardens proposed that St. Philip's introduce Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) and Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) as additional options for making financial contributions to the church and its mission initiatives. Josef Cihlar described the two mechanisms and how they will be implemented. The Treasurer will act as the PAG Coordinator, and will accept EFT donations through online transfers. Both advantages (convenience, financial stability) and drawbacks (exposure to disputes with executors of deceased donors) were discussed. Comments on the positive experiences of other churches were shared.

Adoption of the proposal:

Moved: Josef Cihlar **Seconded:** Glendon Walker. **Carried** (1 dissent).

Closing prayer, the Grace & Adjournment

Rev. Don ended the meeting with a prayer and all prayed the Grace.

B. Incumbent's Report

Dear friends,

It is certain that we are journeying together in some very uncertain times. The realities imposed upon us by COVID have drastically changed our daily function. The departure of your former Rector due to health problems has left you beginning the search for a new person to lead this parish onward. And while I am happy to be here giving leadership as Interim priest-in-charge, my own position places me in great uncertainty, as I search for a new full-time ministry. Some might look on this position as difficult and problematic, and yet, I look on it as a unique opportunity for all of us to take stock, not only of our personal needs and wants, but more importantly, where God is leading us as a community.

I have always looked at the Rector's report to Vestry, not as a report on what has happened in the year that is passed. That year is through, and there is nothing about it that we can change. This report needs to be far more of a charge to the Vestry of this congregation to move us forward in ministry to our community. What is possible for us in our current situation? What are some of the things that we can do to get there?

Primarily, COVID has caused our community gatherings and communications to rely primarily on digital means. Our services are now streamed live, and they are archived on YouTube for those who might want to return and view them again later. As we have continued to learn and grow in this use of technology. We are now recording and editing services that include various faces and voices of our community without placing anyone at risk. We are bravely walking forward into this strange new world, while at the same time seeking to maintain those things that are important to us.

I created a 10-part Advent study on the Christmas Gospels back in December, and I will be leading an online Lenten Day that looks at what the original Gospel writers intended for their 1st century audiences to hear in their story that we whose world is so different, might fail to see. Whether or not we are able to be physically present with one another, we can still grow in knowledge and faith through the ministry of this parish.

But simply hooking in to liturgy and education that is simply one way, it still falls short of the mark for a faith that says that community is key to our very existence. We need opportunities to gather together and to interact. To that end, I am beginning a zoom Bible Study for both St. Phillip's and St. Andrew's. The beauty of zoom is that for those who are uncomfortable with technology, they can drop in on this Bible Study time and be fully active and engaged in it by simply calling a toll-free telephone number. Once this time has been successfully launched, I hope that we can then move toward a Zoom Coffee hour (you supply the cup of coffee) that allows us to gather members of the congregation simply to enjoy the chatter and fellowship that we were used to having before the reality of COVID changed everything.

I guess, in short, I am saying that this current situation is terrible, but we are managing to make good come of it. We are learning new skills and new ways of doing the important ministry of our congregation even when we find ourselves hobbled by this current situation. I would simply invite you to give these new ways a try.

For myself, I am being forced to learn to live in uncertainty. I will continue to try to discern the direction that God has for me, my family, and my ministry, and I would ask for your continued prayers as I carry on that process. In the meantime, it is a great joy for me to walk with this congregation, and to learn from you. Though this may be a short walk, it is one that has been very healing for me, and I thank you.

I've said from the beginning that I strongly believe that we will emerge from these challenges as a stronger Christian community. We will be able to return to many of our old ways, but we will also

have acquired many new ways that can help us to serve the community God has given us to care for, and that is a good thing.

Faithfully

Donald+
The Rev. Don Davidson
Priest-in-charge

C. Wardens Report

2020 was a year we will talk about for some time, having enjoyed only 2 ½ months of routine activity at St Philip's before the pandemic struck. Over the remainder of the year, we diligently followed the guidelines prescribed by the Province and the Diocese. Worship services were recorded when church building closure was ordered. In person services were held when allowed, but with the required capacity limit, distancing, masking, screening, cleaning, and contact tracing. Not being able to worship in person with our church family was very difficult, especially at Easter and Christmas.

Summer was a very busy time as the 100th Anniversary committees worked diligently to beautify the church building, prepare a history booklet, and plan the anniversary celebration event for November 15th. The ACW prepared a Memory Book as a momentum of the occasion. Alfie Deyo, Arnold Robb, Paula Walker and Bill Cowan led the work of the groups in an exemplary way and we are most grateful for their leadership. We are equally grateful to all workers, with special thanks to Mary Brett who donated her artistic talent in the upgrades to the vestibule, providing a warmer welcome to our building now that we are locking the church entry from the vestibule. The Building Committee worked hand in hand as the Vestry room and vestibule were redecorated with new paint and flooring. For the first time in St. Philip's history, we had to put a lock on the entrance door to comply with the rules governing church insurance; replacing the wooden door panels with glass was a way to mitigate this harsh (for St. Philip's) measure.

Regrettably, Rev. Ada was required to take sick leave during August and subsequently was unable to return as our Priest due to ongoing health issues. Rev. Don Davidson has served as Interim Priest since mid September and this has been a blessing to us.

Music has always played an important part in our worship, and we have greatly enjoyed and sincerely appreciated the choir leadership by Mark Trumpour over several years. Although Mark is no longer living in the area, we are thankful for the enthusiastic participation of Ted Foy, Diane Walker, Josef Cihlar and Elizabeth Pulker as singers at our recent services. Fr Don lends a beautiful tenor voice as well.

We wish to thank Fr Blair Ross, Rev. Fran Langlois, Paula Walker and Elizabeth Hill for their leadership at various services, and to the Coles for allowing us to worship on their beautiful property. Bishop Oulton presided as well on two occasions this year, including the limited celebration service in memory of the 1920 event.

Our hopes for 2021 include a fervent wish to resume "normal" worship and to celebrate our 100th Anniversary in a way that the historical event (and the congregation's response at the time) deserve. We look forward to welcoming a new incumbent, to working more closely with St Andrews, and to reaping the benefits of Elizabeth Hill's work in updating our website. Above all, we pray for Rev. Ada's return to good health.

All in all, 2020 proved to be another successful year in spite of the hardships caused by the pandemic. Our faithfulness and determination to succeed have not faltered. We thank everyone for their physical and financial contributions that makes this possible and thus ensure that St. Philip's continue to provide spiritual support for all of us and service to the community.

Sally Cowan and Josef Cihlar

Wardens

D. ACW Report

ACW Sunday was planned for January 26th, 2020 and due to a broken hydro pole at St. Philip's Street corner in Milford, the special event was moved from the church to Bruce and Paula Walker's home. Rev. Ada led a well-attended group in a Eucharist service which was followed by a delicious luncheon; many thanks to the Walkers for their hospitality!

The ACW group met on February 26th in the church kitchen to make plans for events and charitable donations for the year. Unfortunately, COVID-19 was declared as pandemic on March 17th with a complete lockdown which cancelled our plans. However, in ongoing conversations with Sally Cowan and Paula Walker we wanted to initiate "something" in which the ACW members and congregation could take part. In a phone conversation with our former member Maria Hughes, she said the ACW had talent enough to put together a book; and from that, the Memory Book was born. We were delighted with the response from past clergy and congregation - although we did have to nag at some people. The finished result is something we can be very proud of and the project fit very well with the 100th Anniversary events.

On another note and because of the pandemic, the ACW Diocesan and Regional meetings for 2020 were cancelled so there has been no honouring of deceased members or updating of leaders. When I spoke with Kathryn Morgan, President of Hastings/Quinte Region, she was concerned with the overall future of the ACW as a group, mainly due to the aging of members.

Jean Burrows has been the ACW Secretary at St. Philip's church for an amazing 30 years!! She has now moved away from our Parish and has passed over the Minute Books and other paraphernalia to me, the current leader. I spoke with Kathryn Morgan and she advised that the Diocesan Archives are not interested in this type of material (local, Parish) so when the pandemic allows, I will hand the material over to the Prince Edward County Archives.

Alfie Deyo

President

A.C.W. St. Philip's ACW
Financial Report for 2020

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Cash Receipts						
	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spring Rummage	957.45	809.05	1032.85	934.35	912.3	0
Fall Rummage	903.75	541.97	936.95	1070.35	967.65	0
Christmas Tea	1934	1703.8	1522.55	1048	1812.75	0
Pork/Corn Roast	2587.95	2778	2839	2817	2755	0
Calendar Sales	81	0	0	0	0	0
Donations and Miscellaneous	0	329	124	225	0	100
	6464.15	6161.82	6455.35	6094.7	6447.7	100
Cash Disbursements						
Bank charges (inc. cheques)	33.9	63.6	76	139.43	81.45	56.25
Advertising	579.04	385.21	394.53	401.71	198.31	19.78
St. Philip's	4000	4000	4000	4000	4000	875
Food Events	1241.61	1365.12	1405.25	1356.57	1468.39	0
Signs	0	0	0	0	0	0
Equipment	18.58	0	0	0	0	0
Calendars	57.63	0	0	0	0	0
Gifts/Cards	151.77	111.26	0	0	0	0
Supplies	30	0	0	19.41	0	0
Cards/Stamps	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGM fees	8	74	0	0	0	0
ACW honouree awards		320	0	0	0	0
Donations						
Camp Hyanto	200	100	0	0	0	0
Children's Aid Soc.	250	0	0	0	0	0
Hospice Pr. Ed.	300	100	0	0	0	200
Rector's Discretionary fund	200	200	200	100	0	0
Seniors' Mission	300	200	100	0	0	100
Picton Food Bank	400	200	200	100	0	100
Thank Offering	100	100	100	100	100	100
L'Arche	100	100	100	100	0	100
Guatemala Stove Project	450	225	225	0	0	225
Stephen Lewis Foundation	200	100	100	100	0	100
	8620.53	7644.19	6900.78	6417.12	5848.15	1876.03
Excess Cash Receipts Over Disbursements	-2156.38	-1482.37	-445.43	-322.42	599.59	-1776.03
Cash at Beginning of Year	6196.69	4040.31	2557.94	2117.46	1795.04	2394.59
Cash in Bank at End of Year	4040.31	2557.94	2117.46	1795.04	2394.59	618.56
Cash on Hand at End of Year	0	0	0	0	0	0
Treasurer: Elizabeth Robb						
Submitted: Jan. 2021						

NOTE: \$500.00 was donated directly to St. Philip's Church on behalf of the ACW. It did not go through this account. ER

Elizabeth Robb

ACW Treasurer

E. Building Committee Report

In 2020, the 100th anniversary of rebuilding St. Phillip's, much was accomplished in improvements in the church. A new stained-glass window commemorating the 100 years was designed and installed over the outside entrance door to the church. This door also received new hardware. The entranceway into the church saw the floor re-supported and the new runner to protect the carpet was installed in the entry as well as the church itself. The inner door to the church had glass put in where the panels once existed to allow people to see inside the church when it is locked. The lock which used to be on the vestry is now on the entrance to the church.

The interior of the church was repainted and the vestry was repainted and re-floored as well. The cabinet work inside the vestry was revamped as well. The pews were also temporarily removed to allow for the cleaning of the church carpets, then put back in a modified configuration. One pew was relocated to allow for wheelchair accommodation. The church hall also had the water system enabled to filter and purify the drinking water.

The exterior of the church had the soffits and fascia finally finished in aluminum covering and the cross was clad in aluminum as well. As in other years, the grounds were maintained all summer and winter.

Ted Foy

Chair

F. St. Philip's Daily Prayer Group Vestry Report

St. Philip's continues to have an active prayer group. We pray daily for the world, for our church and for the special needs of our people. Thanks is given for our many blessings. We pray in our own homes from a common list. If you wish to make a prayer request be it for a need or for a thanksgiving or if you wish to join our group, please be in touch with Josef Cihlar, Elizabeth Hill or Paula Walker. We give thanks to you and to our Lord for this opportunity to serve God through the ministry of prayer. Respectfully and prayerfully submitted on behalf of our group,

Paula Walker

Chair

G. Prayer Circle Report

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people." This quote is from Paul's letter to the Ephesians, chapter 6, verse 18, and it has been the call to prayer for the newly formed St. Philip's Prayer Circle.

Prayer is not new to St. Philip's, however since October, 2020, a new initiative has been established in the form of Prayer Circle, a gathering on the 3rd Thursday of the month. Our prayers are built on the St. Philip's Prayer Group's daily prayers. We pray for the cares and concerns of the world, and each month there are always new and particular areas crying for our prayers. We pray for God's creation. We confidentially pray for those who have asked for our prayers. We uphold to God those close and known to us who have died and those who mourn. We pray for joyful events with equal vigor as we do for the heart-breaking ones. And we invite prayer requests from the parish in the weekly bulletin and

on the St. Philip's website. All of this forms our prayer, but it's important to note that there is plenty of space for silent prayer, and for those present to uphold people known to them who need our prayers.

As would be expected of all groups at St. Philip's, the Prayer Circle always welcome new people to join us in prayer. Due to the current COVID-19 restrictions, the Prayer Circle is gathering on Google Meet, but we look forward to getting together in person, hopefully later in 2021. There is no "membership" in this group, so please, contact Paula, or Elizabeth, or email to prayer@stphilipchurch.ca. Respectfully and prayerfully submitted,

Elizabeth Hill

For the Group

H. 100th anniversary report

I.1. Beautification Project

Following various meetings of the congregation in early 2020 it was decided to formalize a committee to further this project I agreed to chair the committee under the project title "Beautification of the Church". The committee comprised of several interested parishioners and our two valuable wardens.

Several tasks were discussed, however they centered upon the repainting of the church with a subtle selection of colors to brighten and highlight our church. Reducing the number of pews and repositioning them at slight angles gave the effect of focusing upon the altar and facilitated steam cleaning of all carpets.

The vestibule was included in the painting, however to enhance the entrance it was decided to commission "The Glass House" in Kingston to produce a new stained glass window to replace the plain window above the entrance doors. The committee met with Lynda and Craig and from our deliberations we thought it best that the window design represented the church history and the fact that Christianity has been sustained at St Phillip's since 1830.

The creation of this beautiful window and the repainting has worked wonders in giving our little church a breath of freshness and enhancing our worship.

Arnold Robb

Chair

I.2. History Project

Our History Committee accomplished a lot last year. The History & Memory booklets, the beautiful new window over our front door, the plaque and art work in the vestibule and the door repairs all achieve the goal of not altering our history but rather commemorating that history. In a swift, confident approach, Arnold Robb organized the various projects highlighted by the painting of the interior of the church that enhanced the beautiful original woodwork around the windows. The design of the new window reflects our history and met with the vision of the History Committee. Ted Foy, Bruce Walker, Leigh Scott, Murray Guy and Josef Cihlar all contributed to the project. As Chairman of the Building Committee, Ted put his talents to work repairing and installing floors. The synergistic effect of all our talented St. Philip's congregation is a force to behold. Throughout the entire project, the love for our church was on display.

Putting the History book together brought forth many facts that were long forgotten. The most notable to me was the Communion Rail story and its connection to Keith Walker and the Walmsley/Creeggan families. As it turns out, the communion rail was first dedicated to the memory of George & Mary Burnett at All Saint's Church in Redan, Ontario. When that church closed in 1972 the communion rail was sent to St. Philip's. The Burnetts are the 2nd Great -grandparents of Elizabeth Robb and Marilyn Walker. Marilyn's mother, Marion Burnett Walker, is a great granddaughter. Other items of note that are in use at our church are the two brass collection plates that were saved from the 1920 fire. We still use in services many items that were donated by individual parishioners and groups (as an example, the bell was donated by a youth group in the 1920s). This is how we cherish and preserve our history and why it is so important to document that history. To think that the projects were carried out during the COVID-9 pandemic is further tribute to the dedication and commitment of our current congregation

As we look to the future, we must remember our past. Our granite stones in the Memorial Garden are reminders of many who have been with us in the past; new names of present and past members were added this year. The newsletters and photograph albums prepared by Josef Cihlar will be great reminders of what we do at St Philip=s in years to come and are a wonderful addition to our archives.

Bill Cowan

Chair

I. Outreach Committee/ Future Project Report

The year began with our usual potluck supper movie night in January and one in February.

In February several members of the community joined us for Josef Cihlar's excellent talk on his 2019 pilgrimage on the Camino de Santiago de Compostela. It was the only Saturday talk we were able to have and we look forward to more in the future.

We held our annual pancake supper to raise funds for the Diocese of Ontario Refugee Committee on Ash Wednesday. Rev. Captain Blair Ross kindly helped us in the kitchen, and once again Tom Sheil was our cook. \$413 was raised for DOORS. We will not be able to host a pancake supper in 2021 but we will consider how we might continue to support DOORS.

In January the decision was made to plan a celebration of the 100th anniversary of the rebuilding of St. Philip's following a fire which destroyed the church in September of 1920. Our Committee took on the task of preparing for the celebration to be held on November 15, the anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone for our present-day church. In August The Gazette ran a story on the fire and the planned celebration. Due to restrictions in the Amber phase it was necessary to postpone our big celebration and the committee will continue to work on this effort. We are grateful to Bishop Michael Oulton and Fr. Don Davidson for a special service on November 15th to mark the occasion of the anniversary and look forward to the day when we can celebrate with family and friends.

Despite the first closure of our church due to COVID-19 we were still able to have our Lenten collection for Henry Bud College of Ministry. We are grateful for Jean Burrows' leadership and for all contributions. \$240.00 was sent to the College.

Jean Burrows was a founding member of the current outreach committee and we were sad to hear of her moving away in November; but we do wish her well in her new life with her family in Dacre.

Our monthly donations to the Picton United Church food bank became monetary donations and we give thanks for the generous contributions from our congregation.

St. Philip's continues to support the work of our Primate's World Relief and Development Fund; this included a donation of \$1,245.00 for relief for Beirut following the explosion which our government matched.

In October the valedictorian award was taken to Athol-South Marysburgh School to be given to this year's recipient, Hazel Woodward North.

Diane Walker once again led the collection of gifts for Operation Christmas Child, and the congregation also marked a White Gift Sunday on the first Sunday of Advent where gifts were collected for the Salvation Army Christmas community gift baskets.

Sally Cowan and Paula Walker have taken on the card ministry. We are most grateful to Eleanor Johnston for the many years she so wonderfully served this ministry. Shirley Guy helped us send Easter cards and Christmas cards on behalf of St. Philip's. In addition to these Sally and Paula have sent several cards of sympathy or congratulations or thanks to many members of St. Philip's and our wider community throughout the year.

Sadly, due to COVID-19, the spring seniors service and luncheon at the Salvation Army and the seniors home Christmas services had to be cancelled. We hope that one day soon we will be able to again support Rev. Fran Langlois in her ministry to seniors. We had also hoped to have a community showing of the Anglican Church film "Doctrine of Discovery, Stolen Lands, Strong Hearts", an Earth Day service and a celebration of St. James' feast day. These items will be considered at future meetings.

Fran Larkin contacted ROC (Recreation Outreach Centre) and we hope to discuss how we might support this group as well. Thank you all for your generous support for outreach at St. Philip's. Respectfully submitted,

Paula Walker

Chair

J. Altar Guild Report

Our guild now has two active members with two people willing to step in if needed.

We are thankful for a newly established flower fund and for the financial support of St. Philip's. Members of the congregational are always welcome to donate flowers for the altar in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion. Garden flowers are also always welcome. Please speak to a guild member if you wish to provide flowers for St. Philip's. Thank you to all who contributed flowers in 2020.

Altar duty continues to be a rewarding ministry and if you feel called to join our team, please speak to Shirley Guy or Paula Walker.

As with all things, 2020 was an unusual year with far fewer in church services. We look forward to the time when we can once again gather to worship together.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Walker

K. Anglican Ministry to Seniors in Prince Edward County

2020 was a year we could never have imagined and hopefully one we will never have to experience again. Life as we knew it ground to a halt due to the Covid-19 pandemic. It seemed that every aspect of our way of life had changed. The Anglican Ministry to Seniors was no exception. Even though our monthly services and visiting had been curtailed, we are very grateful that this ministry continues to be whole heartedly supported by the three Anglican Parishes in the County.

Sadly all services and visiting in the LTC (Long Term Care) Homes and Retirement homes were suspended immediately. The doors to all the homes were locked to family and friends. We had to find other ways to reach out and stay in touch with staff and residents. Hopes were dashed as the pandemic stretched into May so that our service and Luncheon at the Salvation Army had to be cancelled and then well into December cancelling the Christmas services and afternoon tea in the LTC Homes.

We continued to keep in touch with the residents by sending birthday and thinking-about-you cards. We (Mike and I) delivered devotional books, novels, puzzle books, and, with thanks to Nancy Watson, 'Hello' magazines to the doors of the homes for individual residents, and lots of phone calls! I was able to do window visits whenever possible and as some of the restrictions were relaxed, some outdoor visits as well and gradually hospital visits.

We expressed our appreciation to the staff in the LTC homes by dropping off gifts the first four months of the pandemic: fruit carousel, boxes of crackers and speciality cheeses (also for the staff at PECMH); fruit carousel and Easter chocolate; for nurse's week, slab cake decorated with "thank you caregivers;" and a garden of flowers in beautiful tin pots. A card of thanks was included with each gift.

We were all very excited and hopeful when things opened up in mid September and we were able to worship in our Churches again, while still being diligent about wearing face coverings, washing hands and distancing! Sadly, the LTC and Retirement Homes continued to be closed to services and entertainment.

Even though we were unable to have our Christmas services we still delivered lovely, delicious cakes to the four LTC Homes and six Retirement Homes in the County. We also provided tins of cookies and chocolates to the staff of the four LTC Homes.

Again this year we are grateful to Mary Brett and her knitting group and also to Penny Kitchen's friend and her knitting group. Their generous donations of hats, mitts, scarfs, socks, lap blankets, shawls, arm warmers and more; along with generous financial support, enabled us to provide Christmas gifts to many in the homes.

Many thanks to the members of our team for their continued support of this ministry: Archdeacon Charles Morris, Rev. Ada Clifton, Ron Cork, Eleanor Johnston, Marg Stanford, Paula Walker, and our musicians, Phil Robins, and Mike Langlois. We were saddened to say good-bye to Bob and June Mason. They will be missed by our team and residents alike.

As always, I am so very grateful for each member of our team, for all those who continue to pray for our ministry, for all those who support our ministry in so many ways, and for the generous financial support. It is with the help of so many that we are able to answer God's call to care for the widows, the lonely, the vulnerable and those in need. May God continue to help us fulfil our baptismal covenants by loving him, and loving and serving others in his name, especially during the frustration, isolation, and challenges during these days of Covid-19.

Stay safe. Stay healthy. Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Fran Langlois

L. Radio connection to church services

During limited attendance of services inside the church Leigh Scott developed an alternative way of attending a service without entering the church: FM Radio Broadcast of the Service to the Parking Lot. Using a transmitter is the size of a cell phone that runs on a rechargeable battery and does not require a licence to operate, he found FM frequency that is not receiving commercial broadcast near St. Philip's and could therefore be used without interference. The broadcast out is very low power with a range of 500 metres. FM transmissions are line of sight like TV broadcasts. Vehicle radios have adaptive technology that allows it to tune the strongest signal. While singing was not allowed inside the church during COVID-19, no such limitations were inside cars; one could sing loudly without a face mask.

The procedure is very simple: tune your vehicle radio to FM frequency 88.3, and adjust the volume.

M. Nominations Report for 2021

Nominations will be open during the Vestry meeting on Feb 28, 2021 for anyone who wishes to stand for election.

Submitted by nominations committee: Sally Cowan, Paula Walker, Josef Cihlar, Rev. Don Davidson

Terms end at Vestry in February 2022.

Leadership team:

Incumbent

Rev. Donald Davidson (Interim)

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Synod delegates:

Clergy

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Lay

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Alternate

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Congregational Advisory Council

The parishioners of St. Philip's Milford

Auditor for Cong

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Auditor for Parish

Valerie MacDonald

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N. Financial Statements

ST. PHILIP'S 2020 FINANCIAL STATEMENT GENERAL / OPERATING ACCOUNT

	2020		Balance Jan 1, 2020
INCOME			\$ 10,694
REGULAR GIVINGS:			
Plate Offering	\$ 40,496		
Open Offering	\$ 215		
ACW	\$ 1,475		
HST Refund	\$ 464		
	\$ -		
TOTAL REGULAR:	\$ 42,651	\$ 42,651	
MISSION:			
PWRDF Envelopes	\$ 7,070		
Pancake Supper	\$ 328		
Henry Budd College	\$ 240		
Food Bank	\$ -		
TOTAL MISSION:	\$ 7,638	\$ 7,638	
		\$ 50,289	\$ 50,289
TOTAL INCOME			\$ 60,983
EXPENSES			
REGULAR EXPENSES:			
Parish Central Treasurer	\$ 36,943		
Hydro	\$ 2,704		
Janitor	\$ 1,150		
Insurance	\$ 2,271		
Organist	\$ -		
Supplies	\$ 673		
Communications	\$ 57		
Maintenance	\$ 1,801		
Snow Plowing	\$ -		
Water	\$ 95		
Outreach	\$ 193		
Altar Guild	\$ 74		
Gifts & Card Ministry	\$ 298		
Choir	\$ -		
Office Equipment	\$ 254		
Bank Charges	\$ 63		
TOTAL REGULAR:	\$ 46,575	\$ 46,575	
MISSION:			
PWRDF	\$ 7,185		
Henry Budd College	\$ 240		
Diocese of ON: Refugee	\$ 413		
TOTAL MISSION:	\$ 7,838	\$ 7,838	
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 54,413	\$ 54,413
			\$ 6,569
			*Balance Jan 1, 2021

ST. PHILIP'S 2020 FINANCIAL STATEMENT **CAPITAL/MEMORIAL ACCOUNT**

		Balance Jan 1, 2020
		\$ 5,976
INCOME		
100th Anniversary Donations	\$ 7,400	
Memorial Donations	\$ 1,425	
Interest	\$ 2,583	
TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$ 11,408</u>	\$ 11,408
		<u>\$ 17,384</u>
EXPENSES		
100th Anniversary	\$ 10,970	
Heritage Monuments	\$ 904	
Service Charges	\$ 15	
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>\$ 11,889</u>	\$ 11,889
		<u>\$ 5,494</u>
		Balance Jan 1, 2021 *

* Includes Interest Income received January, 2021

February 2021

To The Congregation
St. Philip's Anglican Church,
Milford, Ontario

Audit Report

I have audited the statement of cash receipts and disbursements for the Operating account for *St. Philip's Anglican Church* as at December 31st, 2020 for the year then ended. My audit consisted of enquiry, analytical procedures and discussions related to information supplied to me by the Treasurer.

Based on my audit, nothing has come to my attention that causes me to believe that these financial statements are not, in all material respects, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.



W. G. Cowan CPA CGA UE

Milford, Ontario
February, 2021

O. Attendance

Declaration of Qualification to Vote Vestry for 2019 held on February 9, 2020

I hereby certify that I am an adherent of the Anglican Church of Canada, aged 18 years or older, and have habitually attended public worship at St. Philip's Miford in 2019.

N.B. No person shall vote at a Vestry meeting in more than one congregation or parish (vestry) of the diocese in any one calendar year. (Canons, Para 2018)

NAME printed	Signature
Paula Walker	Paula Walker
Judy Cole	Judy Cole
Art Cole	Art Cole
Josef Cihlar	Josef Cihlar
Sally Cowan	Sally Cowan
BILL COWAN	Bill Cowan
Don Davidson	Don Davidson
Bruce Worsen	Bruce Worsen
TED FOY	Ted Foy
ALFREDA DEYO	Alfreda Deyo
Shirley Deyo	Shirley Deyo
William Deyo	William Deyo
Carol Deyo	Carol Deyo
ELIZABETH HILL	Elizabeth Hill
Deb Sawick	Deb Sawick
Diane Walker	Diane Walker
Glendon Walker	Glendon Walker
G. Leigh Scott	G. Leigh Scott
Zoom Arnold Robb	
Elizabeth Robb	