

2024

Neepawa United Church



Annual General Meeting,
February 2, 2025

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Neepawa United Church
Annual Congregational Meeting – Sunday February 2, 2025
AGENDA

Call to Order

Opening Motions

Minutes of the February 4, 2024, Annual Meeting

Chairperson's Message

Reports

- a) Prairie to Pine Region
- b) Pastoral Charge Supervisor
- c) Minister
- d) Board of Trustees
- e) Stewardship
- f) Property
- g) UCW Report, Officers 2024, Financials & 2024 Budget
- h) M&S and Outreach
- i) Membership
- j) Neepawa United Church Statistics

New Business

Financial Reports:

- Neepawa United Church 2024 Financials
 - Income & Expenses – Exhibit A
 - Memorial & Building Funds – Exhibit B
 - Neepawa United Church Balance Sheet – Exhibit C
- Neepawa United Church Proposed 2025 Budget for Adoption
- Financial Report for 2024
- Motions re: Financial Report and Budget

Nomination Report

- Motion re: Nominations

Motion for Signing Officers

Adjournment

Neepawa United Church

Annual Meeting

February 4, 2024

Rita Friesen chaired the 2024 Annual Meeting which was held after the Church Service. Copies of the Annual Report were available in print and online.

Opening Motions:

1. **MOTION:** Moved by Jane Goudie and seconded by Michelle Babcock that Rita Friesen be the chairperson for this meeting. **Carried.**
2. **MOTION:** Moved by Ann Nielsen and seconded by Connie McLeod that Linda Hart be recording secretary for this meeting. **Carried.**
3. **MOTION:** Moved by Pat Fedoruk and seconded by Murray Hart that all adherents along with the members of Neepawa United Church be given the ability to speak to the meeting and vote on temporal matters. **Carried.**
4. **MOTION:** Moved by Judy Elgert and seconded by Eleanor Nicholson that the minutes of the Annual Meeting of February 5, 2023 be adopted. **Carried.**

Chairperson's Message

- Rita Friesen welcomed Rev. John Lea who is the Pastoral Charge Supervisor for Neepawa United Church.
- Rita indicated that the following Committee Reports are in the AGM booklet.

Reports

- a) Prairie to Pine Region
- b) Pastoral Charge Supervisor
- c) Minister
- d) Board of Trustees
- e) Stewardship
- f) Property
- g) UCW Report and 2022 Financials

- h) M&S and Outreach
- i) Membership
- j) Neepawa United Church Statistics

MOTION: Moved by Vivian Oswald and seconded by Susan Phillips that the reports in the Neepawa United Church 2023 Annual Report be accepted as printed, with the exception of the Financial Reports.

Carried.

New Business

- a) Worship Committee Decisions

Rev. John Lea outlined the rationale for the motion.

MOTION: Moved by Kay Kristjanson and seconded by Jane Goudie that Neepawa United Church Board

accept the decisions of the Worship Committee of the Neepawa United Anglican Shared Ministry regarding

baptisms, memberships and weddings and record same in the Neepawa United Church records.

Carried.

Financial Reports

- Bob Durston replied to questions about the budget for 2024.
- Bob commented that the deficit from 2023 was less than expected and that the Neepawa United Church has funds to offset any deficit.

#1. MOTION: Moved by Bob Durston and seconded by Leona Kucher that the 2023 Neepawa United Church Financial Statements & Report be accepted.

Carried.

#2. MOTION: Moved by Bob Durston and seconded by Eleanor Nicholson that the 2024 Neepawa United Church Budget be accepted.

Carried.

Nominating Committee Report for the 2024 Annual Meeting

Term expires Dec. 31, 2024, Term expires Dec. 31, 2025

Chair	Rita Friesen	
Vice Chair		Glen Cummings
Past Chair	Jane Goudie	
Property	Grant Babcock	
Secretary		Linda Hart
Treasurer		Bob Durston

UCW appointment (one vote)	Revolving chair	
Members at Large (one vote each)	Judy Elgert	Betty Ebner
Trustees (one vote)	Eleanor Nicholson	
	Gayle Johnston	
Stewardship	Lynda Lowry	
Regional Representatives (one vote)	Susan Phillips/Donna Newton	
Pastoral Supervisor	Rev. John Lea	
Minister	Rev. Chad McCharles	

Nominating report submitted by Rita Friesen and Jane Goudie.

Rita indicated that the Board needs one more Trustee and one more Member at Large. She called for nominations from the floor for any board position. Rita thanked all the volunteers for their work at the Church and acknowledged the UCW for all that they do.

MOTION: Moved by Susan Phillips and seconded by Donna Newton that the Nomination Report be accepted and further that the Board be given the authority to fill vacant positions on the Board.
Carried.

Motion for Signing Officers and Financial Reviewer

MOTION: Moved by Ruth Hanke and seconded by Connie McLeod that any two of Chair: Rita Friesen, Secretary: Linda Hart or Treasurer: Bob Durston be signing officers and that Judy Elgert be appointed as the financial reviewer for this year.
Carried.

Rita adjourned the meeting.

Chairperson’s Message
Annual Report for 2024

Psalm 133 - Look at how good and pleasing it is when families live together as one! (The Common English Bible)

Reviewing the past year, this verse captures how I see 2023. We have matured in acceptance of one another, and in trusting each other and our leadership. There has been ongoing give and take with

traditions and customs, and we come back to how very grateful we are to be a growing, purpose filled, and faith filled family.

We know that this is made possible through the leadership of Rev. Chad, the dedicated work of the UCW, the contribution of all committee members, Judy and the team that look after the sound system and televising and social media sharing of our services. and all those who quietly work behind the scenes. We appreciate our supervisor, Rev John Lea who attends our board meetings, offering direction and guidance. Thank you.

We continue to share our space with The Church of the Latter Day Saints, Child and Family Services and the Girl Scouts, with an increased request for the rental of the CEC facilities.

Thank you to Dawn for keeping everyone and everything organised, and Doug for keeping up with the cleaning and tidying.

It is my prayer for the years ahead that we continue to grow in our faith, dedicated to living a Christ centred life, continuing to care for one another, and to care for 'the least of these'. Always.

Rita Friesen
Chair of the United Church Board.

Prairie to Pine Regional Reps

This year the Region's Annual Meeting was virtual, by Zoom. Donna Newton, Susan Phillips and Rev Chad each participated in at least part of the meeting which was spread over two evenings in October.

All the usual things were covered but in a very condensed version. It is wonderful to meet this way, and really saves a lot of money, but it's certainly not the same as meeting in person. We don't get to know other attendees the same way and we miss the singing and worship that happens at "in person" meetings. We also miss the youth component—they bring so much energy to our meetings. A virtual meeting really can't capture that.

We also worked through the Regional Council to facilitate a donation to the Jasper Wildfire Relief program. Both the United Church and the Anglican Church buildings in Jasper were destroyed in the fire. Neepawa United Church Board donated \$500.00 to this cause.

If you have any questions about the work of the regional council, or our roll as representatives, or would like to be added to the email list for weekly newsletters from Prairie to Pine Region, please let us know, or speak to Dawn at the office. Donna and I are stepping down as regional reps as of the annual meeting, but want to sincerely thank you for your support over the years. We valued the

experience of representing this community of faith at annual meetings and workshops over the last number of years. It has always been inspiring to witness the dedication and faith and passion that continues to drive the Prairie to Pine Region, and indeed the United Church of Canada!

Respectfully submitted

Donna Newton and Susan Phillips

2024 Pastoral Charge Supervisor's Report

Neepawa United Church

To Members and friends of Neepawa United Church and N.U.A.S.M.:

Grace and Peace to You in the name of Jesus, the WORD made flesh.

The United Church polity indicates that where there no settled / appointed / called United Church personnel is in place, the Prairie to Pine Regional council appoints a pastoral charge supervisor. The purpose is to be with you – the Boards, and congregation to support, encourage and generally to supervise the work of the community of faith.

Within the structure of NUASM, my role is to supervise the work of the United Church Board.

In fulfilling my role as the United Church supervisor, I have been present in-person or via ZOOM for:

- The annual meeting of the United Church congregation.
- As a guest at the Annual meeting of N.U.A.S.M.
- 1 specially called meeting & 4 regularly scheduled meetings of the board
- As a consultant to the M. & P. committee regarding policy and procedures
- Worship and participation in the 4th Anniversary service of N.U.A.S.M.
- Have had phone consultations initiated by the board chairperson or other members
- I receive your weekly e-mail – with news of events and activity.

I support the leadership of Chad; board member and others who continue bear witness to the shared ministry in Neepawa and area. I am aware of capable, long serving members of the board who wish to change their roles and invite others to become engaged. I honour the competence and dedication of time and wisdom shown. Thank you for your contribution.

I share the final verse of the 'prayer-hymn' I used October 20th:

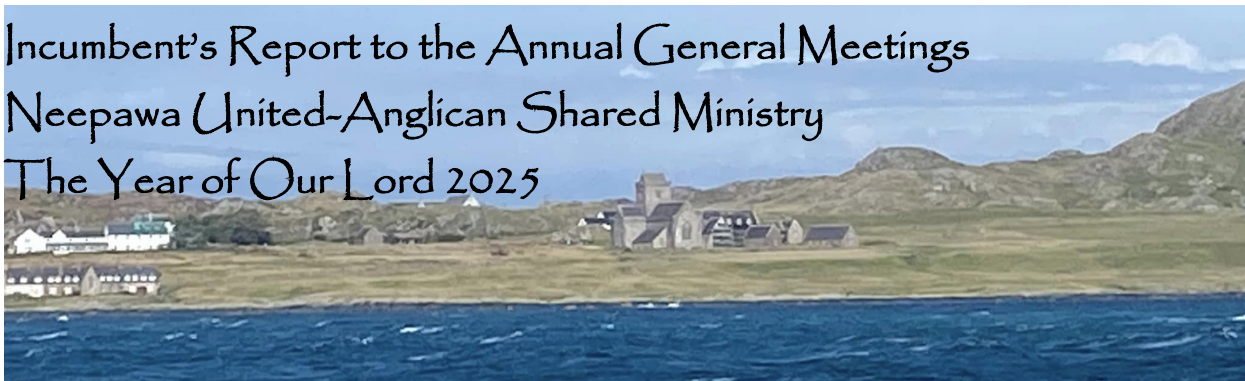
"May we be a community seeking
ways that are both wise and fair,
May our living and our speaking
serve your purpose everywhere.
May we follow where you lead us.
God, this is our hope and prayer!
God, this is our hope and prayer!" **
*** Carolyn Winfrey Gillette,
"For this Land in All It's Wonder"
Verse 4. adapted*

May God's Blessing be with you.

"John Lea"

January 2025

Incumbent's Report to the Annual General Meetings
Neepawa United-Anglican Shared Ministry
The Year of Our Lord 2025



Dear Friends in Christ,

When a Christian goes on pilgrimage, they set out with the intention of making a special journey to a sacred place to encounter the holy. Pilgrims walk in the way of the generations of faithful who have gone before them. Praying in the places worn by the countless feet, knees and hands, where prayers have been poured out to God in desperation, thanksgiving, joy, sorrow, and every other human need and emotion that compels those seeking the divine to go to such distances, lengths, heights, and depths.

My wife and I were immeasurably blessed to make pilgrimage to the holy isle of Iona in Scotland this past summer, a deeply spiritual place that has been a Christian pilgrimage site for more than a millennium and a half! Making this journey brought us in direct contact with a depth of Christian spirituality which we are still discerning through. The sheer magnitude of faith that inspired countless Christians to make such a treacherous journey to a wee isle in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, off the rugged and unforgiving West coast of Scotland, jarred my faith in a seismic way. To say I was inspired and renewed in faith would be an understatement. To say that I came away from that holy ground changed would also be an understatement.

One of those inspired changes within me is a deep desire to repent for my apathy and ungratefulness where my faith is concerned. We have been given so much, especially as North Americans, and I will freely admit that I lose sight of this too often. Those gifts, graces, and mercies are amplified for us as Christians because of the immeasurable gift of eternal life that we have been given by God through Christ, which leaves no room for anything but an outpouring of gratitude.

It strikes me that the NUASM family has been on a sort of pilgrimage these past five years, making a journey into the unknown in faith, seeking a deeper understanding of who we are as Christians, and better ways of leaning into our faith life. Although we continue to walk in the footsteps of the many who have gone before us, we chose very deliberately to make our own path too. Along the way we have experienced times of renewal and growth, but also times of sorrow and bereavement over what no longer is. Along the way we have been shifted in seismic ways, inspired to ponder, discern, and explore new paths, while simultaneously realizing what is vitally important and non-negotiable where our worship life and faith is concerned.

We as Christians who find our spiritual home at NUASM have been changed, and I pray that we do not underestimate the magnitude of what God has done and is doing on the sacred ground that is our Church. I pray that we will be renewed in thanksgiving and inspired fervor as a community of faith and how we engage with the Gospel and those who need to hear it most. As walk upon the pilgrimage paths worn by those who have gone before us as parishioners of Neepawa United and St. James' Anglican, may we continue to build something worthy of God who calls us and sanctifies us for His mission and ministry, leaving a faith worthy of making pilgrimage to in the future.

Yours in Christ,



The Reverend Chad D. McCharles OSBCn
Incumbent



Board of Trustees Report January 2025

Current Trustees: Eleanor Nicholson, Gayle Johnston, Leila Hildebrand
(Leila joined the Trustees in 2024)

The insurance policy for the church came up for renewal on Dec 5, 2024. At the general board meeting on Sep 17/24, a discussion was held about the policy, and it was decided that the trustees should check the cost to increase liability limits to \$5,000,000 from \$2,000,000.

In mid November, Gayle and Leila met with Don Schmall of Gill and Schmall Agencies to discuss the policy coverage limits and were advised that cost for this increase would be approximately \$300. At the Nov 19/24 board meeting this increase was approved.

There is no longer a mortgage on the church, but Beautiful Plains Credit Union shows as mortgagee on the policy. There is a line of credit open for the church if needed, and Leila has not heard from Don whether or not the Credit Union needs to appear on the policy for this line of credit.

CWB National Leasing as loss payable for phone components is no longer necessary. Don was to find out if a release letter was needed to remove them from the policy but as of this date he has not responded.

For the 2024/25 policy, limit on building and contents has been increased by Red River to \$5,959,000. This increase is slightly over 6% and is applied every year to help keep up with increased building costs. A replacement cost calculator is completed by Red River every few years to be sure we are keeping up with replacement costs, however one has not been done since 2019. It is expected another will be done this year or next.

Premium for this term is \$14,715 plus the increased liability premium, which has not been billed out yet.

Submitted by Leila Hildebrand

The role of the Stewardship Chairperson is to find opportunities for our church family to share our time, talent and resources with others in the community and our church. Stewardship activities occur all throughout the church year and once initiated, continue year to year.

Stewardship Seconds are short, inspiring messages that you may see on the Friday email, or on the power point presentation prior to worship or on our website. These words help to nurture generous sharing of gifts as disciples of Jesus would do.

Mention of PAR as a way to regularly support our church continues to be done at each Sunday service during the offertory prayer. We have seen a slight increase in the number of donors who choose to support our church family this way and we have seen some givers increase their monthly donation.

The Fall Stewardship Campaign was successful bringing in a significant amount to help toward balancing our finances. A reminder to support end-of-year donations was included in the Friday emails, power point presentation and on the website. The narrative budget outlined in the fall letter showed that 24% of our budget goes toward supporting Worship, 26% is for Pastoral Care, 10% for Christian Development, 17% for Outreach, and Mission and Service support is 18% of our expenses.

Three brunches were held during the year to encourage fellowship and sharing of time together. The menus varied in June, September and December and \$3,000 was raised. These events touch all our congregation through helping, organizing, bringing groceries and enjoying the meals.

Stewardship is all about sharing our gifts with others. Our church family is very good at Stewardship.

Lynda Lowry
Stewardship Chairperson

Property Report

This year was the fourth year of a new snow clearing policy, we continue to have Touchwood clear sidewalks and doorways Monday to Friday.

Many thanks to our Touchwood clients for clearing snow and doing our spring and fall cleanups.

We have hired Doug Wilkinson on weekends rather than have a volunteer schedule. Pat Baker has been doing a wonderful job of clearing the parking lot along with sanding it.

Some additional work was done around the outside of the church to trim back trees and shrubs to make it easier to maintain the yard, metal covers on the gutters were added along with the on-going roofing agreement with Flynn which helps us.

Respectfully submitted

Grant Babcock

UCW Annual Report

The General UCW meets the first Wednesday of the month at 9:30 in the morning. These meetings consist of our executive and representatives of all 3 units as well as sub-committee chairs. Our meetings are led by revolving chairs—each of our three units takes a turn providing a chairperson for 3 months at a time.

In 2024 we met regularly, and were busy with numerous fundraising events as well as pastoral care and fellowship activities.

- We continued to visit and call members – especially “shut ins” (that might describe many of us at various times through the year!).
- We greet folks at the door on Sunday mornings.
- We visit and provide a short program at Country Meadows in February, March, April, September, October and November
- We hosted World Day of Prayer and Least Coin Services in 2024.
- We held our Gently Used Sale in the spring and brought in \$3450.65. We have a committee that is really well organized and does a super job!
- At Christmas we acknowledged the hard work of our church staff, and some of the folks who do a lot of work behind the scenes to keep things running smoothly, by presenting them with gift cards for local business.
- We catered 10 funeral lunches, and raised \$11,122.00
- We worked with many other members of NUASM to put on a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Lunch. We served 127 and raised \$1475.76 which was split 3 ways between UCW, St James and the Middle School Breakfast Program.
- Many UCW members were involved with making blue jean quilts which is a joint service project with the women of Prairie Alliance Church
- We organized a Soup and Sandwich Lunch and Bakesale and raised \$1814.90
- We held our UCW Christmas Party—a time of worship and fellowship and an opportunity to remember the women we’ve lost in the past year. We sent the offering from that service (449.00) to the NACI breakfast program.
- We delivered cookie trays to members of our church family who are alone or unable to get out or have recently lost a loved one.
- We purchased extra shelves for the cooler in the kitchen.
- We met all our budgeted giving’s in 2024. And we gave \$6,000 to the Church Board for operating expenses. And we sent \$2000 to Mission and Service, as we have in the past. For more information regarding our annual contributions to various organizations please see the UCW Treasurer’s Report, submitted by Elsie Slimmon.

We are thrilled to have the women of St. James Anglican congregation working with us on many of these projects. What a great way to get to know each other! There are always lots of laughs in the kitchen! We wish to thank everyone who helps with our events. We truly appreciate the support of the congregation throughout the year. We will continue to do our best to support our Church while honouring God and our place in this Community of Faith. We look forward to 2025!

Respectfully submitted—Susan Phillips, secretary

**NEEPAWA UNITED CHURCH WOMEN FINANCIAL STATEMENT
BALANCE AT DECEMBER 31, 2023**

\$10,255.48

INCOME

UNIT 1	\$5,579.50
UNIT 4	\$4,490.00
UNIT 6	\$2,642.00
General UCW Donation	\$20.00
General UCW Donation in Memory	
Gently Used Sale	\$3,517.00
Miscellaneous	
Miscellaneous Fundraising	\$3,718.50
In/Out	\$3,190.25

(GUS & Luncheon Floats/World Day of Prayer/Least Coin/Special Offering Christmas Gathering)

TOTAL INCOME 2024

\$23,157.25

EXPENSES

Church Board	\$6,000.00
Mission and Service	\$2,000.00
Secretary/Treasurer Supplies	\$19.32
Kitchen and Kitchen Equipment	\$624.68
Church School	\$200.00
Senior Choir	
Broadview	\$200.00
Community Friendship	\$300.00
Prairie to Pine Regional Council Bursary Fund	\$150.00
Rosbrook House Inc.	\$100.00
Operation Eyesight Universal	\$100.00
Neepawa Community Ministries Centre-	
Food Bank and Christmas Cheer	\$750.00
Effect Hope (The Leprosy Mission Canada)	\$100.00
Sandy-Saulteaux Spiritual Centre	\$200.00
Rock Lake United Church Camp Inc.	\$200.00
Annual UCW Fees	\$375.00
St. Andrews College	\$100.00
Catering (Funerals and Luncheons)	\$1,606.45
Cleaning	

Neepawa U.C.W. 2024 Actual Budget												
<u>Expenses</u>	Budget 2024	Actual 2024	Budget 2025		<u>Income</u>	Budget 2024	Actual 2024	Budget 2025				
Mission & Service	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00		Funeral Lunches	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 11,122.00	\$ 6,000.00			\$ 6,000.00	
Church Board	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00		Gently Used Sales	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,517.00	\$ 4,000.00			\$ 2,500.00	
Sec./Trea. Supplies	\$ 100.00	\$ 19.32	\$ 100.00		Misc. Catering		\$ 80.00					
Kitchen Supply & Equip.	\$ 800.00	\$ 624.68	\$ 800.00		Systematic Givings	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,509.50	\$ 1,000.00			\$ 1,000.00	
Church School	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00		Donations		\$ 20.00					
Senior Choir	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00		Miscellaneous	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00	
Broadview	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00		In/Out		\$ 3,190.25					
Community Friendship	\$ 200.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 400.00		Misc. Fundraising	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,718.50	\$ 4,000.00			\$ 4,000.00	
Bursary Fund	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00									
Operation Eyesight	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00									
Neepawa Community Ministries Centre-Food Bank	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00		TOTAL	\$ 15,100.00	\$ 23,157.25	\$ 13,600.00			\$ 13,600.00	
Neepawa Community Ministries Centre-Christmas Cheer	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00									
Effect Hope (The Leprosy Mission C	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00									
Sandy-Saulteaux Spiritual Centre	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00									
Rossbrook House Inc.	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00									
Rock Lake UC Camp Inc.	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00									
Annual UCW Fees (\$5/person)	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00									
St. Andrews College	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00									
Catering, Lunch, Supper	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,606.45	\$ 2,000.00									
Cleaning	\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00									
Miscellaneous	\$ 200.00	\$ 2,503.89										
In/Out		\$ 3,190.25										
(GUS & Luncheon Floats/WDP/Least Coin/Special Offering Christmas Gathering)												
TOTAL	\$ 14,175.00	\$ 18,719.59	\$ 14,175.00									

Mission, Service and Outreach

It was another busy year for Mission, Service and Outreach!

- We started our year by disassembling the outdoor nativity scene. Murray Newton does the heavy lifting on this—he gathers everything up and takes it away to store safely till November! Makes our job so much easier! And we put away the mitten tree and delivered the last items to Salvation Army.
- In February we prepared the Lenten Calendar and spent a day sewing baby quilts for baptisms!
- In April we hosted a games night and played Earth Day Bingo to focus on climate issues. The bingo prize was a very healthy tomato plant that Dawn started in the office window!
- In May we organized two Spring Teas with the help of The Hymns—one at Yellowhead Manor and one at Kinsmen Kourts. Thank you to everyone who comes out to these teas. It's a wonderful way to visit with folks we might not see otherwise, and we know the residents really enjoy these mornings!
- Because we had so much fun at the Games Night in the spring, we had another one in September! If you haven't been to one of these, you really should give it a try. It's good fun and all the junk food and treats you can handle!
- We arranged for Ray Baloun from the Canadian Foodgrains Bank to come and speak at a Sunday Service in October.
- We organized an evening with the women of Prairie Alliance Church, starting work on blue jean quilts for the Bear Clan in Brandon. We'll be meeting a couple more times in 2025 to complete this project.
- We arranged a Fall Tea at Elks Manor. And The Hymns were able to join us again. It would not be the same without them!
- In time for Advent, we had Murray Newton bring the outdoor nativity out of storage and back to the stable. We really want to thank Murray, and Grant Babcock who helped us with lighting this year!
- Early in December we hosted an appreciation lunch for the Palliative Care Team—with lots of help from Chad and members of the congregation and Blair Chapman who provided wonderful background music. And December 15th was White Gift Sunday -- we brought new, unwrapped toys to church and they were then delivered to Salvation Army for children in our community.
- We occasionally provided cookies for coffee time before Sunday service and encouraged folks to make donations to our "Cookies for Breakfast" program. We delivered a cheque for \$277.40 to the middle school for their breakfast/snack program. Speaking of cookies...Nancy Hunter did her "Cookies for Change" program again with all the proceeds being sent to Doctors without Borders. Nancy managed the timing of the donation (an amazing \$3417.00) during a matching funds initiative so that the contribution from this community of faith was actually doubled--\$6834.00! And all we had to do was eat cookies! Good work Nancy!

We are a busy committee! We really appreciate the help and support of the entire community of faith throughout the year! Together, we really are making a difference!

--Bea Betts, Leona Kucher, Daphne Hall, Elsie Slimmon, Donna Newton and Susan Phillips

Membership Roll Report 2024

The Membership Roll includes those who have been received as members of Neepawa United Church through Profession of Faith, Confirmation or Transfer in from a previous church.

Membership Jan 1, 2024	
Resident members	187
Non-Resident members	47
Total =	234
Received in 2024	
By Profession of Faith or Confirmation	0
By Transfer In	0
By Reinstatement from Appendix	0
Total Received =	0
Removed in 2024	
By Death:	2
Resident	
Non-Resident	1
By Request	0
By Transfer Out	0
Resident	
Moved to Appendix	0
Total Residents Removed	2
Total Non-Residents Removed	1
Total Removed =	3
Moved from Resident to Non-Resident Status =	0
Moved from Non-Resident to Resident Status =	0
Total Membership Dec. 31	
Resident members =	185
Non-Resident members =	46
Total =	231

Respectfully Submitted by Murray Hart, Membership Convenor

Neepawa United Church Statistics

Baptisms in 2024

Total: 0

Marriages in 2024

Total: 0

Funerals in 2024

Total: 7

Barbara Freier	March 15
Mary Weiss	April 5
Janet Husak	April 24
Berg Wopnford	May 17
Norm Henderson	May 25
Linda Olmstead	May 27
Jo Rogers	June 21

Respectfully submitted by Dawn Gardy, Office Manager

**Neepawa United Church
Income and Expenditures - Exhibit A
for the year ending December 31, 2024**

Income

Broadview subscriptions	200.00
Brunch/Suppers	3,083.87
Building Fund	7,665.96
CEC rental	17,635.00
Donations	66,402.00
Interest	17,400.92
Mission and Service Office	13,061.00
GST Rebate	936.96
Marriage License	100.00
Office - Other	380.00
Total Office	1,416.96
St. James Anglican and Diocese	24,000.00
Tithes/Offerings/PAR	
Envelopes	19,787.00
Loose	2,105.00
Par	56,279.58
Total Tithes/Offerings/PAR	78,171.58
UCW	6,000.00
Total Income	235,037.29

Expense

Broadview magazine	750.00
Building	7,665.96
Caretaking	13,714.50
Discretionary fund	250.00
Insurance Expense	14,715.00
Internet Expenses	751.32
M & S	12,961.00
Ministerial	
Assessment	6,767.00
Diocese of Brandon	88,934.02
Office payroll	28,946.13
United Church Supervisor	330.00
Total Ministerial	124,977.15
NUASM	591.24
Office Supplies	10,332.97
Piano	635.53
Property taxes	1,528.27
Repairs and Maintenance	12,703.20
Service Charges	402.35
Sunday Services	
Choir director	2,780.00
Mileage	102.08
Organists	4,240.00
Pulpit Supply	1,482.00
Sound and camera	2,100.00

**Neepawa United Church
Exhibit B**

Memorial Fund

Beginning Balance January 1 2024	35,371.35
Donations	810.00
Interest	1,342.11
Choir gowns	167.73
Balance December 31 2024	<u><u>37,355.73</u></u>

Building Fund

Beginning Balance January 1 2024	189,687.22
Donations	7,665.96
Interest	10,840.13
Repairs and Maintenance	11,728.15
Balance December 31 2024	<u><u>196,465.16</u></u>

**Neepawa United Church
Balance Sheet - Exhibit C**

Current Assets:

Cash	472,909.35
Bequests	10,000.00
Memorial Fund	37,355.73
Building Fund	196,465.16
Total	<u><u>716,730.24</u></u>

Fixed Assets

Land original value	18,500.00
Building and contents	1,090,000.00
Total	<u><u>1,108,500.00</u></u>

Total Assets	<u><u>1,825,230.24</u></u>
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	Budget 2024	Jan - Dec 24	Budget 2025
Income			
Benevolent	1,000.00	0.00	960.00
Broadview subscriptions	250.00	200.00	200.00
Brunch/Suppers	5,000.00	3,083.87	2,400.00
Building Fund	10,000.00	7,665.96	7,000.00
CEC rental	9,000.00	17,635.00	10,800.00
Donations	45,000.00	66,402.00	45,000.00
Interest		17,400.92	4,800.00
Mission and Service	15,000.00	13,061.00	12,000.00
Office	4,500.00	1,416.96	5,600.00
St. James Anglican and Diocese	24,000.00	24,000.00	24,000.00
Tithes/Offerings/PAR	75,000.00	78,171.58	76,100.00
UCW	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Total Income	194,750.00	235,037.29	194,860.00
Expense			
Benevolent fund	1,000.00	0.00	960.00
Board expenses	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Broadview magazine	725.00	750.00	725.00
Building	10,000.00	7,665.96	7,000.00
Caretaking	14,500.00	13,714.50	14,760.00
Discretionary fund	1,000.00	250.00	700.00
Insurance Expense	14,500.00	14,715.00	15,000.00
Internet Expenses	0.00	751.32	720.00
M & S	15,000.00	12,961.00	12,000.00
Ministerial	135,283.00	124,977.15	127,770.00
NUASM	1,500.00	591.24	1,500.00
Office Supplies	8,500.00	10,332.97	8,500.00
Piano		635.53	650.00
Property taxes	1,600.00	1,528.27	1,650.00
Repairs and Maintenance	13,000.00	12,703.20	13,000.00
Service Charges		402.35	480.00
Sunday Services	9,280.00	11,466.17	10,515.00
Telephone Expense		1,243.12	1,200.00
UCW purchases	1,500.00	0.00	0.00
Utilities	17,000.00	12,214.90	15,000.00
Total Expense	246,388.00	226,902.68	234,130.00
	-51,638.00	8,134.61	-39,270.00
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Neepawa United Church Financial Report for 2024

Memorial Fund – this fund was set up to accept donations in memory of individuals or families and funds to be used only for purchasing items or repairs with the sanctuary. There was \$810.00 donated in memorials during 2024 and no estate donations.

Building Fund – this fund was set up many years ago by the CNR Still donation to build a new church. Since construction of the new church in 1992 the fund accepts donations annually which are allocated by the Board to cover costs of major repairs to the facility and for one-time expenses that are not considered normal operating expenses.

General Account – is for the daily operations of the church. July 1 2020 the Neepawa United church entered into an Ecumenical Shared Ministry with St. James Anglican church. St. James agreed to contribute towards costs of a full-time minister and Neepawa United would continue to be responsible for all other costs of operation of the Neepawa United Church. This financial arrangement is subject to change by agreement as condition change. In 2024 income was over budget as a large donation of \$25,000.00 was received and expenses were under budget with a year end net income of \$8,134.61.

The Neepawa United Church annually files a Canada Revenue Agency Charity Tax Return which is due June 30, 2025. Neepawa also completes and files the annual United Church Statistical report when it becomes available.

The financial records are reviewed annually and we are currently looking for someone to replace me as the reviewer.

Treasurer of Neepawa United Church

Judith Elgert

2025 Board Members

	Board	Term ends Dec. 2025	Term ends Dec. 2026
Chair	Glen Cummings		Glen Cummings
Vice chair	Lynda Lowry		
Past Chair	Rita Friesen		Rita Friesen
Property	Grant Babcock		Grant Babcock
Secretary	Linda Hart	Linda Hart	
Treasurer	Judy Elgert		
Members at Large (1 vote each)	Connie McLeod Betty Ebner Susan Phillips	Connie McLeod Betty Ebner	Susan Phillips
Trustees (1 vote)	Leila Hildebrand Gayle Johnston	Leila Hildebrand Gayle Johnston	
Regional Rep	Vacant/pending		
Stewardship	Lynda Lowry	Lynda Lowry	
UCW (1 vote)	revolving chair		
Pastoral Charge Supervisor	John Lea		
Minister	Rev. Chad McCharles		

Nominating Report submitted by Rita Friesen and Jane Goudie.

