



Annual Report

2025-2026

*Connecting with God, Growing with Others,
Serving with Purpose*

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Annual Meeting Agenda

St. Paul's Anglican Church, Hampton

Tuesday, February 10th, 2026, 7pm

Who may attend/speak?

Voting members of the parish. Other persons may attend if the meeting permits. These others may not vote or introduce/second motions. They may address the meeting only if the meeting permits.

Who may vote at this meeting?

Baptized Christians who are at least 16, who worship and have been regular communicants in the parish, and who were regular contributors, financial and otherwise, to the mission of the parish during the previous year; but no one can be a voting member of more than one parish. There is no provision for proxy voting.

1. Welcome, Opening Prayer and Territorial Acknowledgement

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified, be present with us as we take counsel together for the mission and renewal of your Church.

We humbly acknowledge, O Lord, that we are gathered on the traditional and unceded territory of the Wolastoqey and Mi'kmaq peoples. We give you thanks for the First Peoples of this land and we ask you to bless them with the fullness of your peace and abundance.

Guide us by your Spirit to live in truth and right relationship with the First Peoples of this land and all who call this land home.

Gracious and loving God, teach us in all things to seek first your kingdom. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

2. Approval of Minutes of Feb. 25, 2025

Motion: That the minutes of February 25, 2025, be approved.

3. Incumbent's Report & Discussion

The Incumbent welcomes the insights, questions, and observations of those present on the issues raised in his report.

4. Ministry Reports & Discussion

Voting members who wish to verbally report on a particular ministry in the parish and submit a written ministry report to be included in the Annual Parish Report are invited to do so at this time.

5.Reception of the Annual Parish Report

Motion: That the Annual Parish Report be received along with any additional ministry reports that have been submitted for inclusion to the Annual Parish Meeting.

6. Presentation and Approval of Proposed Budget for 2026

Motion: That the proposed budget for 2026 be approved as presented

7. Appointment / Election of Parish Officers

(Wardens, Vestry Members, Synod Delegates and Alternates to Synod)

8. Adjournment

The members of Vestry are asked to meet immediately following the adjournment of the Annual Meeting to appoint a Treasurer, Vestry Clerk, and Parish Advisory Committee, and to arrange an offering counting schedule for the year ahead.

Incumbent's Report 2025

Incumbent's Report for 2025

*"Many are the plans in a person's heart,
but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails."
– Proverbs 19:21*

The needs in our community and in the world around us are many and diverse, as are the gifts and the abilities of the members and friends of St. Paul's. These two realities make it easy for us to want to do a lot of different things as a church, and difficult for us to know where exactly we should focus our efforts and our gifts. It has been said that a faithful church can do anything, but it can't do everything. That is why I'm grateful for the clarity of purpose that I believe has emerged for our church over the past few years.

I have become increasingly convinced that St. Paul's exists to bless our members, neighbours, and friends by helping them do three things in particular:

- 1) Connect with God,
- 2) Grow with Others,
- 3) Serve with Purpose.

Part of the reason I am so convinced that our church exists to help people do these three things in particular is because of the flourishing we have seen in our parish as we have focused on these three things.

The number of people who regularly gather with us for worship has grown as we have remained focused on helping people connect with God. New people have continued to join our small groups and Bible studies as we have remained focused on helping people grow with others. And new people have stepped forward to volunteer and to offer their leadership in our parish as we have focused on serving with purpose.

While we continue to live in complicated and uncertain times, as a community of faith we also continue to benefit from the certainty of God's goodness and love. We continue to benefit from the assurance of God's presence through the Holy Spirit, and we continue to benefit from the promises that God has made to us through Jesus his Son. And as a church, we can help a growing number of people benefit from these gifts as well by helping them connect with God, grow with others, and serve with purpose.

It has been my honour to serve as the incumbent of this parish for more than 12 years now, and as I look forward to the future of my ministry, I plan to do everything I can to help as many people as I can connect with God, grow with others, and serve with purpose, and my prayer is that we will be able to keep doing this together for many years to come.

Connecting with God

*“Honour the Lord for the glory of his name. Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.”
– Psalm 29:2*

“A lot of us hear the word worship, and we think of singing, and that is an example of worship. But worship is so much more. In the biblical sense, to worship is to orient and reorient your entire life around God, our Creator, our Center... It’s to lay your entire life before him in love, and to deepen our surrender to his love.”

– John Mark Comer

In a way, everything we do as Christians is meant to be a form of worship that connects us to God and centers our lives around his goodness and love. Nevertheless, it is precisely by our gathering to praise God, listen to his Word, and pray together that we know what worship looks like. Regularly worshiping together is also what gives our church life. It’s because we regularly worship together that we are more than just neighbours and friends. We are a church because we regularly worship together.

Given the vital role of worship in our life together as a church, I am thrilled to report that the number of people who regularly gather with us for worship has continued to grow over the past year.

Average Sunday Attendance	2025	2024	2023
9:00am Quiet Communion	13.4	11.2	12.6
10:00am (Summer)	70.8	61.6	54.4
10:30am Family Communion	82.6	81.6	65.4

Special Services Attendance	2025	2024	2023
Ash Wednesday	43	30	17
Maundy Thursday	55	41	35
Good Friday	80	83	49
Holy Saturday Easter Vigil	22	25	8
Easter Sunday	146	129	111
Cemetery Memorial Service	74	75	69
Memorial Christmas Tree Lighting	35	34	28
Christmas Eve	66*	211	194
Epiphany Family Nativity Pageant	102		

*** Due to illness among our leadership team over Christmas in 2025, we were not able to celebrate Communion on Christmas Eve, our Christmas Eve Family Pageant was moved to Jan. 4th and turned into an Epiphany Pageant, and our Christmas Day service was cancelled. All of this contributed to a significant drop in our worship attendance over Christmas.**

As we look at the number of people who regularly gather with us for worship, it’s important to keep in mind that church attendance isn’t just about attendance. Attendance in worship is an important measure of spiritual engagement. There are a lot of different things that people can choose to do on a Sunday morning rather than go to church, and in recent years going to church has become much less popular than in previous generations. The growth that we have experienced in our average Sunday attendance, therefore, is an important indicator of real spiritual engagement and growth.

I am also excited to report that our average Sunday attendance numbers over the past two years are higher than our numbers from before the COVID-19 pandemic. In 2019, the average Sunday attendance for our 10:30am service was 73.7. In 2024, that number rose to 81.6, and in 2025 that average rose again to 82.6.

Attendance isn't everything, but it is an important indicator of engagement and of how many people we are helping to connect with God. I am profoundly grateful for the many people who work together and give of themselves each week to make our worship gatherings possible.

Huge thanks to Sharon Kelly who so diligently coordinates our many Sunday morning volunteers. I'm grateful as well to our layreaders, readers, greeters, and those who provide refreshments each week. Thank you also to our tech. crew, our ushers, and Sunday School volunteers, and to the Rev. Deacon Debbie Cochran for the leadership she provides in our worship services.

Thanks, as well to our many wonderful singers and musicians. The willingness of each of these people to offer their time and dedication and to share their gifts makes our worship gatherings enriching and enjoyable.

Growing with Others

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

– John 13:34-35

It is clear in the above commandment, and in several other things that Jesus says, that none of us can follow Jesus on our own. We need to grow with others to grow as followers of Jesus. This is one of the reasons I'm so grateful for groups like the Mothers' Union and the Holy Joes, as well as our Coffee & Conversation group on Tuesday mornings. These groups have been helping people in our parish grow together for decades.

It's also why I'm so encouraged by the participation we've see in the other small group gatherings that have taken place over the past year in our parish. During Lent in 2025, over 20 of our members participated in the Practicing the Way Course, an 8-week primer on spiritual formation and following Jesus. About half of these participants also took part in a follow-up series focused on prayer as a spiritual discipline. Then in the fall of 2025, two brand-new members of our parish, along with a more seasoned member, took part in a third series focus on the regular reading of Scripture as a spiritual discipline.

Over this past year, Rev. Deacon Debbie Cochran has continued to facilitate her Spirituality & Prayer groups to help people deepen their connection to Jesus through Ignatian spiritual practices like the examen and spiritual conversations. These groups have provided our members and friends with an important opportunity to grow with others as followers of Jesus.

One very encouraging result of the efforts we have put in to helping people connect with God and grow with others was a Confirmation and Reaffirmation service that was held at St. Paul's on February 2, 2025. In the presence of Archbishop David Edwards, four of our members underwent the sacramental rite of Confirmation, and four others publicly reaffirmed their baptismal promises before the archbishop and the congregation of St. Paul's. It was a wonderful celebration of God's

presence in each of these peoples' lives and a powerful sign of God's Spirit working in and through our church.

I am extremely grateful to the members and leaders of the Mothers' Union and the Holy Joes, to Deacon Debbie, and to everyone that has chosen to participate in our small group discussion series over the past year. Your dedication to growing with others and to helping others grow together is absolutely vital to the spiritual growth and flourishing of our parish.

Serving with Purpose

*“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works,
which God prepared in advance for us to do.”*

– Ephesians 2:10

The members and friends of our parish serve our wider community in a variety of ways. In addition to their involvement with St. Paul's, many of our members are also regular volunteers with the Hampton Food Basket, the Seniors Resource Centre, the Snow Centre, and several other organizations, each of which provides a particular set of very important services to our wider community.

As I've mentioned, the particular set of services that I believe we are called to provide at St. Paul's are focused on helping people connect with God, grow with others, and serve with purpose. And yet, there is a variety of ways in which our members and friends work together to do these things.

Our musicians, singers, readers, greeters, layreaders, Sunday School volunteers, ushers, fellowship team members and technical team all work together to help people connect with God in our worship gatherings. Other volunteers work together to maintain and provide access to the spaces in which we connect with God and grow together, including our worship space, our cemetery, the grounds around St. Paul's, and the Hampton Community Garden.

Others work together to help people grow in community through our small group gatherings, our community meals and other special events. And still others serve by providing meaningful acts of care and support for our neighbours in need through the High School lunch ministry, the newly constructed Community Pantry, and through various fundraising efforts.

As I've spoken with the leaders and volunteers in our parish about their experience of serving in these ways, they have consistently reported that their involvement in these ministries has been deeply beneficial to their own sense of wellbeing, their feelings of connection and their own personal growth. This shows that each of the ministries we provide is also an opportunity for our members and friends to experience the joy and the personal growth that comes from serving with purpose.

It has been wonderful to see new people step forward and volunteer in our parish in various ways over the past year, and yet it needs to be acknowledged that the average age of our volunteers and leaders has continued to go up. Some of our leaders and volunteers have begun to wonder who will take over for them as they continue to get older.

This combination of the benefits that people experience from serving with purpose on one hand, along with the need for succession planning on the other makes it doubly important for us to

proactively welcome and equip new volunteers and leaders in the ministries of St. Paul's. Speaking personally, however, I have struggled to know how best to do this, and this is something we have struggled with as a parish for as long as I have been a part of St. Paul's

So, I'm asking you to please pray about this. Please continue to pray with me for insight and discernment and for God's guidance that we might become more effective at helping new people serve with purpose in the ministries of our parish, both for their sake and for sake of our continued fruitfulness as a community of faith.

Thank Yous

"How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you?"

– 1 Thessalonians 3:9

I remain eternally grateful for every single person who worships with us at St. Paul's, serves with us at St. Paul's, prays for us at St. Paul's, and contributes financially to the life and mission of St. Paul's. I cannot say it enough that St. Paul's simply would not be here without all of you doing all of this together.

I am particularly thankful to Sharon Kelly, our Office Administrator and Sunday Morning Ministries Coordinator. Sharon continues to tirelessly coordinate all of our Sunday morning volunteers and Sunday School volunteers, as well as regularly teaching Sunday School herself. In addition to running the parish office, Sharon is always so ready to talk with, listen to, and pray with everyone and anyone that might drop in to St. Paul's during the week. The time and effort that Sharon puts in to serving our parish is incalculable.

I cannot express enough my thanks to our Parish Wardens, Lorraine Brown and Laura Myers for their diligent leadership and service to our parish, and to our Treasurer Stephen MacMackin for so ably overseeing our finances.

Thanks also to our Vestry members: Donna Leonard, Justin Stanley, Karen Stanley, Dawn Lent, Rowena Hawkey-Noble, Joanna DiProse, Janice Kelly, Beth McBride, Paul McAfee, and Wanda Bradshaw.

Thanks to Heather Miller, Clarence Miller, Lois Moore, Lori Setzke, Alice Kennedy, and the rest of the Fellowship Team for all they do to feed us at so many of our parish gatherings.

Thanks to our layreaders: Debbie O'Bryant, Heather Miller, Myra Stites, Lorraine Brown, and Andrew Robertson, and to our many readers and greeters who bless us with their time and service in worship each week.

Thanks to Katie Hoyt, Declan Bayer, Silas Turner, Peter Shannon, Alan DesRoches, Stan Brown, John Cochran and Chris Rendell for their help running the video, sound and streaming technology during our worship services.

Thanks to all the musicians and singers: Arlene & Alan DesRoches, Kate Turner, Laura Myers, Paul McAfee, Wanda Bradshaw, Elaine Robichaud, Pam Bolton, Debbie O'Bryant, and Debbie Cochran, Molly Turner, Isaac Turner, and Silas Turner.

Thanks to the members of our Cemetery Committee: Stephen MacMackin, Alice Kennedy, Janice Kelly, Sharon Kelly, Estelle Fowler, and David Fillmore who manage and maintain the resting place of so many of our community's departed loved ones.

My thanks to Shawn Coughlan, Stephen MacMackin, Bruce Kennedy, Clarence Miller, Wayne Dollar, and Todd Medcalf for the work they've put in over the past year helping to maintain and improve St. Paul's building and cemetery.

We also lovingly remember those from St. Paul's who passed away this year, in particular Don MacKay, Connie Heighton, Irene Bettle, Valerie Clark, and Hubert Thomas. Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and may light perpetual shine upon them.

"Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen." (Ephesians 3:20-21)

Humbly Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Turner', enclosed within a rectangular box. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a small cross-like mark at the end.

The Rev. David Turner +
Incumbent of the Anglican Parish of Hampton
Tuesday, February 2, 2026

IN MEMORIAM

We give thanks and praise to God in memory of the members and friends of St. Paul's who passed away in 2025.

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,
and my light perpetual shine upon them.

Don MacKay

Connie Heighton

Irene Bettle

Valerie Clark

Hubert Thomas

Warden's Report 2025

St Paul's continues to be a welcoming atmosphere to everyone who attends services or who participates in the various programs offered here. From coffee and conversation to Practicing the Way, to Sunday services, Rev. David Turner makes every effort to make everyone feel welcome.

From September to June, Rev. David convened Sunday services at 9:00am and 10:30am (in addition to many special services during the Easter and Christmas seasons). The 9:00am service is a quiet service, and the 10:30am service is a family-oriented service. Anyone is welcome to attend either service. During the summer months, we had one service at 10:00, which was well attended. A new addition to our services is the "Wheel of Worship". This service is a family friendly service, and it is lots of fun for young and old!

Speaking of children, the number of families with young children is such a blessing. Sunday School, family tables and many family activities are very inviting for families. Thanks to everyone who volunteers with our children and family activities. A highlight of the year was the Christmas pageant, which was a huge success, even though it had to be postponed to Jan. 4th because two of our key leaders were very ill on Christmas Eve.

Online Services have continued every week, and this option is a blessing for those unable to attend church in person. St. Paul's has an excellent tech team that makes our services accessible to all, both in person and online. We appreciate Katie, Declan, Peter and Silas who take turns running the tech, as well as Al DesRoches who gives so much of his time to run the sound as well as helping out with any technical issues.

Music is such an important part of our worship, and we are very thankful for our Music ministry team, led by Kate, Arlene, Paul, David, as well as our singers - Elaine, Debbie O, Debbie C, Wanda and Pam.

We were pleased to have Archbishop David Edwards in attendance on February 2nd when we had four confirmations and four reaffirmations.

This year, once again, we continue to host weekly grilled cheese lunches for high school students. Four churches participate in the high school program alternating every Wednesday. The high school students are very appreciative.

Bradford Rogers visited St. Paul's on two occasion to share his ministry, and it is wonderful, not only to give David a much-needed occasional break, but also to give Bradford the opportunity to preach in his community.

In October, Debbie Edwards attended St. Paul's to talk about the name change for PWDRF. She talked to the congregation about the new name Alongside Hope.

Holy Joe's and Mother's Union are both still going strong. One of the many projects of the Mother's Union was the new Food Pantry (built by Shawn Coughlan). This project has highlighted a need in our community, and it is a wonderful addition to our church community.

Thank-you to our dedicated vestry members and a special thank-you to Steve MacMackin, our Treasurer and Sharon Kelly, our Administrative Assistant for their timeless work.

Respectfully submitted, Laura Myers and Lorraine Brown (wardens)

2025 AGM Minutes

St. Paul's Anglican Church, Hampton
Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2025, 7pm

Incumbent: *Rev. David Turner*
Wardens: *Lorraine Brown, Laura Myers*
Treasurer: *Stephen MacMackin*
Vestry Clerk: *Rev. Deacon Debbie Cochran*

Attendees

In-Person: Rev. David Turner, Rev. Deacon Debbie Cochran, Myra Stites, Dennis Stevenson, Rowena Hawkey-Noble, Janice Kelly, Sharon Kelly, Dawn Lent, Alice Kennedy, Pam and Gary Bolton, Allan DeRoches, Fred and Diane McClintock, John Cochran, Paul McAfee, Tracy Price, Judy Donaldson, Lois Moore, Clarence and Heather Miller, Buzz Payne, Dana and Wanda Bradshaw,

Online: Donna Leonard, Stephen MacMackin, Laura Myers, Lorraine and Stan Brown, Ruby Masson, Ruth Wagg, Joanna DiProse, Beth McBride, and Elaine Robichaud.

Regrets:

1. Welcome, Territorial Acknowledgement and Opening Prayer

We humbly acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional, unceded and unsundered territory of the Wolastoqey and Mi'kmaq peoples.

We give thanks for the Indigenous people of this land who, from time immemorial, have continued to live and work on and steward the land.

And we pray that the Lord will give us all gracious and willing hearts to pursue truth and right relationship on this land.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified, be present with us as we take counsel together for the mission and renewal of your Church.

Teach us in all things to seek first your kingdom. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Before we make any motions as an annual meeting it is important that we clarify who exactly is a voting member of the parish?

All baptized Christians who: are at least 16 years of age, worship and have been regular communicants in the parish, and who were regular contributors, financial and otherwise, to the mission of the parish during the previous year, and are not already voting members of another parish are eligible to vote at the annual meeting.

2. Approval of Minutes of Feb. 27, 2024

Motion: That the minutes of February 27, 2024, be approved.

Moved by: Dawn Lent

Seconded by: Joanna DiProse

(Indicate if Carried): Carried

3. Incumbent's Report & Discussion

The Incumbent welcomes the insights, questions, and observations of those present on each of the issues raised in his report.

(Please note in the space below any Action Items or Motions which emerge from this discussion.)

NOTES:

Buzz Payne shared that people always step up when something needs to be done. An example would be the kitchen. Buzz said they deserve a great big hand for all their work.

David questioned how to establish a plan to invite new people to step up. He asked for us to discern about this as we pray.

Heather Miller is concerned about the entrance in back of the church and the ramp to the basement. Believes there needs to be a remedy made to fix this concern. Concern also regarding our outlook regarding PWRDF, World Issues, etc. and how this concern can be perceived by our younger people.

Laura Myers says with the closing of the Presbyterian Church, an opportunity for people who may be willing to step up since joining us.

Myra Stites mentioned the accessibility of the "Age-Friendly Project".

David mentioned the specifics of our aging building and that it isn't the greatest. Also, questioned how we could make use of space with its limited ability to accessibility.

Myra Stites mentioned that her and Buzz were concerned about the sound system. She asked if it is a normal process to upgrade in these areas in other churches?

Pam Bolton suggested picking a Sunday to pass out a checklist of leadership areas, where people could check off their interests and put their name, phone number and email on the list.

4.Reception of all Distributed Reports

Motion: That the parish report be received as distributed.

Moved by: Fred McClintock

Seconded by: Clarence Miller

(Indicate if Carried): Carried

5. Presentation and Approval of Proposed Budget for 2025

Motion: That the proposed budget for 2025 be approved as presented

Moved by: Dennis Stevenson

Seconded by: Janice Kelly

(Indicate if Carried): Carried

6. Election of Parish Officers

Wardens: Lorraine Brown and Laura Myers have agreed to continue to serve as our parish wardens.

Vestry: The following members of Vestry have agreed to serve again this year: Donna Leonard, Justin Stanley, Karen Stanley, Glenna Geer, Dawn Lent, Buzz Payne, Rowena Hawkey-Noble, Joanna DiProse, Janice Kelly, and Beth McBride.

Debbie O'Bryant and Tricia Phillips will each complete their terms as members of Vestry as of this meeting.

We are grateful to all of the members of Vestry (both those who are staying and those who are completing their terms) for their faithful service and dedication to the work of the Vestry and to the life and mission of St. Paul's.

New Member(s) of Vestry:

Wanda Bradshaw and Paul McAfee have each agreed to let their names stand as candidates for Vestry. Their addition to Vestry would give us a total of 12 Vestry members, which is the maximum number of Vestry members allowed by the canons of the Diocese of Fredericton. This means that if any other names were to be put forward for Vestry, we would have to have a vote to determine who would be added to the Vestry.

It is the responsibility of this meeting to inquire if there are any other voting members of the parish who wish to let their name stand to serve as members of Vestry.

We will inquire 3 times if there are any other members of the parish who wish to serve on Vestry.

(No further names were put forward for Vestry.)

Delegates to Synod: The next diocesan synod meeting is scheduled to take place in November, 2026. Each parish is permitted to send two synod delegates to diocesan synod and one youth delegate (between the ages of 16 and 35).

(Please note the names of those who have agreed to serve as Synod Delegates)

Laura Myers and Joanna DiProse have offered as Synod Delegates.

Alternates to Synod: Parishes are encouraged to appoint alternates to synod to serve in case one or both of the delegates are unable to attend synod.

(Please note the names of those how have agreed to serve as Alternate to Synod.)

7. Adjournment

Adjournment Time – 7:59 p.m.

Financial Reports 2025

St. Paul's Church
Corporation of the Anglican Parish of Hampton
2025 Annual Meeting

Treasurers Report 2025

Financial Statements 2025

-Income Statement 2025

-Other Income & Expenses 2025

-Balance Sheet 2025

Financial Audit Canon SIX 2(1)(d)

Financial Budget 2026

Treasurers Report 2025

January 23, 2026

To the Rector, Wardens, Vestry Members and the Parishioners of the Parish of Hampton:

The Financial Audit as required by Canon SIX 2(1)(d) was completed by Dennis Stevenson and Tricia Deering.

Our church finances remained stable due to strong financial support in 2025, thank you for your ongoing support.

In 2025 income (giving) was \$171,503 and expenses were \$174,521 leaving a deficit of **\$3,018**.

The 2025 income and expenses above do not include summer student governments grants for \$14,704 and Mission Outreach Flow-through of \$20,670.

In our 2025 expenses, the basement doorway was replaced at a cost of \$3988.

A heat pump (\$4,880) and attic insulation (\$4,601) was installed at the rectory the funds to pay for this came from our building fund reserve's.

The operating bank account ended the year at \$17,021.

As we begin our budget preparations for 2026, I raise the concern of the unknowns we face and that we need to be ready to structure our church and our finances to meet them. Weather events and energy costs continue to increase. Our infrastructure is aging and will need continued attention.

In 2026 our expense budget will be **\$184,679** with a projected **deficit of -\$10,707**.

The weekly cost to operate St Paul's in 2026 will be \$3,552.

Thank you for your support in 2025 and you can continue it by:

- Dropping your giving off at the church or,
- Using the Diocesan weekly or monthly e-offering or,
- E-transfer to Bayview Credit Union or,
- Canada Helps

Thank you to Rev. David Turner, Sharon Kelly, and all the counters for your support during the past year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen MacMackin

Treasurer, Parish of Hampton

The Corporation of the Anglican Parish of Hampton (St. Paul's Church)				
Income Statement				
January - December 2025				
	Jan - Dec. 2025	Jan - Dec. 2024 (PY)	Change	% Change
INCOME				
4000 Regular - Envelope Offering	75,769.71	77,749.08	-1,979.37	-2.55%
4010 Regular - E-Offering	79,970.00	80,945.00	-975.00	-1.20%
4015 Open Offering	5,353.10	3,450.10	1,903.00	55.16%
4020 Easter	2,295.00	2,270.00	25.00	1.10%
4030 Thanksgiving	1,870.00	2,025.00	-155.00	-7.65%
4040 Christmas	2,985.00	2,515.00	470.00	18.69%
4050 Sunday School	990.75	574.05	416.70	72.59%
4075 Mission - Parish Giving	2,269.41	8,367.36	-6,097.95	-72.88%
4080 Mission - Outreach Flow-through	20,670.00	1,670.00	19,000.00	1137.72%
4120 Government Grants	14,703.66	16,454.53	-1,750.87	-10.64%
4290 Other Income	0.00	750.00	-750.00	-100.00%
Total Income	\$ 206,876.83	\$ 196,770.12	\$ 10,106.51	5.14%
EXPENSES				
5000 Rector Stipend	50,890.02	49,069.02	1,821.00	3.71%
5010 Secretary	14,859.00	14,184.00	675.00	4.76%
5020 Audio Visual	1,740.00	1,710.00	30.00	1.75%
5030 Janitor	1,706.32	1,836.45	-130.13	-7.09%
5040 Summer Student	13,557.92	12,546.77	1,011.15	8.06%
5052 Travel Pool Assessment	0.00	-603.00	603.00	100.00%
5060 Rectors Car Replacement	4,800.12	4,200.04	600.08	14.29%
5065 Travel Pool	240.00	0.00	240.00	
5070 EI/CPP	6,644.27	5,003.84	1,640.43	32.78%
5080 Rectors Benefit Assessment	5,906.00	6,257.86	-351.86	-5.62%
5090 Rectors Pension Premium	10,385.70	9,987.90	397.80	3.98%
5100 Rectors Continuing Education	900.00	900.00	0.00	0.00%
5110 Workers Compensation	0.00	-23.60	23.60	100.00%
5200 Diocesan Shared Ministry	21,209.88	20,626.08	583.80	2.83%
5220 Diocesan Pension Bonus	0.00	0.00	0.00	
5300 Church - Propane	6,879.86	4,940.06	1,939.80	39.27%
5310 Church - Power	5,817.93	5,816.06	1.87	0.03%
5320 Church - Phone	3,078.94	2,939.19	139.75	4.75%
5330 Church - Repairs & Maintenance	10,089.34	12,661.91	-2,572.57	-20.32%
5340 Rectory - Power	3,762.13	3,137.81	624.32	19.90%
5350 Rectory - Phone	2,360.56	2,257.37	103.19	4.57%
5360 Rectory - Repairs & Maintenance	9,764.48	1,245.78	8,518.70	683.80%
5370 Rectory - Sewerage	260.00	230.00	30.00	13.04%
5380 Insurance	11,640.00	11,260.96	379.04	3.37%
5410 Mission - Outreach Expense	1,842.19	9,976.56	-8,134.37	-81.53%
5420 Mission Outreach Flowthr Expens	20,670.00	1,670.00	19,000.00	1137.72%
5430 Rectors Discretionary	1,100.00	0.00	1,100.00	
5500 Office Expenses	5,277.26	5,427.92	-150.66	-2.78%
5510 Music Expenses	1,020.24	439.35	580.89	132.22%
5520 Liturgical Expense	1,225.36	900.52	324.84	36.07%
5530 Sunday School Expense	102.97	107.31	-4.34	-4.04%
5550 Adult Education Expense	296.79	0.00	296.79	
5560 Fellowship Events Expense	816.39	1,030.47	-214.08	-20.77%
5570 Bank Charges	379.56	328.47	51.09	15.55%
Total Expenses	\$ 219,223.23	\$ 190,065.10	\$ 29,158.13	15.34%
Deficit	\$ (12,346.60)	\$ 6,705.02		

OTHER INCOME	Jan - Dec 2025	Jan - Dec 2024(PY)
Cemetery Fund		
Income		
4220 Cemetery Fund - Donations	10,187.30	15,043.35
4220 Cemetery Fund - Interest Earned	893.33	877.24
Expense		
5610 Cemetery Fund - Expense	4,891.10	10,386.75
Surplus /Deficit	6,189.53	5,533.84
Memorial Fund		
Income		
4220 Memorial Fund - Donations	2,045.00	960.00
4220 Memorial Fund - Interest Earned	2.35	2.30
Expense		
5610 Memeorial Fund - Expense	403.94	1,303.14
Surplus /Deficit	1,643.41	-340.84
Building Fund		
Income		
4220 Building Fund - Donations	0.00	0.00
4220 Building Fund - Interest Earned*	1,258.62	8.12
Expense		
5610 Building Fund - Expense	0.00	0.00
Surplus /Deficit	1,258.62	8.12

* The building fund has a \$25,000 GIC at Brunswick Credit Union maturing on January 6, 2026

The Corporation of the Anglican Parish of Hampton (St. Paul's Church)	
Balance Sheet	
As of December 31, 2025	
	Total
Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalent	
1000 Bank - Building Fund 24-3	8,864.17
1005 Bank - Cemetery Fund 25-3	21,824.06
1010 Bank - Operating	17,021.30
1015 Bank - Memorial Fund 23-3	6,355.82
1020 GIC Building Fund Brunswick Credit Union	26,250.00
Total Cash and Cash Equivalent	\$ 80,315.35
Accounts Receivable (A/R)	
1210 Accounts Receivable	0.00
Total Accounts Receivable (A/R)	\$ 0.00
1220 AR- Housing Development Investment	0.00
1400 HST Rebate	0.00
Total Current Assets	\$ 80,315.35
Non-current Assets	
Property, plant and equipment	
1510 Land- Church Property	47,812.00
1512 Land - Demille Property	220,550.00
1520 Building	724,263.00
1530 Paving	10,216.00
1540 Furniture & Equipment	99,213.76
Total Property, plant and equipment	\$ 1,102,054.76
1610 Building Fund Investment	0.00
1620 Cemetery Fund Investment	26,843.66
1640 Property Fund Investment	0.00
1650 Baview Credit Union Share	5.00
Total Non Current Assets	\$ 1,128,903.42
Total Assets	\$ 1,209,218.77
Liabilities and Equity	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
2020 New HST Recoverable	-1,755.67
2025 Old HST Recoverable	0.00
2030 Payroll Liabilities	0.00
2510 Bank Loan	0.00
Total Current Liabilities	-\$ 1,755.67
Total Liabilities	-\$ 1,755.67
Equity	
3010 Equity	1,020,692.27
Retained Earnings	193,537.21
Profit for the year	-3,255.04
Total Equity	\$ 1,210,974.44
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 1,209,218.77

REVIEWER CERTIFICATION

To: The Parish of Hampton

Re: Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2025

I/We, the undersigned, having been duly appointed, have reviewed the financial accounts and the statements submitted to the Annual Meeting of the Parish of

Hampton.

In addition, we have reviewed any applicable certificates of investment.

In our opinion the records maintained by the Treasurer are properly represented in the Year End Financial Statements presented to the Annual Meeting and accurately reflect the financial transactions of the Parish. The cash and investment balances properly state the financial position of the Parish.

Our review examined only the recording of the various transactions and does not purport to pass any judgement on the merit of the expenditures.

Respectfully submitted,

Tricia Phillips Reviewer

[Signature] Reviewer

Date: January 28, 2026

St. Paul's Church Proposed Budget 2026		
In 2026 we are budgeting to spend \$184,679 to operate our church (*normalizing for Mission – Outreach Flow -Through & Summer Students). It will require \$3,552 more this year to operate our church.		
INCOME	2026	
	Budget	
Envelopes	\$ 75,770	
E Offering	\$ 82,440	
Open Collections	\$ 5,353	
Easter	\$ 2,295	
Thanksgiving	\$ 1,870	
Christmas	\$ 2,985	
Sunday School	\$ 990	
Mission - Parish Giving	\$ 2,269	
Mission - Outreach Flowthru *	\$ -	\$ 2,000
Government Grants - Summer Students *	\$ -	\$ 15,000
Other Income	\$ -	
Total Revenue	\$ 173,972	
EXPENSES		
Rector Stipend	\$ 51,602	
Secretary	\$ 16,380	
Video Technician	\$ 1,700	
Janitor	\$ 3,120	
Summer Student *	\$ -	\$ 15,000
Travel Pool	\$ 120	
Rectors Car Replacement	\$ 5,400	
EI/ CPP	\$ 5,651	
Rectors Benefit Assessment	\$ 6,381	
Rectors Pension Premium	\$ 11,510	
Rectors Continuing Education	\$ 900	
Deacon's Travel & Continuing Education	\$ 250	
Diocesan Shared Ministry	\$ 22,916	
Church Oil/Propane	\$ 6,900	
Church Power	\$ 6,278	
Church Phone	\$ 3,100	
Church Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 7,000	
Rectory Power	\$ 4,817	
Rectory Phone	\$ 2,400	
Rectory Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 4,000	
Rectory Sewerage	\$ 260	
Insurance	\$ 11,919	
Mission Outreach Expense	\$ 2,000	
Mission Outreach Flowthru *	\$ -	\$ 2,000
Rectors Discretionary	\$ 1,000	
Office Expenses	\$ 5,300	
Music Expense	\$ 1,000	
Liturgical Expense	\$ 1,000	
Sunday School Expense	\$ 200	
Youth Group Expense	\$ 200	
Adult Education Expense	\$ 200	
Fellowship Events Expense	\$ 800	
Bank Charges	\$ 375	
Total Expense	\$ 184,679	
Deficit 2026	-\$ 10,707	

Cemetery Committee Report – 2025

The cemetery is managed under the Diocese of Fredericton Regulation 6-3 and administered by the Cemetery Committee which reports to the Vestry of the Anglican Parish of Hampton.

The committee had the following activities in 2025 to raise the profile of the cemetery and support its ongoing maintenance:

- Memorial Service
- Collection of Recyclable Bottles
- Tree Lighting Service

The finances of the cemetery at Dec 31, 2025 are:

Cemetery Fund Donations & Grants	\$10,187.30	(2024- \$15,043.35)
Cemetery Fund Interest Earned	\$893.33	(2024-\$877.24)
Cemetery Funds Drawn Down	\$0.00	(2024 - \$0.00)
Cemetery Fund Expenses	\$4981.10	(2024- \$10,386.75)
Cemetery Bayview Credit Union	\$21,824.06	(2024 - \$16,034.44)
Cemetery Diocesan Fund	\$26,843.66	(2024 - \$26,843.66)

In total we have \$48,667.72 available for future upkeep of the cemetery. This year we were able to increase this from 2024 by \$5,789.62. Our goal is to increase this amount each year.

Thank you to Shawn Coughlan who cleaned many monuments this summer.

Costs to maintain grave markers are the responsibility of the grave lot owner. The committee monitors all grave markers for any that pose a safety risk to the public. If repairs are made the grave lot owner is asked to pay the costs incurred.

The committee is very pleased with the results of all the work on the cemetery and how good it looks. We would like to thank John Wheaton for his service in 2025.

Donations to the ongoing maintenance of cemetery by the congregation are needed and would be appreciated.

Respectfully Submitted by the Cemetery Committee

Rev. David Turner, Janice Kelly, Alice Kennedy, Sharon Kelly, Shawn Coughlan and Stephen MacMackin

Parish Office & Administration 2025

As office administrator I have many roles and responsibilities. I come with an open heart and mind and am ready to give it my all, with God's help leading my way. When something comes up that I'm unsure of, I'll reach out to some great role models in our parish for help.

On Mondays, Rev. David and I have our weekly office meeting to touch base with each other on how things are going in the parish or what needs our immediate attention and to discuss any further details of upcoming things happening in our parish.

Also, on Sundays or Mondays a volunteer from vestry comes in and counts the offerings with me. Then I enter the Sunday's offering into Church Trac (cash/cheques, e-Offerings –Weekly & Monthly & Interac e-Transfers) so parishioners will receive credit for their giving's at tax time. Then I do up the weekly bank deposit and go to the bank. I enter the deposit into Quick Books. I also look after writing cheques and paying bills and post them into Quick Books.

The greeters count how many people in-person that are in attendance each Sunday and they give me the number count. Then I can enter and keep track of the attendance into Church Trac. Sometimes I need to reach out to parishioners who had joined the service online to see if any other family members joined in on the service with them.

I keep the Vestry book updated with the required information (dates of services in-person, attendance numbers -in-person and online over zoom, family church/kid centered service, funerals, baptisms, weddings, cemetery service, Memorial Tree Lighting etc.) This past year there were four confirmations, two baptisms, two weddings, three interments, and two funeral services held at St. Paul's Church.

Income tax receipts were printed, signed and given out to all our parishioners and then the others were scanned and emailed out and some where mailed. This process is very time consuming but thankfully it was a little easier this year because I just put our parishioners in an envelope and gave them out, so that saved on stamps, and I only had to mail out four receipts.

We have masks available in case someone feels the need to wear one upon entering. Hand sanitizer bottles are placed throughout the church and filled regularly, and sanitizing products are on hand.

Thanks again to Stephen and Rev. David for your patience, encouragement, and support. Thank you from the bottom of my heart!

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Kelly – Office Administrator

Sunday Morning Ministries Coordinator 2025

The major component of my job is reaching out and connecting with people daily. One focus of this position is to support the Sunday morning children's program. Ensuring that teachers are scheduled, prepared and equipped for each Sunday. Making sure that the heat is on, materials (play dough, paper) the Christ Candle and the Sunday Morning Children's Program outline is out to follow. I also keep track of attendance and keep updated contact information for families, for use in supporting them and nurturing a sense of inclusion in the parish. I reach out to our Sunday school families to make sure they are aware and informed when things are happening at the church. Updated information is posted on our St. Paul's Hampton website.

The second part of my responsibilities is with Sunday morning ministries and making sure that the layreaders, readers, greeters, ushers, zoom host, tech. crew, and counters are scheduled and prepared each week. I remind people about when they are on duty each week by email, messenger or by a telephone call, and this information is updated weekly into the worship schedule.

When a reader or layreader reads on zoom I have someone lined up on standby in case technology doesn't work. Names are added to the Order of Service for those helping to lead the service each week. I also print readings and the prayers. I update the parish prayer list as needed and pass it along to our lay readers so that those names can be mentioned during the Prayers of the People in the service once a month. A take home copy of the Parish prayer list which is updated monthly and is available at the back of the church for people to take if they wish to.

During Advent I reached out to parishioners and families to light the advent wreath for both services. During Lent and at Christmas I reached out for several readers to help with those services.

Each Sunday we have welcoming greeters at our door. The greeters welcome you in with a warm and friendly smile. We also have ushers during communion. Each week we also have a zoom host who is Joanna DiProse, she is at the comfort of her home online weekly to welcome and talk to the folks joining virtually before the service begins and track online attendance. The tech crew (Silas Turner, Katie Hoyt, Declan Bayer and Peter Shannon) are always helpful in tracking online attendance if Joanna is not available. Thank you, Joanna and tech crew!

Our Sunday morning services in 2025 were at 9am and 10:30am and in summer months at 10am. Janice Kelly has volunteered to order our Easter and Christmas flowers and roses for our Cemetery Service for the rose ceremony. Thank you, Janice!

Notable events:

On Good Friday –during the service in the parish hall the Children and youth, explored the mystery of Holy week and Easter. We made Easter Gardens, shared the Last Supper feast, and explored the story of God's self-giving love in Jesus in a way that they can understand.

To celebrate the season of Advent, we hung the greens, lights, set-up Advent wreath, put up purple hangings and made advent centerpieces and had pizza. Thanks Kate and Molly who led the advent centerpieces and to everyone else involved. Many thanks to ALL!

Family Service/Kid Centered Services – it’s a kid-focused gathering of worship with coloring tables, songs with actions, kid-friendly bible stories, kid-friendly communion. The introduction of the Wheel of Worship- the kids spun the wheel it could land on the following - (The Lord’s Prayer, Sing a Song with Actions, Sing a Hymn, Welcome Someone Next to You, Share Communion, Learn a Bible Story, Offer a “Thank you” Prayer, Offer a “Sorry” Prayer, Sing in a Round, Offer a “please” prayer, Offer a “silent” Prayer, Hear a Testimony) and whenever it landed on it, we did that part of the service and Rev. David explained and discussed each one that made you feel comfortable and it was so much fun for adults and really included the kid’s involvement.

Our Christmas Pageant was postponed to Jan 4, 2026 – Epiphany Christmas Pageant-the story of Jesus’ Birth was read, sang Christmas Carols, had Nativity prayers and the children took leading roles to read the Christmas story and Rev. David coaching them through out the Pageant. Molly, Claire and Kate played the roles as puppets of Mary, Joseph, Elizabeth, Zechariah and others dressed in costumes and played the parts of shepherds, sheep, star, angels, camel, wisemen and Herod and his attendant. We had some wonderful talented young musicians of Arlene’s piano students, who took part throughout the pageant as well. This was worth the wait to Epiphany. Thank you to all involved and to all the children, piano students, David, Kate, Arlene, Katie and Paula!

Other special events-Remembrance Day Service which members of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #28 joined us, our Cemetery Service, and our Memorial Christmas Tree Lighting. The Cemetery Service and Memorial Christmas Tree Lighting people had to contact the church office and give me names of loved ones. During the Cemetery Service we have a rose ceremony which a rose is placed in there loved one’s memory and for the Memorial Christmas Tree lighting a candle is lit in their loved one’s memory then we all gather outside for prayers and light the Christmas tree. Both the Cemetery Service and Memorial Tree Lighting service are very reverent and heartwarming.

Thanks:

Many thanks go out to David for helping me always by setting up tables weekly and to others who helped me by setting up and moving table and chairs around for the many church events. Thank you to Ruby Masson and Ruth Wagg for cleaning off family tables after each Sunday. I am forever grateful and thankful for all the Sunday morning volunteers and for all your wonderful help each week. Thank you ALL!

Highlights:

- It warms my heart when I see the children participating in the worship service, either by taking part in reading scripture or playing music, lighting candles, ringing the bell, ushering, greeting, or taking part in the pageant.
- It’s so lovely when people let me know beforehand that they are not coming to church so I can arrange someone else in their place.
- I LOVE Kid Centered Services – I love seeing everyone more relaxed, engaged, and the involvement and everyone clapping when the kids go to spin the wheel. Makes it so very welcoming and included!
- I love reaching out and connecting with people.
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- I love the warm response that I receive when I am reaching out to volunteers and hearing their kind and encouraging words.
- It feels good to see our church families' interactions between the parishioners between services the joy and love they have for each other.
- I love to see new families coming to church and the attendance consistently growing.
- I love our fellowship over meals together when I can truly sit down and relax and enjoy.

Challenges:

- When sending out schedules there is often a lack of response for the Holy week and Christmas service dates on the schedule.
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Blessings+

Sharon Kelly- Sunday Morning Ministries Coordinator

Each one should use whatever gift he received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. (1 Peter 4:10)

Children's Ministry 2025

Our ministry to children and their families focused on providing them to worship together around 'Children's Tables' for Sunday morning worship services (9am and 10:30am).

Children's Tables are set-up in the worship space with Coloring sheets and Play Dough – the coloring and activity sheets are pertaining to the readings and Sunday school lesson each week.

Families also volunteered to ring the church bell at 10:15am and light the altar candles at the beginning of the service.

Sunday Story Time is offered to children ages 4 to 10 and under 4 with a caregiver. The stories and the curriculum were taken from *the Jesus Storybook Bible*, *the Holy Moly series* and the Godly Play series.

During our Sunday Morning Children's Program (Story Time), the children gather with an informal Welcome, Candle Lighting, Song, and a Gathering Prayer. They HEAR FROM GOD through a Bible story taken from "The Jesus Storybook Bible" January to June, then in the fall Godly Play stories. Each week there is an Introduction to the Story, the Story itself, some Reflection questions (What did you notice in the story? What questions do you have about the story? What might God be trying to tell us in this story?) With Godly Play wondering questions following the story (I wonder what part of the story you liked best? I wonder where you are in the story. After the wondering questions we conclude the circle time with prayer, often including the Lord's Prayer.

The children are then free to respond to the story through modeling play dough or works of art, or to connect with each other while playing with the toys until it's time to go back upstairs with their families. We go back upstairs right after the PEACE and while the song is being played. Then families receive Communion at the front of the church together.

Summer curriculum- the Holy Moly Series. The children gather with an informal Welcome, Candle Lighting, and Offering. The older children had to find the reading in the Bible, then read it out loud. The teacher read the bible story in the Holy Moly book. We had Holy Moly Videos of the stories and wondering questions and Prayer time- the Lord's Prayer or prayers on the outline. Craft or playtime and then snack was offered. Thank you to David for setting up the all the Holy Moly videos onto the television for us ready to use and to all our volunteers!

We thank God for all our faithful Sunday school teachers, helpers and nursery volunteers: Raegan Evans-Hoyt, Karen Stanley, Kate Turner, Tricia Phillips, Erin Roy, Freyah Specht, Jinell Johnson, Luke Johnson, Molly Turner, Claire Roy, Roslyn Stanley, Julia Whelan, Nora Whelan, Peter Shannon and me. Without your love and dedication this would not be possible. Thank you ALL so much! I want to thank Raegan Evans-Hoyt for the many years of service she has devoted to our Sunday school. I am forever grateful for the time she has given to us here at St. Paul's Children Ministry. Thank you, Raegan!

Highlights:

- During Sunday Story time when I hear the children respond to the questions asked regarding the bible lesson that was taught or recapped to them. I'm very overjoyed and proud that they are very attentive, and they knew what was discussed from the bible lesson.
- When asked questions regarding stories in Sunday school; having the children being so polite and patiently waiting with their hands raised, it can be a challenge at times because they are so eager to share the answer, they just burst it out.
- I love seeing the interactions and involvement between the older children with the younger ones. The older kids are very helpful and eager to help with the younger ones; they look right after them. This warms my heart to see this.
- The Christmas pageant was fantastic and well done. The children's participation always makes my heart feel good and the children all being so brave and filled with courage by taking on leadership roles, reading and singing and dressing in costumes.
- I love seeing the children's participation and involvement in our church. Their enthusiasm and willingness to take part at the task asked such as to read or to run tech each Sunday morning and the many interactions with parishioner's chatting with them and building relationships together.

Challenges:

- At times during Sunday school on a Sunday morning, it can get a little noisy. Sometimes I must turn the lights off and that will get their attention to let them know that church is still going in progress. I never have to raise my voice.
- When the children return upstairs after Sunday school; a gentle reminder to walk softly and not like a herd of elephants.

The cost for 2025 children's ministry:

Paper which is supplied by the office & some supplies for the Easter gardens and Advent centerpieces and cookies.

Blessings+

Sharon Kelly- Children's Ministry

Children are a gift from the Lord; they are a reward from him. (Psalm 127:3)

Hampton Community Garden 2025

Our Community Garden members, and the Hampton Food Basket are both very grateful for the support of St. Paul's Anglican Church in this community out-reach project.

We have over 100 garden beds, with more than 25 beds are dedicated for the Hampton Food Basket. We have 49 active members, with 17 members are looking after 2 or more beds. The total number of people affected by this project would include our membership, plus over 200 people who are clients of the Hampton Food Basket who receive fresh produce from our efforts every summer and fall.

We were very pleased this year with the exceptional work done by our two summer students, Coleman and Mathew. The summer students were 100% funded by the New Brunswick Government SEED program. The students made significant contributions to our Food Basket program, as well as doing repairs and maintenance around the site, and also worked one half day per week with HHS students at the HHS Garden.

In 2025, the Hampton Food Basket again paid for the installation and servicing of a portable toilet at the Garden, which is much appreciated by our members and summer students.

Our biggest gain this season was the construction of seven (7) new raised beds! These beds are much appreciated by our ageing membership.

All our Community Garden members would like to thank the congregation of St. Paul's for their ongoing support of this project and for allowing us to use the land as a means of building a strong, caring community.

Submitted by Chris Rendell

February 1, 2026

Mothers' Union Report for 2025

When I viewed the emails for 2025, I found that our Mothers' Union Branch had another busy year. I want to thank Rev. David for all his help. He creates lovely posters and brochures for me.

If you are not familiar with Mothers' Union, we are active in 83 countries with about 4 million members. Our focus is on Christian Family Life in all its forms. Membership requires that you are baptized in the Trinity

We started the year calling people for wellness checks. And making plans for future outreach. Each meeting we pass a book around for people to request prayer. We acknowledge answered prayers as well.

We helped organize the Pancake Supper with the help of the Holy Joes and made several of the gingerbreads for dessert.

March is an important month as we celebrate Lady Day on March 25th. We gather an offering at the meeting closes to this date to send the money to the Canadian Council. The Canadian Council sends our offering and other donations to the Central Mary Sumner House. This money is designated for overseas projects.

Usually, the fourth Sunday of Lent falls in March. This is observed as Mothering Sunday which in the UK is Mother's Day. On Mothering Sunday we try to offer all the service elements and read, greet, provide snacks etc.

The last Saturday in April is normally our Diocesan Mothers' Union Rally. In 2025 the Rally was held in Fredericton. We had a great turnout for the Rally.

September, we helped a family get ready for back to school. We took up a collection, and everyone was very generous.

In October, Debbie Edwards gave a presentation on Alongside Hope (PWRDF). We gave a monetary donation and thanked her for making the journey from her new home in Woodstock.

Tricia Phillips approached me about having a Food Pantry. We met with David and he agreed. Once again Shawn Coughlan came forward and built and installed the food pantry in the parking lot. Thank you, Shawn! It is well used and has taken on a life of its own!

In the year 2025 we catered to a couple of funerals. Long time member Pat Mackay lost her husband Don. Don was a long time member of St. Paul's and Pat is an original Mothers' Union member. We also lost Connie Heighton, another original member to St. Paul's Mothers' Union.

In October we had a fund raiser to help pay the fees for the student. It was a suggestion by Heather that we set aside jams and pickles when we made them. The sale was a huge success! Some people baked muffins, cookies, even pies. We sold lots of jams and pickles!

December was busy as we prepared for Christmas. We planned a cookie outreach to those we thought would enjoy a treat. Several people sent thanks. Instead of a Christmas outing, we gave the money we would spend on the family that has hit hard times. The Branch is a lively and caring bunch!

Our fund raisers have enabled us to support several groups: The student in Uganda, Camp Medley, The Pregnancy Resource Center, Sophia House, Alongside Hope, and Rev. Caleb's project in Uganda for senior widows like his mom.

Anyone interested in joining this ministry is most welcomed! Please contact Alice Kennedy for more information at 506-832-2627 or email akcalabrese@gmail.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Kennedy

Middle School Lunch Program 2025

“Martha’s Helpers” continued to cook at the Middle School from January to December of 2025 the Lunch Program was managed by coordinator, Beth Firth until June. She was purchasing the groceries so preparing the 2 meals each week was our contribution. We received funding and now we are responsible for the purchasing and cooking of the food. The menu is updated each month, and we try to have meals that do not repeat during the month. We served up to 40 students each lunch.

Beth finished her position in June, but she was not replaced. September was a huge learning curve, and our team took the lead. Mondays Alice Kennedy and Paula Cameron feed the students chicken burgers, then on Wednesday evening our crew make meals to be served on Thursday and Friday. Paula Cameron and Eve Mayich go on Fridays to serve the food. Mary Ann Dickie, who works at the school as an Educational Assistant has taken the lead on the program and monitors the children who are in the program daily.

Lois Moore and Elaine Robichaud sent letters to prospective supporters and we raised \$xxx. The school received funding from other sources, and we are in good shape until the end of the school year for 2026.

Eva and Alice would like to thank the volunteers for their loyalty and dedication to this outreach. The volunteers for 2025 were Lois Moore, Leslie O’Brien, Debbie Galley, Rowena Hawkey-Noble, Elaine Robichaud, Barb Long, Diana Brideau, Kelly Calbeck, Sue Delong and Paula Cameron. Not everyone was available each week, but they were all there in spirit! One volunteer took some time off to take chemo treatments. Happy to report she is back!

Respectively submitted,

Alice Kennedy

Additional ministry reports may be submitted to the Annual Meeting on February 10, 2026.