

St. Peter's on-the-Rock

Stony Lake, Ontario

Minutes of the 2023 Annual Vestry Meeting

Held August 20th, 2023 at the Church, commencing at 12:00 hours

[Note: These minutes are in draft form until approved at the 2024 Annual Vestry Meeting]

Present: Aaron Thompson, Senior Warden and Chair of the Meeting

And 21 additional members of the St. Peter's community

1. Welcome and Call to Order

Aaron Thompson offered words of welcome to all those present.

2. Opening Prayer and Ancestral Lands Acknowledgement

Rev. Mary-Cate Garden provided an opening prayer for our meeting. Thanks Mary-Cate!

Secretary Rachel Corbett recited our Ancestral Lands Acknowledgement and explained briefly the process by which this acknowledgement was developed.

"We acknowledge that St. Peter's on-the-Rock sits on the traditional territory of the Michi Saagijig Anishinabeg. We strive to worship on this land with grace, respect and peace."

3. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Sue MacIntyre SECONDED: Sheila Gallagher CARRIED

4. Approval of Minutes from 2022 Annual Vestry Meeting

MOTION: Katharine Dalton SECONDED: Bern Kelly CARRIED

Wealth Management/Dominion Securities under the oversight of a committee made up of Mark Cooper, Ron Drake and Jamie Anderson. The Fund Manager is Scott Zack, who reports quarterly to the oversight committee. The investment philosophy of the fund is one of “conservative growth”.

The Fund Manager has provided a 58-page report on the performance of the fund should anyone be interested! The highlights of this report, dated June 30th 2023, are as follows:

Main Account	+ 4.3 % YTD	\$87,554 market value	53 % equity
Sub-Account (TD shares)	- 4.2 % YTD	\$55,775 market value	100 % equity
Music Fund	+ 7.5 % YTD	\$32,266 market value	50 % equity

8. Property Report

The full written report of Duncan MacIntyre and Richard Wotherspoon is appended to these minutes at page 13.

There was considerable discussion about the property portfolio, particularly in light of the decision of Duncan and Richard to resign. Duncan is concerned that the role should receive more attention and have more prominence than it currently does. He felt that the property portfolio requires a volunteer who is present on the island frequently, and the work should not be led or done in its entirety by hired help or contractors, as they are not familiar with all the regular upkeep, are not attune to small projects that require attention, and it is not cost-effective for the entire property portfolio to be contracted out. Duncan also recommended that the property manager should be given a voice on the Executive Committee, given the importance of the role.

This discussion culminated in the following motion:

“That the individual or individuals (if a team) holding the position of property manager should be included in the Executive Committee”

MOTION: Mark Cooper

SECONDED: Ward Strickland

CARRIED

9. Secretary Report

Rachel Corbett’s written report is appended to these minutes at page 14.

10. Report of Vestry Member-at-Large

Sue MacIntyre’s written report is appended to these minutes at page 15.

stressed the importance of updating position descriptions for all roles on Vestry. As Secretary, Rachel Corbett agreed to undertake this process following the end of summer.

11. Director of Music Report

Helen Batten's written report is appended to these minutes at page 16.

12. Music Scholars Report

Bern Kelly's written report is appended to these minutes at page 17.

It is noted that the report does not reflect the recent addition of one additional Music Scholar, Elora Colbert, who will be performing in church in the next two weeks.

13. Program Reports

Brief reports from Carol Corner (Weddings), Katharine Dalton (Baptisms) and Jackie Hubbs (Sunday School) are appended to these minutes at page 20.

Since Carol submitted her report, a second wedding has been scheduled for 2024.

14. Altar Flowers Report

Tony Whittingham's report is appended to these minutes at page 21. Tony has also tendered his resignation from this role.

15. Nominations to Vestry for 2024

The following 2024 vacancies exist within Vestry: *Junior Warden, Property, Altar Flowers, Clergy Cottage.*

Announcements will be made at the next two church services about these vacancies and a call will also go out on social media.

16. Other Business

There was no other official business. However, the following summarizes some key points raised in discussion throughout the meeting:

- There is confusion about the terms Executive Committee, Select Vestry, and Vestry. Given St. Peter's status as a 'peculiar' (meaning that it operates independently from the Diocese and as a summer parish, it does not comply with many of the dictates of the Diocesan Canons), it would be helpful if these terms were clarified and used consistently.
- A view was presented that as a summer church, our operations and structure should be simpler than they appear to be. Another attendee felt there should be no need for virtual ZOOM meetings. Several past Wardens in the meeting explained that based on their experience, running St. Peter's is a year-round endeavour for the work of the Executive Committee, while the work of other members of Vestry is generally a summer operation. As such, the Executive Committee does need to meet as frequently as monthly, and sometimes more frequently, to plan for and oversee our summer worship activities.
- There was discussion about making the terms of Wardens two years, which is a common governance model in other organizations. There are merits to this idea, particularly considering

our difficulty populating the Warden cycle. However, it was also noted that increasing the role to a two-year term results in the overall commitment (Junior, Senior, Past) being six years, which to many may be untenable and may exacerbate the problem of recruiting volunteers to the Warden role. An advantage of a two-year model is it would facilitate continuity and leverage learnings of the Wardens, and decrease the frequency of recruitment for the role. This matter should be explored further.

- There was discussion about Clergy recruitment. Those in the meeting who have been involved in the process in recent years stated that it is increasingly difficult because a modern-day priest typically has a spouse or partner who is also professionally employed, making it sometimes impossible to coordinate holidays. As well, not all candidates are thrilled about a semi-rustic cottage accessible only by boat. Some in the meeting also expressed a desire to recruit Clergy with young families. Interestingly, our last two Clergy have come from outside the Diocese of Toronto because no one within the Diocese could be recruited (Rev. Garden is from the Diocese of Ottawa and Rev. Bothwell is retired from the Diocese of Niagara). Recent experience is that school Chaplains (Rev. Aitchison and Rev. Bothwell) and retired priests (also Rev. Bothwell) are easier to recruit and have served us very well. Recruitment continues to be a major challenge for the Wardens.
- There was a desire expressed by some that Executive Committee meetings should be open to any members of Vestry who wish to attend. Aaron Thompson observed that when we did invite everyone to a Special Vestry Meeting, nobody attended. Going forward there appeared a consensus that such invitations should be issued regardless.

17. Adjournment

Mark Cooper MOVED that the meeting be adjourned at approximately 2:15 PM.

St. Peter's on-the-Rock

Annual Vestry Meeting 2023

Message from Senior Warden, Aaron Thompson

St. Peter's has enjoyed a very successful 2023 with a number of new initiatives undertaken that have been successful thanks to the work our dedicated volunteers and active participation from the St. Peter's community. 2023 has also seen an increase in attendance after several years of decline, which is heartening and so very welcome. It has been a pleasure to see the pews full on Sundays, to hear the voices of our congregation singing out loudly and joyfully, and see so many people once again populating the rock for coffee and social following Sunday services.

We remain thankful for the guidance and wonderful services provided by our Clergy. July 2023 was Rev. Kevin Bothwell's first summer on the lake as Clergy, though he has long been associated with Stony Lake having grown up on the lake when his own father was Clergy at St. Peter's. It was therefore somewhat of a homecoming for Kevin, and our community welcomed him with open arms and gratitude. We have also been very fortunate to have Rev. Mary-Cate Garden as our August Clergy. Now in her second summer at St. Peter's, Mary-Cate (and her dog Archie) are becoming seasoned Stony Lakers and it is always a blessing to be greeted by Mary-Cate's warm smile on Sunday mornings at the church.

In July we were also blessed to have Right Reverend Riscylla Shaw, Bishop of Trent-Durham in the Anglican Diocese of Toronto, visit us again this summer and lead us in prayer. Tremendous thanks to Anne and Ross Dobbin for hosting a fantastic Vestry and Past Wardens Bishop's Luncheon this year. This has now become an annual tradition we will look forward to continuing in years to come.

Several capital projects have taken place this summer ensuring the preservation and improvement of the St. Peter's on-the-Rock property. In the spring, the swim dock was replaced and swim ladder repaired and work was also done to replace boards on the small boat dock to ensure safety over the course of the summer. In the fall, the small boat dock will be completely resurfaced. A third project, which exceeded expectations, was the overhaul and new planting that took place for the Memorial Garden. The garden, which despite having deteriorated over the years due to encroaching plants and lack of a root barrier, remained an expense in the operating budget that was not representing good value. The Memorial Garden initiative, lead by volunteers Helen Batten, Tony Whittingham, June Cooper and Rachel Corbett and with help from Kilbourn Tree and Cottage Services and Kawartha Utility Services, now provides us with a rejuvenated garden populated entirely with native species which will be both beautiful and sustainable for many years to come. This project has also been leveraged for outreach purposes attracting much attention on social medial platforms and bringing new interested people to the island to admire and learn from the garden.

The Wardens have worked hard to consider additional outreach and activities to attract new families to St. Peter's. This summer, a fantastic new activity took place thanks to the work of Morgan Strickland and her business partner Tania Granata, bringing a music theatre camp to the island. The camp ran in the change-over week between Clergy (the first week of August) and culminated in a final show with the children performing Disney's Aristocats KIDS (Broadway musical version). The show went very well and the audience was enthusiastic and appreciative. What an amazing accomplishment! We hope for this to become a new annual program at St. Peter's that will engage young people, bring joy to our congregation and help to continue to attract new families to St. Peter's.

We are also thankful for the extensive work done by all our volunteers; Sextons (Taylor Dalton, Avery Partridge) who help keep the church operating on a daily basis, Sunday school lead (Jackie Hubbs), the excellent and committed work of our property managers (Duncan MacIntyre, Richard Wotherspoon), our music scholars program (Bern Kelly), Clergy/Bishop Liaison (Ward Strickland), Baptisms (Katharine Dalton), Weddings (Carol Corner), Prayers of the People (Rachel Corbett), Collections (Betsy and Ron Drake), Readers and Liturgy (Connie Wahl), Sacristan (Connie Wahl), Altar Flowers (Tony Whittingham), Outside Flowers (Martha Hunt), Docking and Welcome (Reid and Sheila Brownscombe, and Mark and June Cooper) and Archivist (Susan Dutton). What an amazing team!

St. Peter's financial position is strong and we are well positioned to maintain a balanced budget that enables ongoing operation of the church while also supporting ongoing property needs and outreach support for the remainder of 2023 and into 2024. Please see the financial reports of our Treasurer, Patrick Bunting, for detailed information on our accounts and proposed budget.

The main future challenge for St. Peter's is to continue to maintain the support of our dedicated and wonderful volunteers. We are very lucky to have Andy Bouffard as our current Junior Warden. At present the incoming Junior Warden position for 2024 remains unfilled. **Please give some thought to who might be available and willing to step into the Junior Warden role for 2024 and give consideration as to whether you may be able to assist in this regard.** Speaking from experience, the Warden Role is extremely rewarding and a wonderful way to give back to the St. Peter's and Stony Lake community.

Thank you everyone for your ongoing support.

Respectfully submitted,

Aaron Thompson

St. Peter's on-the-Rock

Annual Vestry Meeting

20 August, 2023

TREASURER'S REPORTS

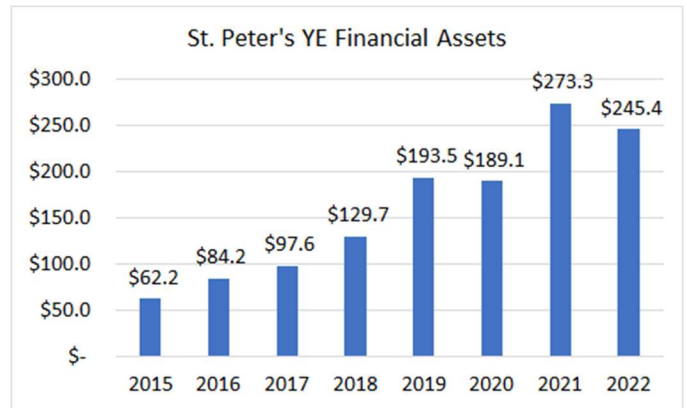
Pat Bunting

St. Peter’s Financial Statements for 2022

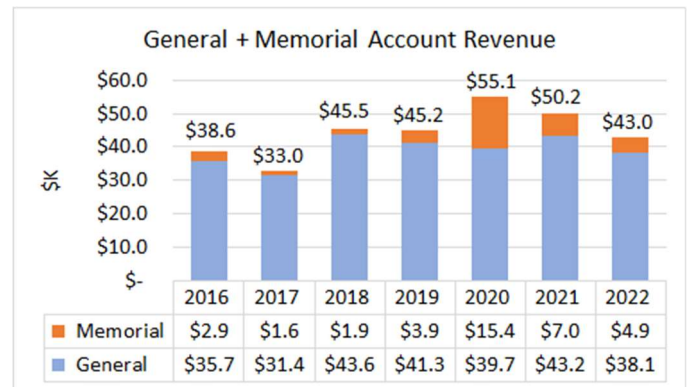
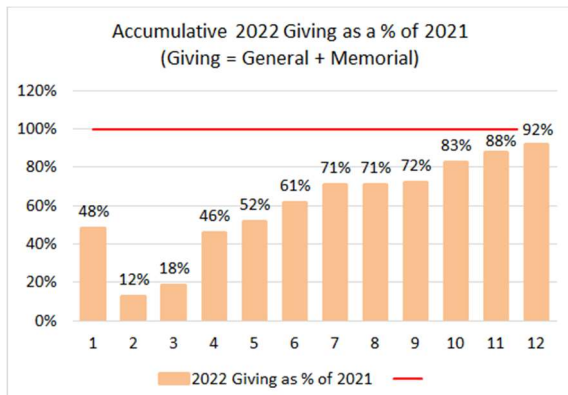
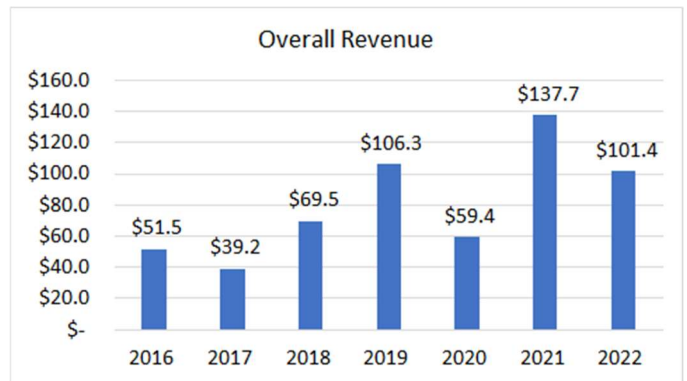
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2022 Year End Overview

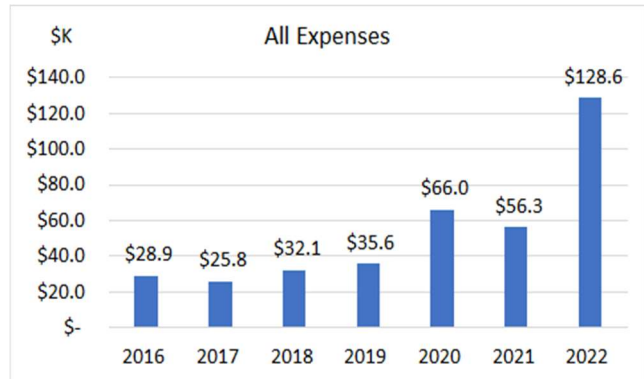
- Statement of Financial Position Net Assets:
 - 2022 vs 2021 assets decrease reflects 2021 Siding Restoration.



- Statement of Operations Donations & Investment Income:
 - 2022 overall revenue down \$78.3K versus 2021 giving slowing of Restoration donations, reduced interest and investment income, reduced grants.
 - 2022 General & Memorial Accounts revenue down \$7.2K reflecting reduced donations.



- Statement of Operations -Expenses:
 - Total (all accounts) 2022 expenses were up \$72.3K essentially reflecting siding restoration expenditures.



MOTION: To move that the 2022 Financial Statements issued by St. Peter’s accountant Tim Nicholls CPA, CA be accepted as written.

Seconded by:

General Operating Expense Budgets

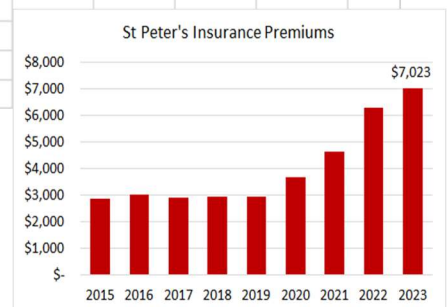
2022 General Operating Expenses

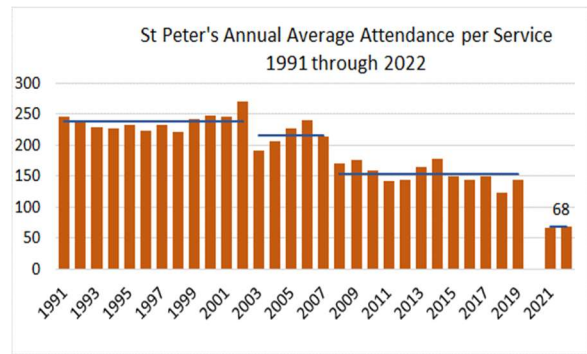
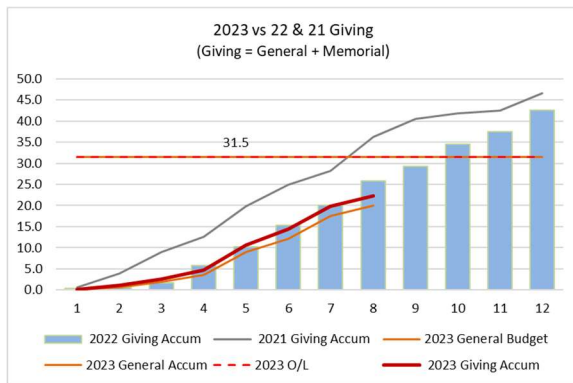
- 2022 General Operating Account expenses (HST in) \$3.2K unfavourable to budget with increases noted.

ST. PETER'S ON-THE-ROCK GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSE SUMMARY					
	K\$	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	Δ	
1	Church	\$ 14.3	\$ 10.7	\$ 3.6	Reduced outreach expenditure
2	Administration	\$ 2.5	\$ 4.1	\$ (1.6)	New accountant set-up
3	Operating	\$ 7.2	\$ 8.7	\$ (1.5)	Insurance increase
4	Property	\$ 7.5	\$ 12.5	\$ (5.0)	Tree removal, sexton, pump out
5	Cottage	\$ 2.0	\$ 0.7	\$ 1.3	
Annual Expenses		\$ 33.5	\$ 36.7	\$ (3.2)	

- A General 2023 Operating Expense budget (ex Memorial, ex Capital) of \$31.5K was approved.
- Given ongoing funding concerns, a 2024 General Operating Expense budget of \$31.5K is recommended given continuing funding concerns.

ST. PETER'S ANNUAL OPERATING EXPENSE SUMMARY					
	K\$	2023 Budget Rev 0	2023 Budget Approv'd		2024 Budget Request
1	Church	\$ 14.0	\$ 10.3		\$ 10.3
2	Administration	\$ 3.3	\$ 3.3	Professional fees	\$ 3.3
3	Operating	\$ 9.4	\$ 9.6	Insurance	\$ 9.6 Insurance up (ref graph)
4	Property	\$ 9.2	\$ 7.4	Pump out, opening, closing	\$ 7.4
5	Cottage	\$ 0.8	\$ 0.9		\$ 0.9
Annual Expenses		\$ 36.7	\$ 31.5		\$ 31.5
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				





MOTION: To move that the 2024 St. Peter’s General Operating Expense Budget be approved in the amount of \$31.5K with the condition that any funding requirements that exceed \$31.5K 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:

Memorial Account

- 2022 memorial account charges are favourable to budget.
- The review of ways to reduce memorial garden maintenance expenses while providing a rich garden conducive to its natural environment were completed over the winter. Given the availability of funds, the warden’s decided to proceed with the garden restoration project in the spring of 2023. All suppliers provided significant discounts.

Memorial Budget Planned Expenditures	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Actual	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2023 Budget	2023 Actual To Date	2024 Budget Request
Memorial Garden Consultation						\$ 100		
Memorial Garden Planting & Maintenance	\$ 2,293	\$ 1,659	\$ 791	\$ 1,000		\$ 1,000	\$ 16,516	\$ 965
Bookplates						\$ 250		
Virtual Service		\$ 5,376						
Banking Fees		\$ 176	\$ 113		\$ 10		\$ 35	\$ 35
	\$ 2,293	\$ 7,211	\$ 904	\$ 1,000	\$ 10	\$ 1,350	\$ 16,551	\$ 1,000

MOTION:
It is moved that the 2024 Memorial account budget be approved in the amount of \$1,000. Any additional expenditures would require Warden approval

Capital Costs

- 2022 Capital expenses exceeded budget essentially reflecting the final cost of the Siding Restoration project, which came in per contract, as competitively bid.
- 2023 Capital expenses are limited to the small boat and cottage swim dock re-decking projects, also competitively bid. The current 2023 outlook reflects the approved bid.
- 2023 Capital costs are project to be limited to the replacement of the vestry cottage refrigerator.

Capital Budget Planned Expenditures	2021 Actual	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2023 Budget	2023 O/L	2024 Budget Request					
Cottage furnishing & upgrades		\$ 4,000		\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,725	New refrigerator in 2024				
Decking small dock, swim dock		\$ 500		\$ 20,500	\$ 25,000						
Cottage washrooms, floors											
Entrance metal handrail	\$ 12,430										
Church / Vestry Cottage Exterior		\$ 79,100	\$ 99,974				Funded through fundraising.				
Banking Fees			\$ 15		\$ 15	\$ 25					
	\$ 12,430	\$ 83,600	\$ 99,989	\$ 21,700	\$ 26,215	\$ 1,750					

MOTION:

It is moved that the Capital Expense Budget for St. Peter’s on-the-Rock for the year 2024 be approved in the amount of \$1,750. Any additional expenditures would require Warden approval. Reports providing budget status updates will be made available to the Wardens on an ongoing basis.

Seconded by:

Signing Authority

MOTION: To move that in 2024 St. Peter’s have a maximum of four signing officers for dealings with the Royal Bank, that all expenditures have two approvals and that for 2024 the Past Warden Aaron Thompson, Senior Warden Andy Bouffard, Junior Warden TBD and the Treasurer Pat Bunting be the designated signing officers.

Seconded by:

St Peter's on-the-Rock Church
Property Report
August 9th, 2023

Work Accomplished:

- Trees were trimmed & brush cleared from the island in the Fall of 2022.
- Sprinkler system was fixed & was up and running May 2023.
- A new swim dock top was installed in June 2023 by AMCON Corp. (Andrew McDermott) on time.
- The cement walkways, docks (small boat, big boat, canoe) decks (rectory & washroom), benches/stairs where pressured washed to reduce slipping potential.
- Some boards were reinstalled/retightened (small boat dock) and rotten boards were replaced (rectory deck, picnic benches).
- The docks (canoe, part of big boat), decks (rectory, washroom), benches (picnic) & stairs were Thompson water sealed to lengthen the longevity of these wood structures.
- A canoe dock ladder was installed to help with older members exiting canoes.
- The swim dock ladder was repaired.

Work Planned:

- The canoe dock has shifted/been rammed preventing the canoe gate to open/close properly. We hope to address this by mid-August.
- The small boat dock decking should be replaced. An RFP was issued and awarded to AMCON Corp. (Andrew McDermott) to be completed in the Fall.
- We hope to finish removing the last remnants of the fallen pine tree log in the water this summer.
- We hope to finish water sealing the big boat dock this summer.
- We hope to cement the holes in some of the walkways this summer.
- We hope to paint/varnish some items on the property (flagpole, walkway/stair railings, church front door, benches, canoe) this fall to lengthen their longevity.

Items Need Replacing:

- The sprinkler system controller backup battery is soldered to the motherboard so it can't be replaced. Thus, the Date/Time needs to be reset on the controller every time the power goes out or the controller needs to be replaced.
- The rectory refrigerator door is warped and is not closing properly. We were unsuccessful fixing it, so a new refrigerator is needed.
- A solution for the ongoing water damage of the laminate floor at the main entrance of the church is needed.

Resignation:

- Richard Wotherspoon and Duncan MacIntyre resigned in May 2023 due to difference of operating styles with board members. We continue to perform maintenance functions while the board seeks a new property manager. We hope to leave the church in better condition than we received it last fall and are open to help our replacement.

Respectfully submitted by
Richard Wotherspoon and Duncan MacIntyre

St. Peter's on-the-Rock Report of the Secretary

It has been a pleasure to support the Wardens, Vestry and the congregation of St. Peter's over the past year. As Secretary I perform the usual secretary functions – soliciting reports, taking minutes of meetings, and distributing written materials from these meetings as prescribed by the Wardens.

However, there is more to my role as I am also responsible for:

- All communications (both internal and external) – this entails monitoring our email accounts and responding appropriately, managing our Google drive and archive of official documents, preparing and distributing digital newsletters and on occasion coordinating production of videos.
- I also manage our social media platforms and maintain our website (check it out at www.stpeterontherock.org). Our digital footprint is respectable (nearly 500 followers on Facebook and nearly 200 followers on Instagram). Our website is only three years old and while it is primarily 'passive' (meaning it puts out information but does not interact with viewers such as a more commercial web site would do), it has proved to be a great aid in our public communications. The web site comprises six years of records, including all financial information, as well as numerous historical resources and all our Alternative Worship videos from the pandemic period. We have also made key program information packages and forms easily downloadable (such as for weddings and baptisms) and Bern and I are in the process of digitizing information and application forms for the *Music Scholars Program*.
- I am the point person on logistics and planning issues for our outreach activities such as the *Ladies Lunch* (in 2022) and the *Music Theatre Camp* (in 2023).
- I recruit, train and oversee the Sextons. Traditionally this has been the job of Property Managers, but as the Sexton role expanded during the pandemic into video production, it made more sense to fall under my oversight. I want to say thank you to Avery Partridge and Taylor Dalton for their support this year – especially Taylor who is in year three of this role and has done a great job understanding and running our somewhat elaborate audio system to support worship, Music Scholars and wedding activities.

In closing, I stand by my comments made at this meeting last year (see page 13 of last year's AVM Minutes) – namely, my musing that we don't have to replicate the past in what we do today and in the future. I encourage us to be open to new innovations and in doing so, we are paying heed to Bishop Andrew Asbill's advice given repeatedly to all parishes in our Diocese this year, that it is a different time now and we must be open to doing things differently.

Respectfully,

Rachel Corbett

Report of Vestry Member-at-Large, Sue MacIntyre
August 2023

After a few reminders at the beginning of the season, protocol procedures have fallen into place, i.e. greeters, communion releasing, counting/collection and prayer at offering presentation.

All this is outlined in the job descriptions updated by Roz Titley prior to resigning as Secretary which can be found in the Church binders and should be distributed as new members are appointed.

I would like to see more parishioner participation in the Readings and Prayers of the People. Prior to COVID I made up a list of willing people, many of whom have attended this summer, who would read. This list can be found in the job description I updated in 2019/20 for Readers and Liturgy

Respectful submitted,

Susan MacIntyre

St. Peter's on-the-Rock
Anglican Church
Stony Lake

Music Report 2023 Annual Vestry Meeting

August 2023

- Our Phoenix digital pipe organ is in its 20th year of service and is in excellent condition.
- Our Technics electronic piano is in its 13th year of service and is in excellent condition.

Our most recent recipient of the Music Scholar Programme's annual bursary, Emily Levere, returned to play a piano solo in July. Caitlin Levere and Hector Singh are participating in the Music Scholar's Programme this year and will play in August. Thank you to the Walter family for their generosity in making this programme possible.

Bob Trennum has played 10:30 services in July and August, in Helen's absence. Thank you Bob!

This year for the first time a music theatre kids' camp was held at St. Peter's, under the direction of Morgan Strickland and Tania Granata. The camp was a great success with 15 children participating, culminating in a performance of 'The Aristocats' at the end of a short week of rehearsals. Morgan may be singing at the 10:30 service later in August, but at the time of writing this report, the date is not confirmed.

A heartfelt thank you to all musicians who have taken time to be at St. Peter's and share their gifts of music with all of us. It is tremendously appreciated!

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Batten
St. Peter's on-the-Rock Coordinator of Music
Organist, Piper

**Report submitted to Warden Aaron Thompson and Secretary Rachel Corbett
Submitted by St. Peter's Music Scholars Program Chairperson, Bern Kelly
August 2023**

St. Peter's Music Scholars Program

The St. Peter's Music Scholars Program was the idea of Don and the late Margaret Walter. Its intention is to inspire musical youth by providing them with the opportunity to perform for a diverse audience while enriching our worship and supporting outreach.

So far this year we are expecting two participants and the return of our Music Scholarship winner from last year.

July 2nd Former Music Scholar

Last summer's Music Scholar winner Emily Levere of Toronto performed Sonatina in A- by Fredrich Kulau.

August 20th

Hector Singh from Ottawa will perform guitar and vocals. Music TBA

September 3rd

Caitlin Levere from Toronto will be performing violin. Music TBA

In the summer of 2023 participants may be up for the \$500.00 scholarship to be announced on Labour Day or on Thanksgiving weekend.

The committee consists of Music Scholars Directors Blair Mackenzie, Bob Trennum, Tony Whittingham and Chairperson Bern Kelly.

This gets sent to the applicant when they have shown interest in the St. Peter's Music Scholars program.

Nine years ago, St. Peter's on-the-Rock Church celebrated its 100th Anniversary and to commemorate, we received a donation to establish an Outreach Program. The Vestry decided to use this donation to offer any youth studying music an opportunity to perform at our Church at a Sunday Service. In return for sharing their talent, the student would receive a stipend of \$150.00 to assist them with their future studies.

An additional opportunity is available as a bursary of \$500 would be awarded to one of the musical guests who had been selected to perform at St. Peter's during the summer season. Selection is based on the application (see below), plus satisfactory completion of the performance at St. Peter's on-the-Rock.

As you are probably aware, St Peter's on-the-Rock is on an island. The Chairperson will organize boat transportation to and from the Island – however, in the very rare instance that this is not possible, any students wishing to perform would need to organize ahead of time for a boat ride to the Island from one of the local marinas (Carveth's or Kawartha Park).

If you know of any students who you think might be interested in this opportunity, please suggest it to them and encourage them to contact me.

Sincerely,

Bern Kelly

(bernkelly2222@gmail.com)

Chairperson of St. Peter's Music Outreach Program

Committee Members: Bern Kelly, Blair Mackenzie, Bob Trennum, Tony Whittingham

St. Peter's Music Scholars Program

Mission Statement

Inspiring musical youth by providing them with the opportunity to perform for a diverse audience, while enriching our worship and supporting outreach.

Pertinent Details:

- We are looking for talented youth actively studying music, including those studying music at university at an undergraduate level
- We shall inform local music groups and organizations of our Program to foster mutual interest in having their youth involved in St. Peter's music, such as the PSO, KYO, Peterborough Children's Chorus, and other music groups
- Interested youth can apply through a member of St. Peter's and a committee member will contact the candidate to discuss
- Performance must involve music appropriate for a church service
- Musicians will work with the St Peter's Music Director regarding accompaniment and choice of music.
- Stipend of \$150.00 will be provided to cover their costs and assist with future studies
- Offer support and promotion of music education for youth
- Enrich our church services, provide the opportunity for youth in our community, and support St. Peter's Outreach.

Application to perform at St. Peter's Church on-the-Rock for the upcoming summer.

- Submit a short bio, including your music education and experience.
- You must be willing to perform for one of our Committee Members or send a sample of you playing a piece of music of your choice, to be considered for one of the four spots for the upcoming summer.
- A bursary of \$500 will be awarded to one of the musical guests who has been selected to perform at St. Peter's during the summer season. Selection will be based on the application below, plus satisfactory completion of your performance at St. Peter's-on-the Rock.
- If interested send completed information to Bern Kelly, bernkelly2222@gmail.com

Application questions (250 words max. per answer):

1. What inspired you to pursue music in your life?
2. If awarded this bursary, how would you use it?
3. Please provide a brief bio of your musical training and experience.

St. Peter's on-the-Rock Program Reports

Weddings

2023 was a quiet year for weddings with only one wedding and one cancelled wedding. We have one wedding booked for next year on August 31st and are underway scheduling a second wedding. There have also been a few other inquiries.

Submitted by Carol Corner

Baptisms

We had two baptisms on July 16th - One family with two children and one family with one. Kevin offered any adults who would like to, to be baptized as well. The baptisms took place in the church (one family chose to have the father take his daughter in the lake after the service). For August 20th, there is one baptism. We have also purchased a new baptism record book as the old one has gone missing. I have a binder with copies of the baptism records going back to 1976 (up to 2022). Copies of this year's baptisms records will be added to this binder. Discussion is underway to modify the Baptism Application Form on our web site to include the requirement that families meet with our Clergy prior to the baptism for a walk-through/rehearsal.

Submitted by Katharine Dalton

Sunday School

This was an amazing summer. The saying is true time flies when you are having fun. We had 10 to 15 kids at Sunday school through out the summer, with the exception of the Kawartha Park Regatta (which resumed on a Sunday morning following a storm delay on Saturday) and the Mile Swim, there were 2 to 3 kids. The kids enjoyed their crafts and time together learning about Christ. They are looking forward to having Sunday school out at the point next year. I think it is a fantastic idea.

Submitted by Jackie Hubbs

REPORT ON ALTAR FLOWERS
SUBMITTED BY TONY WHITTINGHAM

Toronto / 10 August 2023

Rachel & Aaron --

I am pleased to submit 2 documents summarizing the St. Peter's "Inside Flowers" activity for Summer 2023.

The 1st is a Roster of the season's 10 Sunday services with the name of the flower donor and (where available) the name of the specified Memorial honoree.

The second document is intended as a description to be reviewed by those who step forward to contribute flowers -- ie a summary of the easy steps / protocols involved.

I am grateful for the opportunity to rejoin the St. Peter's Vestry this year and to carry out this enjoyable task.

That said, I am sorry to end this report by stating that I wish to step down from this task -- at least for the summer of 2024.

I expect to be absent from the lake next summer for several of the key weeks while church is in session.

The task of Vestry will be to find another volunteer for this task -- and I am happy to assist with the search.

Yours respectfully,

Tony W

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St. Peter's on-the-Rock

Altar Flowers

Schedule / Summer 2023

DATE	FLOWER DONOR	MEMORIAL
<u>A. July Session / Rev. Kevin Bothwell</u>		
02 July	Bonnie & Pat Bunting	Chris Bunting
09 July	Rachel Corbett	Don & Rose Corbett
16 July	Sheila Gallagher	Terry Grier
23 July	Connie Wahl	Bill & Tommy Wahl
30 July	Jenn Fitzsimmons	Bonnie Ruth Fitzsimmons
	Brian Johnson	
<u>B. August Session / Rev. Mary Cate Garden</u>		
06 August	Margaret Lech	William & Beth Lech
13 August	Anthony Whittingham	Sonny Cook, Jeanne Lamon
20 August	Susan & Duncan McIntyre	Prudence Watson
27 August	Kathy Dembroski	
03 September	June Cooper	

10 August 2023

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Altar Flowers / Summer 2023

Procedures & Protocols

A. TYPES OF FLOWERS

1. Flowers may include “any” decorative flowers, leaves, branches etc
 - This may include ferns, sumac, cedar, bull-rushes etc
 - Plants should be in quantities sufficient to fill TWO parallel vases
 - Plants should be TALL ENOUGH to be visible from the back of the church
2. Flowers may be cut & collected from gardens & roadsides
3. Flowers may be purchased from nearby shops (Leahy's, Lakefield grocery stores etc)

B. FLOWER INSTALLATION PROCEDURES

1. Flowers should be put in place inside the church on Saturday afternoon prior to the Sunday commitment
2. All necessary display equipment (vases + height-blocks) are located in the church office. This office is located at the left front of the church building. This door is NOT LOCKED.
3. Vases should be filled with water from the lake

C. FLOWER REMOVAL PROCEDURES

1. The removal of flowers following the Sunday commitment is the job of the St. Peter's student assistants (“Sextons”)
 - NOTE: the donor of the flowers has NO RESPONSIBILITY to “clean-up” or remove flowers

D. MEMORIAL COMPONENT

1. This year (2023) for the 1st time, we are encouraging flower volunteers to offer their flowers “in memory of” (eg a loved one, a significant parish member etc). It is our hope that adding a Memorial component will make this volunteer commitment more meaningful and institutional.
2. For those flower volunteers wishing to indicate a Memorial name, this dedication will be acknowledged by the Warden or in the Prayers-of-the-People at the service.
3. To enable the public acknowledgement to be spoken allowed, flower donors are kindly asked to indicate this Memorial dedication in one of two ways:
 - Add the Memorial name to the Master Roster List pinned in the Church Office in advance
 - Communicate the Memorial name(s) to a) Vestry Secretary Rachel Corbett or 2) Flower Coordinator Tony Whittingham