

**ST. PETER'S ON-THE-ROCK  
ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING  
25 AUGUST 2019  
12.15 PM**

ATTENDANCE: 30

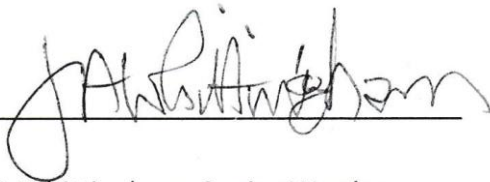
CHAIR: A. Whittingham, Senior Warden

- Meeting opened by A. Whittingham, who called the 105<sup>th</sup> Annual Vestry Meeting (AVM) to order, and welcomed the parish members in attendance.
- Rev. Matt McMillan (Aug. minister) opened the meeting with a prayer.
- Minutes from previous AVM 2018
  - Carry-forward items/comments: no comments
  - MOTION: approval of minutes, R. Drake; SECOND, M. Cooper; APPROVED
- Wardens/vestry indemnity:
  - MOTION by T. McNeil that all actions, decisions and other steps of whatever kind and nature taken by the Wardens and Select Vestry on behalf of St. Peter's on-the-Rock, in the preceding year, be here-by approved and ratified by the members; SECOND R. Corbett; CARRIED
- Senior Wardens Report, A. Whittingham: see attached
- Past Warden's and Nominations Chair Report, K. McNeil: Nominations for Vestry 2020
  - Senior Warden                      June Cooper
  - Junior Warden                      Ward Strickland
  - Past Warden                      Tony Whittingham
  - Treasurer                      Pat Bunting
  - Property                      Nathan Chambers
  - Music                      Helen Batten
  - Music Scholars                      Bern Kelly
  - Recording Secretary                      Rachel Corbett
  - Member at Large                      Ross Dobbin
  - Archivist                      Sue Dutton
  - Baptisms                      Ann Dobbin
  - Collections                      Betsy Drake
  - Clergy Cottage                      Patty McDonald
  - Coffee Convenor                      Jenny Chambers
  - Docking                      Mark Cooper, Sheila Brownscombe, Glenn and Connie  
Tranter

- Inside Flowers                      Sheila Gallagher
  - Outside Flowers                     Keith Titley
  - Prayers for the People             Jane Ross
  - Readers and Sacristan             Connie Wahl
    - Positions combined
  - Sunday School                        Betsy McGregor, Judy Tranter, Jackie Tranter, Bill Ruddy
  - Wedding                                Carol Corner
  - Stewardship and Media             TBD
- MOTION to elect the list of nominees to comprise Vestry 2020, K. McNeil; SECOND S. Cook; APPROVED
- Treasurer’s Report, Patrick Bunting:
    - Please see attached
    - MOTION that 2018 Financial Statements issued by St. Peter’s accountant Kevin A. Dunn CA for St. Peter’s on-the-Rock be accepted as written; SECOND K. McNeil; CARRIED
    - MOTION that the 2020 general expense budget be approved in the amount of \$28,750, with the provision that any amounts beyond the budget receive prior approval by the Wardens; SECOND M. Cooper; CARRIED
    - MOTION that the Capital Budget for St. Peter’s on-the-Rock for the year 2020 be approved in the amount of \$17,000 to be funded from the Capital Account plus reserve Funds as required, with the condition that any funding requirements exceeding \$17,000 would require the advanced approval of the Wardens. Reports providing budget status updates will be made available to the Wardens on an ongoing basis., P. Bunting; SECOND R. Titley ; CARRIED
    - R. Titley asked if additional “geezer poles” can be added to the docks; Heather Seltzer asked if the church could hire people each spring and fall to put in and take out the docks and platforms. N. Chambers replied that taking out is quite easy, putting in more challenging.
    - R. Drake suggested getting a price from Woody Farrell for railing; P. Bunting and N. Chambers will follow up (see attached pictures)
    - J. Cooper asked if we could hire a cleaning service to do church opening in the spring; P. McDonald responded that she has the names of cleaners should we need them, but prefers to rely on volunteers for core work.
    - M. Cooper asked if redoing siding of church and clergy cottage is being considered; P. Bunting responded that this is being considered – he has looked at Norway Point Church at Lake-of-Bays as well as the Stony Lake Yacht Club, both of which have been beautifully restored. Duncan McIntyre commented that the outside walls need attention as they require painting in the present state every five years; aluminum siding has been declined in the past because it would alter the heritage nature of the building.
    - D. McIntyre also said that dock stanchions to accommodate large boats like Spirit of the Kawarthas be re-installed; N. Chambers and M. Cooper suggested we find another solution because old stanchions damaged smaller boats.

- P. Bunting said it will cost about \$20,000 to re-deck the small boat dock; in the short term, we will replace some loose boards.
- R. Drake suggested three bids for all work done at the church; N. Chambers and P. Bunting responded that this will create a lot of work, as opposed to selecting reputable local suppliers; it was agreed that for large projects like the roof, multiple bids are appropriate; R. Drake requested this be a working option for “significant projects”; this was agreed.
- H. Seltzer asked if we could ask local businesses to donate, for a tax receipt; this is being done, responded J. Cooper
- MOTION by P. Bunting to approve the budget of \$2500 for the 2020 maintenance of Memorial Garden as proposed by H. Batten, from the memorial fund; SECOND K. Nelson; CARRIED
- P. Bunting regarding the endowment fund at \$120,000 and growing; music scholars fund at \$28,000; endowment fund oversight committee of Jamie Anderson, Doug Wotherspoon and Ron Drake; Treasurer thanked this group for agreeing to serve in this capacity
- MOTION by P. Bunting, in 2020 St. Peter’s on-the-Rock have a maximum of four signing officers for dealings with the Royal Bank, that all cheques have two signatures and that for 2020 the Past Warden Tony Whittingham, Senior Warden June Cooper, Junior Warden Ward Strickland and the Treasurer Pat Bunting be the designated signing officers; SECOND B. Kelly; CARRIED
- Same-sex (equal marriage) report, Bern Kelly
  - Same-sex couple approached Carol Corner about a wedding proposal for 2021
  - Request must have approval of vestry (parish) and clergy (July and Aug), as well as Bishop of Toronto (A. Asbil), and be communicated to the parish as a whole
  - B. Kelly reported that the clergy are supportive and that the wardens and vestry approved two motions which were read (see attached)
  - R. Drake suggested that the strong support of this parish and its AVM be given to the Bishop so he understands the sense of the meeting and the high level of support.
  - Rev. Matt McMillan said that a motion of affirmation could be brought forward and sent as a stamp of approval
  - MOTION by R. Drake that there be an affirmation of this decision including a confirmed vote of the vestry by the parish members; SECOND B. Bunting; CARRIED unanimously
  - Duncan McIntyre suggested that future clergy selection be contingent on ensuring that ministers appointed accept this position; a discussion ensued and Rev. M. McMillan said the Bishop will ensure appropriate priests be available as St. Peter’s on-the-Rock will be an “equal marriage” parish
- A Whittingham asked if there is any other business:
  - R. Corbett asked if this church would support local environmental initiatives as part of our outreach (Kawartha Land Trust, etc.); currently we support FaithWorks (FW), Camp Kawartha, and the food bank in Lakefield;

- P. Bunting suggested our contribution to FW is because we are part of the Diocese of Toronto
- A Whittingham suggested that R. Corbett bring this forward at the spring meeting of the vestry and let people know in newsletter
- S. Cook said the Kawartha Land Trust has been extremely helpful to her family and endorsed the idea of support
- C. Corner suggested the ladies' lunch be hosted at the church – great approval of this idea including applause; also have a “doors open” at St. Peter's
- D. McIntyre asked that the property manager give a report at future AVMs; Sr. Warden said this will happen in future
- Sr. Warden read a card of thanks from Sonny Cook to the parish of St. Peter's for their love and support over “many, many years”
- K. McNeil thanked A. Whittingham for his service as Sr. Warden; a standing ovation ensued
- Senior Warden adjourned the meeting at 2.05



A Whittingham, Senior Warden



C. Bunting, Secretary

## REPORTS

### Senior Warden, Treasurer, Music, Sunday School

St. Peter's on-the-Rock

Senior Warden's Report / 2019 Annual Vestry Meeting

25 August 2019

#### INTRODUCTION

Good afternoon. It is my great honour, as Senior Warden, address this, the 105<sup>th</sup>, Annual Vestry Meeting of St. Peter's on-the-Rock.

I'm sure many of us here today have started to experience that bittersweet tug of nostalgia, knowing our precious Ontario summer is now rapidly drawing to a close. Yet how lucky we truly are! In our brief, but intense, 10-week summer window, we are able to gather here, Sunday by Sunday – coming from the many different “off-the-lake” backgrounds and lives that we bring -- to share in the unique alchemy of praise & humility, reflection & service, that seem to propel the uplifting community experience of St. Peter's, and, we hope, the realization of enlightened Christian values.

In that spirit, I am especially pleased to report that the state of St. Peter's summer community in all ways appears to be healthy & flourishing, as we near the end of 2019. Without question, 2019 has been “a Good Year” for St. Peter's.

Here is a broad summary & overview of the key elements:

1. **CHURCH FUNDAMENTALS:** We have a firm & stable foundation in our liturgy & worship

- In our customary 3-year cycles of rotating Ministers, we are currently in an ideal “stable state”. This year, we enjoyed the dedicated service of two excellent & experienced supervising Ministers from the Anglican Diocese of Toronto. In July, we welcomed the Rev Major Canon Don Aitchison – chaplain at Trinity College School (“TCS”) in Port Hope ON & active Canadian army military chaplain. Padre Don fit in quickly and effectively to Stony Lake life, and will be our July Minister through July 2021. In addition, we were delighted to welcome back the Rev. Matthew McMillan, Rector of St. Mary's Anglican Church in Richmond Hill ON. Father Matt is back for his

second summer as our popular August pastor, together with spouse Pam and two young children, Molly & Dougall, and will continue through August 2020.

- In addition to our priestly oversight, we maintain a well-organized roster of weekly readings, scriptures and personal, specific intercessions & prayers, all taken care by knowledgeable, dedicated volunteers.

**2. MUSIC & CULTURE:** We continue to emphasize – and strengthen -- our musical and cultural offerings

- We have further strengthened & consolidated our signature musical outreach program – **The St. Peter's Music Scholar's** Program – now in its 5<sup>th</sup> successful year. This year we have been treated to two impressive mini-recitals by 2 talented young Stony lake musicians. In total, since this program was initiated, we have heard live performances from over a dozen young musicians to our Sunday services – from singers to budding Banjo players. Further, we have paid out several hundreds of dollars in rewards, bursaries and performance honorariums in support of these young musicians – all thanks to the ongoing generosity of Don Walter and family.
- In addition to these young performers, we continue to enjoy high standards of musical choices and accompaniments from a range of other musical parish members – led always by Helen Batten, but including a range of other talents – from the Mackenzie woodwinds... Morgan Strickland's operatic soprano... the loveable Bob Trennum on guitar... and sparkling keyboard accompaniment by Ruth Farrow. We were also fortunate to have assistance from celebrated choral conductor Noel Edison, as he prepares to launch new choir in Fall 2019.

**3. FINANCES & MANAGEMENT:** We continue to solidify our independent parish finances

- As we will shortly learn in the Report of our Treasurer, Pat Bunting, St. Peter's is enjoying increasing financial vigor and prosperity, thanks to the members of this parish – about 150 of us -- who appear as donors on our parish lists.
- In addition, as we will also learn from the Treasurer, we have met the challenge given to us last year's annual meeting, We were charged by last year's Annual Vestry to create a secure financial process for financial bequests, gifts & endowments that will be managed with prudence & professionalism and which will remain closely connected to St. Peter's Church and the interests here on the lake we serve. Thanks to a team of experienced volunteers, led especially by Treasurer Pat, we have now achieved that goal. You'll hear details of the new "**St. Peter's General Endowment Fund**" in a moment.

**4. MAINTENANCE:** We continue to maintain our beautiful church island -- kept in excellent repair and decorated with beautiful gardens and landscaping

- Everything about our precious church island property is lovingly curated. This year's Centennial Garden – and the church grounds in general – have been kept to their usual high standard. Our dedicated property and gardening volunteers worked hard all summer to keep our island in a proud state of repair and polish.
- Furthermore, as this year's exiting new initiative, after a thorough and careful inventory, we will be investing in new furnishings and updated facilities for our island residence – known as Clergy Cottage – to ensure it is comfortable & up-to-date for our valued summer clergy,

5. **EDUCATION & CHILDREN:** We have reaffirmed Sunday School as a central component of our Church mission and have strengthened our Sunday School curriculum. We continue to recognize the vital importance of engaging a new generation of children on the lake with the stories, values & lessons of an evolved Christian culture. We hope always that our children & grandchildren will benefit & grow from the impressionable hour they spend at St. Peter's every week and that they in turn, will tell their friends.

6. **COMMUNITY LINKAGES:** We know we are not alone... on our lake and in our world

- St. Peter's continues to engage on a modest – but sincere – scale with outside organizations always benefitting from financial assistance and moral support. In particular, our parish contributes financially every year to the excellent work of **Camp Kawartha** on adjacent Clear Lake and with the **Lakefield village Food Drive**, through the coordination of St. John the Baptist Anglican Church. All other worthwhile cross-linkages are always worthy of consideration.
- In addition, we continue to explore and encourage the use of our St. Peter's buildings & facilities for other relevant projects and initiatives of potential value to our wider community. This could include meditation sessions, book club meetings, current-event talks and so on. This year, for example, we opened our doors as a venue for a weekly lakeside \*12-Step\* – or AA – Meeting.
- As a famous lakeside meeting place, it is worth remembering that we continue to provide a popular and sought-after venue for **Weddings & Baptisms**. This year, we had two public baptisms – both, by the way, were memorable events! Our weddings, on the other hand, are almost entirely private events, held usually on Saturdays, and thus, you could say, are invisible to most St. Peter's parishioners. This year, we will have three weddings – the second was just yesterday. That said, we continue to require respectful standards in the use of our church by "outsiders" to our parish. You will hear more about the St. Peter's Wedding policy – especially for "Equal Marriage" -- later this morning, under Agenda Item 7. A new & important direction has just been chosen by Vestry and we look forward to engaging the parish with this decision.

7. **STEWARDSHIP & OUTREACH:** Finally, we must always remember the famous Scripture passage from the Book of Matthew: "Let your light so shine that all people may see your good works and glorify the Lord in Heaven." Hence the question: how DO we let the outside world know about who we are and what we do? How do we go about attracting new members and replacing ourselves as we all move forward?

- Communications, information & engagement – both internal & external -- remain a core element of our collective mission. St. Peter's may command a famous geographic location – a veritable landmark on Stony Lake and throughout the Trent-Severn National Waterway – but many of our own neighbors don't have any idea who we are or what happens here on this island. That's where some degree of promotion, publicity and social media have a role to play. This past year, we took steps to refresh and reboot our efforts to build awareness through 1. dedicated **Website** (<[www.St.Petersontherock.org](http://www.St.Petersontherock.org)> ) 2. A reactivated **Facebook** Page ("St. Peter's on-the-Rock") 3. Advertisements in our fellow Lake organization newsletters ([ASCL Islander](#) and [USLA Bulletin](#)) and 4. **Posters** distributed widely throughout our summer catchment area along the Trent-Severn route.
- I'd like to offer a special note of appreciation in this regard to the work & professionalism of parishioner / volunteer Kyle Kelly for his assistance in web-site creation and social media.

8. And now, finally, to the true core of our success: **VOLUNTEERISM**

As another Old Saying goes, “a chain is only as strong as its weakest link”. Indeed, at the heart of everything we are able to do is the willingness and the capability to get our tasks done.

So... how many helpers does it take to “turn on the lights” at St. Peter’s on-the-Rock every week, every year?? Here are the St. Peter’s volunteerism statistics:

- Total Select Vestry “positions”: **22**
  - Vestry “Executive”: **6**
    - Wardens (X3)
    - Treasurer
    - Secretary
    - Member-at-Large
  - Vestry “Programme & Activity Coordinators”: **17**
    - Property & Maintenance
    - Clergy Cottage
    - Music
    - Music Scholars
    - Baptisms
    - Weddings
    - Sunday School
    - Sacristan
    - Prayers
    - Scriptures
    - Collections
    - Hospitality & Refreshment
    - Flowers (Outside)
    - Flowers (Inside)
    - Docking & Welcome
    - Archives
    - Stewardship & Communications
  - Endowment Fund Committee + Advisors: **5**



- GRAND TOTAL: 2019 Active Volunteers: **44**

Yes, that's right, this year, it took the efforts of no fewer than 44 women & men to keep our precious island church afloat.

Surely the single-most most important task for any Senior Warden is to offer personal thanks to this wonderful network of St. Peter's loyalists. Many of our core volunteers have been loyal and dedicated to St. Peter's for many, many years, Let me now mention – and THANK -- each & every precious 2019 volunteer – including our parish executive -- BY NAME:

- Kathy McNeil
- Tony Whittingham
- June Cooper
- Pat Bunting
- Ross Dobbin
- Chris Bunting
- Swotty Wotherspoon
- Nathan Chambers
- Patty MacDonald
- Helen Batten
- Bern Kelly
- Ann Dobbin
- Carol Corner
- Betsy McGregor
- Judy Tranter
- Cammie Jacquays
- Jackie Hubbs
- Connie Wahl
- Jane Ross
- Sue Mortimer
- Betsy Drake
- Ron Drake

- Jenny Chambers
- Keith Titley
- Roz Titley
- Sheila Gallagher
- Glenn Tranter
- Connie Tranter
- Andy Posthumus
- Laurie Posthumus
- Derek Nelson
- Mark Cooper
- Sheila Brownscombe
- Reid Brownscombe
- Sue Dutton
- Tony McNeil
- Blair MacKenzie
- Doug Wotherspoon
- Jamie Anderson
- Bonnie Bunting
- Ruth Farrow
- Bob Trennum
- Kyle Kelly

## CONCLUSION

We are about to move on to Agenda Item 5 – next on our program – to hear the important report from Past Warden & Nominations Chair Kathy McNeil. The good news from Kathy (it's always good news from Kathy!) is that for next year, the year 2020, we do once again have full roster of volunteers for all our central church volunteer positions -- all filled by dedicated & committed Stony Lakers.

I'm sure I speak for everyone here in this holy place today that we all share a fervent commitment that St. Peter's on-the-Rock will always exist.

May this church continue to flourish. For many, St. Peter's is indeed as place of formal Christian worship, specifically in the Anglican vernacular, while for others, we are more a venue for private, non-denominational spiritual reflection. Surely, for all of us, St. Peter's represents an interconnected community resource and meeting-ground -- reflecting the culture, aesthetics, values and ethics of our larger lakeside community.

Let us hope that our St. Peter's leadership and membership will always strive to remain relevant and connected to the summertime community surrounding us. Let us strive always to ensure that our mission and our actions remain useful, relevant, sincere, comforting and real.

Finally, may I close by offering my own note of personal gratitude and appreciation.

I'd like to express sincere personal thanks Former Wardens Bern Kelly & Cathy Nelson for reaching out to me to suggest & encourage this worthwhile summer calling -- and to Former Wardens Kathy & Tony McNeil, who so generously & kindly coaxed me through this year's issues & challenges.

Additionally, may I express thanks to the Ross Family (Fred, Ginny & Jane) for first introducing me to the glories of Stony Lake more than two decades ago. Most of all, I'd like to acknowledge and thank the Bunting Family -- Pat, Bonnie and, of course, Christopher -- for anchoring me, so generously and so honourably, within the Stony Lake community

I know I'm a virtual "newby" to this wonderful place and I'm deeply grateful for the friendship & support I've been so generously offered in abundance along the way!

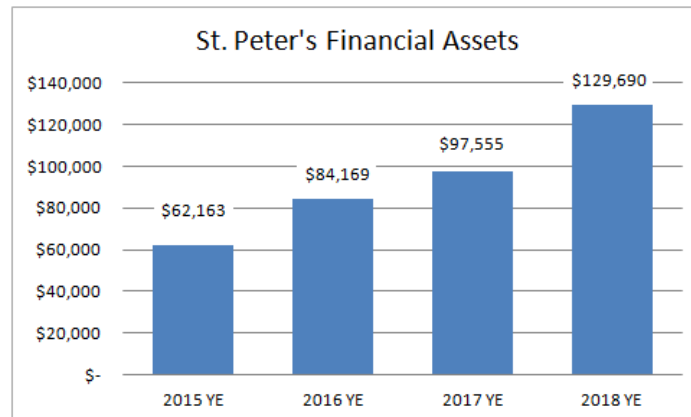
Tony Whittingham

Senior Warden 2019

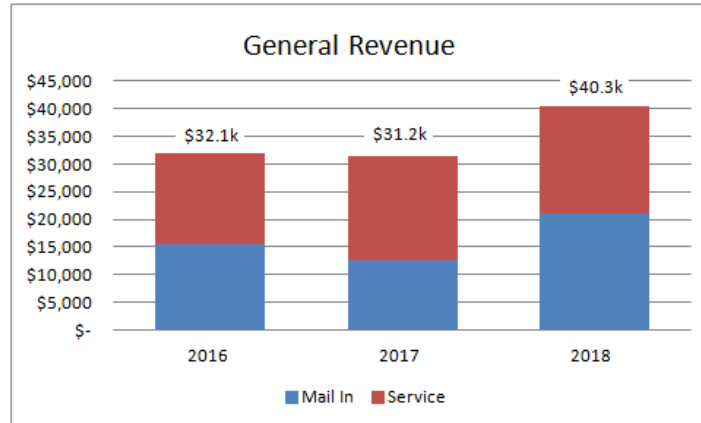
## Treasurer's Report – Pat Bunting

### St. Peter's Financial Statements for 2018

- The 2018 statements, issued by Kevin A. Dunn, Chartered Accountants, are attached:
- Key Messages
  - Statement of Financial Position Net Assets:
    - 2018 vs 2017 asset growth continues (General Endowment Fund contribution plus General funding continues to exceed expenses)
  - Statement of Change in Net Assets:
    - \$32,135 increase 2018 vs. 2017 (+33%)



- Statement of Operations:
  - 2018 overall revenue up \$30,272 versus 2017 (General Endowment \$20k, Donations \$10k)
  - 2018 General Donation revenue up 29% (net of Music, Weddings and Memorial donations), reflecting a strong shift to mailed in donations (up 62%) versus service collections (up 2%).



- Total 2018 costs were \$6.3k higher than 2017 attributed to cottage upgrades (booked as a capital charge) and memorial garden maintenance (booked as a memorial account charge).
- 2018 General expenses were favourable to budget by \$782 (HST in)

MOTION: To move that the 2018 Financial Statements issued by St. Peter’s accountant Kevin A. Dunn CA be accepted as written

Seconded by: K. McNeil

### General Operating Expense Budget

#### 2018/2019/2020 General Operating Expenses

- Overall, 2018 General Operating Expenses were favourable to budget as previously noted.
- A General Operating Expense budget (ex Memorial, ex Capital) of \$29.9K will be required for 2019 as summarized below. The budget was developed based on the inputs of account owners, a draft summary then distributed with the 2019 Spring Newsletter for vestry comment and feedback. The line item detail was subsequently presented and approved by the Wardens at the 8 June, 2019 Select Vestry meeting.
  - \$2k increase over 2018 is attributed to a \$1.8k increase in Property (pruning/removing large oak by public washroom, additional property expenses) and a \$1.4k Administration increase (postage, communication / webpage).
- An Operating Budget of \$28.7K is recommended for 2020

**ST. PETER'S ON-THE-ROCK ANNUAL EXPENSE SUMMARY**

K\$	2015 Actual	2016 Actual	2017 Actual	2018 Budget	2018 Actual	2019 Budget Final	2020 Budget Draft	
1 Church	\$ 13.2	\$ 11.8	\$ 12.2	\$ 12.5	\$ 13.2	\$ 12.2	\$ 13.3	Honorarium Increases
2 Administration	\$ 5.8	\$ 3.1	\$ 2.0	\$ 2.0	\$ 1.8	\$ 3.2	\$ 2.4	Lower website costs
3 Operating	\$ 4.6	\$ 5.3	\$ 5.5	\$ 5.1	\$ 5.3	\$ 5.3	\$ 5.3	
4 Property	\$ 8.4	\$ 6.8	\$ 6.0	\$ 8.6	\$ 7.2	\$ 9.0	\$ 7.5	Less oak tree removal
5 Cottage	\$ 1.2	\$ 0.9	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.2	
<b>Annual Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 33.2</b>	<b>\$ 27.9</b>	<b>\$ 26.0</b>	<b>\$ 28.7</b>	<b>\$ 27.9</b>	<b>\$ 29.9</b>	<b>\$ 28.7</b>	

- 1 Coffee, maintenance, honoraria, outreach, printing
- 2 Office supplies, newsletter, professional fees,
- 3 Telephone, insurance, taxes, hydro
- 4 Sexton, septic, plumbing, docks, boats, marina
- 5 Maintenance, supplies, furniture, equipments, cleaning

- Subject to General Vestry approval, a 2020 General Operating Expense budget of \$28,750 was approved by the Warden's at the August 18 Select Vestry meeting.

MOTION: To move that the 2020 St. Peter's General Expense Budget be approved in the amount of \$28,750 with the condition that any funding requirements that exceed \$28,750 would require the advance approval of the Wardens. Reports to provide budget status updates will be made to the Wardens on an ongoing basis.

Seconded by: M. Cooper

Capital Costs

2018/2019/2020/2021/2022 Capital Costs

- 2019 Capital costs continue to track against the 2019 \$12.5k budget.
- Additional Capital cost have been identified for 2020, 2021 and 2022 in order to continue to maintain the cottage and church assets we are responsible for, as detailed below:

Capital Budget Planned Expenditures	2018 Budget	2018 Actual	2019 Budget	2019 Actual/FC	2020 Budget Draft	2021	2022
New front outside flood light needs replacing	\$ 700	\$ 695					
Resurfacing Docks	\$ 1,000						
Cottage upgrades	\$ 4,800	\$ 4,993	\$ 1,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 9,000		
Decking small dock	\$ 2,000		\$ 2,000		\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 19,600
Public Washroom upgrades			\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000			
Re-align & secure canoe dock				\$ 500	\$ 500		
Metal handrail system for large boat dock access	\$ 1,500		\$ 7,500	\$ 3,600	\$ 3,600		
Church / Vestry Cottage Exterior						????	
BBQ (actual)				\$ 509			
Wake Signs (actual)				\$ 1,006			
Headsets (actual)				\$ 1,533			
Safe				\$ 250			
Contingency					\$ 3,400	????	????
	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,688	\$ 12,500	\$ 12,398	\$ 17,000	????	\$ 19,600

- Subject to General Vestry approval, a 2020 Capital budget of \$17,000 was approved by the Warden's at the August 18 Select Vestry meeting,.

**MOTION:**

It is moved that the Capital Budget for St. Peter's on-the-Rock for the year 2020 be approved in the amount of \$17,000 to be funded from the Capital Account plus reserve Funds as required, with the condition that any funding requirements exceeding \$17,000 would require the advanced approval of the Wardens. Reports providing budget status updates will be made available to the Wardens on an ongoing basis.

Seconded by: A. Dobbin



### Memorial Account

- \$9.5K currently available.
- Proposed annual spend of \$2,500 to support the maintenance of the Memorial Gardens can be covered for 4 years if no further contributions. Ways to reduce maintenance costs under consideration.

<b>Memorial Budget Planned Expenditures</b>	<b>2018 Actual</b>	<b>2019 Budget</b>	<b>2019 Actual To-Date</b>	<b>2020 Draft Budget</b>
Memorial Garden Maintenance	\$ 1,483	\$ 2,500	\$ 1,433	\$ 2,500
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- Subject to General Vestry approval, a 2020 Memorial budget of \$2,500 was approved by the Warden's at the August 18 Select Vestry meeting,.

**MOTION:**

It is moved that \$2,500 be approved for the 2020 maintenance of the Memorial Garden, to be funded from the Memorial Account, subject to General Vestry approval;

Seconded by: K. McNeil

### Endowment Funds

- The Music Scholar's Endowment Fund was started by the Walter family to enable long term support for young musicians able to perform at monthly services
- The St. Peter's General Endowment Fund was started at the instruction of the Wardens, to build financial capability over time through the receipt of unrestricted gifts from the St. Peter's community in order to provide financial support as and when needed and for as long as practical for the continuation of the work of St. Peter's-on-the-Rock ("St. Peter's"). The fund is internally restricted, ultimately under the control of the Wardens, acting after advice from an Advisory



Committee. The fund will be accessed as needed to pay for anything considered by the Wardens to be important enough. Withdrawals from the fund are not being limited to its income.

- Current (H1 2019) Fund Status)
  - Music Scholar's Endowment Fund
    - Fidelity Canadian Balanced Fund ISC
    - H1 2019 market value \$27,665.77
    - Total investment return \$1,751.57
    - H1 2019 return 11.75%
  - General Endowment Fund
    - PAC A+ Canadian Active Asset Allocation Portfolio
    - H1 2019 Market Value \$74,088.28
    - Total investment return \$4,044.34
    - H1 2019 return 8.11%
  
- Endowment Fund Oversight Committee
  - Further to approvals by the Warden's at the June 8, 2019 Select Vestry meeting, an Endowment Fund Oversight Committee has been formed (Jamie Anderson, Ron Drake, Doug Wotherspoon, Pat Bunting), a chair elected (Doug Wotherspoon). The approved Charter is attached for information.
  - The Committee will have oversight responsibility for both the St. Peter's General Endowment Fund and the St. Peter's Music Scholar's Endowment Fund.

Signing Authority

MOTION: To move that in 2020 St. Peter's have a maximum of four signing officers for dealings with the Royal Bank, that all cheques have two signatures and that for 2020 the Past Warden Tony Whittingham, Senior Warden June Cooper, Junior Warden Ward Strickland and the Treasurer Pat Bunting be the designated signing officers.

Seconded by:

*St. Peter's on-the-Rock*

*Anglican Church*

*Stony Lake*

**MUSIC REPORT**

**2019 ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING**

by Helen Batten

Music Coordinator, Organist

August 2019

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- Our Phoenix digital pipe organ is in its 16<sup>th</sup> year of service and is in excellent condition; a service visit was provided by Mark Anderson of Phoenix Organs in response to a running sound with the organ under power; internal cooling fan blades were cleaned to alleviate the sound.
- Our Technics electronic piano is in its 9<sup>th</sup> year of service and is in excellent condition.
- We have been very fortunate to have the participation of many musician-friends returning to visit this summer:
  - Ruth Farrow played piano along with Helen at the organ, for our opening service on June 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - Bob Trennum played the organ for the service on July 7<sup>th</sup>, and lead us with his guitar singing 'The Stony Lake Song', his beloved original composition for St. Peter's. Bob joins us again in August with his guitar.
  - Noel Edison has generously given of his time for several Sundays this summer, playing organ/piano along with Helen.
  - Soprano Morgan Strickland visited on July 28<sup>th</sup>, raising our spirits with her superb singing of 'Pie Jesu' by Andrew Lloyd Webber, and John Rutter's 'For

the Beauty of  
and our new July minister,  
Don Aitchison at the piano.

the Earth' accompanied by Noel Edison at the organ  
(and surprise pianist) Rev.

- Bassoonist Margaret Fay and Oboist Graham Mackenzie played a flawless unaccompanied duet together August 4<sup>th</sup>: 'Love Song', in true Stony Lake spirit having successfully paddled for the annual mile swim before heading off to church!

It is with deep gratitude that we thank these professional musicians for bringing their expertise to enhance our services. To experience their tremendous calibre of musicianship in St. Peter's intimate setting is a rare and exquisite gift. Thank you all!

- Betsy McGregor, Cammie Jacquays and the children who attend St. Peter's have provided enthusiastic choir songs for the congregation to enjoy each week. Thank you Betsy and Cammie for your energetic work with the kids!
- The St. Peter's Music Scholars Programme, conceived by generous donations from Don Walter & family, and supported by others, is in its fourth year. Please see the report of Bern Kelly, chair of the St. Peter's Music Scholars Committee. Many thanks to Bern and the committee (Blair Mackenzie, Anthony Whittingham, Bob Trennum) for their time and care in developing this wonderful programme.
- Helen provided organ and bagpipe music for 2 of the 3 weddings this summer, as well as organ & piano music for the 10:30 a.m. Sunday services.

## Sunday School Coordinator: Dr. Betsy McGregor

### August, 2019.

1. **Report on Activities:** Format: Each Sunday the children received a short message from the Minister before following the cross to the Minister's House for "Sunday School". Returning while collection was being taken, the children led the church in a song which related to the theme they was taught, and craft they did. After their song, children returned to their parents in the pews for the final prayer. There was no exception. Children were a part of the church service on every single Sunday regardless of whether it was a Communion or Baptism Sunday. Children are the future of our church.
2. **Teachers:** The core of the teaching team are: Cammie Jaquays, Judy Tranter, Jackie Hubbs. Not all could be present on every Sunday so we filled the gaps between us and with wonderful parents who voluntarily accompanied their children.
3. **Numbers:** The first Sunday School, there were five children. The second there were 25 and the next two Sundays there were about 17-18 children ranging in ages from 3 to 14. Mixed genders and nationalities.
4. **Countries;** Children came from Hong Kong, The USA, Mexico and across Canada.
5. **Budget:** The budget approved for 2019 was \$500 and supplies and ice cream and sample Bibles were purchased.
6. **Recommendation:** We would like to recommend three ideas – two with budget implications:
  - i. That each child be given a "Bible" age-appropriate (one per cottage (About 20 X \$20 = \$400)
  - ii. That a "Loaning Library" be set up so kids can borrow little books each week too
  - iii. That an umbrella be purchased to cover the picnic table for children. (About \$150)
7. **Invitation:** We ask that the Warden announce the importance of bringing children, grand-children over to the church and inviting parents to "give one Sunday" to the Sunday School by coming over to help the team.

I invite my teaching team to add any further ideas.