

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

WESLEY-KNOX UNITED CHURCH
91 ASKIN STREET, LONDON, ONTARIO N6C 1E7
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2012

Cathie Banks, chair

AGENDA

1. Constitution of meeting and invocation
2. In Memoriam
3. Minutes of February 13, 2011 Annual Meeting
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5. Acceptance of reports as printed
6. Financial Report for 2011: Robert Hahn, treasurer
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8. Nominations
9. Liability motion from the Trustees
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KINGDOM OF GOD

The Kingdom of God is justice and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.
Come Lord, and open in us the gates of your Kingdom.

Amen

UBI CARITAS

Where there is charity and love, God is present.
The love revealed in Jesus gathers us into one flock.
Let us rejoice and take delight in him.
Let us attend to and love the living God,
And with a sincere heart, let us love one another.
Amen

PRAYER

This is a day that God has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Let us count our many blessings.
Let us be grateful for the
 incredible gift of life.
Let us be grateful for the capacity
 to see, feel, hear and
 understand,
And let us be especially grateful
 for the ties of love which
 bind us together,
Giving dignity, meaning, worth
 and joy to all of our days.
Amen

LIFE IS SHORT

Life is short and we do not have too much time to gladden
 the hearts of those who travel the way with us,
So be swift to love and make haste to be kind,
 that love and life, peace and joy, hope, light
 and justice too might emerge in us,
 and through us go out to people everywhere.
Amen

OUR MISSION

Wesley-Knox United Church is a community of Christians which, through God's love, welcomes and nurtures everyone.

Our vision is...

- Being an open, welcoming church that embraces diversity.
- Being a church with a strong commitment to mission and outreach.
- Being a church where participation is encouraged and made easy.
- Being a teaching church that, for all ages, feeds the mind and spirit.

"Open doors, open hearts, open minds..."

FROM THE MINISTER'S DESK



SINCE BEGINNING my ministry among you in July I, have been delighted by the welcoming nature and warmth of this congregation. The real work of this congregation is done by its committees and I commend all those who are chairs or members of these committees. There is much to glean from their reports. Do take the time to read them carefully. As an "outsider", I have the opportunity to see you in a special way and what stands out for me is your commitment to worship, music and mission.

In this time of transition, this time of letting go and letting be, there is much to be gleaned from the twenty years of Tom's ministry with and among you. There is also some sifting and sorting as you, both as individuals and as a faith community, decide what to retain and what to let go so that new things can happen. It is never an easy thing to do but it is a necessary task.

It is always difficult to mention names as sometimes, someone gets left out or overlooked. Nonetheless I would like to thank Heather Westbrook for the incredible job that she does as office administrator, receptionist, church secretary, juggler of many tasks, source of endless information, keeper of records and so much more. Her office is the communications hub of Wesley- Knox. Office administrators and church secretaries are unique individuals, often working effectively behind the scenes to make the rest of us look good, and without whom the church would be a much less effective place.

And there are my colleagues in ministry. What an incredible gift Karen and her several choirs are to Wesley-Knox, not to forget her stable of talented musicians. Her reputation was well known to me when I came here but what a joy to work with her in the creation of rich and rewarding worship services. On any given Sunday we can be gifted with African drumming, organ, brass and timpani, jazz piano or strings, with choirs able to rise to every occasion and touch the soul.

It is also a joy to work with Barb McGill who moved so effectively and seemingly effortlessly into the position of Sunday School Coordinator. She has done a superb piece of work with the Sunday School, its children, teachers and parents. Barb is a wonderful team player and her superb ministry with children is a rich gift to the overall ministry of Wesley-Knox.

And Doug Ross, our minister of visitation and now our Minister Emeritus. Doug is such a gracious person possessing a fund of knowledge about Wesley-Knox and of the wider church. It is wonderful to have someone of his expertise and graciousness within the congregation.

And, of course, Cathie Banks, chair of the Official Board, whose remarkable leadership, wonderful smile and sense of humour have enabled us, on more than one occasion, to sail over hurdles that could so easily have been roadblocks. Her commitment and dedication to Wesley-Knox and its staff is much appreciated.

Also to Chris Mortlock, chair of Worship, who has been a great help in easing me into the worship life of Wesley- Knox and on occasion filling in when I am away. Thanks, Chris.

Thanks, too, to Paul Mullen, chair of Ministry and Personnel, for his own unique ministry to the ministers of Wesley-Knox. It is much appreciated.

In November, Middlesex Presbytery appointed me for another six months until June 30 or until the Joint Search Committee recommends the congregation to issue a call. Then I will return to putting in the garden or addressing that list of "things to do in retirement." Until then, it is a privilege to be among you as one who serves.

The ancient Greek myth of Prometheus tells how he stole fire from Zeus to give humans the gifts of fire, fire

representing “knowledge”, and “blind hope”—a “crime” for which he was punished. It is a story that has parallels in many cultures. Within this myth, knowledge and hope are connected. With knowledge we can be optimistic, and with optimism we can use our knowledge to improve the human condition. What Prometheus loved was human potential and Wesley- Knox has that in spades. The question and the challenge are in finding ways to release it.

Rev. Dr. David McKane
Presbytery Appointed Minister
January, 2012



FROM OUR OUTGOING MINISTER



THE FIRST HALF of our 2011 was filled with winding down and stepping back. After more than 19 years at Wesley-Knox it was time for me to change gears and move into retirement. All of those little tasks that had fallen on my desk over the years had to find a new home. Some of the redistribution was easy as good people stepped up to take on roles they had never taken before. Other tasks were reorganized into more manageable bits and pieces and handed to some already overworked members of the congregation. Still other responsibilities were not picked up by anyone. It is in this last area where the re-creation of retirement works its magic. As long as someone continues to do a job we don't ask the hard questions about the activity. Some jobs in the church are vital for the health of the congregation and some jobs are time wasters. It is only when we come to a halt that one can be separated from the other. Retirement of the minister is a time for re-creation as some things are dropped and some things are done in new ways.

After six months of retirement my feelings for all of you at Wesley-Knox have deepened more than I ever thought possible. We had a wonderful ministry together and you have honoured that time by continuing as the strong congregation that you are. Thank you for all the gifts Connie and I received in June. I took the model truck you gave me out to the driveway and it blossomed into a new F-150 pickup truck. The trailer has not yet bloomed but we can see buds and expect blossoms in the spring! Several of the other gifts are set out where I see them daily. Thank you for all these mementos. Connie and I now look forward to meeting every one of you in a mall or grocery store!

Rev. Tom Hiscock
London, Ontario
January, 2012

WESLEY-KNOX UNITED CHURCH STATISTICAL REPORT

JANUARY–DECEMBER 2011

Received into Membership by transfer	3
Removed from Membership by death	14
Baptisms	12
Marriages	7
Funerals of Members	14

Our Congregational Roll

Households	343
Members	460
Adherents	35

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IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of those from Wesley-Knox who entered the presence of their Lord during 2011

Mary Dennis
John Marshall

Albert Harper
Irene McConnell

Madeline Hawkes
Mary McKay
Gwen Singer

Jeanne Linden
William Peaker
Darlene Wells

Hilda Lunn
David Phelps

Eileen Maguire
Wayne Sershall

"O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee;

I give Thee back the life I owe, that in Thine ocean depths its flow, may richer, fuller be.

"O Light that follows all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee;

My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in Thy sunshine's glow its day, may brighter, fairer be.

"O Cross that liftest up my head, I do not ask to hide from Thee;

I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red, Life that shall endless be..."

"The time of my departure is at hand. I have fought the good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth, there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me on that day, and not only me, but to all who have loved His appearing."—2 Timothy 4:6-8

WESLEY KNOX UNITED CHURCH

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2011

- 1. Constitution of Meeting and Invocation:** Rev. Tom Hiscock duly constituted the meeting with a prayer. Cathie Banks served as chair. She opened with words of welcome and thanks to all for a busy and successful 2010 year at Wesley-Knox. She also thanked UCW social convenors Donna Clarke and Vivien White for the setup and service of the luncheon, and Mallory Brennan and Jessie Read for caring for the children during the meeting.
- 2. In Memoriam:** Cathie Banks read the names of members of the congregation who had entered into the presence of their Lord during 2010. This was followed by a moment of silence.
- 3. Minutes of Annual Meeting February 8, 2010**
MOTION to approve the minutes of the Annual Meeting of February 14, 2009 as printed in the annual report for 2010. (Chris Mortlock/Lynda Laskey: Carried)
- 4. 2010 Pictorial Review:** John McFall, who serves as church photographer, presented the pictorial review. New this year: captions. Special thanks to Alex Walker and others for contributing some of the photographs.
- 5. Acceptance of Staff, Committee and Group Reports as printed**
Cathie Banks thanked Harry MacLean and the Communications Committee for preparing the 2010 Annual Report. MOTION to approve all reports printed in the 2010 Annual Report (Virginia Ford/Bob Ford: Carried)
- 6. Financial Report 2010:** Bob Hahn presented the report printed in the 2010 Annual Report. MOTION to adopt the Wesley-Knox Financial Report for 2010 subject to audit. (Bob Hahn/Doug McCabe: Carried)
MOTION to set the Mission and Service objective for 2011 at \$30,000. (Marilynne McNeil/Eileen Cook: Carried)

7. **2011 Budget Proposal:** As printed in the 2010 Annual Report.
MOTION to adopt the 2010 Budget Proposal. **(Bob Hahn/Chris Mortlock: carried)**
8. **Nominations:** Cathie Banks presented the nominations.
Part One: Continuing appointments: Trustee Board, Life Members and Official Board elected to 2012–2013
Part Two: Official Board re-election to 2014, and Official Board election to 2014
Part Three: General nominations
Part Four: Official Board standing committees. Karlene Kimber was added to Christian Education and Jessie Read was added to Mission and Service.
MOTION that Part One, Part Two, Part Three and Part Four nominations and re-elections proceed as printed in the 2010 Annual Report. **(May McAllister/Helen Campbell: Carried)**
9. **Liability Motion from the Trustees:**
WHEREAS the United Church of Canada, through the London Conference and the Middlesex Presbytery, recommends that local congregations annually approve a resolution pertaining to the protection and release of the Board of Trustees in respect of the insurance amounts; and,
WHEREAS the insurance on the buildings and contents is \$6,373,725 on the property at 91 Askin St, London Ontario, and,
WHEREAS the Wesley-Knox United Church congregation approved a resolution in respect of this matter for the 2010–2011 insurance year.
THEREFORE be it resolved that the congregation of the Wesley-Knox United Church hereby:
a) Determines and directs that the insurance for the 91 Askin St. building for Insurance Policy Year being March 1, 2009 to March 1, 2011 be similar insurance coverage as presently exists for the previous insurance year as outlined in Policy MMF/1112-864, with the broker Hub International, Ltd.; and,
b) Acknowledges that the limits in such Insurance Policy may be less than the full replacement cost of the building and contents insured under the Policy; and,
c) Releases the Trustees of the Wesley–Knox congregation from any obligation to maintain insurance coverage with higher limits than that provided in the Policy, and agrees to indemnify and save harmless the Trustees of the said congregation for all claims with respect to such obligation.
Note: It was resolved at the Board of Trustees meeting of January 13, 2011, to present this motion to the congregation at its next Annual General Meeting, February 13, 2011.
MOTION: To accept the liability motion. **(Doug McCabe/Carl Hearn: Carried)**
10. **New Business**
- a. Disaster Relief Fund: Bob Ford, offered an explanation and guidelines for this new initiative proposed by the Board of Trustees and passed by the Official Board, January 2011.
- b. Joint Needs Assessment Committee: Ron Olson reported that the Joint Needs Assessment Report (JNAR) was complete. The report would be circulated to the Official Board today. The Official Board will discuss its recommendations at its February 16, 2011, meeting. A congregational meeting would approve disseminating the results of the JNAR. The JNAR would also be posted to the Wesley-Knox website. The JNAC is proud of the input that the committee has received during the past seven months. Cathie Banks thanks the JNAC for its work and efforts.
- c. Askin Street reconstruction: Cathie Banks, explained the process of the road reconstruction as it will likely evolve through late spring, summer and into fall. This construction threatens to affect access to the church. As construction proceeds, the church will inform members of developments via e-mail. Some active problem solving will be required.
11. **Appreciations:** Paul Mullen expressed the congregation’s appreciation to church staff and particularly to Rev. Tom Hiscock for the fine work all do throughout the year. Karen Schuessler. Mary Bee Haworth, Barbara McGill, Rev. Dr. Doug Ross, Chelan Ott and Aaron McNab were particularly recognized for their fine work and efforts.
12. **Adjournment:** 1:37 p.m. MOTION to adjourn the meeting. **(Chris Mortlock/Sandy Sershall: Carried)**
13. **Benediction:** Rev. Tom Hiscock

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

The music of Wesley-Knox continues to be a growing and vital part of our congregational life. In 2011, the choral program continued with the same vast array of ensembles: a Singing Games Group for the 4- and 5-year-olds and a Primary Choir for those in grades SK–3, both directed by Barb McGill; a Junior Choir consisting of separate Boys' and Girls' Choirs for those in grades 4–7; *Mysterium*, a youth choir for those in grade 8–university; and the Senior Choir—the last three choirs directed by the Director of Music.

This fall we enrolled the largest number of young people ever in our choir programs. We have over 80 children and teens coming upstairs every Thursday afternoon. We manage this beautiful responsibility with the assistance of Mary Bee Haworth who serves as an administrative assistant for our children's choir programs. Also assisting, M. J. Cooper and her team of cutters who sewed new robes for all 40 of the Primary Choir and several for Junior Choir.

Our five-octave handbell choir, directed by expert ringer Cathie Banks, rehearses on Wednesday evenings. Their expertise improves every year and they add much beauty to our Sunday services. Many of them took part in the National Handbell Festival in Hamilton in May.

In April, our Primary Choir won another gold at the Kiwanis Festival. Barb's excellent work with this choir was greatly supported by her assistant, Mallory Brennan, and accompanist Richard Yake. Also in May, on Mother's Day, the Junior Choir performed the musical "Table For...5000!". It was a splendid production with tremendous assistance by Mary Bee, Karen Pincombe as director, M. J. Cooper sewing costumes, and Linda Imrie designing the set. Irla Stewart was our accompanist and Magdalena Lagerlund was our flutist. The children sang with beauty and energy in a production we will not soon forget.

Still in April, the Senior Choir held its annual Turkey Dinner, organized by Linda Olson, assisted by Virginia and Bob Ford. *Mysterium* gave the Senior Choir the following Sunday morning off by leading worship in their place. Also in April, this time on Easter morning, the Senior Choir was able to perform two major anthems, Halley's Wondrous Love and Vaughan Williams' O Clap Your Hands, with seven brass and timpani, all thanks to the generous gift of Bob and Maddie Sherriff last November.

In May, *Mysterium* sang for worship at Arva United Church, and in October they offered music at Laurie O'Leary's two-point charge: Frome and Bethany United churches. All three churches were very appreciative of the youthful energy that *Mysterium* brought to their worship services.

In June, the Senior Choir offered extra music for the worship service when Bruce Sanguin was here to preach. As well, all choirs sang for Rev. Tom Hiscock's last Sunday on June 12.

In September, to learn music for the Christmas concert, the Senior Choir held an in-house choir retreat at Wesley-Knox so they could be on hand to offer congratulations to long-time supporters Bob and Betty Read on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary.

Once again, our annual Christmas concert with Denise Pelley, the Wesley-Knox choirs and band, was a tremendous success. The excellent work of the Music Outreach Committee, in particular, the fine work of Harry MacLean who designs and produces our concert posters and programs, are greatly appreciated. Each year our choirs sing better and better. If you have never experienced this concert—for many, now a holiday tradition—you don't know what you're missing.

Throughout the year, Brian Ratcliffe was our excellent choir accompanist. As well, he, along with Neil Eadie on organ, and Richard Yake and Mallory Brennan on piano, played services as the need arose. On several occasions, Barb McGill and Karen Pincombe, filled in as supply conductor. Many thanks to the several fine musicians who regularly add their talents to our worship: Shawn Spicer and Kelly Webb on trumpet; Mary Lois Cooper on flute; Karen Pincombe on timpani and Matt Hahn on djembe and bongos; and to Kevin White, our talented singer-songwriter.

The musical gifts of these fine musicians are greatly appreciated. The enthusiastic support of our music ministry by our ministers, Rev. Tom Hiscock and now Rev. David McKane, and by the congregation at large, is also greatly appreciated. Thank you to all who share their musical talents by performing, accompanying, and directing our many ensembles, and thank you to those who help administratively. Our music ministry continues to bless our faith community because of your gifts. With gratitude and praise for the Love that surrounds us.— Karen Schuessler, director of music

SUNDAY SCHOOL COORDINATOR

As you have been reading in the *Kindred Spirit Connection*, Sunday school is now being delivered a little differently. The Workshop Rotational Model (WRM) we are using is engaging every type of learner and every kind of teacher. Since September, 35 volunteers have passed through our Sunday School sharing their interests, talents and skills. The children have clearly benefited from the energy and enthusiasm of these volunteers who are sharing both their gifts and their faith. The other benefit of WRM is that it is inexpensive and time friendly!

After slogging through those "firsts" that led up to Christmas, I am settling in for some "quiet time". With the support of the Christian Education Committee, I am now focusing on policy, the website, a brochure for the Sunday School, and a review of supplementary curriculum materials so we will be ready for

growth. Over March break, I plan to visit computer and electronic stores to fulfill the computer component of our curriculum. Although things may seem quiet on the surface, please know that my visioning notebook is always close by, and please feel free to stop by my office with your suggestions.

Currently, we have a total of 59 children and youth registered in Sunday School and Youth Forum. We have seen some wonderful new additions to our church family and we have witnessed the vast range of ways that our families experience and engage in church life. As we look to the future of Wesley-Knox, Christian education, and our children, youth and family ministries, will play an important role, shaping Wesley Knox and the lives of our youngest members and their families.—Barbara McGill, Sunday School coordinator

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees is pleased to provide this report.

Bequests

In 2011, the Trustee Board was notified of the following bequests: from the the estate of Sadie Bernice Brooks, \$7,500 (partial distribution), and from the estate of Mary McKay, \$40,000.

Property

The Trustee Board willingly accepted the responsibility of being the primary contact for the City of London reconstruction of Teresa and Askin streets. This included monitoring the timing of the project, lead pipe replacement, electrical ground checks, temporary water service, construction vibrations, private items on City property, labeling of garbage containers, street access and parking, tree removal, sod replacement and personnel information. Both of our water intakes are now operational. The main intake required a new pipe from the property line to the inside of the church. Cost was \$2712. There was also a standard \$4000 for each intake. We contacted Hesse Plumbing to explore the idea of joining the two water intakes, but the idea was dismissed as being cost-prohibitive. We learned that our secondary water intake serves the washrooms in the gym and Sunday School area, and also serves the kitchen in Centennial Parlour.

Resolving the Teresa Street storm drain issue was a major project for the church. We were contacted by the City of London and encouraged to connect the five downspouts on the Teresa Street side of our church to the new storm drain on Teresa Street. Because cost of each connection would be \$4000, we engaged a contractor to combine some of our downspouts and thereby reduce our costs. This resulted in the installation of a manhole on Wesley-Knox property at City of London expense. Cost of the three downspout connections was paid by Wesley-Knox.

Trustee Financial Issues

The Trustee Board continues its investment portfolio under the management of RBC Dominion Securities with Mr. William C. McConnell, as

investment advisor. For details, please refer to the Investment Statement in the 2011 Financial Report.

The Trustees also addressed the problem of our growing accumulated deficit. At the January 18, 2012, meeting of the Official Board, the Trustee Board moved and seconded a motion recommending that the entire accumulated deficit of the General Operating Account, now funded by Trustee funds, be written off as of December 31, 2011. This motion was carried and the financial statements for 2011 will now show an accumulated deficit of zero.

Conclusion

I would like to thank all members of the Trustee Board for their many contributions to the business of 2010, and in particular the untiring efforts of members on a very important subcommittee: the Investment Subcommittee. Subcommittee chair Bob Ford has once again capably guided us through some very difficult investment times. Thank you, Bob. Respectfully submitted—Ross Rowe, chair

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE

This report needs to start off with a profound “thank you” to all the volunteers who make up our team. We would not be able to offer our varied programs, as well as staff the Sunday School and Nursery, without our many dedicated volunteers. My sincere thanks to all those who made 2011 a great year for our church family.

This has been a year of transition in our Sunday School. For the first six months, Chelan Ott was our co-ordinator. During the summer, Barb McGill took over, and continues in that position. Our thanks to Chelan for leading a meaningful farewell to Rev. Tom in June. The children of our Sunday School had a very strong bond with him and they enjoyed taking an active part in Tom’s last service.

Barb has made many changes in the Sunday School. She has introduced a Rotational Curriculum Model (RTM) that offers flexible time commitment and allows many people to teach. The children are now benefiting from their talents in art, cooking, movie making and more. Barb is using weekly e-mails to stay in contact with families and volunteers. She led the Christmas Pageant smoothly through a complex script, and even had a “surprise guest”, Rev. Tom, at the rehearsal party. The season ended with a mission project to collect baby food for Southdale Chaplaincy. Barb has many exciting plans for 2012, so keep watching!

We also need to thank Karen Pincombe and Mary Bee Haworth for their dedication to our Youth Forum program. This is for youth in grades 8 and up and runs in the parlour on Sundays immediately after the anthem. This program is run independently, and Karen and Mary Bee keep it all relevant to teens.

Our Friday Movie Nights have run since September, 2005. This program is run entirely by Dave Lumley. Our thanks for his dedication. Movies are shown alternate Fridays in the Centennial Parlour. Dave offers popcorn and soft drinks during the show, with decaf coffee and dessert afterwards. He runs three sets a year, fall, winter and spring. A printed

schedule is always available on the bulletin boards, and there is a listing on the W-K website. If this is something you have missed, check it out. It's lots of fun, and a pleasant, casual way to get to know your Wesley-Knox family.

Wesley-Knox youth groups are always very busy, involved in both the greater church and in the community. Highlights of 2011 include a February trip to Worshiplude in Ottawa. We had fun skating the canal. The weekend culminated in a youth worship service called The Point, roughly based on our Swell. We are excited to be attending again this winter.

In March, we led a Sunday youth service that built on the many talents of our teens. They planned and executed the entire service independently. The theme was a tribute to Rev. Tom, with several of them sharing anecdotes of their favourite "Tom times". They also held their first Coffee House, showcasing other talents of our crew. We had 55 guests and hope to hold another Coffee House this spring.

Our youth attended three different retreat weekends. The first was the London Conference annual Youth Forum at Pearce Williams Christian Centre near Fingal. We sent eight delegates to this retreat, plus a planner and a home group leader. All agreed it was an amazing experience. The second was a weekend in May spent at my cottage in Grand Bend. As challenged by Pat Morrison at the Easter Swell, we worked on "word clouds" to develop our personal faith statements. The last retreat was a September camp weekend at Camp KeeMoKee with youth from several other local congregations. All three events will be repeated this year.

Our major fundraiser this year was for the London and Area United Way. It was a blast at the annual Rainbow Movie Marathon in October. The 26 youth in our group raised \$1305 for the cause. We attended an IKON service and the RCCO Carol Service at Metropolitan United Church. Throughout the year we watched movies, mini-golfed, bowled, hiked, slept at the church, attended a Knights game and held an early New Year's party—tons of fun stuff! We have taken the collection at the Sudan Concert, put away chairs after events, had quiet meditative worship in our sanctuary, participated in the UCW Harvest to Holiday Festival, and done whatever when a need arose. It is my profound privilege to have the opportunity to lead, along with Dave Lumley, this amazing group of young people. It enriches my life and enlivens my faith journey.

We also hosted several family events in 2011. We held two Family Movie Nights, as well as our ever-popular Parents' Night Out. We looked after 56 children at this year's Night Out. We go tubing every year at River Valley Tube Slide and have been renting the North London Optimists' Roller Rink for family skating. We invite the congregation to join the youth on these many special days, at swimming, and the skating at Storybook, and when we attend special services.

One of the committee's favourite events is our annual Family Camp at Pearce Williams Christian Centre. We had a record crowd this year—120 came for Saturday supper! Rev. Tom and Connie came to camp, so we held a special catered dinner in their honour. This is a wonderful relaxing weekend

for families and singles, and we always have room for more. This June we will be searching for someone to take over for Tom, teaching a wood craft during Saturday's quiet time. Anyone interested?

Harry MacLean facilitated our adult education programs. Tom led two groups in Lent, to learn more about the Psalms. He offered it during the day, as well as in the evening. Harry invited Bruce Sanguin to Wesley-Knox for a lecture weekend in June. It coincided with a KSS Missa Gaia/Earth Mass concert, a perfect match for Bruce's environmental message. In the fall, Harry led a discussion group based on the Marcus Borg DVD series, Embracing an Adult Faith. Our thanks to Harry for taking on this important work.

I will end by encouraging everyone to read our weekly announcements, and to try taking part in a new program. Time spent in community strengthens our church family. —Jane Walker, chair

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

2011 was another busy year for our Communications Committee. Completed or ongoing projects included:

- our fifth Wesley-Knox Annual Report (previously, the Annual Report had been prepared in the church office),
- our fifth pictorial review using digital photos, a computer, and the church's digital projector,
- production of five issues of the Kindred Spirit Connection newsletter,
- preparation of Holy Week, Easter, Sanguin Lectures, Fall, Sudan Concert, Advent and Christmas newspaper ads for the London Free Press,
- updating the present Wesley-Knox website, which now offers mp3s of Sunday sermons—and the Wesley-Knox page on the United Church of Canada's Wondercafe website, and
- more work on the new website, www.wesleyknox.com. This website is now being created by Lionel Morise of Creative Monkey Website Design. We expect to launch it just before Easter 2012.

Special thanks to John McFall who serves as church photographer, produces the annual pictorial review, and maintains the Wesley-Knox website. Thanks also to Neil Eadie and Linda Olson. While not official members of our committee, they provide an invaluable service to the church as proofreaders of both the KSC and this Annual Report.

This coming year, our main focus will be refining the new website and adding new features to it. It promises to be an interesting year.—Harry MacLean, chair

DISTRICT VISITORS COMMITTEE

This 2011 report is much the same as for previous years. I guess that is fine. It reflects the constant efforts of our many District Visitors who continue to keep in touch with Wesley-Knox folks by taking communion cards and newsletters to the homes of people on their lists. This contact helps our minister know about concerns and the needs of our members and their families, and helps maintain our records. A core committee of District Visitors meets,

usually in autumn and once again in the spring, to oversee this work, review membership changes, plan and prepare communion, and support the Visitors in their work. In September, 2011, our District Visitors enjoyed lunch after church and gave lively and thoughtful consideration to some basic questions about congregational visiting, guided by the wisdom and experience of Dr. Douglas Ross. Hopefully, a similar gathering to celebrate and share ideas will occur in the fall of 2012.

Thanks to all District Visitors and to the District Visitor Committee for your faithful commitment. As chairperson, I have received generous support and encouragement. Perhaps it is time to share this rich blessing with fresh leadership. Let's think about this, and also hope that the New Year brings our congregation a new shepherd and renews our energy to do God's work in the world.—Brenda Smith, chair

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Our committee met monthly throughout the year except during the summer months. All major committees and boards are represented on our Finance Committee. This ensures that concerns, objectives and strategies are communicated clearly and dealt with on a timely basis.

2011 proved to be a challenging year. The retirement of our minister and the impact on attendance created by road construction meant that our church had to operate with fewer resources. We sincerely thank all the individuals, boards and committees that worked so diligently to keep costs under control without impacting the variety, number or quality of our programs. Having said this, the most significant portion of our costs is fixed and does not vary significantly, regardless of attendance. This has highlighted the pressing need to find additional sources of revenue so programming will not be impacted in the future. We thank the Stewardship Committee for keeping the need for stronger givings before our members, and for encouraging members to commit to supporting the work of the church.

As part of laying the groundwork for operating the church on a deficit-free basis, the Trustees recently brought forward a motion to pay off the deficit. The Finance Committee supports this motion. [This motion was passed at the January 18, 2012, meeting of the Wesley-Knox Official Board.] It must be understood that, because of limited resources, this is not an option we can rely on in the future. Once again, this highlights the need to work with the congregation to find additional sources of revenue.

To ensure the long-term stability of the church, the Finance Committee has also proposed that the target balance of funds held by the Trustees should be three times our annual operating expenses.

We thank both families and individuals who made bequests to our church over the past year. Where bequests have not been allocated for specific purposes, the Finance Committee has directed them to help with specific needs. In 2011, this included underwriting

costs of the Sunday School program and some ministry costs.

The Finance Committee will continue to work hard to support all committees in their work, and to support the mission of our church and the greater Wesley-Knox community.—Sheila LeClair, member

JOINT SEARCH COMMITTEE

The Joint Search Committee (JSC) has been meeting regularly since June 6, 2011. The advertisement placed in the United Church Observer and on the Wesley-Knox website has generated considerable interest, and the JSC has now received many resumes. At this time, members of JSC are visiting churches of certain applicants and hope soon to be in a position to begin interviewing those on a short list of prospective ministers. The JSC wishes to thank the congregation for its patience, and Rev. David McKane for his service as we continue this process.—Ian Hardie, chair

MIDDLESEX PRESBYTERY

This year, Presbytery made several important decisions on your behalf. The 75 Blackfriars Visioning Team continued to meet and eventually presented Presbytery with proposals for the building that housed the former Empress United Church. Empress closed its building in 2009 and amalgamated with Colborne Street United Church. Unfortunately, a proposal to keep the building for Presbytery use was not feasible financially. Thus, Presbytery voted to sell the property and forward part of the proceeds to Colborne.

Early in 2011, Presbytery offered a series of workshops called "Greening the Earth" which certainly led the way for Bruce Sanguin's visit to Wesley-Knox in June. Other 2011 highlights included:

- 140 young people, more than ever before, registered for Youth Forum,
- www.middlesexpresbytery.on.ca, Middlesex Presbytery's new website,
- a significant United Church presence in London's Gay Pride parade,
- Wellington Street United Church closing and amalgamating with Rowntree United,
- Hyde Park United Church closing and amalgamating with Riverside United, and
- the London Conference United Church 2011 meeting in Sault Ste. Marie. 2012 will be London's turn to host.

There was much discussion about what should be done with funds from future sales of United Church property, and how involved Presbytery should be in making these decisions. Presbytery decided to leave things as they are now, and will make decisions on a case-by-case basis.

We have enjoyed being your Presbytery representatives. Alex Walker and I particularly appreciated the opportunity to attend the annual meeting in Sault Ste. Marie. We will continue with Presbytery, but Linda Wilcox and Hugh John Cook will be retiring. Hugh John has been a long-time representative to Presbytery and we particularly thank him for a job well done.—Debbi Jarvis, Presbytery representative

MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Ministry and Personnel Committee members are Margaret Eadie, Freda Evans, Ian Hardie, Cindy Milne-Wren, Paul Mullen, Craig Read and Sheila Tasker. This group is very dedicated and committed to its work. It is a pleasure to be associated with them.

In July, Barbara McGill, a member of Wesley-Knox, assumed the position of Sunday School Coordinator. Barb is a very capable person who possesses great leadership abilities. We are fortunate to have her in this role.

Each member of our committee is a liaison with a member of the church staff. This provides an opportunity for each party to communicate with the other to discuss any matter that may be of concern.

On behalf of the committee and the congregation, I express sincere thanks to our dedicated church staff, namely Reverend Dr. David McKane, Reverend Dr. Douglas H. Ross, church administrative assistant Heather Westbrook, director of music Karen Schuessler, her assistant Mary Bee Howarth, Sunday School Coordinator Barbara McGill and custodian Sandra Alvarez for their attentiveness to their responsibilities, and for the wonderful contribution that each makes to the life and work of this great church.—Paul J. Mullen, chair

MISSION AND SERVICE COMMITTEE

We're going to South Sudan in January 2013! Who are we? We are the people of Wesley Knox! Of course not everyone in our church community will be travelling there physically. But a number of our members will be journeying there on our behalf. They'll be working closely with Canadian Aid for Southern Sudan (CASS) to perform good works to help the people of this one-year-old country.

This is the single biggest item of news from your Mission and Service Committee. And it's pretty big! So big we gave the project a special name—Journey with Sudan—which recognizes our long-term connection with and our commitment to the South Sudanese people.

Of course there were other events that unfolded over the course of the year. Back in January 2011, co-chairs Jane Roy and Glen Pearson stepped down and I agreed to step into their shoes which were several sizes too big for me! We also welcomed new members Sheila LeClair, Tara LeClair and Susan Smith.

As usual, during Lent we gratefully took in the proceeds of Loonies for Lent collections which were administered—or extorted depending on your perspective—by the energetic young people of our Sunday school. This time, funds were designated for the committee's emerging Sudan project.

On a rainy day in June, we operated a booth at Wortley Village's Gathering on the Green. That's where we sold African crafts to further benefit the Sudan project. The committee gratefully acknowledges Jane and Glen for donating the items which were sold.

Sadly, committee member David Phelps passed away in October. David had been a faithful member of the Mission and Service Committee for several years until illness

prevented his participation. He is very much missed.

November 20 was Mission Sunday. We planned and led the Sunday service, using the opportunity to officially introduce Journey with Sudan to the congregation. Sheila LeClair was worship leader and Jane Roy spoke about the call to actively participate in God's work. Appropriately, the service incorporated African music, accompanied by djembe drummer Matthew Hahn.

As we begin 2012, there is much to be done and much to be excited about. We're planning fundraisers, information sessions and a couple of Sunday services. We'll be working with enthusiastic people from all corners of our congregation and beyond. With so much invigorating work to do we would gladly welcome new recruits! Come and join us! —Tony Haworth, chair

MUSIC OUTREACH COMMITTEE

This committee continues to meet on an as-needed basis. In 2011, There Shall a Star, this year's annual Christmas concert with Denise Pelley, the Wesley-Knox choirs, organ and band was the only event the committee needed to organize and promote.—Karen Schuessler, chair

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Last February, as we gathered for our Annual General Meeting, we anticipated the spring and summer road construction on Askin Street and wondered how it would impact our congregation and the use of our very busy building. Yes, the holes got deeper, the road became muddy, we lost parking spaces and our floors were constantly dirty. But now it's done. We can put the whole mess behind us.

Surprisingly, there were some upsides to the experience. If we had not been forced to park on Bruce Street, some of us might never have looked up to see the eavestroughs hanging off our south fascia, nor the family of squirrels that had burrowed into our eaves. Now, of course, the needed repairs have been safely completed, thanks to reserves in our Capital Improvement Fund (CIF). Big ticket items like these repairs are financially supported by CIF and we continually thank our members for their generous contributions to this fund.

Sandra Alvarez, our custodian, has become a real blessing to us. Her love, both for us and for the building, is evident everywhere. Never has our building shone with such pride. Well done, Sandra.

Because of time constraints and new work commitments, Andy White was forced to resign as Property chair. Thankfully, he agreed to remain on the committee and has been busy electronically categorizing our records. We now have diagrams of all areas of the building. The plan is to record the location of all switches, controls, fire exits, extinguishers, thermostats, etc. Yes, Tom knew where everything was, but too few other people did!

The Sip and Serve Club has now completed over 140 odd jobs around our church. Many thanks to regulars Dusty, Darryl and Ted who come out

two Wednesday mornings each month to tackle the many small jobs recorded in the Sip and Serve book. Come and join them if you can!

The east fence is one of the major jobs the committee will be looking at in 2012. We would be most interested in your ideas on how to proceed. Kindly speak to any Property Committee member.—Cathie Banks, acting chair

PROPERTY USE COMMITTEE

We are a small committee. Cathie Banks represents the Official Board, Neil Eadie the congregation, and Marg Henderson our United Church Women. Heather Westbrook, our church administrative assistant, is an ex-officio member.

Our committee reviews applications and sets fees for use of our church building by outside groups and community organizations. Wesley-Knox is a busy church with many areas available for use. However, we are very protective of our church home, and when a request is received, we look closely at how use might impact on normal activities of our church.

A reminder to our Wesley-Knox groups and committees: If you need space for a meeting or event, please book with Heather well in advance. Thank you for your co-operation.—Margaret Henderson, chair

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Throughout 2011, our committee continued to promote all aspects of stewardship.

Early in the year, we encouraged the congregation to consider stewardship of time and talent. In February we assisted the Sunday School coordinator in recruiting teachers. Through our monthly Minutes for Stewardship and our Stewardship Sunday in May, we highlighted areas of our church's ministry in which people might become involved. We also celebrated the current involvement of our people. There is a niche for everyone at Wesley-Knox, and generous stewardship of time and talent makes it possible for our Wesley-Knox programs to continue.

Also in May, with the assistance of members of the Finance Committee, we conducted a short campaign educating the congregation about the advantages of PAR (Pre-authorized Remittance). Several new people now use PAR to make their financial contributions to the church. We encourage everyone to consider it.

In October, we focussed on financial stewardship. Our financial resources have brought us the excellent leadership we enjoy: our ministers, music director and Sunday School coordinator, who help us carry out the mission of our church. By increasing our financial stewardship, we will ensure that we will always have the resources needed to offer enlightening worship experiences, excellent Christian education, valuable outreach programs, and the fun fellowship times we have come to expect at Wesley-Knox.

Over 250 people came to church on Dedication Sunday, October 30. On that day, 46% of the congregation completed a 2012 Estimate of Givings card.

I would like to thank committee members

Kathleen Brennan, Freda Evans, and Donna Goldhawk for their personal stewardship—contributing thoughts and demonstrating commitment to the work of our committee, and to Rev. Tom Hiscock and Rev. David McKane for their guidance as our committee pursued its work.—Marilynne McNeil, chair

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Wesley Wheels continues to do a wonderful job and riders are very appreciative of this service. Each Sunday, the Mornington bus brings in about ten riders, and the Cherryhill bus about sixteen. This year, six people took advantage of the Christmas Eve bus.

There will be a 1:30-pm delayed pickup for the February 12 Annual General Meeting. Everyone using Wesley-Wheels is asked to contribute weekly. Please mark your envelopes "Transportation Fund".—Muriel Parkes, chair

UNITED CHURCH WOMEN

Wesley Knox has three amazing United Church Women units that were very busy this year. We packed 2011 with so many exciting events, starting with UCW Sunday on January 16. Our guest speaker, Asma Ahmadi, gave us real insight into the challenges that Muslim immigrants face when they come to Canada.

In April, Sue Mennill organized a highly successful garage sale. All money raised will now be going towards new chairs for the social hall.

April also featured "Lighten Up", a women's retreat organized and facilitated by Linda Wilcox, Cindy Stewart and Rev. Tracy Crick-Butler. We coloured pictures, had a campfire and enjoyed great food. UCW members love great food!

In May, some twenty ladies and even a few gentlemen enjoyed our annual Spring Community Friendship Tea. They enjoyed home-baked tarts and a singalong. All of our guests went home with spring flowers. It's always a pleasure to host the folks who are now in nursing or retirement homes.

June 12 was both a happy and sad day for all members of Wesley Knox as we expressed our best wishes for a long and happy retirement to Rev. Tom Hiscock and Connie. The UCW presented Connie and Tom with two beautiful figurines: a carpenter and a quilter. Chris Webb and Ruth Rushton found these perfect gifts, and Tom and Connie were very pleased. They will cherish memories of our UCW for years to come.

In November we held our Harvest to Holiday Festival, another very successful fall fundraiser. The construction on Askin Street, although an annoyance, did not deter our fall shoppers. Cookies, home baked goods, frozen foods and even dog biscuits were offered by various vendors. Many people from the community attended, and they were very happy with their shopping experience.

Yes it has been a very busy and exciting year. And we have helped many people this year because of our successful fundraisers. Now it is time to relax and regroup and give thanks for all we have: family, friends and the many other blessings that God has given us.

Thank you, every UCW member, for all you have done to make our United Church Women so very special.—Mary Anne van de Vooren, UCW president

WESLEY-KNOX MEN'S GROUP

Throughout 2011, on the first Sunday of each month, our Men's Group met for breakfast at the Family Circle Restaurant. Average attendance was about ten. Twice during the year, in May and December, we invited guests to join us.

Also throughout the year, on the second Saturday of each month, our group prepared a community breakfast, each breakfast serving about one hundred people. When the number of guests increased, we responded accordingly. We did take a break in July and August, and we expect to do the same again this year.

Our group served coffee to the congregation after service on the first and sometimes fifth Sunday of each month, and also prepared and served the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and the Easter Sunrise Breakfast. Our annual Ham and Scaloped Potato Supper was cancelled because of the road construction on neighbouring streets.

We extend our appreciation to all the men and women who so cheerfully and efficiently help with shopping, setting up, cooking and serving our community breakfasts. Proceeds from our Pancake Supper—about \$480 in 2011—helped to finance our community breakfast program. We also received generous donations from individuals and groups within the church, and from the wider community. All support was greatly appreciated.

This year our Pancake Supper will be held from 5 to 6:30 pm on Tuesday, February 21. We look forward to serving you then. Thank you for your enthusiasm and support.—Neil Eadie, chair

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

We are a small but significant committee because of the vital role we have been asked to play in our church. Members are Sandra Fox, Eileen Cook, Chris Webb, and myself.

For parts of the year, Rev. Tom Hiscock, Ingrid Hutchinson-Young, Alex Walker, Cathie Banks and Rev. Dr. David McKane joined us. Our committee continued to build on objectives laid out the previous year. Objectives included:

- Youth leadership in worship at least once a year
- Coordination of special services for Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter
- Recruitment and coverage for supply worship

Karen Schuessler, our remarkable music director, and our Senior Choir continue to provide us with beautiful music on Sunday mornings. The Primary choir under the direction of Barb McGill, and the Junior choirs and Mysterium under the direction of Karen, perform regularly throughout the year. I must not forget handbells under the direction of Cathie Banks, and guest musicians like Karen Pincombe, Shawn Spicer, Richard Yake, Neil Eadie, and Kevin White. Thank you, Karen, and all the others for the generous sharing of your time and talents, your hard work, and all the musical

blessings that you bring to our congregation.

I also wish to thank our guest preachers and worship leaders who conduct or participate in our services: David Burghardt, Glen Pearson, David Lumley, Richard Yake, Victoria Stirling and Barbara McGill. We are grateful for all you do.

At our meetings, we regularly review or evaluate worship services using the feedback from the members of the committee and the congregation. If there is an issue, we attempt to address it. Topics we have explored include:

- the use of Powerpoint in worship as is done in many "seeker churches". We feel we do not need a major change at this time. This can be revisited in months and years ahead,
- feedback from those looking for more contemporary music in our services
- concerns about the quality of our microphones and sound system,
- retirement celebration for Rev. Tom Hiscock, our much-loved minister of some twenty years,
- making ministers' sermons available on the Wesley-Knox website,
- the lovely new wreath from the former Hyatt Avenue United Church that now graces our sanctuary during Advent, and
- the ministry of Rev. Dr. Doug Ross, our Minister of Visitation and now our Minister Emeritus. For many of our members, Doug is the face of Wesley-Knox. Thanks, Doug!

At the end of June we will probably bid farewell to Rev. Dr. David McKane, our Presbytery Appointed Minister. I am pleased to know that the Search Committee is putting a high priority on our new minister's faith and commitment to the excellent worship services we strive to offer, to the glory of God, at Wesley-Knox.—Chris Mortlock, chair

WESLEY KNOX 2010 SENIOR CHOIR DUES ACCOUNT

Bank balance, December 31, 2011	\$1820.29
Dues for 2010	\$855.00
Total	\$2675.29
Disbursements	\$1776.16
Bank balance, December 31, 2011	\$899.13

Disbursements were for cards, gifts and donations made in memory of choir family members who passed away in 2011, the September choir retreat, and money transferred to the church's Senior Choir Fund.—Helen Campbell, choir treasurer

PART ONE: CONTINUING APPOINTMENTS

TRUSTEE BOARD

Darryl Banks	Trevor Brooks	Robert Ford	Carl Hearn	Lynda Laskey
Doug McCabe	Paul Mullen	Elizabeth Phoenix	Betty Read	Ross Rowe, chair
John Rushton	Doug Scott	Alec Whitfield		

LIFE MEMBERS OF THE OFFICIAL BOARD

Trevor Brooks	McEwan Bryce	June Clark	Neil Eadie	Verna Ewer
Robert Ford	Virginia Ford	Jean Hay	Carl Hearn	Marion Hearn
Bernie Jackson	Dora McNeil	Sue Mennill	Gwen Miners	Paul Mullen
Betty Read	Robert Read	Ross Rowe	John Rushton	Ruth Rushton
Aileen Symington	Orwell Thornton	Wilson Thornton	Alec Whitfield	Sadie Whitfield

OFFICIAL BOARD ELECTED TO 2013

Eileen Cook	Hugh John Cook	Catherine Flood	Cathy Grasby	Bob Hahn
Debbi Jarvis	David Lumley	Harry MacLean	May McAllister	Doug McCabe
Marilynne McNeil	Ron Olson	Helen Ross	Paul Stewart	
Mary Ann van de Vooren		Alex Walker		

OFFICIAL BOARD ELECTED TO 2014

Lois Down	Margaret Eadie	Sandra Fox	Tony Haworth	Margaret Henderson
Barbara McGill	Chris Mortlock	Glen Pearson	Elizabeth Phoenix	Craig Read
Jane Roy	Jane Walker	Chris Webb	Andrew White	

PART TWO: TO BE ELECTED OR RE-ELECTED

FOR RE-ELECTION TO THE OFFICIAL BOARD TO 2015

Cathie Banks	Michael Cottam	Jessie Lanteigne	Ted Leitch	Mary-Janet Ross
Sandy Sershall	Brenda Smith	Cindy Stewart	Linda Wilcox	

FOR ELECTION TO THE OFFICIAL BOARD TO 2015

Kathleen Brennan	Trevor Johnson	Al Pauli		
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PART THREE: GENERAL NOMINATIONS

Chair of Council and the Official Board: Cathie Banks

Vice-chair of Council and the Official Board: vacant

Council Secretary: Neil Eadie

Official Board Secretary: Linda Wilcox

Treasurer: Bob Hahn

Sacrament Secretary: Doug McCabe

Archivist: Ted Leitch

12 Presbytery Representatives: Debbi Jarvis and Alex Walker

PART FOUR: OFFICIAL BOARD STANDING COMMITTEES

Note: * indicates an ex-officio member. The Minister is an ex-officio member of all committees except Ministry and Personnel. The Music Director is an ex-officio member of the Worship Committee. The Sunday School Coordinator is an ex-officio member of the Christian Growth and Development Committee. The Church Secretary is an ex-officio member of both the District Visitors and the Property Use committees.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Karlene Kimber	Dave Lumley	Harry MacLean	Elizabeth Mortlock	Helen Ross
Mary-Janet Ross	Cindy Stewart	Vivien White	Jane Walker, chair	

COMMUNICATIONS

Trevor Johnson	Brenda Lausanne	Debra Coates-Lediet	John McFall	Harry MacLean
Robert Read				

DISTRICT VISITORS

Heather Bedford	Gail Bright	Neil Eadie	Doug McCabe	Shirley McConnell
Rev. David McKane	Robert Reid	Rev. Douglas Ross	John Rushton	Ruth Rushton
Helen Starling	Sandy Sershall	Brenda Smith, chair	Heather Westbrook*	

FINANCE

Freda Evans	Bob Ford	Jeff Fullerton	Bob Hahn	Sheila LeClair
Ted Leitch	May McAllister	Marilynne McNeil	Sue Mennill	Paul Mullen
Al Pauli	Ron Olson			

MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL

Margaret Eadie	Freda Evans	Ian Hardie	Cindy Milne-Wren	Paul Mullen
Craig Read	Sheila Tasker			

MISSION AND SERVICE

Mary-Bee Haworth	Tony Haworth, chair	Sheila LeClair	Tara LeClair	Margaret Logan
Glen Pearson	Karen Pincombe	Brian Ratcliffe	Jessie Read	Jane Roy
Susan Smith	Anita Turner	Despina Valassis		

MUSIC OUTREACH

Margo Bettger-Hahn	Margaret Logan	Doug McCabe	Harry MacLean	Betty Read
Robert Read	Mike Ryan	Karen Schuessler, chair		

PROPERTY

Tom Brown	Neil Eadie	Susan Smith	Catherine Flood	Chris Mortlock, chair
Paul Mullen	Ron Olson	Paul Stewart	Andrew White	

PROPERTY USE

Neil Eadie	Marg Henderson, chair	Cathie Banks	Heather Westbrook*	
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STEWARDSHIP

Freda Evans	Donna Goldhawk	Marilynne McNeil, chair	Trevor Johnson	Kathleen Brennan
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TRANSPORTATION

Muriel Parkes, chair	Lynda Laskey	Jim Neville	Sharon Neville	
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WORSHIP

Eileen Cook	Chris Mortlock	Sandra Fox, chair	Harry MacLean	
Christine Webb				

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Statement of Operations and Accumulated Deficit - Operating Fund Year ended December 31, 2011

	Budget 2011	2011	2010
		\$	\$
Receipts			
Local church:			
Givings	231,000	217,853	231,605
Rental income	4,000	3,353	4,669
Transportation	2,000	6,320	13,155
Deficit reduction - Choir	-	825	1,000
Quilters gift	-	500	-
Other income	2,000	1,485	2,677
	239,000	230,336	253,106
Special purposes:			
Sudan Fund	-	120	-
Memorial	-	505	950
Community Breakfast	-	1,477	1,556
Out of the Cold	-	2,026	1,470
Loonies for Lent	-	-	500
Sundry	-	90	346
Hand bell choir	-	510	2,249
	-	4,728	7,071
Mission and Service	30,000	29,131	28,971
Capital Improvement	-	16,974	19,569
	269,000	281,169	308,717
Disbursements			
Ministry and personnel	185,283	171,092	180,767
Worship and service	25,600	29,014	27,959
Property	33,000	31,530	32,195
Education and outreach	8,395	6,909	6,276
Utilities and office	43,000	37,118	37,223
Special purposes	-	4,727	7,071
Mission and Service	30,000	29,131	28,971
Capital Improvement	-	16,974	19,569
	325,278	326,495	340,031
	(56,278)	(45,326)	(31,314)
Deficiency prior to transfers from Trustee Fund			
Transfers from Trustee Fund:			
Interest	15,000	15,917	15,427
Minister remuneration	6,708	6,708	5,722
Estate of H. Kennedy for music program	7,000	7,000	-
Transportation	13,000	8,937	3,010
	(14,570)	(6,764)	(7,155)
Accumulated deficit, beginning of year		(102,772)	(95,617)
Transfer from Trustee Fund		109,536	-
Accumulated deficit, end of year		-	(102,772)

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Financial Statements December 31, 2011

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Schedule of Disbursements - Operating Fund Year ended December 31, 2011

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Ministry and personnel		
Ministry	74,273	77,386
Music	30,413	29,471
Office	25,138	24,238
Sunday School	7,607	7,921
Benefits	22,322	29,452
Presbytery	11,339	12,299
	<u>171,092</u>	<u>180,767</u>
Worship and service		
Music services	4,000	4,050
Worship committee	8,266	5,589
Organ repairs	292	1,217
Piano tuning	905	674
Upper room	194	-
Transportation	15,257	16,164
Sundry	100	265
	<u>29,014</u>	<u>27,959</u>
Property		
Custodial services	21,975	21,302
Custodial supplies	2,022	1,618
Maintenance and repairs	7,533	9,275
	<u>31,530</u>	<u>32,195</u>
Education and outreach committees		
Christian education	2,284	1,813
Mission and services	420	735
Communications	3,371	2,692
District visitors	211	155
Stewardship	623	881
	<u>6,909</u>	<u>6,276</u>
Office and utilities		
Heat, light and water	16,693	16,482
Insurance	8,821	7,367
Printing and advertising	5,336	5,971
Supplies and postage	156	1,880
Telephone	1,947	1,624
Interest on debt	3,248	3,272
Bank charges	917	627
	<u>37,118</u>	<u>37,223</u>

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Statement of Financial Position - Operating Fund December 31, 2011

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash	7,092	57,284
Due from Trustee Fund	32,060	-
GST/HST recoverable	8,753	5,550
Prepaid expenses	11,115	-
	<u>59,020</u>	<u>62,834</u>
Restricted investments (Note 1)	<u>7,500</u>	<u>15,900</u>
	<u><u>66,520</u></u>	<u><u>78,734</u></u>
Liabilities and Accumulated Deficit		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	3,905	22,004
Benevolent fund	1,000	1,000
Choir funds (Note 2)	17,076	16,119
Deferred revenue - transportation	-	500
Special purpose funds (Note 3)	28,206	18,298
Due to Trustee Fund	-	108,295
	<u>50,187</u>	<u>166,216</u>
Capital improvement fund (Note 4)	<u>16,333</u>	<u>15,290</u>
Accumulated deficit	<u>-</u>	<u>(102,772)</u>
	<u><u>66,520</u></u>	<u><u>78,734</u></u>

Wesley Knox United Church

Statement of Financial Position - Trustee Fund
December 31, 2011

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Assets under care of Trustees		
Investments		
TD Canada Trust	111,379	317,741
RBC Dominion Securities	<u>900,675</u>	<u>679,414</u>
	1,012,054	997,155
Property and furnishings	1	1
Due from Operating Fund	<u>-</u>	<u>108,295</u>
	<u>1,012,055</u>	<u>1,105,451</u>
Trustee funds		
Heritage	496,813	595,227
Manse	<u>321,892</u>	<u>321,892</u>
General	<u>49,506</u>	<u>127,373</u>
	868,211	1,044,492
Property and furnishings	1	1
Due to Operating Fund	<u>32,060</u>	<u>-</u>
Endowments		
Mission and Service	10,958	10,958
Music program	<u>50,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>
Disaster Relief	<u>50,825</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>111,783</u>	<u>60,958</u>
	<u>1,012,055</u>	<u>1,105,451</u>

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Schedule of Trustee Funds
Year ended December 31, 2011

	Heritage	Manse	General	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance, beginning of year	595,227	321,892	127,373	1,044,492
Revenue				
Memorial donations	985	-	-	985
Investment income	21,907	11,882	4,034	37,823
Interest from operating fund	-	-	3,248	3,248
	<u>22,892</u>	<u>11,882</u>	<u>7,282</u>	<u>42,056</u>
Expenditures				
Benevolent fund	-	-	910	910
Building improvements	-	-	18,331	18,331
Disaster Relief Fund - transfer	50,000	-	-	50,000
Laurie O'Leary	-	-	1,000	1,000
Operating fund - Minister	-	-	6,708	6,708
Operating fund - Sunday bus	-	-	8,937	8,937
Operating fund - interest	-	11,882	4,034	15,916
Operating fund - music (Kennedy Estate)	-	-	7,000	7,000
Operating fund - to eliminate deficit	-	-	109,536	109,536
Shortage in general fund	71,306	-	(71,306)	-
	<u>121,306</u>	<u>11,882</u>	<u>85,150</u>	<u>218,338</u>
Balance, end of year	<u>496,813</u>	<u>321,892</u>	<u>49,505</u>	<u>868,210</u>
General Fund				
Allocated			49,505	
Unallocated			<u>-</u>	
			<u>49,505</u>	

Wesley Knox United Church

Notes to Financial Statements Year ended December 31, 2011

1. Restricted investments

Restricted investments are comprised of GICs with various interest rates and maturity dates held at TD Canada Trust as follows:

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Organ	-	8,400
Music	2,500	2,500
Choir	5,000	5,000
	<u>7,500</u>	<u>15,900</u>

2. Choir funds

	General	Gowns	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Balance, beginning of year	9,118	7,000	16,118
Christmas concert 2011	1,686	-	1,686
Donations	70	-	70
Turkey dinner	2,206	-	2,206
To operating fund to reduce deficit	(825)	-	(825)
To Disaster Relief Fund	(825)	-	(825)
Purchase tympani drums	(825)	-	(825)
Sundry	(156)	-	(156)
Christmas concert 2010	(373)	-	(373)
	<u>10,076</u>	<u>7,000</u>	<u>17,076</u>

3. Special purpose funds

Special purpose funds are funds that have been received from the congregation for purposes other than general operating expenses. Year end balances, net of disbursements, are as follows:

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Swell	-	111
Brooks Estate	7,500	-
McKay Foundation	1,589	-
Organ	8,768	8,196
Music	2,758	2,604
Hand bell choir	1,402	842
Loonies for Lent	-	500
Borg/Sanguin event	-	2,214
Community breakfast	1,574	1,179
Out of the Cold	4,002	2,652
Sudan	613	-
	<u>28,206</u>	<u>18,298</u>

4. Capital Improvement Fund

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Balance, beginning of year	15,290	6,780
Contributions from congregation - general	17,819	20,072
Transfer from McKay Foundation - chapel	-	1,376
Transfer from Smith Estate	-	10,000
Expenditures:	33,109	38,228
Roofing	-	11,000
Elevator repairs	-	3,152
Chapel	-	8,391
Eavestroughs	14,419	-
Building	-	395
Boiler service	2,357	-
	<u>16,776</u>	<u>22,938</u>
Balance, end of year	<u>16,333</u>	<u>15,290</u>

WESLEY-KNOX UNITED CHURCH WOMEN
GENERAL FUND
 YEAR-TO-DATE REPORT - Dec. 31, 2011

Assets at beginning of year	7,319.75	
Bank Balance	<u>0.00</u>	
Investments		
Receipts		
Unit Returns	10,755.72	
Harvest Holiday	3,275.30	
Receptions	2,193.16	
Donations	70.00	
Miscellaneous Income	359.12	
Calendar Sales	96.62	
G.I.C & Bank Interest	0.00	
G.S.T. Rebate	<u>0.00</u>	
	16,749.92	
Disbursements		
Operating Expenses	1,924.21	
Congregational Purposes	2,528.13	
Community Project Donations	1,700.00	
United Church Donations	1,500.00	
International Project Donations	500.00	
Miscellaneous Donations	200.00	
M&S Objective	5,000.00	
	13,352.34	

Receipts Net of Disbursements	3,397.58	
Transfer to Reserve Fund	0.00	
Assets at end of year	10,717.33	
Bank Balance	<u>0.00</u>	
Investments		

WESLEY-KNOX UNITED CHURCH WOMEN
RESERVE FUND
 YEAR-TO-DATE REPORT - Dec. 31, 2011

Assets at beginning of year	3,015.32	
Bank Balance	<u>16,000.00</u>	
Investments		
Receipts		
G.I.C & Bank Interest	0.00	
Fundraising - Tables & Chairs	2,131.50	
Out of the Cold	<u>653.50</u>	
	2,785.00	
Disbursements		
Miscellaneous	347.44	
Out of the Cold	<u>1,650.32</u>	
	1,997.76	
Receipts Net of Disbursements	787.24	
Transfer from General Fund	0.00	
Assets at end of year	3,802.56	
Bank Balance	<u>16,000.00</u>	
Investments		

Assets at beginning of year	348.45	
Bank Balance	<u>2,000.00</u>	
Investments		
Receipts		
Donations	0.00	
GIC & Bank Interest	0.00	
Disbursements		
	0.00	
	0.00	
Receipts Net of Disbursements	0.00	
Assets at end of year	348.45	
Bank Balance	<u>2,000.00</u>	
Investments		

IVAH GRAY FUND
 YEAR-TO-DATE REPORT - Dec. 31, 2011

Assets at beginning of year	636.03	
Bank Balance	<u>7,800.00</u>	
Investments		
Receipts		
GIC & Bank Interest & Misc Income	342.50	
Disbursements		
	450.00	
Receipts Net of Disbursements	-107.50	
Assets at end of year	528.53	
Bank Balance	<u>7,800.00</u>	
Investments		



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