

Kilbride United Church

Annual Report 2013

Minister's Report

Rev. Diane Blanchard

“The light shines in the darkness and the darkness cannot put it out.” John’s gospel announces this good news right at the beginning of the story of Jesus. We probably haven’t had a Christmas in recent years when the reality of darkness was as immediate as it was this year! An ice storm coated land and our beautiful trees with thick ice, bending and breaking branches and taking down power and phone lines in Kilbride and the surrounding area. It felt very strange and unsettling not to be able to phone you and connect with what was happening in your lives and the community. In the daytime on Christmas Eve I dropped in on a few people and saw your ingenuity in keeping warm and staying active. You were staying in touch with elderly neighbours. You were doing what you could to save trees and starting the huge task of cleaning up. You were caring for the vulnerable members of your families. You were being the hands and feet of Christ in the midst of the darkness. Although we didn’t gather to worship on Christmas Eve, you kept the Christ light burning in Kilbride through your active love.

This year we had a visit from the Halton Presbytery Pastoral Oversight Committee, one that normally happens every three years. The two visitors had the impression that the Kilbride church’s priority is the relationships among people and the simplicity of being able to worship without a lot of extra pressures or responsibilities that often come with larger churches. I think the Unbinding the Heart work we did moved us into deeper relationships and encouraged us to be more intentional about prayer. The challenging part remains to continue to reach beyond our current friends at the church to pray for others we meet, to walk the streets or cycle the roads of the area praying for people as we go. And then to ask God to give us opportunities, openings when a word about God’s love or the strength we find in coming to worship might just meet a need they are feeling. Our congregation is generous in having offering weekly worship and children’s programming and we have a lot to offer people as we adopt them into a caring community. I pray that we can work together in inviting people to our church.

The outreach work of the congregation continues to be inspiring! Monique and Rose head up a great team of people who cook and serve a healthy lunch to 20 – 30 seniors each month. The phone calls to invite and remind are times of pastoral care and those who attend really enjoy the time of connecting with friends and neighbours. Sharon gets us all

involved in welcoming the migrant farm workers at events held twice a year. These relationships continue to make a difference for all of us. The Share the Spirit event (thanks, Larry, for the pancakes!) was supported this year by the Beaver and Cub packs of Kilbride and everyone pitched in to donate food and gifts for Wesley Centre’s Christmas Store. As Sharon likes to say, “We’re small and mighty!” Thank you for the difference we make in the community.

This year I co-lead a group from Hamilton Conference to Israel and Palestine in April. You may remember a couple of years ago I was selected to take a course in mission trip leadership in Cuba. That experience helped give me the tools and confidence to lead this year’s exposure visit. It was a privilege to meet and walk with the Christians who live in Jerusalem and Bethlehem and to see how they help the light of Christ shine in the darkness that is military occupation. My other continuing education time was a week at Five Oaks doing a course in Emotional Intelligence. EI is an important component of effective leadership and one is able to continue developing this throughout life. Feedback from many people helped me see some of my growing edges.

One decision that the Official Board made, endorsed by both Kilbride and Carlisle Boards, was to become involved in sponsoring an extended family of 18 refugees currently in Syria where civil war has raged for three years now. This family is originally Palestinian and, like many Palestinian refugees, have moved from Middle-eastern country to country over these many years. When war broke out in Iraq they moved to Syria only to find themselves again caught in violence. In cooperation with several other United Churches in Halton and Hamilton, we look forward to welcoming them to Hamilton and providing assistance in this first year as they make this radical transition. Fortunately, they have family in Hamilton who are already Canadian citizens or landed immigrants and they will be a big support. May they find glimmers of light in the darkness of war and may the hope of resettlement give them courage for the journeys ahead.

I am grateful that I serve God with you, a deeply caring and engaged people of faith. Thank you for your encouragement and for all the ways you pray, love and serve.

Kilbride Board Report 2013

Eric Glibbery - Chairperson

The board met five (5) times this year with Eric Glibbery taking over as chairperson. Prayer time was held at the beginning of each meeting.

Property matters this year:

Windows in the nursery area still require some minor repair.

The walls inside the church were plastered and painted

A new-to-us piano was donated in the fall

A plaque was added to the organ in memory of Stan Corman

A plaque was added to the piano in memory of Robert and Nancy Bagnall (Karyn Glibbery's Parents)

The fire inspector visited in early February for annual inspection

Sunday-School was led by Jack Enders and Kate Smith although there were several Sundays when there were no children to participate. Also, 2013 – 2014 may be the last year for Jack and Kate leading the Sunday-School so we are looking for replacements. If anyone has any suggestions, we are more than happy to pursue them.

Special Worship events included Maundy Thursday potluck supper, Easter Sunday with special music by our choir and Eric Glibbery, the Anniversary service which was led by Carol Hyde and music by Eric Glibbery and All Saints service. A dedication was held for the new piano (and organ plaque) with music by Eric Glibbery and Christina McTavish.

Our worship service for Christmas Eve was cancelled due to the ice storm and power failure. Everything returned to normal once the power came back on.

An update to the directory was prepared and handed out by Lois LaSalle. Chris Albion. Kilbride had an excellent turn-out for photographs. Eric Glibbery is updating the web-site (www.kilbrideunited.ca) each week. All donation envelopes and related tax receipts were prepared and handed out by Peter Albion.

Outreach

Kilbride continues to be involved in many outreach activities. Two migrant farm worker dinners were held

with lots of attendees. Volunteers were abundant once again. Several people volunteered at the Wesley no-charge Christmas store in December. Lots of food and gifts were donated by the congregation as well as proceeds from the Share the Spirit event and from students at Kilbride school (donated 800 pounds of food....way to go kids!! J). The monthly luncheons for seniors continued to be a great success due to the great group of volunteers, coordinated by Monique Gagnon.

Rev. Diane Blanchard attended several conferences in the southern Ontario area throughout the year on behalf of the congregation. Pat Robinson and Rev. Diane Blanchard continued to attend monthly Presbytery meetings. Pat continues on the Conference Interview Board interviewing people who feel called to ordered ministry.

Owen Woods (cub leader for Kilbride scouting) joined our board meeting on Nov 13th to discuss using the Church for leader meetings. They would also like to become more involved in helping us at Kilbride United Church. The cubs attended our Remembrance Day Service.

A proposal was made to sponsor a family from Syria. We will be donating to the sponsorship.

Church Membership:

	Resident	Non/Resident	= Total
Dec 31/2008	46	41	87
Dec 31/2009	46	41	87
Dec 31/2010	49	41	90
Dec 31/2011	44	45	89
Dec 31/2012	43	43	86
Dec 31/2013	43	43	86

2013 Board Members

Minister: Rev. Diane Blanchard

Chairperson: Eric Glibbery

Treasurers: Rose Telfer
Shari Stolpmann
Peter Albion

Secretary: Nancy Legacy

Building: Peter Watson
Eric Glibbery
Larry Allin

Worship & Music: The Choir

Christian Education: Tina Ditoro

Outreach: Tina Ditoro
Sharon Banks

Presbytery: Patt Robinson

Trustees: Peter Watson
Monique Gagnon
Lois LaSalle

M&P Committee Members: Sharon Banks
Denis Gagnon

Secretary's Report Nancy Legacy

Looking back over the year I am reminded of what a caring and giving church we are.

This year saw the creation of our own website. It contains lots of information about our church and what we do.

We updated everyone's photos in April with a new Photo Directory.

The annual church picnic was held June 24th at the Allin's. We much appreciate your hospitality.

Prayer shawls continue to be presented to provide comfort to those in need.

A beautiful stained glass window was donated on our 152nd Anniversary on Sunday October 21 by Harold Robertson in memory of his parents. Dora Sadler was our guest minister.

Share the Spirit was held on December 8th and continues to draw a good crowd. Lots of money, food and gifts

were collected for Wesley Urban Ministries.

Thank you all for your help in carrying out our Mission. "To Share our Christian Faith with one another and the Community"



Worship, Music & Choir Donna McMullen

Our annual meeting took place February 5 followed by a potluck dinner.

February 24 & 25 Rev. Diane was in Toronto attending a national gathering of people working for justice and peace with our United Church partners in Israel and Palestine. February 26th was the first Sunday in Lent.

Maundy Thursday on April 5th at 6:30 pm was marked with a potluck dinner at Kilbride followed by worship. Good Friday service was held on April 6th at 10 a.m. at Carlisle followed with hot cross buns and coffee. The Easter Sunday service was held on April 8th.

May 27th we welcomed Tom Davies to share his experience as a volunteer accompanier with the World Council of Churches in Israel and Palestine.

Summer services this past year were held in Carlisle during July and in Kilbride during August.

Rev. Diane was on vacation in August and Dora Sadler performed the services.

October 21st we celebrated our 152nd anniversary service at 11a.m. followed by a potluck luncheon. Rev. Dora Sadler was the guest speaker.

Advent services were on December 2, 9, 16, 23. Each Sunday incorporated Las Posadas, a tradition from Latin America where children accompany Mary and Joseph in search for a place of shelter.

We want to thank everyone for their help and support and especially Christina and Eric.

Outreach Report

Sharon Banks

We are inching our way to a ten year anniversary for our outreach programme to our migrant worker friends from our area farms. Our June event brought beautiful summer weather and we were pleased to have our neighbour Trisha Cole entertain us with her beautiful music during the dinner and again in the sanctuary later in the evening. Stonehaven Farms supplied us with flats of delicious strawberries. Thank you! Each of our 54 guests left with a pair of work gloves donated by a friend of our congregation, clothes from our “store” and a personal care kit valued at \$10. Thank you as well to all those who donated money towards this worthy programme. We were disappointed to see that two of our guests did not return this season. Junior from Wildhagen’s and Alex from Hutchinson’s. Our guests from Hortico were worried about their friend Daniel who had brought them to our barbecues for many years. “Where was Daniel?” Daniel McMullen who lives in the area had accepted a teaching job in South Korea and had not had an opportunity to say good bye to the ten men from Mexico who work at Hortico before he left in January. Before they left the barbecue, the Hortico men wrote to Daniel in Spanish and through an interrupter we were able to send an email to Daniel. Their correspondence with Daniel began!

Our “farewell for the season” got rave reviews! Once again we opened our store with added items for our guests to take home to their families. Suitcases and back packs were very popular. Once again, Stonehaven provided us with 10 apple pies and Mark from Laurensen’s Farm brought 12 dozen corn for all of us to enjoy. Thank you! We welcomed guests from Springridge Farms for the first time. Several high school students pitched in setting the tables, serving food, and washing dishes. They certainly deserved their “community hours sheet” signed! Our musical guests “Naked Beat” drumming group almost made the windows shake! We had rented 10 African drums so that our guests could join in the beat. We were actually part of a record breaking worldwide event with drumming that evening. You had to be there to really see the magic of our outreach programme come alive!

Thank you to everyone who in some way contributes to the success of thanking our migrant worker friends who will start returning to Canada in March or sooner.

SENIORS’ LUNCHEON

Monique Gagnon

Our monthly Seniors' Luncheon continues to be a popular outreach! It is well attended, by about 30 seniors from our community and beyond. It is a time well spent sharing stories, joys, sorrows, talents and so much more, while being served some of their favourite comfort foods.

Also, our Seniors Activity Day, which we hosted last February, in conjunction with other rural churches, seemed to be well received. Our 'games theme' sparked the competitive nature, in some, as they participated in games such as scrabble, sequence and crokinole.

Lastly, the extraordinary teamwork, commitment and dedication of those involved, with providing a wonderful, sit-down, home-cooked meal is truly a blessing beyond words!



Games at the Spring Migrant Worker Event

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Reverend Diane Blanchard

We continued to be blessed with skilled knitters who fashioned lovely shawls. These have been given to people who are going through grief or illness and special times when we want them to feel surrounded by the prayers and love of our churches. Thank you to those who prayerfully knit shawls. If you know of someone who would benefit from receiving a shawl, please speak to Rev. Diane who has shawls on hand.

Treasurer's Report

Rose Telfer, Shari Stolpmann & Peter Albion

Choir Financial Report

Donna McMullen

The highlight for 2012:

Regular Offerings and Loose increased by 3%
 Cash donations were up by 3%
 Mission and Service increased by 27%
 We also saw \$2,600 in Memorial Offerings
 Overall donations (inc. gifts in kind) increased 1%
 Our ongoing expenses increased 4%
 Capital expenses increased 6% (water, floor, organ)
 Overall expenses (inc. gifts in kind) increased 3%

The Board is budgeting for a breakeven budget for 2013 after a surplus of \$591 in 2012. This includes a projected decrease in revenues of \$2,300 and a decrease in expenses of \$1700.

Thank you for your support in 2012.

Cash on Hand Receipts

Balance at January 1, 2012	\$	25.98
Total Disbursements		22.64
	\$	3.34

Cash on Hand Disbursements

La Rose Bakery (Bread)	3.25
La Rose Bakery (Bread)	1.60
La Rose Bakery (Bread)	.70
Dollarama (candles)	5.65
La Rose Bakery (Bread)	.70
Zellers (juice)	3.49
La Rose Bakery (Bread)	1.60
Dollarama (candles)	5.65
	\$ 22.64

Kilbride United Church Revenue - 2010-2012

	2010	2011	2012
Church Support	\$30,501.23	\$33,382.80	\$36,263.93
Extras	4,242.95	4,266.61	95.36
Mission & Service	6,579.70	5,076.00	6,465.50
Observer	25.00	17.70	20.00
Lasagne Dinner	676.75	965.00	
Migrant Worker Support			505.00
Share the Spirit	615.45	461.00	960.29
High Tea/Spring Fling	525.00	480.35	
Memorial	1,259.00	175.00	2,100.00
Benevolent Donation		1,000.00	
Senior's Luncheons	1,480.00	1,542.00	1,251.75
Bequeath			500.00
Church Rental	1,250.00	350.00	350.00
Fertilizer Sales		2,064.00	1,918.00
Grand Total	\$47,155.08	\$49,780.46	\$50,429.83
Non-cash offerings	3,209.71	3,323.80	2,704.10
Net Deposit	\$43,945.37	\$46,456.66	\$47,725.73

Annual Envelope Givings

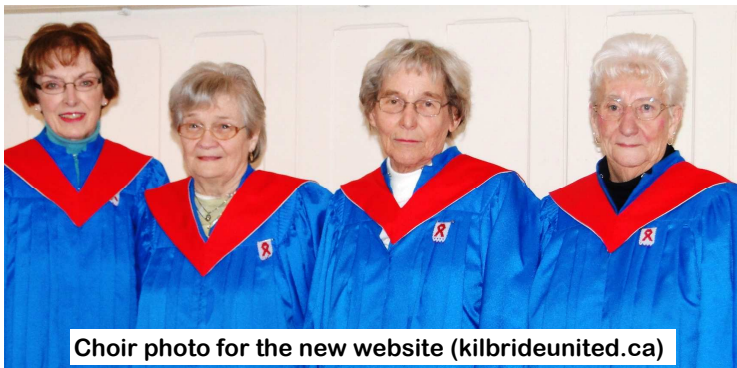
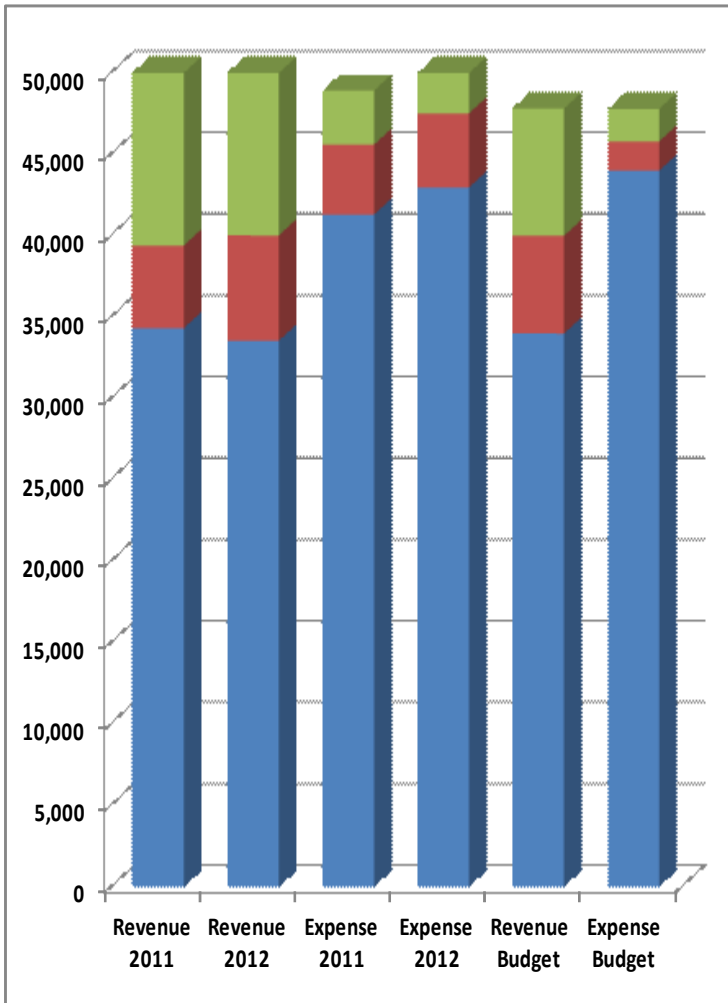
	2010	2011	2012
Up to \$200	4	2	6
\$201-\$400	4	3	6
\$401-\$600	3	6	3
\$601-\$1000	3	5	4
Over \$1000	14	12	11
Total Envelopes	28	28	30

Budget & Income Statement for Kilbride United Church

<u>Income</u>	Budget 2013	Budget 2012	Budget 2011	Actual 2012	Actual 2011	Actual vs Budget 2012		Actual 2012 vs Actual 2011	
Offering & other revenue	34,000	34,000	31,000	33,560	34,326	(440)	-1%	-766	-2%
Mission & Service	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,466	5,076	466	8%	1,390	27%
Subtotal Offerings	40,000	40,000	37,000	40,025	39,402	25	0%	624	2%
Observer	20			20	18			2	13%
Share the Spirit	1,000	500	500	960	461	460	92%	499	108%
Migrant Worker Support	500			505		505		505	
Fertilizer sales	2,000	2,200		1,918	2,064			-146	
Other Fundraising	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,252	2,987	(248)	-17%	-1,736	-58%
Memorial donations				2,100	175			1,925	1100%
Rentals & other	300	300	500	350	350	50	17%	0	0%
Benevolent donation				500	1,000				
Interest from ING	500	700		424	744			-320	-43%
Reimbursed bank charges				59	59			0	0%
Subtotal Income	45,820	45,200	39,500	48,113	47,260	2,913	6%	853	2%
Other Gifts in Kind	2000	2000		2,704	3,324			(620)	-19%
Total Income	47,820	47,200	39,500	50,818	50,584	3,618	8%	234	0%
Expense									
Cost Sharing	17,400	16,300	15,820	16,591	15,743	291	2%	848	5%
Insurance	2,400	2,200	2,100	2,360	2,181	160	7%	179	8%
Gas	1,200	1,500	1,500	924	1,293	(576)	-38%	(369)	-29%
Hydro	1,000	1,000	1,000	816	863	(184)	-18%	(48)	-6%
Telephone	450	400	900	428	824	28	7%	(396)	-48%
Supply & Service	200	600	500	162	681	(438)	-73%	(519)	-76%
Secretary	1,200	1,200	1,093	1,131	1,297	(69)	-6%	(166)	-13%
W&M & Visiting Ministers	5,300	5,000	5,200	5,295	4,900	295	6%	395	8%
Mission & Service	6,000	6,000	6,000	7,241	6,000	1,241	21%	1,241	21%
Presbytery	1,500	1,100	1,100	1,651	885	551	50%	766	87%
Bank Charges & SD Box	150	100	73	133	60	33	33%	73	121%
Building Maintenance	1,200	1,300	1,000	787	1,917	(513)	-39%	(1,130)	-59%
Cleaning	1,200	1,200	1,500	1,040	884	(160)	-13%	156	18%
Sunday School	700	700	700	567	691	(133)	-19%	(124)	-18%
Outreach - Bar-b-que	800	700	700	778	366	78	11%	412	113%
Off. Supplies/Miscellaneous	500	600	600	376	423	(224)	-37%	(47)	-11%
Fertilizer Fundraiser cost	1,800	2,000	0	1,622	1,826	(378)		(204)	
Share the Spirit	1,000	500	500	1,062	461	562	112%	601	130%
Total OnGoing Expense	44,000	42,400	40,286	42,966	41,297	566	1%	1,670	4%
Capital Expense									
Wiring			1,000	0	684	-		(684)	
Kitchen Appliances			2,000	0	1,229	-		(1,229)	
Unbinding Books			400			-		-	
Kitchen Floor			500			-		-	
Back Room Floor	0	1,000	1,000	813		(187)		813	
Windows	800	800	0	0	0	(800)		-	
Sanctuary Carpet			0	0	1,017	-		(1,017)	
Organ			0	500	0	500		500	
Reno Choir Loft			0	0	1,365	-		(1,365)	
Refinish Pews	1,000		0	0	0	-		-	
Water System		3,500	0	3,243	0	(257)		3,243	
Total Capital Expense	1,800	5,300	4,900	4,556	4,296	(744)	-14%	261	6%
Subtotal Expense	45,800	47,700	45,186	47,523	45,592	(177)	0%	1,931	4%
Other Expense (Gifts in Kind)	2000	2000		2,704	3,324			(620)	-19%
Grand Total Expense	47,800	49,700	45,186	50,227	48,916	527	1%	1,311	3%
Income - Expenses	20	(2,500)	(5,686)	591	1,668	3,091		(1,077)	

Income and Expense Comparison Chart

	Revenue 2011	Revenue 2012	Expense 2011	Expense 2012	Revenue Budget	Expense Budget
Offering / Expense	34,326	33,560	41,297	42,966	34,000	44,000
Mission / Capital	5,076	6,466	4,296	4,556	6,000	1,800
Other	11,182	10,792	3,324	2,704	7,820	2000



Kilbride United Church Comparative Balance Sheet		
	As at 31/12/2012	As at 31/12/2011
ASSET		
Bank Cash Investment		
Petty Cash	965.19	679.63
Bank TD Canada Trust	21,387.95	17,089.90
Memorial fund	5,705.32	3,605.32
Investment ING	41,675.87	41,252.19
Total Bank Cash Investment	69,734.33	62,627.04
Accounts Receivable	0.00	1,397.70
Total Current Assets	69,734.33	64,024.74
TOTAL ASSET	69,734.33	64,024.74
LIABILITY		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	9,241.58	4,236.74
Total Current Liabilities	9,241.58	4,236.74
TOTAL LIABILITY	9,241.58	4,236.74
EQUITY		
Surplus and earnings		
Surplus	59,788.00	58,690.91
Current Earnings	704.75	1,097.09
Total Equity	60,492.75	59,788.00
TOTAL EQUITY	60,492.75	59,788.00
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	69,734.33	64,024.74



Calculation of Kilbride's share of Pastoral Charge Cost for 2013

2013 Proposed Costs

	Actual 2012 Annual Cost	Estimated 2013 Annual Cost
Minister's Salary	\$ 42,500.00	\$ 44,000.00
Housing Allowance	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 22,000.00
Employer portion of C.P.P. (match employee share)	\$ 1,941.48	\$ 2,004.75
Employer portion of E.I. (gross up employee share by 1.203)	\$ 996.37	\$ 1,000.00
WSIB	\$ 503.12	\$ 514.80
Pension Benefit (employer's portion)	\$ 8,450.64	\$ 9,637.20
Total Payroll	\$ 76,391.61	\$ 79,156.75
Continuing Education	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Telephone	\$ 659.85	\$ 700.00
Internet charge	\$ 1,150.73	\$ 1,200.00
Travel costs	\$ 3,594.36	\$ 3,700.00
Total Payroll, Continuing Education and Travel	\$ 83,796.55	\$ 86,756.75
Kilbride's share of costs @ 22%	\$ 18,435.24	\$ 19,086.49
Housing Allowance Credit from Manse fund	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 5,700.00
Kilbride's Share @ 29.4%	\$ 1,911.00	\$ 1,675.80
Kilbride's share of costs less Manse fund credit	\$ 16,524.24	\$ 17,410.69
Secretarial Cost	\$ 1,131.34	\$ 1,164.15
Total Pastoral Charge and Secretarial Cost	\$ 17,655.58	\$ 18,574.84

Kilbride Fees	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Minister for Wedding	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 250.00
Church Usage	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Room Rental for Meetings/Fund Raisers/etc	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 75.00
Room Rental Deposit re cleaning	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
Caretaker for Weddings	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
Organist for Weddings	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Organist for Wedding Rehearsals	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
Guest Minister - Anniversary/other occasions plus travel	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 175.00

Organist per Sunday	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Cleaning per Hour	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 11.00
Snow/per hour	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 11.00
Grass/per cutting	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00