

**Port Dover - Woodhouse  
Pastoral Charge  
Annual Report 2025**



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# **PORT DOVER-WOODHOUSE PASTORAL CHARGE**

# Pastoral Charge Registers - 2025

## Baptisms

James Picard April 20, 2025

## In Memoriam

Jason Rafuse	January 16, 2025
Earl Morris	March 16, 2025
John Anstee	March 19, 2025
Ron Fess	March 31, 2025
Wayne Roberts	March 12, 2025
Donna Lindsay	April 17, 2025
Laura Jean Magalas	June 23, 2025
Norma Morris	May 19, 2025
Elsie May Berry	June 1, 2025
Robert Smith	June 28 2025
Florence Allen	July 9, 2025
Paul Mummery	July 22, 2025
Raymond Mummery	July 27, 2025
David "Gump" Simmons	September 2, 2025
Wendy Evans	September 1 2025
Jean St. Louis	October 16 2025
William "Bill" Spain	December 27, 2025

## New Members (by Transfer or Affirmation of Faith)

Nancy Crawley  
Jacqueline Picard

## Weddings

Gloria D'Hondt & Willard Heidemen January 3, 2025

## Pastoral Care Committee

The Pastoral Care Committee met on a regular basis until Rev. Lynn Hamilton went on leave. Reverend Lynn attended every meeting and provided our Committee with valuable insight and spiritual guidance. She told us when she needed our help-whether it was visiting church members and delivering meals to them at home, visiting people in hospital and nursing homes, or delivering communion. Before she went on leave, committee members accompanied Rev Lynn to deliver communion to Dover Cliffs Nursing Home, Cedarwood Village Retirement Home, and Norfolk General Hospital.

During the year, individual committee members prepared and delivered meals, plates of cookies, and cards and letters to members of the congregation who were not able to get out to church or who were confined to home or hospital.

Our committee has a list of church members who have volunteered to drive patients to their medical appointments or treatments. We did not have to turn down any requests for rides during 2025. Our drivers made trips to Simcoe, Brantford, Hamilton and Oakville. I want to especially recognize and thank Suzanne Greenslade and Ross Tinney who are not members of our committee, but who provided several rides during the year.

In December, our committee helped the Pastoral Charge Board write and mail Christmas cards to all Grace and Woodhouse members on the Charge mailing list.

I want to thank all the committee members for their commitment to pastoral care, and for willingly giving their time and energy. Our committee would like to thank Reverend Lynn Hamilton for her dedication and leadership during her time as our Pastoral Charge Minister.

Now that Rev. Lyn Workman has been appointed as our Pastoral Charge Minister for the next 6 months, we will begin having regular committee meetings again.

If you would like to be added to our list of medical appointment drivers, or if you need to be driven to a medical appointment, please contact Doug McRae at 519-583-3740.

If you or anyone you know needs to be contacted by phone or visited in person, please contact Rev. Lyn Workman at 519-373-3083 or one of the Pastoral Care Committee members.

Our committee members are:

Dianne Telfer	Jean Woolley
June Faint	Marg Walker
Pat Tinney	Rosemary Stickl
Wretha Demone	Sandy Shepherd
Doug McRae	

Respectfully submitted,  
Doug McRae

## Ministry and Personnel

Chair – John Irving

Committee Members Woodhouse – Lisa Jo Malcolmson, Margaret Richards

Committee Members Grace United – Cheryl DeKoning (Secretary), Gary Brooks, Nancy Crawley

I volunteered for Ministry and Personnel Committee last year at Grace United's Annual General Meeting. Very shortly thereafter, I was asked if I would become Chair replacing the previous Chair due to his ongoing health problems. I would like to say Thank you very much to Kathryn Bannister for helping me in the first few months of the year as I adjusted to my new role. I also leaned very heavily on my knowledgeable and able Committee members.

This committee represents both charges of our Ministry. By Chairing this committee I have had taken the opportunity to get to know Woodhouse United and their wonderful members by occasional attending Church ( especially on Treat Sunday) and their other Fundraising events.

I regret but due to Health issues that currently I have had to step back for a period and have relied on my Committee Members who have stepped up.

I am very grateful for their support and commitment.

Respectfully

John Irving

# Manse Report

Annual Report for the Manse Committee

Church Representatives: Suzanne Greenslade, Kathryn McArthur, Larry Campbell, Brian Clements, Willard Heideman, Lisa-Jo Malcomson, Donna Jones, Rev Lynn Hamilton

Meeting dates include March 25, April 17, September 18

## - Manse Home inspection

The outcome for the 2025 inspection facilitated by 2 members of the committee with the date arranged at the convenience of the minister. Two items of concern are indicated during the inspection.

- Outcome from the inspection is to adjust the capital budget to assist in purchasing the new steel door in the spring of 2026- the new door would add a sense of security and also improve in the Manse Green Footprint
- Insulation in the basement ceiling and walls has been identified as a future project that needs to receive attention. This Item has been included in the five year plan.
- Furnace has been inspected and will be inspected every Fall. The outcome is the furnace is in great working condition.

- Kathryn is the contact liaison with the minister to help assist with the everyday upkeep for the committee to repair situations as they arise

- Inspection for 2026 goal is to be completed by April 30,2026

## Other important information

-Partnership with Grace United Church Outside Maintenance—for cost effective measures the Manse needs to be included in professional services concerning outside yard maintenance at the same date as they hired to facilitate Grace United Church Maintenance.

*Respectfully Submitted by Donna Jones*

# Outreach Committee

Your Pastoral Charge Outreach committee is very thankful for the amazing support of both congregations! Thanks so much to our dedicated committee of Bev Hodgeson, Maureen Clements, Steve and Carol Brightman, Lynda Simpson and Bill Drayer!

Our Lenten calendar had the theme of how to treat others and creation with respect. The Lenten offering associated with the calendar raised \$811 from Woodhouse and \$922.15 from Grace for a total of \$1733.15 for the United Church M & S fund.

Our annual food drive for the Port Dover Lifeline food bank raised \$754. Our churches raised \$767.50 for Ryerson camp. We continued our longstanding support of Canadian Foodgrains Bank for \$300, Church out Serving at \$300 and increased our support for Kaley's restaurant pay it forward program to \$800. We held two film nights- The film Billy and Molly and Spitfire Girls in the fall and raised \$171 for the food bank.

We continue to work with Norfolk refugee committee and facilitated donations of household appliances, 2 bikes and a basketball net to Ukrainian families.

The Sock it to Me campaign for homeless through CAMH Court services received donations from Grace- 206 pair of socks, 13 underwear, 4 scarves, 10 gloves, 2 mitts, 13 Hats, 3 ear warmers, 4 T-shirts and 3 heavy warm coats. Woodhouse donated 160 Socks, 12 Hats, 8 Scarves, 6 Gloves, 2 Coats, 5 Pants, 3Tops, 20 Underwear.

We again participated in the Lakewood School Christmas program to help families associated with the school to have a little extra at Christmas. We received \$1,600 in donations to support this program, UCW added \$400 and we used \$300 of the TLC fund dedicated to helping local families for a total donation of \$2,300.

We exceeded our goal to United Church of Canada as we were able to direct \$23,514 to the United Church M & S fund which included support from Grace UCW at \$2,000 and Woodhouse UCW at \$200.

*Respectfully submitted*  
*Jim Dawson, Chair*

# Pastoral Charge Financial Committee

## 2025 Report of the Pastoral Charge Finance Committee

### Current Financial Position:

Pastoral Charge Bank Balance as at December 31 is \$21,157. This is broken down as follows:

General Account \$15,465

UCC Dues Fund \$3,500

Manse Capital Fund \$1,001

In Memoria Fund \$1,191

Pastoral Charge Investments held as at December 31:

General Fund \$5,074

Manse Capital Fund \$5,074

As at December 31 - Petty Cash \$127, HST Receivable \$699

As of December 31 – Visa Payable \$634, Wage Severance Accrual \$8500

As of December 31, there is a YTD deficit of \$13.

### Variances in Budget vs. Actual:

- Contributions from Grace and Woodhouse reduced by \$10,188 as per PC Board motion.
- Payroll costs \$9,565 under budget as a result of UCC reimbursement during minister's leave.
- Minister Travel and Education costs \$1,850 under budget.

### Actions Taken:

- PC Treasurers met in May to review the Pastoral Charge expense allocation (Grace 78%, Woodhouse 22%). Woodhouse Board later approved Grace 77%, Woodhouse 23%)
- PC Finance committee met in October to set the 2026 budget and to review the 2025 financial position. There was an estimated surplus of \$20,000 for 2025.

### Recommendations from the PC Finance Committee and approved by the Board:

- That the PC Board approve the 2026 Budget set by the committee.
- To allocate this year's surplus as follows:

- Waive one month's contributions from the churches to the Pastoral Charge of \$10,188
- Transfer \$1,000 to Manse Capital Fund as per request from the Manse Committee
- Transfer remaining balance to the Contingency Fund to offset future year costs. As per UCC recommendation this surplus of \$8,500 was setup as a wage severance accrual.

*Respectfully submitted by Suzanne Greenslade*

Members of the PC Finance Committee:

Suzanne Greenslade, Pastoral Charge Treasurer, Committee Chair

Brian Jamieson, Grace Church Treasurer, Committee Secretary

Paul Malcomson, Woodhouse Church Treasurer

Jimi Simpson, Grace Representative

Marion Pepper, Woodhouse Representative

# Port Dover-Woodhouse Pastoral Charge 2026 Budget

Port Dover Woodhouse Pastoral Charge  
2026 Budget

Amount	Item	Notes
<b>Income</b>		
\$0	Contingency Fund Contribution	
\$3,500	UCC Dues Fund Contribution	Fund to offset UCC dues
\$0	Donations	
\$133,400	Congregational Support	
\$136,900	<b>Total</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>		
\$57,954	Minister Salary	2025+ 2.6%
\$1,200	Minister Travel	Reimbursed @\$0.60/km (estimate \$100/month)
\$1,733	Minister Continuing Education	Per UCC guidelines (\$1683 in 2025)
\$1,200	Minister Telephone	Reimbursed per monthly bills submitted
\$22,495	Pastoral Charge Secretary Salary	2025+ 2.6%
\$1,500	Pulpit Relief	2026 Daily rate @\$261 + mileage
\$725	Payroll Service Fees	Per 2025 amounts
\$26,000	Benefits, CPP & EI (PC Share)	Per UCC 27.5% of Gross Salaries
\$8,100	Manse	Estimated at \$675/month including lawn care
\$0	Manse capital expenses	No requests from manse committee
\$4,000	Pastoral Charge Office Expense	Per 2025 amounts
\$300	Worship and Music Expense	Per 2025 amounts
\$200	Christian Education Expense	Per 2025 amounts
\$9,503	UCC Remit Fees	Per UCC Assessment
\$750	Workshops/Conferences	Per 2025 amounts
\$240	Bank Charges	Estimated at \$20/month
\$1,000	Honoraria	PC Treas/M&O Treas - same
\$136,900	<b>Total</b>	
\$0.00	<b>Surplus(-Deficit)</b>	

Congregation Split	Income 2024	Percent	Share	Monthly
Grace	132,161	77%	\$102,666	8556
Woodhouse	36,996	23%	\$30,734	2561
<b>Total</b>	<b>169,157</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$133,400</b>	

# COMPARATIVE INCOME STATEMENT

Port Dover - Woodhouse Pastoral Charge  
Comparative Income Statement

	Actual 01/01/2025 to 12/31/2025	Budget 01/01/2025 to 12/31/2025
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Operating Revenue		
Contributions - Grace	85,866.00	93,671.00
Contributions - Woodhouse	26,202.00	28,581.00
Contributions - Contingency Fund	6,910.00	6,910.00
Contributions - UCC Dues Fund	3,500.00	3,500.00
Donations	140.00	0.00
Total Operating Revenue	<u>122,618.00</u>	<u>132,662.00</u>
Other Revenue		
Interest Revenue	74.17	0.00
Total Other Revenue	<u>74.17</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<u>122,692.17</u>	<u>132,662.00</u>
<b>EXPENSE</b>		
Payroll Expenses		
Salary - Full Time Minister	56,485.20	56,485.00
Severance - Full Time Minister	8,500.00	0.00
Salary - Secretary	22,353.68	20,845.00
Relief Minister Salary	4,090.00	1,300.00
Wages & Salaries - Reimbursed	-22,508.23	0.00
EI Expense	2,021.69	2,000.00
CPP Expense	5,354.23	5,000.00
Employee Benefits	18,794.62	19,000.00
Payroll Service Charges	696.83	725.00
Total Payroll Expense	<u>95,788.02</u>	<u>105,355.00</u>
General & Administrative Expenses		
Full Time Minister Travel	809.13	750.00
Full Time Minister Education	0.00	1,689.00
Full Time Minister Telephone	735.58	1,200.00
Relief Minister Travel	236.97	0.00
Pastoral Charge Education Expenses	15.00	200.00
UCC Dues	8,468.00	8,468.00
Honoraria	1,000.00	1,000.00
Interest & Bank Charges	219.75	150.00
Total Office Expenses	5,499.23	5,000.00
Pastoral Charge Worship & Music	798.72	300.00
Total Manse Expenses	8,134.58	7,800.00
Manse Capital Fund - Current Year	1,000.00	0.00
Workshops/Conferences	0.00	750.00
Total General & Admin. Expenses	<u>26,916.96</u>	<u>27,307.00</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<u>122,704.98</u>	<u>132,662.00</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<u>-12.81</u>	<u>0.00</u>

# CONSOLIDATED BLANCE SHEET

## Port Dover - Woodhouse Pastoral Charge Consolidated Balance Sheet

	<u>As at 12/31/2025</u>	<u>As at 12/31/2024</u>
<b>ASSET</b>		
Cash, Bank Accounts		
Grace General Account	3,592.32	10,032.74
Grace Capital Account	17,548.30	13,241.02
Grace UCW Account	6,658.39	5,455.37
Woodhouse General Account	11,893.73	24,639.97
Woodhouse Savings Account	6,099.38	5,983.28
Woodhouse UCW Account	2,749.60	3,005.50
Pastoral Charge General Account	21,157.15	32,588.46
Pastoral Charge Petty Cash	126.95	259.05
PC Outreach Account	1,835.45	1,889.75
Total Cash, Bank Accounts	<u>71,661.27</u>	<u>97,095.14</u>
Accounts Receivable	<u>1,687.26</u>	<u>2,392.93</u>
Investments		
Grace Capital Investments	69,000.00	64,000.00
Grace General Investments	79,557.27	79,877.74
Grace Trustee Investments	44,912.62	41,895.83
Woodhouse Investments	176,812.35	162,767.01
Pastoral Charge Investments	5,100.57	0.00
Manse Capital Fund Investments	5,047.77	0.00
Total Investments	<u>380,430.58</u>	<u>348,540.58</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSET</b>	<u><u>453,779.11</u></u>	<u><u>448,028.65</u></u>
<b>LIABILITY</b>		
Accounts Payable	<u>18,863.63</u>	<u>20,305.34</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITY</b>	<u><u>18,863.63</u></u>	<u><u>20,305.34</u></u>
<b>EQUITY</b>		
Retained Surplus		
Retained Surplus - Prior Years	427,723.31	439,247.92
Current Earnings	7,192.17	-11,524.61
Total Retained Surplus	<u>434,915.48</u>	<u>427,723.31</u>
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<u><u>434,915.48</u></u>	<u><u>427,723.31</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	<u><u>453,779.11</u></u>	<u><u>448,028.65</u></u>

Respectfully submitted by Suzanne Greenslade

# CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

Port Dover - Woodhouse Pastoral Charge  
Consolidated Income Statement

	2025	2024
REVENUE		
Grace Givings	136,479.19	145,096.41
Woodhouse Givings	54,773.05	54,413.51
Pastoral Charge Donations	140.00	0.00
Donations in Memorium	3,140.00	3,130.00
Gifts from Registered Charity	2,870.19	3,200.61
Fundraising Income	16,004.40	15,267.55
Use of Building	12,058.00	11,391.00
Sale of Items	44.22	0.00
Interest Income	14,162.01	14,754.15
Other Grants Received	12,846.34	11,752.00
HST Refunds	1,708.63	1,010.21
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>254,226.03</u>	<u>260,015.44</u>
EXPENSE		
Advertising	0.00	66.00
Bank Charges	1,495.84	1,410.40
UCC Dues	8,468.00	9,469.00
Office Expenses	7,561.23	8,376.48
Occupancy Costs	59,179.91	57,624.67
Capital Expenditures	10,904.11	32,326.85
Payroll Expenses	96,872.87	105,469.57
Group Expenses	13,592.59	12,457.33
UCW Expenses	4,024.36	1,829.82
Fundraising Expenses	2,520.28	2,468.10
Manse Expenses	8,134.58	7,813.73
HST Paid	3,116.04	2,358.10
Local Outreach	2,171.05	1,700.00
United Church of Canada	24,014.00	23,300.00
Other Qualified Donees	4,979.00	4,870.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	<u>247,033.86</u>	<u>271,540.05</u>
NET INCOME	<u>7,192.17</u>	<u>-11,524.61</u>

Respectfully submitted by Suzanne Greenslade

# PC FUND ACTIVITY

Port Dover - Woodhouse Pastoral Charge  
 General Ledger Report 01/01/2025 to 12/31/2025  
 Sorted by: Date

Date	Comment	Debits	Credits	Balance	
3010	In Memoria Fund			1,739.96	Cr
03/26/2025	LiveStream Computer, Dawson, Jim - reimbursement	476.11	-	1,263.85	Cr
06/23/2025	MinisterMic, Dawson, Jim - Honorarium	72.71	-	1,191.14	Cr
		<u>548.82</u>	<u>-</u>		
3020	Manse Capital Fund			5,001.41	Cr
05/29/2025	052925, GIC Purchase	5,000.00	-	1.41	Cr
12/31/2025	Manse Capital Fund Contribution per PC Board Motion	-	1,000.00	1,001.41	Cr
		<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>		
3022	G.I.C. - Manse Capital Fund			-	Cr
05/29/2025	052925, GIC Purchase	-	5,000.00	5,000.00	Cr
06/30/2025	Interest Accrual	-	10.17	5,010.17	Cr
09/30/2025	Interest Accrual	-	37.60	5,047.77	Cr
12/31/2025	Interest Accrual Q4	-	26.40	5,074.17	Cr
		<u>-</u>	<u>5,074.17</u>		
3100	UCC Dues Fund			7,000.00	Cr
01/10/2025	UCC Dues Fund Monthly Contribution	291.66	-	6,708.34	Cr
02/10/2025	UCC Dues Fund Monthly Contribution	291.66	-	6,416.68	Cr
03/10/2025	UCC Dues Fund Monthly Contribution	291.66	-	6,125.02	Cr
04/10/2025	UCC Dues Fund Monthly Contribution	291.66	-	5,833.36	Cr
05/10/2025	UCC Dues Fund Monthly Contribution	291.66	-	5,541.70	Cr
06/10/2025	UCC Dues Fund Monthly Contribution	291.66	-	5,250.04	Cr
07/10/2025	UCC Dues Fund Monthly Contribution	291.66	-	4,958.38	Cr
08/10/2025	UCC Dues Fund Monthly Contribution	291.66	-	4,666.72	Cr
09/10/2025	UCC Dues Fund Monthly Contribution	291.66	-	4,375.06	Cr
10/10/2025	UCC Dues Fund Monthly Contribution	291.66	-	4,083.40	Cr
11/10/2025	UCC Dues Fund Monthly Contribution	291.66	-	3,791.74	Cr
12/10/2025	UCC Dues Fund Monthly Contribution	291.74	-	3,500.00	Cr
		<u>3,500.00</u>	<u>-</u>		
3200	Contingency Fund			6,910.00	Cr
01/10/2025	Contingency Fund Contribution	575.80	-	6,334.20	Cr
02/10/2025	Contingency Fund Contribution	575.80	-	5,758.40	Cr
03/10/2025	Contingency Fund Contribution	575.80	-	5,182.60	Cr
04/10/2025	Contingency Fund Contribution	575.80	-	4,606.80	Cr
05/10/2025	Contingency Fund Contribution	575.80	-	4,031.00	Cr
06/10/2025	Contingency Fund Contribution	575.80	-	3,455.20	Cr
07/10/2025	Contingency Fund Contribution	575.80	-	2,879.40	Cr
08/10/2025	Contingency Fund Contribution	575.80	-	2,303.60	Cr
09/10/2025	Contingency Fund Contribution	575.80	-	1,727.80	Cr
10/10/2025	Contingency Fund Contribution	575.80	-	1,152.00	Cr
11/10/2025	Contingency Fund Contribution	575.80	-	576.20	Cr
12/10/2025	Contingency Fund Contribution	576.20	-	-	Cr
		<u>6,910.00</u>	<u>-</u>		

# Outreach Financial Report

**Port Dover - Woodhouse Pastoral Charge  
Project Income Summary 01/01/2025 to 12/31/2025**

Ac...	Account Name	Revenue	Expense
<b>3B - Outreach</b>			
4910	Contributions from Grace	18,769.90	
4918	Contributions from Grace TLC Fund	300.00	
4930	Contributions from Grace UCW	2,400.00	
4960	Contributions from Woodhouse	6,916.20	
4970	Contributions from Woodhouse UCW	200.00	
5240	Bank Charges - PC Outreach		47.40
5890	Local Outreach		800.00
5910	United Church of Canada		23,514.00
5930	Other Qualified Donees		3,979.00
		<u>28,586.10</u>	<u>28,340.40</u>
<b>REVENUE minus EXPENSE</b>		245.70	

**Port Dover - Woodhouse Pastoral Charge  
General Ledger Report 01/01/2025 to 12/31/2025  
Sorted by: Transaction Number**

Date	Comment	Debits	Credits	Balance
<b>5890 Local Outreach</b>				
12/31/2025	Kaley's Food Program	800.00	-	800.00 Dr
12/31/2025	Camp Fund Activity	1,371.05	-	2,171.05 Dr
		<u>2,171.05</u>	-	
<b>5910 United Church of Canada</b>				
12/31/2025	Mission & Outreach Activity	23,514.00	-	23,514.00 Dr
<b>5920 UCC Special Projects</b>				
12/31/2025	Visions Food For North - Grace UCW	400.00	-	400.00 Dr
12/31/2025	Healing With Horses - Woodhouse UCW	500.00	-	900.00 Dr
		<u>900.00</u>	-	
<b>5930 Other Qualified Donees</b>				
12/31/2025	Canadian Foodgrains	300.00	-	300.00 Dr
12/31/2025	Lifeline foodbank	554.00	-	854.00 Dr
12/31/2025	Lakewood School	2,300.00	-	3,154.00 Dr
12/31/2025	Church Out Serving	300.00	-	3,454.00 Dr
12/31/2025	Ryerson Camp	525.00	-	3,979.00 Dr
12/31/2025	Norfolk Reading Library - Grace UCW	300.00	-	4,279.00 Dr
12/31/2025	Terry Fox Run- Woodhouse UCW	300.00	-	4,579.00 Dr
		<u>4,579.00</u>	-	

# Horseshoe Falls Regional Council (HFRC)

## Horseshoe Falls Regional Council Update 2025

Regional Council was called into session early this year on Saturday February 8, to review 20 proposals that were to be considered at the General Council 45 Meeting in Calgary. Members agreed to support 6 of the proposals and send them onto the National Meeting. Topics such as support for peace initiatives in Israel and Palestine; housing reform for clergy; expanding types of ministries that are described in The Manual for UCC; and vocational support for clergy were sent forward.

There were two official business meetings held for the representatives of Horseshoe Falls Region (HFR) to attend in 2025 and your representatives, Lori Stetson (Grace) and Heather King (Woodhouse) participated fully.

The spring meeting took place in person at St. Andrews UC in Hamilton on Saturday June 14. Rev.Sula Anne Kosaciy was installed as the new president and will serve for 3 years. The focus of the gathering was on recognizing and celebrating Ministry Personnel, introducing New Candidates for Ordination and Licensed Lay Worship Leaders (LLWL). An Ordination Service took place and 3 new Ministers were ordained for HRF.

Two new grant opportunities were proposed and passed by Regional Council.

- 1 . Emergency funds up to \$10,000 ( if your church does not have unrestricted reserves of \$100,000 or more);
2. Grant writing support funds to cover the costs for grant writing or paying for a member of the congregation to attend a grant writing course (up to \$2,000)

The fall meeting for HFR took place online Friday November 21 (6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.) and Saturday November 22 (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Updates were shared from many of the Commissions including Human Resources, Finance, Congregational Support, Stewardship and General Council 45 Commissioners. Rev. Cam Fraser introduced components of a strategic planning workshop called, "Toward 2035". The goal is for a workshop package to be shared with regional reps, so they can lead their congregations through the process.

Greg Smith Young who is a Growth Animator shared a presentation about the services he is offering to our Region to assist churches with a growth plan. Greg is available to offer a program called, "From Hesitation to Hope" which focusses on how to invite folks to church.

Barb Dufferin, a Human Resources Specialist and member of the Human Resources Commission lead a very interesting session about hiring ministry personnel or church staff and the various work week hours that are required to fulfil duties.

Three new grant opportunities for churches were proposed and passed by the Regional

Council at the meeting. They include:

1. Collaborative Ministry Fund (up to \$5,000)
2. Capital Projects Fund (up to \$50,000)
3. First Third Ministry Fund (up to \$10,000)

Lori is serving on the Erie Mission and Development Council which provides financial support for United Church Ministry Initiatives, Capital Projects & Theological students within the bounds of the former Erie Presbytery.

Heather is serving on the Resource Team for LLWL. She is filling the role of chairperson and along with the team plan a fall retreat for LLWL's and manage the requirements for LLWL's to maintain their licenses to offer Pulpit Supply.

Heather also served as a Commissioner to General Council 45. She attended the national meeting of the UCC in Calgary in August. The role of Commissioner is for three years.

Lori and Heather along with Steven Lowden from Colborne Village UC have started an initiative called, "The United Churches of Norfolk". The 15 Pastoral Charges in Norfolk have been invited to gather and begin a cluster. The first meeting was held on November 23, 2025 at Woodhouse. Twelve out of a possible 15 Pastoral Charges attended. The second meeting was hosted by Waterford UC. The meetings have focused on generating how to communicate with each other and share events. They have also identified common goals for ministry and areas of concern. Developing a Youth Ministry is a priority for many churches and we look forward to positive growth in the area in 2026. The next meeting is set for May 3, 2026 at St. Williams United and will focus on training representatives from each church on leading a Toward 2035 Strategic Planning event.

Overall, we feel it was a productive year for Horseshoe Falls Regional Council

*Respectfully submitted by Lori Stetson and Heather King*

# Pastoral Charge Committees and Board 2026

## Finance and Administration

Suzanne Greenslade, Chair & Treasurer  
Brian Jamieson, Grace Treasurer and Secretary  
Jim Simpson, Grace Representative  
Woodhouse Representative

## Ministry and Personnel

John Irving, Chair  
Gary Brookes  
Cheryl DeKoning  
Margaret Richard  
Lisa Jo Malcomson  
Nancy Crawley

## Outreach

Jim Dawson, Chair, Treasurer  
Bill Drayer  
Steve Brightman  
Maureen Clements  
Carol Brightman  
Lynda Simpson

## Manse

Donna Jones (Woodhouse Trustee Rep),co-Chair  
Brian Clements (Grace Trustee Rep),co-Chair  
Kathryn McArthur (Grace U.C.W. Rep) Lisa Jo Malcomson (Woodhouse U.C.W. rep)  
Larry Campbell  
Suzanne Greenslade

## Pastoral Care

Doug McRae, Chair  
Wretha Demone  
Marg Walker  
Pat Tinney  
Rosemary Stickl  
Dianne Telfer  
Jean Woolley  
June Faint

## 2026 Pastoral Charge Board

Co-Chairs  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Finance and Administration  
Ministry and Personnel  
Outreach  
Manse  
Woodhouse Rep  
Kathryn Bannister and Marjorie Dawson  
Cheryl DeKoning  
Suzanne Greenslade  
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John Irving  
Jim Dawson  
Brian Clements and Donna Jones  
Dave Stone

# **GRACE UNITED CHURCH**

# Annual Congregational Meeting

Grace United Church  
March 16, 2025

The Annual Congregational Meeting of Grace United Church was held after worship in the Community Hall followed by a soup luncheon.

Opening Prayer: Rev. Lynn Hamilton

Constitution of Annual General Meeting

Election of Chair and Secretary for the Annual Meeting:

It was moved by Steve Brightman and seconded by Tom Myerscough that Marjorie Dawson be elected as congregational Chair and Cheryl DeKoning be elected as congregational secretary and may fill these roles at all congregational meetings throughout the year.

**CARRIED**

**Welcome:** Marjorie Dawson began the meeting by welcoming everyone to the meeting.

**Voting Privilege:** It was moved by Pat Tinney and seconded by Brian Jamieson that all people present at the meeting be granted privileges to vote on all motions.

**CARRIED**

**Review of Holy Manners:** Marjorie Dawson reviewed the Holy Manners for the Annual Meeting with a reminder to speak and listen with open hearts and minds and to treat each other with respect.

**Approval of Minutes:** It was moved by Jim Dawson and seconded by Linda Irving that the minutes from the annual congregational meeting held on March 17, 2024 at Grace United Church be approved as printed.

**CARRIED**

**In Memoriam:** Rev. Lynn Hamilton read the names of those who had died in 2024, followed by a time of silence and prayer.

**Committee Reports:** It was moved by Tom Myerscough and seconded by John Irving to receive all of the reports contained in the Annual Report for 2024, except the budget, and the nominations, with thanks to the people of those committees for their ministries and to those who submitted the reports.

**CARRIED**

**Pastoral Charge Budget:** Suzanne Greenslade provided a brief overview of the Pastoral Charge budget for 2025. Suzanne explained the Comparative Income Statement and the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Suzanne also outlined how the fees paid to the United Church of Canada is based on income of the two churches using the United Church framework.

It was moved by Georgia McCormick and seconded by Jim Simpson to approve the Port Dover-Woodhouse Pastoral Charge budget for 2025.

**CARRIED**

**Grace Church Budget:** Brian Jamieson provided a brief overview of the proposed Grace Budget for 2025. Brian noted that our budget for 2025 indicates a deficit in the amount of \$9421.00. The 2025 deficit is mainly due to an increase of \$8315.00 in expenditures for Pastoral Charge resulting from a shift in the allocation to Grace. This would be the first deficit at Grace since 2013.

Brian Jamieson explained and encouraged the simple way for their contributions through PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance) helps with developing a budget.

It was moved by Linda Irving and seconded by Marilyn Dixon to approve the Grace United Church Budget for 2025.

**CARRIED**

**Nominating Reports:** Marjorie Dawson declared all positions vacant and open floor to nominations.

It was moved by Larry Campbell and seconded by Tom Myerscough to open the floor for nominations to Grace Council and for Grace Representatives to the Pastoral Charge Board.

**CARRIED**

Marjorie Dawson thanked all retiring committee members for their service and with thanks to Carol Brightman for her service on the Ministry and Personnel Committee. Marjorie asked if anyone would be interested in going on the Ministry & Personnel committee. John Irving volunteered for this position.

**Election of Grace Trustees:** That those named be elected as members of the Grace Board of Trustees. It was moved Suzanne Greenslade and seconded by Brian Jamieson to approve those named be elected as members of the Grace Board of Trustees.

**CARRIED**

**Election of Grace Council and Representatives to Pastoral Charge Board:**

Marjorie Dawson declared that nominations be closed.

It was moved by Jim Dawson and seconded by Steve Brightman that those named be elected as members of the Grace Council or representatives to the Pastoral Charge Board for the year 2025 with the addition of John Irving to Ministry and Personnel until the next Annual Congregational Meeting. The council has permission to add members where there are vacancies.

**CARRIED**

**Living Faith Story:**

Marjorie Dawson explained that the Living Faith Story that is located on our website as well as the UCC Hub needs to be reviewed/updated annually and approved by the congregation at the Annual Meeting.

It was moved by Georgia McCormick and seconded by Tom Myerscough to approve the updated Living Faith Story.

**Thank You:**

Bob Faint said that it is a privilege to thank Rev. Lynn Hamilton for her dedication to our church and its members. Rev. Lynn is a very busy person but her heartwarming energy is always done with laughter and a smile. We look forward to the 2025 in our journey.

Cheryl deKoning thanked Robyn York who is our Pastoral Charge Office Administrator. It is a privilege to thank Robyn for her outstanding work over the past year. Robyn has a way to quietly get things done. Her organization and computer skills are amazing. We are so grateful for her time with us at Grace and we are saddened to learn that Robyn will be leaving Grace to help her husband Anthony in their Beach Reads Bookstore. We will miss you but wish you both all the very best in the future of your sweet successful bookstore.

Cheryl deKoning thanked Sherry Clements and Carolyn Gamble who are on the decorating committee at Grace. Their unending creative ability to make our church sanctuary so meaningful and beautiful throughout the year. Many hours are spent making sure every little detail matters with the touches that we can't help be in awe of. Sherry & Carolyn do have a few others that help behind the scenes such as Ross Tinney who helps attach the Christmas garland on the banister as well as erecting and taking down the Christmas tree. Wayne Gamble who strings up doves and lights and whatever else that needs to be done. I am sure that Brian Clements helps Sherry in the background as well.

Tom Myerscough thanked Cheryl Copeman our music director as well as Brenda McRae who stands in for when needed for their leadership. The choir expresses their gratitude for the choir pieces that they sing and making the choir sound as good as they do.

**Other Business:**

**Service of Installation:**

Rev. Lynn Hamilton installed the Grace Council and Pastoral Charge Board members.

**Adjournment:**

Tom Myerscough moved to adjourn the Annual Congregation Meeting.

**CARRIED**

## Grace Council Chair

Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance, a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing, a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away, a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak, a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace.

I like to start my report with a Biblical quote that reflects the year in some way. I included this whole passage from Ecclesiastes. As I read the words it felt like we had been through it all through these past twelve months. Whew, what a year. But what a blessing to have my church friends and acquaintances with me throughout this tumultuous time.

It was the 100th Anniversary of the United Church of Canada and there were so many activities and events that went along with that – a beautiful banner, Peace in the Park with the Lions, wonderful carryall bags that travelled the county, country and the world with our members, a combined picnic with Woodhouse that combined the celebration of their 250th and so much more.

We invited the community in to join us for dinners, Friday the 13th, Peace in the Park, a rummage sale, film evenings in the fall and our amazing Cookie Walk.

New members were welcomed into our community with joy and laughter and with sadness and happy memories we bid farewell to others who passed away this year. As well our minister Rev. Lynn Hamilton went on leave this fall.

Outreach continued to support people in our community and the world with donations of goods (food, socks, coats etc.) and monetary donations. Our Christmas gift card program for families at Lakewood School needing a bit of a boost was again a tremendous success.

The doors of our church welcome many community groups and through them positively impact the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual health of hundreds of people in our community. This sharing of our space with many neighbours is an important part of our Ministry.

The Building and Grounds group ensured the church was clean and in working order for all events, members and community groups using our church. As well facilities were upgraded for the care of young children and young women.

This is just a sampling of the many things going on in our church. You need to read through the rest of this report to sample and reflect on this past year.

Thank you to everyone who has walked through our door in 2025 for making it the place it is – for sharing in the laughter and the tears together.

*Respectfully submitted by Marjorie Dawson*

## **Worship & Music**

I would like to thank my committee Penni, Ann, Carolyn and Pat. They are the best - they're always ready to help in any way.

At this time I would like to thank the volunteers in the congregation. Whenever asked to do something they never say no - the ushers. scripture readers. and many others. I must not forget our decorating committee Carolyn and Sherry for and their help with fantastic decorating all year. The sanctuary always looks beautiful.

I must thank you to Cheryl and Brenda for their great piano playing, and to our beautiful choir. Without their music the church service would not be complete. Thank you.

Our Christmas Eve service was beautiful and well attended. The committee had fun making our giveaways this year. We met a member's home for lunch, then made our little reindeer. We had so much fun. A member donated a manger tree decoration to give to the children. It was too bad only one child was there. Now we have to put our thinking hats on and come up with something for this year.

If you are interested and would like to join our group and have some fun (but not all fun) see me in church on a Sunday or come to our meetings on the first Wednesday of the month in the parlor at Grace United.

Members: Carolyn Gamble, Helen Columbus - non-active, Pat Forest, Ann Edwards, Penni Lewis

*Respectfully submitted by Win Wilson, chair.*

## Building & Grounds

We welcomed Dave Palmateer as our new custodian and Dave has been a great help to the church doing many things, large and small to make our facility run smoothly. Thanks to our committee- Marion Gatsby, Willard Heideman, Joe Robinson, Ross Tinney and chair Larry Campbell for their work- mainly behind the scenes making repairs and upgrades. Thanks again to Georgia McCormick and other helpers who maintain our church gardens!

A number of repairs have been made to the west wall of the sanctuary and gables to help deter bat infiltration and this seems to be working well. Dave, whose background is masonry has repointed bricks, sealed the sidewalk along the church and made repairs to the back step. We installed a new ethernet cable to the outside sign to improve reliability of the signal, repaired the automatic door button into the Community hall and replaced the main vacuum for the church.

The Building and grounds team ensures regular inspections of boiler and furnaces, lift equipment, elevator and do monthly inspections of fire extinguishers.

One heat pump in the community hall failed and council approved a replacement on the one unit – cost of \$8,136 and we applied for and received a small capital grant from the United Church which resulted in a grant of \$5000. The Heat pump is on order and expected to be installed in February 2026

*Respectfully submitted by Jim Dawson*

## Tech team report- 2025

Grace's tech team provides the technology and volunteer support to run the livestream broadcast of Grace United church services. Thanks so much to the camera operators- Jim Simpson, Dave Challand, Marion Gatsby, Willard Heideman and Jim Dawson and PowerPoint operators Carolyn Gamble, Lynda Simpson, Marjorie Dawson, Cheryl de Konig and Nancy Sherwin for your dedication to this important ministry- we average 50-70 views per week on an ongoing basis!

In order to improve the quality of the production both in the Sanctuary and for home livestream audience, a number of upgrades were undertaken this year. We installed new mini monitor at the minister's podium so the leader can see the PowerPoint slides being presented without having to turn around. We also upgraded the remote mic and lanyard so leaders can move around the sanctuary and still be heard by all.

We had a review of the whole sound system done this year and the good news is that all of the main sound components – speakers, amplifiers, mics in the sanctuary are in good shape and not in need of replacement. We are working on improving the sound level of videos as this has been limited by the existing system set-up. We are also aware that the current remote mic system has been made obsolete by changing the frequency band being used so we will need to replace the remote mic hardware this coming year.

*Respectfully Submitted by Jim Dawson*

## Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR)

2025 Report

Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR)

As the result of three deaths, the Grace PAR program shrunk by 1.7% during 2025. At the end of the year, we had 36 households using PAR, contributing a total of \$6,275 per month. These amounts total \$107 less than the levels at the end of 2024 when we had 39 households contributing a total of \$6,382. That being said, we are encouraged going into 2026 by the increase requested by several members and the addition of a few more.

Advantages of PAR.

- ☑ Program is very convenient once it is in place.
- ☑ Giving's are dependable which helps the church in meeting its obligations.
- ☑ Handling costs are minimal and are less than the cost of using printed cheques.

Joining the PAR Plan is very simple, and we would welcome any new members who wish to join in 2026.

*Respectfully submitted, Kathryn Vance*

## Board of Trustees

As of December 1, 2025 Grace United Church and the Manse Insurance remains with HUB International Insurance Company.

### Insurance replacement coverage December 1, 2025 to December 1, 2026:

Church building, boiler & machinery	2,168,759.00
Contents (piano included)	215,541.00
Stained glass	308,944.00
Total church & contents	2,693,244.00
Manse	348,930.00
Manse Contents	4,780.00
Total coverage	3,046,954.00
General Liability coverage	2,000,000.00
Umbrella Liability coverage	3,000,000.00

**Directors and Officers Liability coverage of \$ 10,000,000.** This coverage is under the United Church of Canada Master Policy insured by Sun Life Financial Insurance Company of Canada through the HUB International agency. There is no cost to Grace United Church for this coverage.

### Members of the Board of Trustees

Robert Faint - Chairperson, Lori Stetson - Secretary,  
Joan Smith, Brian Clements, Ken Demone, Tom Myerscough and Reverend Lynn Hamilton.  
All of the above Trustees are in full membership of the United Church of Canada.

### Grace United Church – Memorial Fund

The Trustees Memorial Fund Investment came due August 25, 2025 at \$44,912.62. It was decided that \$34,912.62 be invested in a GIC with a 3.3% interest rate till August 26, 2027. The remaining \$10,000.00 was invested in a GIC with an interest rate of 2.25% for 1 year maturing on August 26, 2026. This was done to help with the Financial situation of the church.

*Respectfully submitted by Robert Faint, Chairperson.* Grace Nominations Report 2025

# Grace Nominations Report 2026

**Grace Council Executive** Chair Marjorie Dawson, Vice Chair Penni Lewis  
Secretary Cheryl DeKoning, Treasurer Brian Jamieson

**Trustees** Brian Clements Chair  
Ken Demone, Lori Stetson, Tom Myerscough

## **Council Representatives**

Building and Grounds	Jim Dawson
Christian Education	<i>vacant</i>
Finance	Brian Jamieson
Music and Worship	Win Wilson
Nominations	Sherry Roberts
UCW	Linda Irving

## **Committees**

### **Building and Grounds**

Larry Campbell  
Joe Robinson, Ross Tinney, Marion Gadsby  
Bill Drayer, Jim Dawson (audio/visual)

### **Christian Education**

Vacant Chair,  
Linda Brzozowski, Judy Whitmore, Stephanie Wilson, Cheryl  
DeKoning, Sherry Clements

### **Finance**

Brian Jamieson, Chair,  
Kathryn Vance, Envelope Secretary  
Marilynn Bobyk, Jim Simpson

### **Worship and Music**

Win Wilson, Chair  
Helen Columbus - inactive, Carolyn Gamble, Pat Forrest, Penni  
Lewis,  
Ann Edwards

**Regional Reps**

Pat Tinney, Lori Stetson

**Nominating Committee**

Sherry Roberts, June Faint

**Broadview Secretary**

Nancy Sherwin

**Ad hoc committees:** Fall affair, Biker Day, Seniors helping Seniors, Video/Livestream, Stewardship

# Pastoral Charge Committee Members

## Finance and Administration

Suzanne Greenslade, Chair and Treasurer  
Brian Jamieson, Secretary  
Kathryn Vance

## Ministry and Personnel

John Irving, Chair  
Cheryl DeKoning, Gary Brooks, Nancy Crawley

## Outreach Committee

Simpson

Jim Dawson, Chair  
Bill Drayer, Carol Brightman, Steve Brightman, Lynda

## Manse

Brian Clements (Trustee Rep), co-Chair  
Suzanne Greenslade, Larry Campbell,  
Kathryn McArthur (U.C.W. Rep)

## Pastoral Care

Doug McRae, Chair  
Diane Telfer, Wretha Demone, Marg Walker, Jean Woolley,  
June Faint, Pat Tinney

## 2026 Pastoral Charge Board

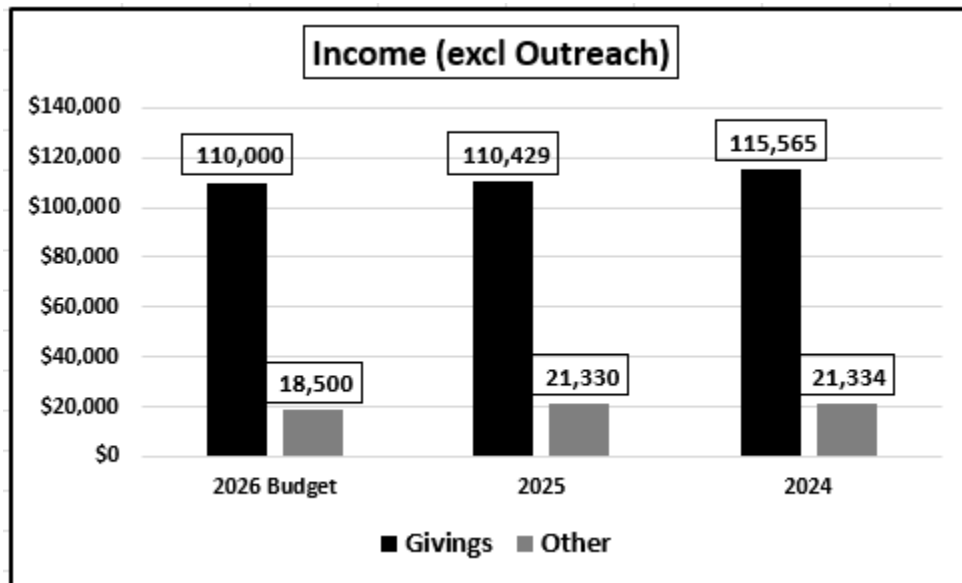
Marjorie Dawson, Co-Chair  
Cheryl DeKoning, Secretary  
Suzanne Greenslade, Treasurer, Finance and Admin

# Report from the Finance Committee 2025

In 2025, Grace recorded a deficit of \$5,250, a deterioration of \$5,770 from the surplus of \$520 in 2024. This was the first deficit since 2013 and was primarily due to lower givings.

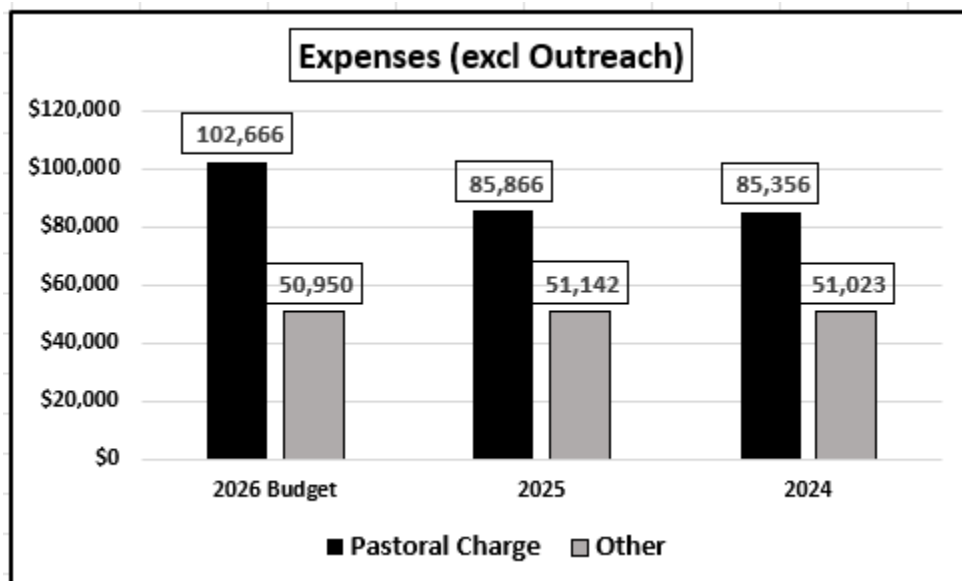
## Income

Overall revenues in 2025 (excluding Outreach) were \$5,160 lower than in 2024 mainly due to a decrease in givings/donations. Other revenue in 2025 was similar to 2024.



## Expenses

Total expenses (excluding Outreach) in 2025 were \$610 higher than in 2024. Pastoral charges benefitted from a waiver of the November payment and were only \$510 higher than in 2024 (without the November waiver they would have been \$8,316 higher than 2024). Other expenses were similar to the 2024 level.



Without November waiver, 2025 Pastoral charge would have been \$93,672

**Bank Accounts**

<b>Operating Account</b>	<b><u>This month</u></b>	<b><u>Dec 2024</u></b>
Church operations	81,196	86,152
Camp Funds	<u>2,387</u>	<u>3,759</u>
Operating account	<u>83,583</u>	<u>89,911</u>
<b>Capital Account</b>		
Memorial Funds	71,191	68,502
Unspecified/Other	14,122	7,244
Piano/Organ	<u>1,235</u>	<u>1,495</u>
Capital account	<u>86,548</u>	<u>77,241</u>

Church operations show a cash surplus of \$81,196 at the end of 2025 compared with a cash surplus of \$86,152 at the end of 2024. This reduction is due to the deficit incurred during the year.

On December 31, 2025, Grace was holding \$86,548 (\$77,240 December 2024) in capital funds. The increase in unspecified funds was mainly donations received to cover the advance payments made in 2024 for the repairs to the stained-glass window at the rear of the church.

**2026 Budget**

Our budget for 2026 indicates a deficit of \$25,116 compared with the deficit of \$5,250 in 2025. The higher deficit in 2026 is mainly due to an increase of \$16,800 in expenditures for Pastoral Charge. A portion of the increased Pastoral Charge reflects the \$7,908 waiver of the November 2025 payment. The balance is due to mandated cost increases and the rundown in contingencies that were put aside in the past.

The budgeted deficit in 2026 reflects issues currently facing the Pastoral Charge over the future cost of ministerial services. Grace needs to look carefully at its future financial situation to ensure its long-term viability.

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We would like to thank Kathryn Vance for the work she did for us as Envelope Secretary.

Also, sincere thanks go to Marilyn Bobyk and Jim Simpson as members of the Finance Committee for their assistance and support during 2025.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Brian Jamieson*

	Actual Jan 01, 2025 to Dec 31, 2025	Actual Jan 01, 2024 to Dec 31, 2024	Difference
<b>REVENUE</b>			
<b>Operating Revenue</b>			
General Offerings	110,391.29	115,334.60	(4,943.31)
Outreach	18,764.90	18,298.65	466.25
Donations General	105.00	230.00	(125.00)
Donations - UCW	3,000.00	4,000.00	(1,000.00)
Use of Building	11,458.00	11,136.00	322.00
Worship & Music	0.00	(13.25)	13.25
Friday 13th	1,364.50	612.00	752.50
Peace in the Park	580.00	0.00	580.00
Fundraising	(20.78)	0.00	(20.78)
Gift Cards	179.75	228.50	(48.75)
Investment Income	4,679.53	5,370.25	(690.72)
<b>Total Operating Revenue</b>	<u>150,502.19</u>	<u>155,196.75</u>	(4,694.56)
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<u>150,502.19</u>	<u>155,196.75</u>	(4,694.56)
<b>EXPENSE</b>			
<b>General &amp; Admin Expenses</b>			
Outreach Expense	18,764.90	18,298.65	466.25
Postage & Office Supplies	0.00	155.94	(155.94)
Pastoral Charge	85,866.00	85,366.00	510.00
Worship & Music	6,133.59	6,278.21	(144.62)
Honoraria	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Finance	195.68	197.86	(2.18)
Building & Grounds	19,641.54	18,933.65	707.89
Utilities	8,976.44	8,461.71	514.73
Interest & Bank Charges	523.73	502.40	21.33
Insurance	14,149.70	14,992.08	(842.38)
<b>Total General &amp; Admin.</b>	<u>155,751.58</u>	<u>154,676.50</u>	1,075.08
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<u>155,751.58</u>	<u>154,676.50</u>	1,075.08
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<u>(5,249.39)</u>	<u>520.25</u>	(5,769.64)

### 2025 versus 2024

2025 was \$5,770 worse than last year

- Total revenues down \$4,695 (\$5,160 excl Outreach)
  - Givings/donations down \$5,068 –2024 had \$2,000 carryover from 2023
- Total expenses up \$1,075 (\$610 excl Outreach)
  - Buildings & grounds up \$708
  - Pastoral charge up \$510 – November payment waived

	<b>2026 Budget</b>		
	<b>2026</b>	<b>2025</b>	
<b>Receipts</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Differences</b>
Offerings PAR	<b>64,000</b>	64,560	(560)
Non-PAR	<b>46,000</b>	45,936	64
Mission & Outreach	<b>18,000</b>	18,765	(765)
Donations - UCW	<b>3,000</b>	3,000	-
Use of Building	<b>11,500</b>	11,458	42
Friday 13th		1,365	(1,365)
Gift Cards	-	180	(180)
Peace in the Park	-	580	(580)
Investment income/other	<b>4,000</b>	4,680	(680)
<b>Total Operating Revenue</b>	<b>146,500</b>	150,523	(4,023)

### **Spending**

Mission & Outreach Expense	<b>18,000</b>	18,765	(765)
Pastoral Charge	<b>102,666</b>	85,866	16,800
Worship & Music	<b>6,500</b>	6,134	366
Finance	<b>200</b>	196	4
Honoraria	<b>1,500</b>	1,500	-
Building & Grounds	<b>19,000</b>	19,642	(642)
Utilities	<b>9,000</b>	8,976	24
Interest & Bank Charges	<b>550</b>	524	26
Insurance	<b>14,200</b>	14,150	50
Other	-	21	(21)
<b>Total General &amp; Admin.</b>	<b>171,616</b>	155,773	15,843
<b>Net Deficit</b>	<b>(25,116)</b>	(5,250)	(19,866)

### **Comments**

Net Results - \$19,866 increase in deficit

Receipts (excluding Outreach) – down \$3,258.

- Lower General Offerings/Donations of \$496.
- Lower fundraising – 2025 had Friday 13<sup>th</sup> and Peace in the Park -\$1,945

Spending (excluding Outreach) – up \$16,608.

- Pastoral Charges expenses will increase by \$16,800

# Grace Fund Activity

Grace United Church  
Fund Activity Summary 01/01/2025 to 12/31/2025

	Revenue	Expense	
IB - Grace UCW	\$	\$	\$
Grace UCW Givings	1,583.00		
Grace UCW Funds Raised	7,728.50		
Interest Income	0.06		
HST Refund - Grace UCW	57.96		
Contributions to Grace General Fund		3,000.00	
Contributions to PC Outreach		2,400.00	
Honorariums		300.00	
Grace UCW Expenses		411.72	
Fundraising Expenses		1,354.78	
Other Qualified Donees		700.00	
	9,369.52	8,166.50	
REVENUE minus EXPENSE	1,203.02		
	Balance December 31		6,658.39
IC - Grace Trustees			
Interest Income - Grace Trustees	3,016.79		
REVENUE minus EXPENSE	3,016.79		
ID Grace TLC			
Contributions to PC Outreach		300.00	
REVENUE minus EXPENSE	-300.00		
	Balance December 31		1481.08
IE Grace Camp Fund			
Local Outreach		1,371.05	
REVENUE minus EXPENSE	-1,371.05		
	Balance December 31		2387.49
IF Grace Capital Unspecified Fund			
Grace Givings - General	1,920.00		
REVENUE minus EXPENSE	1,920.00		
	Balance December 31		14603.87
IG Grace Memorial Fund			
Grace Donation In Memorium	2,690.00		
REVENUE minus EXPENSE	2,690.00		
	Balance December 31		71191.76
IK Grace Piano Fund			
Capital Expenditures - Grace		259.74	
REVENUE minus EXPENSE	-259.74		
	Balance December 31		1235.07
IM Grace Stained Glass Window Project			
Grace Givings - General	3,745.00		
REVENUE minus EXPENSE	3,745.00		
	Balance December 31		-592.14

## **Grace United Church Women (UCW)**

The Purpose of the UCW

To unite the Women of the Congregation for the total mission of the Church and to provide a medium through which we may express our loyalty and devotion to Jesus Christ in Christian witness, study, fellowship and service.

2025 saw some changes within UCW as Marg Walker stepped back from being our co-ordinator after many years as lead. We have been very lucky that she has been with us throughout this year as a ready support whenever we needed her.

Grace United is blessed with an organization of very dedicated women who work well together whether in the business of the UCW, worship and programmes and outreach. UCW is also blessed by the church members who step up whenever we call whether for food (desserts) or manpower to aid in our fundraisers. This year we ran our Spring Rummage Sale, Luncheon in June in Celebration of the 100 Anniversary and a Christmas Cookie Walk. The bakers outdid themselves in that we ran out of boxes before we ran out of cookies this year but only 10 minutes before close. There also is a very dedicated group that works co-ordinating Funeral Receptions and occasionally Birthdays.

This year Grace UCW was able to support:

Mission and Outreach United Church Canada

Mission and Outreach - Food North

Dolly Parton Literacy Programme

Mission and Outreach – Lakewood School Christmas Program

Christmas Presents – Grace Members currently in Long Term Care

Some funding towards Church Sound System and Heat Pump for CE Hall when work proceeds

Donations to General Operation fund of Grace United as able

Thank you to all for the support this year.

*Respectfully submitted, Linda Irving*

# **WOODHOUSE UNITED CHURCH**

# Woodhouse United Church Nominating Committee Report 2025

Nominating Committee: Lisa Jo Malcomson and Heather King  
Additional nominations may be presented at the Annual Meeting

## WOODHOUSE BOARD MEMBERS for 2026

<b>Chairperson</b>	Kathryn Bannister
<b>Secretary</b>	Sandy Sheppard
<b>Treasurer</b>	Paul Malcomson

<b>Clerk of Session</b>	Kathryn Bannister
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<b>Horseshoe Falls Regional Council</b>	Heather King
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<b>Elders - retiring in 2027</b>	<b>Stewards - retiring in 2027</b>
Ron Sheppard	Lynn Stone
Linda Horton	Margaret Richard

<b>Elders – retiring in 2028</b>	<b>Stewards – retiring in 2028</b>
Diane Holmes	Marion Pepper
Shirley Shaw	Betty Smith
Joan Johnstone	Rosemary Stickl

<b>Elders – retiring in 2029</b>	<b>Stewards – retiring in 2029</b>
Pat Tiller	George Bannister
Donna Jones	Gloria Pope
Vacant	Jackie Chadwick

<b>Organist &amp; Choir Director</b>	Pat Tiller
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<b>Pianist</b>	Marion Pepper
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<b>Children’s Ministry</b>	Lisa Jo Malcomson
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<b>Worship Committee</b>	Rev. Lynn Workman, Pat Tiller, Marion Pepper, Lisa Jo Malcomson, Linda Horton, Heather King
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<b>Envelope Steward</b>	Dave Stone
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<b>Offering/Counters</b>	Paul Malcomson
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<b>Broadview Secretary</b>	Heather King
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<b>Communion Stewards</b>	Linda Horton/Maureen Clements
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**Church Trustees**

Dave Stone (Chair), Paul Malcomson, Robert Judd, Donna Jones, Gary Jones  
George Bannister, John Bannister, Gord Percival, Jim Tiller Jr.,

**Cemetery Trustees**

Kathryn Bannister (Chair), George Bannister (Secretary), Pat Tiller (Sexton), Jim Tiller Jr. (Sexton), Dave Stone, Roger Cruickshank Jr., David Moore

**226<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee:** Kathryn Bannister, Lynn Stone, Pat Tiller,

**PASTORAL CHARGE COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

<b>Outreach</b>	Maureen Clements & vacant position
<b>Finance &amp; Administration</b>	Paul Malcomson & Marion Pepper
<b>Auditors</b>	Lynn Stone & Kathryn Bannister
<b>Reps on Pastoral Charge Board</b>	Dave Stone & Kathryn Bannister
<b>Ministry &amp; Personnel Committee</b>	Lisa Jo Malcomson & Margaret Richard
<b>Manse Committee</b>	Lisa Jo Malcomson (UCW rep), Donna Jones (Trustee rep)
<b>Pastoral Care Committee</b>	Rosemary Stickl & Sandy Sheppard

# Woodhouse Congregational Annual Meeting

## March 16, 2025

(Please refer to your copy of the 2024 Annual Report)

Chair: Dave Stone

Secretary: Sandy Sheppard

Opening Prayer: Rev. Lynn Hamilton

In Memoriam (page 5): Rev. Lynn Hamilton

Remembering those who have died in the past year, silence and prayer.

Opening Remarks: Dave Stone, Chairperson

Voting Privilege:

**Motion: That all present be granted voting privileges.**

**Mover:** George Bannister

**Second:** Donna Jones

**CARRIED**

Approval of Minutes from 2024 (pages 38-40)

**Motion: That the minutes from the Congregational Annual Meeting of March 2024 be approved as printed (no corrections).**

**Mover:** Kathryn Bannister

**Second:** Marion Pepper

**CARRIED**

Reports: (pages 4-50)

**Motion: To receive all of the reports contained in the Annual Report for 2024, except the 2025 Budgets (pages 10 & 48) and the Nominations (pages 42, 43), with thanks to the people of those committees for their ministry, and to those who submitted the reports.**

**Mover:** Pat Tiller

**Second:** Lynn Stone

**CARRIED**

Presentation of the Pastoral Charge Budget for 2025: (Page 10) Suzanne Greenslade

**Motion: To approve the budget for the Port Dover/Woodhouse Pastoral Charge for 2025.**

**Mover:** Paul Malcomson

**Second:** Jackie Chadwick

**CARRIED**

Presentation of the Woodhouse Budget for 2025: (Page 48) on behalf of Paul Malcomson.

**Motion: To approve the Woodhouse United Church Budget for 2025.**

**Mover:** Gord Percival

**Second:** Diane Holmes

**CARRIED**

Nominations Report (pages 42 & 43)

**Motion: To open the floor for nominations for the Woodhouse Board and for Woodhouse Representatives to the Pastoral Charge Board.**

**Mover:**

**Second:**

(Positions vacant: Finance Committee) - Marion Pepper has volunteered to fill this position.

**Call for closure of the nominations.**

**Mover:**

**Second:**

As the position was filled prior to this meeting, no voting was required.

Election of Woodhouse UC Board and Representatives to the Pastoral Charge Board: **Motion: That those named be elected as members of the Woodhouse Board or Representatives to the Pastoral Charge Board for the year 2-25; and that they will serve until the next Annual Congregational Meeting.**

Ron Sheppard replaces Norris Smith as an Elder. Sandy Sheppard joins the Pastoral Care Committee, joining Rosemary Stickl.

**Mover:** Jean Godfrey

**Second:** George Bannister

**CARRIED**

Other Business:

There was no other business.

Adjournment: **Mover:** Gloria Pope

Service Installation: Rev. Lynn Hamilton

Completion of Worship: Rev. Lynn Hamilton

*Everyone was welcomed into the Church Hall to enjoy a potluck brunch.*

## Woodhouse United Church Chairperson's Message

Woodhouse had a very memorable year. Celebrating our 225 th anniversary was the highlight of the year. So many activities were planned by the Woodhouse 225 th Anniversary Committee. Marion Pepper did an excellent job providing the Woodhouse Remembers tidbits each Sunday. Our Saddle Back Preacher (Dave Stone) was truly authentic and welcomed by everyone. Don't be surprised if the Saddle Back Preacher pays a visit from time to time and Marion provides some more tidbits now and then. There were many other events, Bonfires, Quilt Shows, and Ham Suppers. The committee should give themselves a pat on the back for a job well done!

A major highlight of the year was our Window Re-Dedication Service. Brian Elder was the guest speaker at this well attended service. The Port Dover Maple Leaf published a great article on the church and our window project. Doug Grundy made a wall plaque to acknowledge the contributors to the project.

In 2025 we said a very heartfelt goodbye to Laura Magalas. Laura is the daughter of Pat Tiller and the late Jim Tiller. She grew up at Woodhouse United, and many members were deeply touched by her courageous battle with cancer and heart broken by her passing. We also said goodbye to Florence Allen, Shirley Shaw's mother and Amanda Shaw's grandmother. Many of us miss Florence's smiling face.

Another notable event was the Tia Concert. Tia and Tommy performed to a packed church, and I was told it was their best concert yet at Woodhouse. Tia is scheduled to perform again Dec 12, 2026.

After some ministerial changes Rev Lyn Workman joined us at Woodhouse and Grace as our Part Time Interim Minister. She leads Sunday Services and takes care of our Pastoral Care. A big "welcome to Rev Lyn".

Another administrative change is that Dave Stone stepped down temporarily as Board Chair at Woodhouse and I have stepped in as Interim Chair for Woodhouse. We hope Dave will be able to resume his Chair position in early 2026.

While 2025 was a busy year, 2026 looks like it is gearing up to be another busy year for the folks at Woodhouse United. We have church refurbishment plans and lots of activities.

Many thanks from the bottom of my heart for making the transition to Interim Chair somewhat smooth. But mostly thank you to everyone for all their hard work, brainstorming and faith in making Woodhouse United Church a welcoming church family. You have proven that you are a strong and resilient "family" and with faith that we can get through the difficult times.

*Submitted by Kathryn Bannister -Interim Chair Woodhouse Board*

## Woodhouse UCW 2025

The last year has been a whirl wind of events as Woodhouse United Church celebrated its 225-year anniversary. As one of the 225 years celebration the UCW provided a birthday cake the third Sunday of the month. Celebrating member's birthdays. Woodhouse UCW continued their support with purchases for our newly certified kitchen. A new microwave, trolley, coffee urns and other small items. With the kitchen and gathering room being busier we purchased a ceiling fan for the gathering room. A huge addition of 3 large storage units were installed, complements of the UCW. As usual the UCW provided beautiful Lillies at the front of the church for Easter. We hosted the 100 year celebration. United Church of Canada designed the service. A few members helped sew bags with 100-year Anniversary logo on them presented to each member. We participated in World Day of prayer at St Paul's, Port Dover and are looking forward to hosting March 6/2026 at Woodhouse. The UCW enjoyed a beautiful summer gathering at Marions cottage of food and fellowship. Funds were given to upgrade the memorial gardens at the front of the Church.. Our big event this year was hosting a Quilt Show with 100 quilts on display it truly was breath taking, raising \$651.65. As part of the quilt show we set up a tearoom with hot apple crisp and scones. Our annual cookie walk was a success raising \$500, everyone satisfied their sweet tooth. Over the past years we donated a total of \$4,145 towards the restoration of the stain glass windows for the 225 dedications. The UCW overseas beautifying the Church sanctuary following the seasons of the Church. We also send birthday, get well and sympathy cards to the members of the congregation. One of the devotions this year was about "Healing with Horses" the members were touched with the story and donated \$500 towards the cause. We also donated \$300 to the Terry Fox walk in memory of 3 family members that had passed away.

The light of God surrounds us; the love of God enfolds us: the power of God protects us. Together in the U.C.W. we move forward with hope into 2026.

*Submitted Lisa Jo Malcomson*

Income	
Offering	1228.95
Funerals lunches	1975.00
Fundraising	1151.65
Total	4356.74

Expenses	
M&S	200.00
Expenses	4,412.64
Total	4,612.64

Balance	
Jan 2,2025	3005.50
Dec 2025	4356.74
Expenses 2025	4612.14

Balance	2749.60
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*Submitted by Pat Tiller*

## Woodhouse 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Activities and Events

### ACTIVITIES:

- ❖ **A Remembering the Past-Woodhouse 225** was compiled by Marion Pepper and included in the church bulletin each week for the year.
- ❖ **A scrapbook** detailing the planned events was compiled by Lisa Jo Malcomson
- ❖ **An Addendum to the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book** was written by a subcommittee and printed in March 2026 that captured some of our church history from the last 25 years (2000-2025).
- ❖ **The Third Sunday of Each Month.** Birthdays of members of the congregation were celebrated with a birthday cake and refreshments. The UCW sponsored the cake each month.
- ❖ **Former Ministers** were invited back to Woodhouse and each participated in the service.
- ❖ **Saddle Bag Preacher (Dave Stone)** made 5 appearances at worship services through out the year. When he arrived, he presented a photo and shared the highlights of previous ministers. The photos are arranged in the sanctuary and serve as a permanent record of our Ministers and their Call to Woodhouse United.

### EVENTS:

- ❖ **Friday January 3, from 1 to 4 p.m.** Horse-drawn Sleigh Ride, bonfire and indoor crafts and snacks at Evergreen Hill Farm, with host Scott Sowden. Snow and smiles all around!
- ❖ **Sunday February 9.** Valentines Soup Luncheon, following the church service featured 3 delicious home-made soups. Chefs included: Donna Jones, Lisa Jo Malcomson and Lynn Stone.
- ❖ **Sunday March 16.** Potluck lunch following the annual meeting.
- ❖ **Sunday April 20.** Easter Bonnets & coffee hour with hot cross buns
- ❖ **Saturday June 15 at 5 p.m.** Fish Fry that was coordinated by George & Kathryn Bannister
- ❖ **Sunday June 22 at 10 a.m.** – Woodhouse hosted the Pastoral Charge outdoor service and picnic. Special guests were *Rev. Bob LePage*, his wife Jan and their daughter *Rev. Michelle Robinson* and her children. Musical guests were Sing Capella. The 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United Church of Canada was celebrated with each family receiving a book bag, created by *Rev. Kathryn Vance* and many volunteer sewers!
- ❖ **Sunday August 10 at 11 a.m.** – Woodhouse Decoration Day. The outdoor service was officiated by *Rev. Kathryn Vance* with guest musician Rob Cromwell and Marion Pepper as our guest speaker. Lunch was served following the service.
- ❖ **Saturday September 6 beginning at 5 p.m.** – Woodhouse Bonfire featured hot dogs, salads, smores and music provided by Winston Sardine. Lots of fun!
- ❖ **Friday September 19 & Saturday September 20** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. UCW Heritage Quilt Show and Tea at Woodhouse was a huge success. More than 100 quilts were featured.
- ❖ **Sunday September 21 at 9:30 a.m.** *Rev. Murray Rounding* returned to lead the Woodhouse service.
- ❖ **Sunday October 12 at 9:30 a.m.** Thanksgiving Sunday Service was celebrated with each attendee receiving an 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mug, pen and chocolate!

- ❖ **Sunday October 19 at 9:30 a.m.** Woodhouse 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service with *Rev. Ted Smith* as guest speaker. The UCW provided lunch following the service.
- ❖ **Saturday November 8 at 5 p.m.** Woodhouse Remembers Supper. The “Youth Group” served Ham, Scallop potatoes, baked beans and pies made by Jackie Chadwick. Marion Pepper played for a hymn sing.
- ❖ **Sunday November 16 at 9:30 a.m.** *Rev. Brian Elder* lead the Stain Glass Window Re-Dedication Service. All donors were recognized with their names on a permanent plaque. A reception followed the service.
- ❖ **Sunday December 7.** Annual “Cookie Walk” hosted by the UCW.
- ❖ **Saturday December 13 at 2 p.m.** 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Tia McGraff and Tommy Parham Christmas Concert had a sellout crowd of 100 fans!
- ❖ **Sunday December 21 at 7 p.m.** Traditional Candlelight Service of 10 Lessons and Carols at Woodhouse with *Rev. Jeff Smith* returning to sing in the choir! A wonderful way to wrap up our 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations!



## Woodhouse Trustees Annual Report 2025 February 9th 2025

2025 proved to be busy year with continuation of over lapping projects along with celebrations of Woodhouse 225th Anniversary celebrations and fund raising. Fire extinguishers are checked monthly with annual mandated check in December. The two twenty-year-old furnaces get serviced in December with filters replaced by Brody's Mechanical. Mouse traps checked regularly. There is still bat evidence upstairs to deal with.

Faithful Footprints Grant of \$30,000: So far we have spent roughly half the monies and Adam Frazee is contracted to make and fit storm glass on 13 windows for cost of \$26,000. plus any overages that may occur. Once completed we can submit and receive the full grant. Items covered under the grant are: New double burner stove, New 8' ceiling fan in sanctuary installed by Lorimer Electric. Nine LED Lighting in gathering room and kitchen installed by Lorimer Electric. A new Front Sanctuary door squared up with three new hinges and weatherstripping by Shawn Caerols along with new steel insulated door installed in gathering room. Both attic access to have insulation added as part of the grant requirements. Faithful Footprints required some advertising, and plaques were made to honour all who contributed to Stain Glass Windows including Vittoria & District Foundation Inc. Adam Frazee of Frazee Glass completed repair, rebuild, and installation of all stain glass which should carry us for another eighty years. Tommy Parham sanded, painted, caulked all thirteen windows and what an improvement. We are well under our budget on the window project. I am humbled by our congregation and all those who have assisted either, financially, volunteered, fund raising including UCW who have supported maintenance and upkeep of the church along with outreach projects throughout my lifetime at Woodhouse.

In 2026, we may consider what is next: Our carpet is quite worn with buckling. Roughly \$11,000. To replace. The old carpet was installed in 1994 at a much higher cost. Front Concrete Ramp and wide concrete sidewalk along the parking lot side including new poured steps and landing to gathering room door estimated at \$21,670. These are both safety items to address. Bat removal is ongoing at this point. Chimney capping's for small animals. Repointing of bricks also on the radar, along with aging furnaces. Never ends. We have done a great job upgrading kitchen, gathering room, washrooms and sanctuary.

*Respectfully Submitted by David Stone Woodhouse Trustee Chairperson*

# Woodhouse Treasurer's Report

## WOODHOUSE UNITED CHURCH GENERAL ACCOUNT As of December 31, 2025

### TDCT CHEQUING ACCOUNT

#### REVENUES

Envelope Givings - General	\$21,749.95
Givings - M & S	\$6,080.00
Givings IMO	\$450.00
Use of Building/Rent	\$600.00
Canada Helps	\$2,870.19
Donations to Trustee Special Projects	\$16,807.00
HST Rebate	\$1,650.67
Donations to Outreach	\$55.00
Bicentennial & Book/Sale Items	\$65.00
PAR (Add to General Givings)	\$4,879.50
Donations to General Account	\$2,886.45
Fund Raisers (Trustee Projects)	\$735.00
Lent Donations - M & S	\$811.20
Miscellaneous	\$2,645.00
Money remaining from maturing GIC's	\$5,000.05
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$67,285.01</b>

#### EXPENSES

Pastoral Charge	\$26,202.00
Enbridge Gas	\$2,542.22
Ontario Hydro	\$1,162.85
Building/Equipment Maintenance	\$1,303.44
Yard/Parking Lot Maintenance	\$1,745.00
Trustee Project Capital Expense	\$19,682.78
Insurance & Legal	\$6,408.72
Supplies	\$1,871.32
HST Paid	\$3,116.04
Honorariums	\$2,470.02
Advertising	\$0.00
Janitor / Sub Contract	\$3,250.00
Outreach	\$55.00
Tia Concert Expense	\$1,165.50
Miscellaneous	\$1,818.97
Transfer to Grace Church M&S	\$6,080.00
Extra Bank Charges	\$7.13
Anniversary 2025	\$1,150.26
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$80,031.25</b>

**NET GAIN (LOSS) DECEMBER 31, 2025** **(\$12,746.24)**

**OPENING BALANCE JANUARY 1, 2025** **\$24,639.97**

**CLOSING BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2025** **\$11,893.73**

**CHEQUING ACCOUNT GAIN (LOSS) TO DEC. 31, 2025** **(\$12,746.24)**

## WOODHOUSE UNITED CHURCH GENERAL ACCOUNT

### FUNDS DEC 31, 2025

TDCT Chequing Account	\$11,893.73
TD Investment Certificates (Incl. Interest)	\$176,812.35
TD Savings Acct. (Remaining Grant/GIC)	\$6,099.38
<b>TOTAL FUNDS (ALL SOURCES) DEC 31, 2025</b>	<b>\$194,805.46</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS (ALL SOURCES) JANUARY 1, 2025</b>	<b>\$193,390.26</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS GAIN (LOSS) DURING 2025</b>	<b>\$1,415.20</b>

*Respectfully submitted by Paul Malcomson, Treasurer*

# Woodhouse United Church 2025 Proposed Budget

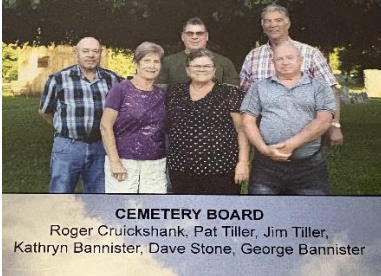
## WOODHOUSE UNITED CHURCH 2026 PROPOSED BUDGET

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>
<b>INCOME ACCOUNTS</b>		
Givings - General (PAR included)	26,629	28,000
Givings - M & S	6,080	5,500
Donations - IMO	450	500
Donations To General Acct.	2,886	1,000
Use of Building / Rent	600	500
Canada Helps	2,870	2,489
Donations to Trustees Projects	16,807	4,600
Donations to Outreach	55	0
HST Rebate	1,651	2,180
Bicentennial & Book / Sale Items	65	0
Miscellaneous Income	3,456	2,200
Fund Raisers (Capital Projects)	735	1,500
Money from maturing GIC's	<u>5,000</u>	<u>0</u>
	67,285	48,469
<b>EXPENSE ACCOUNTS</b>		
Pastoral Charge	26,202	30,734
Natural Gas Use	2,542	2,700
Hydro One	1,163	1,250
Building / Equipment Maintenance	1,303	1,900
Yard / Parking Lot Maintenance	1,745	2,000
Trustee Projects Capital	19,683	4,600
Insurance & Legal	6,409	6,515
Supplies	1,871	1,500
HST	3,116	1,700
Honorariums	2,470	2,300
Advertising	0	75
Janitor / Sub Contract	3,250	3,640
Outreach	55	0
Bank Charges	7	10
Tia Concert Expense	1,166	1,157
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,819	0
Transfer to M & S	6,080	5,500
Church Anniversary 2025	<u>1,150</u>	<u>0</u>
	80,031	65,581
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>-12,746</b>	<b>-17,112</b>
<b>MONEY FROM INVESTMENTS</b>		<b>5,000</b>
<b>SURPLUS (DEFICIT)</b>		<b>-12,112</b>

# Woodhouse Cemetery Board 2025

Jan 14, 2026

## Woodhouse Cemetery Board Annual Report 2025



- In 2025 we celebrated the 225<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the cemetery and our Decoration Day was the highlight of the year. Rev Kathryn Vance led the service, and Marion Pepper was our guest speaker. Marion Pepper did an amazing job presenting 225 years of our history. Rob Cromwell was our guest musician and dare I say it was music to our ears. Thanks to all those who helped in all the preparations including the delicious lunch!
- Jim Tiller continues to keep our grounds in pristine condition and Dave stone continues to monitor the burn pile.
- We still have some monuments to straighten up from the previous year.
- A full electronic map is underway to be set up online. But we still need to prepare excel files with the data as well.
- The cemetery is in a strong financial position. We are compliant with the Bereavment Authority of Ontario requirements.



This year we had to say goodbye to Myrtle Aillen Smith, Lillian Robinson, Gordon Wayne Roberts, Robert Henry Hughes, Gregory Earl Oakes, Robert Cecil Smith and Laura Magalas.

To stay in touch, and make sure you are on "Cemetery" mailing list join our facebook page- Woodhouse United Church Cemetery or email us at [woodhousechurchcemetery@gmail.com](mailto:woodhousechurchcemetery@gmail.com).

Submitted by:

Kathryn Bannister

Chair - Woodhouse Cemetery Committee

Woodhouse United Church Cemetery Board  
Income Statement Jan 01, 2025 to Dec 31, 2025

**REVENUE**

<b>Revenue</b>	
In memory Revenue - Receipt	7,900.00
In Memory Revenue - No Receipt	13,145.21
Plot Sales	800.00
Monument Location Fee	250.00
Funerals Revenue	4,200.00
Care & Maintenance Fee	650.00
Perpetual Care Interest	1,161.96
GIC Interest	1,740.17
HST Rebate	-13.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<u>29,834.34</u>

**TOTAL REVENUE** 29,834.34

**EXPENSE**

<b>Expenses</b>	
Accounting Fees	130.00
Locate & Stake Gravesites	360.00
Dig & Fill for Burials	2,450.00
Mow & Trim	4,950.00
Postage - Receipts & Decoration Day	417.25
Donation Software	199.00
Decoration Day - Speaker	250.00
<b>Expenses</b>	<u>8,756.25</u>

**TOTAL EXPENSE** 8,756.25

**NET INCOME** 21,078.09



**WOODHOUSE AND GRACE**  
**2026 COMMUNION SUNDAYS**

Date	Sunday	Committee (Grace Only)
Mar 1	Second Sunday in Lent	Worship and Music
April 5	Easter Day	Ministry & Personnel and Manse
May 24	Day of Pentecost	U.C.W.
October 4	World Communion	Building and Grounds
November 29	First Sunday in Advent	Finance

This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me. This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

John 11: 24, 25

Grace: Gluten Free Bread.

Woodhouse: Gluten free upon request

**Remember to bring gloves & tongs**

