

St. James United Church

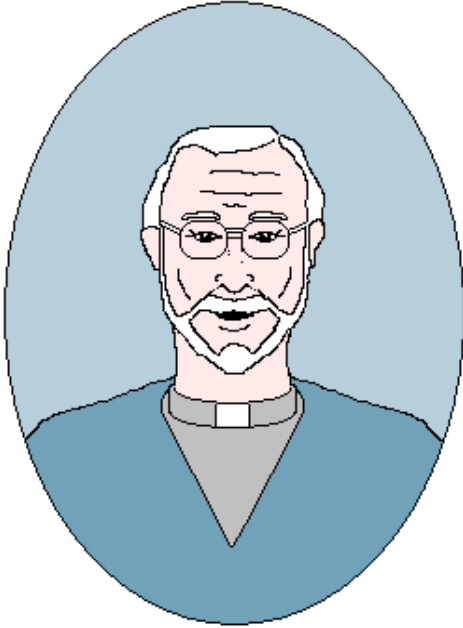


Annual Report For 2007

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Dear friends,

Time passes by so quickly – 2007 is now history and another year has been completed in our life together as a group of Gods people! It has been a year of unexpected events, with so much change taking place in different parts of the world and the feelings of uncertainty these changes can bring. Within our own country we see so many jobs being lost, the stock market falling, our American friends experiencing a recession that will likely affect us all and the increase of violent crime in our cities.

On a personal note, this past year has also given to all of us a measure of success and defeat, joy and sorrow, confidence and fear. For there has been a mixture of joy and sorrow as we experience the reality of living in a world of good and bad. There have been times of celebration, such as the birth of a new baby, or making new friends. But there have also been times of sadness as we said good-by to friends and loved ones who left us and have gone to be with the Lord. And yet, I truly believe that through it all God has been guiding us, teaching us and helping us and using all of the events of life to strengthen us in spirit and in character as His people. In fact as you read through the following reports, you will see just how blessed we have truly been.

As your minister, I am thankful that we are starting to see a few new faces at Sunday Worship because this tells us that as a church we have something to offer people. I also very much appreciate the volunteers who have come forward and offered their time to help in visiting our members who are in nursing homes or unable to leave their own homes, as well as all the volunteers who help so much in so many areas of this Church's ministry!

We do want to thank everyone who has faithfully served on the different boards and committees. Your faithfulness, commitment and love for the Church and our Lord, have added much to our life together and we thank you for it. We also want to welcome back those who continue to serve as well as those who are offering their talents for the first time. May God continue to bless you in this coming year.

Finally, another new year is ahead of us! And it promises to be a full and exciting year as St. James celebrates 100 years of existence this year, which is a tremendous milestone to reach! The Anniversary committee is making plans and working with all Church groups planning special events to honour the occasion and we are looking forward to a real year of celebration!

It's also a year when you can start looking for a new Minister! The Official Board is, or will be, asking Peterborough Presbytery for their help in starting that process and this can be an exciting time as you decide what direction you should be taking as a congregation—and then look for the right person to lead you in that direction!

As I look into the future, I believe that it will be challenging for all Churches, not just St. James United Church, because we live in a new age where the Christian faith is not important for many people and so new challenges face us. I believe we need to ask ourselves, "In a time when following Jesus Christ seems to be less and less important for so many people, how can we as followers of Christ, more effectively share the Good News of the love of God with those around us who are desperately searching for some meaning to life?"

In a society where the 7 day work week is a fact of life, how can we offer opportunities for worship to those who have to work on Sunday but would like to worship and grow spiritually?

In a society where money and materialism are worshipped and seen as the most important thing in life, and where in the pursuit of those "things" so many people end up with empty and frustrating lives, how can we better witness and share with them the things of life and eternity that are truly important?"

I believe that all Christians need to ask those questions of themselves. Because, as God's people, we are called to show by our own lives and actions that there is a better way to live.

It's an exciting time to be part of the Church! I look forward to this new year with real anticipation and I hope you do too. And what gives us strength and hope and optimism, is the knowledge that as we go forward, we are not alone. For there is one thing that never changes; one thing we can count on. As the Psalmist wrote,

"The Lord Almighty is with us; The God of Jacob is our Fortress". —*Psalm 46*.

May God bless and be with you all.

—Paul Grassie

St. James United Church

“Our Mission at St. James United Church is to Worship, Serve, Share, Love, and Care in the Name of Jesus Christ”

Annual Congregational Meeting Sunday, February 11, 2007

1. Call to Order

- Peggy Heard called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance.
- Rev. Paul Grassie gave a brief reading and and prayer.

2. Election of Chair and Secretary for this meeting

- Elizabeth nominated Peggy Heard as Chair and Betsy Ann Gynane as Secretary – Seconded by Karen Cronk. Both accepted. Carried.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Annual Meeting February 12, 2006 corrections:
- Page 4 – Item 2 Presbytery Rep. Verna Windrem
- Page 5 – Item 6 Motion by Pauline O’Dell M&S givings was withdrawn

- Congregational Meeting May 29, 2006 correction:
- 1st Motion – Seconded by Shannon Lynch
- 2nd Motion – Seconded by George Downer

- It was moved by Floyd Sutherland that the minutes of the May 29, June 11, December 3, and December 17, 2006 meetings be approved with corrections. Seconded by Bob Heron. Carried.

4. Shannon Lynch moved a motion to allow adherents the right to vote on all temporal matters presented at this meeting. Seconded by Elizabeth Stillman. Carried.

5. Nominations

Page 11 – Executives of the Board

- Chairperson – Peggy Heard until June 30, 2007
- Vice Chairperson – Wayne Bell until June 30, 2007. Wayne will assume Chairperson position for remainder of year. Moved by Molly James. Seconded by Frank Lamoureux. Carried.

- Secretary – Elizabeth Stillman volunteered to stay for one year.

- Chairpersons of Standing Committees:
- Trustees – Don Hess
- Presbytery – Grace Roberts until May 30, 2007

- Corrections:
- C.E. – Eileen Stanbury – 799-5833
- Bruce Coulter – 714 Young Street
- Stewards – Shannon Lynch – 714 Young Street – also Trustees Info.
 - Kelly Heard – 464 Howden Street
 - Add: Nancy Hawthorn, 7 Springbrook Drive
Betsy Ann Gynane, 787 Stocker Road, 742-0577
- Congregational Life – delete Bus & Shirley Jensen
 - Doris & Bernie O’Brien, 755-0543
 - Add Marie Nelson, 721 Belaire Street, 745-2763
 - Moved by Reta Wallace, seconded by Helen Stewart. Carried.
- Trustees - Add Carl Bedford, 654 Monaghan Road, 742-4878. Moved by Karen Cronk, seconded by Lynda Parker. Carried.
 - Accepted letter of resignation of Garvin White due to diminished health.
- Nominating Committee – Add Sandy Hill
 - Jack Byers was nominated by Betsy Ann Gynane, seconded by Marie Nelson – accepted and carried.
 - Frank Lamoureux volunteered.
- Presbytery - Bruce Coulter nominated Elizabeth Stillman, seconded by Nancy Sutherland, accepted and carried.

It was moved by Bob Heron that the slate of officers and committee members be approved as printed, with additions and corrections for 2007 – seconded by Bill Bott - carried.

- Jim Lowes asked why the list of people who were serving on the Official Board were not listed in the Annual Report under the number of years their terms were (1, 2 or 3 years), as it had been in the past. The Nominating Committee said that they had so many problems getting people to serve that they decided that everyone was serving for one year only so the previous way of listing names did not apply. They are hoping the Committee next year has more luck than they did

6. Division Reports

- Christian Education – Eileen Stanbury
- Eileen advised that we need a representative for the church baseball and hockey leagues. Moved by Eileen that Bruce Coulter be our baseball rep – seconded by Nancy Hawthorne – accepted and carried. Eileen then moved that Shannon Lynch be our hockey rep – seconded by Bill Bott – accepted and carried. Eileen then advised that Tina McConnell Jeffries had taken the job of representing St. James United Church as hockey rep without our knowledge or agreement. Discussion held re. things that she had initiated that did not conform to our thinking as a Christian way of dealing with events. It was moved by Floyd Sutherland that a strongly worded letter be sent right now to the Executive of the Church League Hockey that she is not and never has been the authorized rep for St. James United Church and that as of our Annual Meeting on

February 11th, our rep will be Shannon Lynch. A carbon copy of the letter to be sent to the Board of Directors and Tina McConnell Jeffries by registered mail. Seconded by Dale White. Carried. Enquiry made regarding contracts and/or reporting from Guiding Group. None at this time but Eileen will look into it.

- Mission & Service – remove Nancy Watkins as co-leader.
- Church Board – 1st paragraph date should read 2006 not 2004.
 - Item 9 – month should be September, not August.
 - Item 12 – correct last name of Larry Breakenridge.
 - Add: September – Official Board decided Pauline O’Dell and the Mission & Service Committee will look after the Benevolent Fund.
- Men’s Club – Add Kenn Grainger – Chair
 - Wayne Bell – Secretary
 - Jack Byers – Breakfast Program
 - Wayne Dominick – Treasurer
- Congregational Life – Sunshine – Add Doris O’Brien beside Shirley Jensen.

It was moved by Helen Stewart that the Division/Committee report be accepted, with corrections, as printed. Seconded by Nancy Hawthorne. Carried.

7. Auditors’ Report – It was moved by Jim Lowes that this report be accepted as printed. Seconded by Ken Hawthorne. Carried.

8. Treasurer’s Report – It was moved by Shannon Lynch that the report be accepted as printed. Seconded by Dale White. Discussion followed and questions answered by Shannon, then motion was carried.

9. 2007 Budget – It was moved by Shannon Lynch that the Budget for 2007 be accepted as printed. Seconded by Kelly Heard. Discussion and questions answered by Shannon, and motion was carried.

10. Division of Stewards – Dale White, Chair.

- Dale advised that the gym roof (constructed 1965) needs to be repaired as it is leaking into the building. Shawn has done some work on it, but it requires a new roof. It was moved by Dale that the Stewards be allowed to have the necessary repairs done during 2007. Seconded by Floyd Sutherland. Carried.
- Dale advised that the Rolufs family have requested that any donations received in memory of Howard be used to purchase a new sound system for the Sanctuary in his memory. Dale moved that this be done and also, if needed, use additional funds up to \$5,000 from the Memorial Fund as a new system is badly needed. Seconded by Shannon Lynch. Carried.
- The Sanctuary needs painting and would like to have it done for our Centennial Year. It was moved by Dale that we investigate and proceed with this venture. Seconded by Shannon Lynch. Carried.

- The lien against our church is still there. It was ordered by the courts to be removed in March of 2006. The original judge retired and it was never followed through. Our lawyer is going against Belair again to have it removed.

11. New Business

- 100th Anniversary Committee: Wayne Bell – Worship Division; Bruce Coulter – Christian Education Division; Frank Lamoureux – Congregational Life Division; Grace Roberts – Ministry & Personnel Committee; Nancy Sutherland – U.C.W.; Shannon Lynch – Stewards Division; Bob Heron and Kenn Grainger – Congregation Reps.

- Rev. Paul Grassie would like to have a retreat, “Visioning for the Future”, sometime after Easter. Probably in the church building due to expense and availability of off-site accommodations. Also suggested a letter of appreciation be sent to Garvin White for his many years of service to St. James United Church. He also thanked all the volunteers.

Peggy Heard thanked everyone for their help and support during her term as Chair of the Official Board.

Kenn Grainger thanked Peggy for her two years of dedication and hard work during difficult periods.

Grace Roberts gave thanks to our staff: Rev. Paul Grassie; Tina Rouse, Secretary; Donna Calderwood, Choir and Organist; Shawn Blackwood, Caretaker; Lynda Parker, Sunday Custodian, and volunteers who help. Also thanks to Shannon Lynch for her work.

Floyd Sutherland moved adjournment and Rev. Paul closed with a benediction.



**St. James United Church Nominations Committee
Board and Committee Positions as of January 2008**

Executive of the Board

Chairperson	Wayne Bell	470 George St., Apt. #604	743-5385
Past President	Peggy Heard	478 John St., R. R. #2, Ptbo	745-0643
Vice Chairperson			
Secretary			
Treasurer	Shannon Lynch	714 Young St.	760-9793
Minister	Rev. Paul Grassie	Box 3, Lindsay	(705) 328-0342

Chairperson of each Standing Committee (or their designate)

Rep. of U.C.W.	Nancy Sutherland	110 Creekwood Dr.	750-0001
Rep. of Men's Club	Wayne Dominick	81 James Street	745-9308
Rep. of Trustees	Don Hess	34 Village Crescent	742-2866
Rep. of Presbytery	Elizabeth Stillman	686 Crawford Place	745-2049

Christian Education Committee

Eileen Stanbury (chair)		1225 Meadowview Rd.	799-5833
Jack Byers		414 Edison Ave.	742-6133
Kim Dawson		1595 Cherryhill Rd.	742-1136
Bruce Coulter		714 Young St.	760-9793
Shelley Baptie		935 Ford St.	876-7046

Representatives

Sunday School	Eileen Stanbury	1225 Meadowview Rd.	749-5833
Library	Kim Dawson	1595 Cherryhill Rd.	742-1136
U.C.W.	Lynda Parker	759 New Romaine St.	742-1983
Men's Club	Jack Byers	414 Edison Ave.	742-6133

Worship and Membership Committee

Dianne Hutchison		#501-470 George St. S.	742-6360
Ken Hawthorne		7 Springbrook Dr.	742-7160
Leslie Gutsole-Floyd		904 Stewart Line, Cavan	944-8921
Marg Borland		630 Lillian St.	742-0743
Jeff Stewart		666 Park St.	742-4855
Ruth Dwyer		198 McGill St.	745-4795

Ex-Officio

Shirley Robertson – Music Director	Lindsay		(705) 324-0518
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Stewards/Property & Finance Committee

Karen Cronk		1004 Barnardo Ave.	745-3312
Floyd Sutherland		110 Creekwood Dr.	750-0001
Dale White (Chair)		1716 Waddell Ave.	740-1199
Shannon Lynch		714 Young St.	760-9793
Marguerite White		1716 Waddell Ave.	740-1199
Kelly Heard		464 Howden Ave.	876-1921
Sandy Hill		209 Dalhousie St.	742-7912
Shirley Rolufs		#403- 2650 Marsdale Dr.	741-4960
Ron Horton		1636 Waddell Ave.	743-8904
Nancy Hawthorne		7 Springbrook Dr.	742-7160
Betsy Ann Gynane		787 Stocker Road	742-0577

Mission and Service

Pauline O'Dell (Chair)	25 Alexander Ave.	742-2986
Christine Jarvis	1070 Barnardo Ave.	745-9379
Mildred Lancaster	98 Princess St.	745-3979

Ministry and Personnel

Shirley Rolufs (Chair)	2650 Marsdale Dr, #403	741-4960
Elizabeth Stillman	686 Crawford Place	745-2049
Nancy Hawthorne	7 Springbrook Dr.	742-7160.
Jack Byers	414 Edison Ave.	742-6133
Grace Roberts	1121 Armour Rd.	742-8127
Jim Lowes	671 Skyline Rd., Ennismore	292-0707

Congregational Life

Doris & Bernie O'Brien	#10-467 Chamberlain St.	755-0543
Reta Wallace	736 Severn Rd.	742-7584
Helen & Neil Stewart	666 Park St. S.	742-4855
Roland & Cairn Schizkoske	579 Fagan Ave.	748-9296
Edna Lazure	157 Braidwood Ave.	745-8121
Ellis & Shirley Peters	706 Bellaire St.	745-5963
Jim & Shirley Lowes	671 Skyline Rd., Ennismore	292-0707
Frank & Lenore Lamoureux (Chair)	913 Rochelle Ct.	742-4160
Marie Nelson	721 Bellaire Street	745-2763

Board of Trustees

Don Hess	34 Village Crescent	742-2866
Nancy Hawthorne	7 Springbrook Dr.	742-7160
Lynda Parker	759 New Romaine St.	742-1983
Bus Jensen	621 Harold Dr.	742-8387
Karen Cronk	1004 Barnardo Ave.	745-3312
Ron Horton	1636 Waddell Ave.	743-8904
Rev. Paul Grassie	Box 3, Lindsay	(705) 328-0342
Carl Bedford	654 Monaghan Rd.	742-4878

Nominations Committee

Rev. Paul Grassie	Box 3, Lindsay	(705) 328-0342
Peggy Heard (Past Chair of Board)	478 John St., R. R. #2, Ptbo.	745-0643
Dale White (Chair of Stewards)	1716 Waddell Ave.	740-1199
Sandy Hill	209 Dalhousie St.	742-7912
Jack Byers	414 Edison Ave.	742-6133
Frank Lamoureux	913 Rochelle Ct.	742-4160

Delegates to Presbytery

Elizabeth Stillman	686 Crawford Place	745-2049
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Auditors

Peter Floyd	904 Stewart Line, Cavan	944-8921
Ron Horton	1636 Waddell Ave.	742-6133

Clerk of Session

Jack Byers	414 Edison Ave.	742-6133
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St. James United Church, Peterborough, Ontario
Statement of Assets and Congregational Equity
As of December 31, 2007

Net Assets/(Liabilities)

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
General Funds		
Bank/(overdraft)	\$ 35,549	\$ 14,393
Designated funds	18,965	5,863
Accounts receivable	7,325	7,205
Deposits held in trust	824	891
Prepaid expenses	5,060	5,111
Accounts payable & accrued liabilities	(7,755)	(2,164)
Money held in trust	<u>(19,678)</u>	<u>(3,840)</u>
	<u>\$ 40,290</u>	<u>\$ 27,459</u>
Restricted funds		
Bank	\$ 261	\$ 8,085
Term deposits	<u>105,000</u>	<u>102,000</u>
	<u>\$ 105,261</u>	<u>\$ 110,085</u>
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Designated funds		
Benevolent	\$ 1,619	\$ 1,011
Building improvements	1,966	2,928
Choir	111	-0
Dishwasher	935	935
Memorial flowers	257	273
Other Specified donations	50	0
Stained Glass Window – 100 th Anniversary Project	13,311	0
Youth band	431	431
Youth group	<u>285</u>	<u>285</u>
	<u>\$ 18,965</u>	<u>\$ 5,863</u>
Restricted funds		
Manse proceeds	\$ 38,000	\$ 38,000
Unallocated memorials	<u>67,261</u>	<u>72,085</u>
	<u>\$105,261</u>	<u>\$110,085</u>

St. James United Church, Peterborough, Ontario
Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes
In Current Operating fund for the Year ended December 31, 2007

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Receipts		
Envelopes	\$ 119,520	\$ 140,536
Loose collection	3,486	2,833
Donations	540	260
Rentals	17,069	15,954
Interest	2,129	2,072
Organizations	26,750	28,486
Other	5,209	25,869
Dinners	2,700	3,951
Weddings	2,540	6,145
Radio Broadcast	0	1,845
Buildings	499	3,469
Transferred from/(to) restricted	<u>3,945</u>	<u>7,368</u>
	\$184,387	\$ 238,787
Disbursements		
Salaries and allowances	87,709	122,151
Employer payroll expenses	4,133	6,462
Honoraria	3,484	6,345
Personnel search expenses	0	50
Fuel and utilities	27,394	27,709
Telephone, postage, office supplies	6,040	5,050
Advertising – newspaper church notices	1,420	1,400
Radio Broadcast	0	1,870
Insurance	6,362	6,296
Choir supplies	404	340
Instrumental maintenance	372	129
Janitorial supplies	1,089	650
Repairs and maintenance	10,004	5,037
Elevator maintenance	838	673
Christian Education	235	238
Worship Division	1,320	953
Presbytery	6,671	6,330
Other	10,494	1,452
Bank charges	258	169
Building	<u>3,330</u>	<u>11,611</u>
	<u>171,557</u>	<u>204,916</u>
Excess of receipts over disbursements/(deficiency)	12,830	33,872
Beginning surplus	27,460	(6,417)
Prior period adjustment	<u>0</u>	<u>5</u>
Ending surplus/(deficiency)	<u>\$ 40,290</u>	<u>\$ 27,460</u>

Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2007

1. Significant Accounting Policies

- (a) The financial statements are comprised of the accounts under the control of the Church Board. They do not include the assets, equity, receipts or disbursements of any of the church organizations.
- (b) Expenditures of a capital nature are written off in the year of acquisition.

2. Mission and Service

All mission and service receipts are forwarded to the United Church of Canada in the month of receipt other than white gift received. Hence there is a zero balance at the end of the year in the general funds.

3. Manse Proceeds

The proceeds from the sale of the Princess Street Manse are invested in term deposits. The interest earned is included in the current operating fund receipts.

4. Contributions of Organizations are as follows:

	Operating	M&S	<u>2007</u>	2008	Total
			Windows		
United Church Women	\$ 9,000	\$ 6,220	\$ 200		\$ 15,420
St. James Players	13,000				13,000
Congregational Life	3,000				3,000
Carpet Bowlers	1,000				1,000
Friendship Club	0			500	500
Men's Club	500				500
Tuesday Morning Craft Group	<u>250</u>				<u>250</u>
	<u>\$ 26,750</u>	<u>\$ 6,220</u>	<u>\$ 700</u>		<u>\$ 33,670</u>

	Operating	<u>2006</u>	Total
		M&S	
United Church Women	\$ 9,500	\$ 6,230	\$ 15,730
St. James Players	13,000		13,000
Congregational Life	2,500		2,500
Carpet Bowlers	800		800
Bonacords	325		325
Friendship Club	600		600
Men's Club	1,500		1,500
Sunday School		14	14
Tuesday Morning Craft Group	250		250
United Church Women Units	<u>111</u>		<u>111</u>
	<u>\$ 28,586</u>	<u>\$ 6,244</u>	<u>\$ 34,816</u>

St. James United Church, Peterborough, Ontario
Statement of Changes in Restricted Funds for the Year to December 31, 2007

	Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	Interest	Balance
	12/31/06				12/31/07
Manse proceeds	\$ 38,000				\$ 38,000
In Memoriam	<u>72,085</u>	<u>\$ 2,371</u>	<u>\$ 7,195</u>	<u> </u>	<u>\$ 67,261</u>
	<u>\$110,085</u>	<u>\$ 2,370</u>	<u>\$ 7,194</u>	<u> </u>	<u>\$105,261</u>

- (1) The manse proceeds are invested in a term deposit, which matures on November 16, 2009.
(2) \$67,000 of the \$67,261 are invested in two term deposits.
(3) A disbursement of \$3,945 was used for the sound system in the sanctuary.
(4) \$3,250 of the disbursements were transferred to the reserve funds for the 100th Anniversary windows project for the sanctuary at the request of the families.

St. James United Church, Peterborough, Ontario
Envelope Earnings Breakdown for 2007

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Anniversary	\$ 811	\$ 424
Christmas	4,627	1,701
Easter	1,606	2,041
General Fund	110,558	120,010
Good Friday	730	703
Initial Offering	352	1,484
Operating Appeal	0	13,550
Thanksgiving	<u>836</u>	<u>623</u>
	<u>\$ 119,520</u>	<u>\$ 140,536</u>

St. James United Church, Peterborough, Ontario
Statement of Receipts and Disbursements

Mission and Service Funds
Year Ended December 31, 2007

	2007	2006
Receipts		
Envelopes	\$ 11,152	\$ 14,385
U.C.W.	6,020	6,030
World Development	200	250
Sunday School	19	14
Fundraisers	2,412	3,505
Lenten	0	25
Pennies from Missions	257	-0
White Gift	611	789
	<u>\$ 20,671</u>	<u>\$ 24,998</u>
Disbursements		
Contributed to M&S	18,755	21,190
Costs of fundraising	1,525	1,735
White Gifts	171	327
White Gift – donation to Salvation Army	<u>220</u>	<u>211</u>
Contributed to M&S Fund	<u>20,671</u>	<u>25,328</u>
Balance of Mission & Service Account	<u>\$ -0</u>	<u>\$ -0</u>

St. James United Church, Peterborough, Ontario
Summary of Envelope Givings
Year Ended December 31, 2007

Annual Offerings	Number of Envelope Holders	
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
\$ 1 - \$199	55	72
200 – 399	31	37
400 – 599	25	29
600 – 799	9	16
800 – 999	13	10
1,000 – 1,199	14	13
1,200 – 1,399	6	6
1,400 – 1,599	5	5
1,600 – 1,799	2	6
1,800 – 1,999	3	1
2,000 – 2,499	5	2
2,500 – 2,999	1	1
3,000 – 4,999	3	3
Over 5,000	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>
Total Number of Envelope Givers	<u>174</u>	<u>207</u>
 The average envelope givings for the year	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
	<u>\$ 686.90</u>	<u>\$ 685.54</u>

St. James United Church – 2008 Budget

Mission & Service Budget

	2008 Budget	2007 Actual	2007 Budget
Mission & Service Income	\$ 19,000	\$ 20,671	\$ 18,000
Mission & Service Disbursed	<u>19,000</u>	<u>20,671</u>	<u>18,000</u>
	<u>\$ -0</u>	<u>\$ -0</u>	<u>\$ -0</u>

St. James United Church – 2008 Budget

Receipts	2008 Budget	2007 Actual	2007 Budget
Envelope Givings	\$ 120,000	\$ 119,520	\$ 120,000
Loose Collection	3,000	3,486	2,500
Donations	13,311	540	0
Rentals	15,000	17,069	16,000
Interest	2,000	2,129	2,000
Organizations	25,000	26,750	25,000
Other	3,500	5,209	21,000
Dinner	2,500	2,700	3,000
Weddings	535	2,540	1,070
Building	2,200	499	3,000
Transfer from Reserve	<u>0</u>	<u>3,945</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Receipts	187,046	184,387	193,570
Salaries and Allowances			
Secretary - Salary	17,414	17,445	17,079
- Benefits	2,380	2,274	2,442
Music Director – Salary	10,060	9,946	9,403
- Mileage	4,056	2,223	0
Custodian – Salary	13,146	13,012	12,886
- Benefits	1,842	1,723	1,787
Minister – Salary	25,124	24,631	26,442
- Housing	10,000	10,000	10,676
- Benefits	0	0	349
- Employee Health	0	0	115
- Car	4,609	4,832	7,020
- Phone, books, education	1,253	250	1,317
Sunday Custodian	<u>1,407</u>	<u>1,373</u>	<u>1,380</u>
	91,291	87,709	90,896
Operating Expenses			
Employer Payroll Expenses	4,270	4,133	4,400
Honoraria	1,499	1,484	1,177
Honoraria – Weddings	400	2,000	800
Personnel Expenses	1,300	0	200
Fuel and Utilities	28,000	27,394	28,000
Telephone, postage, office supplies	5,500	6,040	5,000
Advertising – newspaper notices	1,500	1,420	1,500
Insurance	6,500	6,362	6,500
Choir Supplies	600	404	600
Instrument Maintenance	600	372	600
Janitorial Supplies	1,000	1,089	1,000
Repairs and Maintenance	7,000	10,004	4,700
Elevator Maintenance	1,000	838	1,000
Christian Education	700	235	500
Worship and Membership	1,200	1,320	900
Presbytery	6,992	6,671	6,647
Other	3,000	10,494	18,500
Bank Charges	300	258	200
Building	<u>15,511</u>	<u>3,330</u>	<u>2,000</u>
	<u>86,872</u>	<u>83,848</u>	<u>84,224</u>
Total Disbursements	<u>178,163</u>	<u>171,557</u>	<u>175,120</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>\$ 8,883</u>	<u>\$ 12,830</u>	<u>\$ 18,450</u>

Reports of Committees and Organizations

The Church Board

Chair from Jan to June 2007 Peggy Heard 745-0643
Chair from Sept to Dec 2007 Wayne Bell 743-5385

Chair 2008 Wayne Bell
Past Chair Peggy Heard
Vice Chair To Be Announced

The Church Board consists of members of each committee, and they met five times in 2007, following Committee meetings. The Executive, consisting of Committee Chairs, representatives of organizations and Board officers, met five times in 2007, for a total of ten meetings and one congregational meeting.

Highlights of the 2007 year included:

- January 16, 2007 Presbytery announced Rev Dr. Paul Currie is no longer the Minister of St. James Church. He was to be paid for 3 months fully reimbursed through Presbytery.
- The new YMCA opened across the road from the church. The YMCA asked that we become their emergency location to evacuate the children.
- We installed a new sound system in memory of Howard Rolufs.
- We did an Insurance review and an appraisal of church belongings.
- We got a new organist, Shirley Robertson.
- We had a successful financial audit by the federal government in August.
- The drama club celebrated their 35th Anniversary.
- Nancy Sutherland went to Newfoundland for the UCW 45th Anniversary.
- We had an interesting variety of Sunday speakers during July and August.
- We raised money for stained glass panels for our 100th Anniversary.
- We had a Ham and Strawberry Dinner on June 22, 2007.
- A flower committee was started to decorate the church.
- We had a church retreat on April 28, 2007
- We got a new photocopier with codes for people who use it.
- There was a Lay Leadership Training Course in the spring.
- Internet was updated and we got a new computer for the Church Office.

“Making sense of life’s changes” is the subtitle of William Bridge’s book Transitions. Bridges concluded that every significant change has three stages: Ending; the Neutral Zone; and the New Beginning.

Endings are the beginning of change. Often this requires a brief process that takes us through the steps from denial to resistance to acceptance. Perhaps the most painful part of ending is the sense of finality. We become so comfortable with the old way that it is impossible to imagine a new one.

The Neutral Zone is a period of reorientation, an “in between time” that is often unstable and uncertain. We feel disconnected. We have neither the comfortable familiarity of the old nor the fresh assurance of the new. The neutral zone is most obvious when someone is in between jobs; when a spouse has died and remaining mate is trying to figure out what to do next; or when a person has retired but has not developed a retirement lifestyle.

New beginning is when hope is rekindled and new chapters are written in earnest. There is either a renewal of original purpose or the establishment of new purpose. St James was privileged to receive new families, new members willing to serve, and a variety of visiting leadership provided by the wider community. Fresh starts do not negate the past; they simply accept the reality and the opportunity to change.

Most people and organizations make it through all three stages of transitional change. Some do it smoothly; for others it means tremendous upheaval. It’s probably never easy for anyone. What is important is our understanding the inevitability of change, seeing change as a process that takes time, and working one’s way both as a community and as an individual through the stages.

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Skeptics wonder if the church and Christianity can survive. Let there be no doubt, in my mind, the Church of Jesus Christ, not only will survive, but will thrive. Christ's Church is extraordinary, changing with every generation yet keeping the Gospel truth unchanged.

In the following pages, you will discover how, as a church family, you have coped with change over the last year. It is, in my humble opinion, considering the event of the last few months, an expression of your having done very, very well.

CONGRATULATIONS FAITHFUL SERVANTS OF GOD!

In closing, on behalf of the larger church, I extend my sincere thanks to all, including our many capable volunteers, and wonderful staff who have assisted in the ongoing work of St. James congregation during this special, challenging, transitional time. To people who have completed their term on the Official Board or the various committee, thank you, and best wished to our 2008 group of people as they assume the ongoing work of our church family.

Worship and Membership

Co-Chairs

Dianne Hutchison

742-6360

The Worship and Membership Division met as required to plan regular services including communion, baptism, reception of members, and special commemorative services, pulpit supply, music, lay and youth involvement, and sanctuary decorations.

This has been a very busy year for our division. We arranged for guest speakers approximately every six weeks when Rev Paul Grassie had his scheduled weeks off and during the month of July when he was on vacation. The guest speakers included Marilyn Coward, Warren Morrison, Jim Abel, Rev Jim Burn, Rev Bev Sumbler John MacDonald and Rev Jim Moulton. Our anniversary speaker was Rev Gordon Crossfield, a classmate of Rev Grassie. We also had a wonderful music Sunday with Ean and Eleanor, a Gospel duo arranged by Wimpy Borland and the Men's Club. The Ladies of the U.C.W conducted a lovely service in May for the forty-fifth anniversary of the UCW. Their guest speaker was June Drain the then president of Bay of Quinte Conference

A successful church Retreat was held in April with about 20 in attendance followed by a roast beef dinner. Special thanks to all who assist in our church functions: U.C.W., Men's Club, Congregational Life and Choir. We appreciate those who operate the sound system and the elevator, arrange for, and provide ushering, greeters and communion. Our appreciation to the Veterans, who arranged for, and assisted with our very meaningful Remembrance Day Service. Other special services included Easter, Thanksgiving, Anniversary and Christmas. We also appreciate our "Flower Ladies" who are so talented in beautifying our sanctuary with floral arrangements throughout the year.

Thank you to Music Director Shirley Robertson for arranging special music during the year, and especially for the Cantata at Christmas which required so much preparation, not only by Shirley, but the whole choir. It was enjoyed by everyone. Also, thank you to the members of the Worship and Membership Committee who were so helpful during the year,

We are very grateful to Rev. Paul Grassie for his dedication to St James Church with his gentle, caring manner.

The Church Roll – 2007

Number of Members at 31/12/2007 – 465

Number of Weddings - 4

Number of Funerals – 12

Number of Baptisms – 5

Members Deceased - 14

Members Removed by Transfer – 2

2007 Music and Choir Report

Music Directors : January to Easter –

Donna Collison-Calderwood

April to December - Shirley Robertson

Our choir gave leadership through music each Sunday. In April, we were very sorry to see Donna leave to pursue other interests. Fortunately, we were able to find Shirley was available to lead us and provide wonderful music on both the piano and organ. We continue to enjoy having Albert Moher play his violin for us on the first Sunday of each month. As well, we have welcomed Sue Porteous to the choir and also welcomed back Dorothy Rowan- Floyd. At Christmas the choir presented a cantata entitled, “Come and Worship”. Due to our small numbers we have had to give up sponsorship of our foster child. We would gladly welcome anyone who enjoys singing and is available for practises on Thursday evenings.

—Submitted by Marney Horton



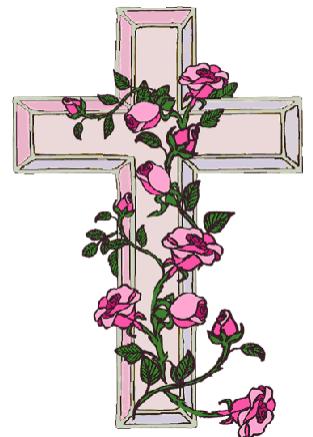
Flower Girls

The Flower Girls met five times in 2007 to plan and organize the decorating of the sanctuary, and to do a little tidying up in some places throughout the church. We have a schedule of rotation so each girl is responsible for the flowers in the sanctuary every seven weeks. The team consists of Ruth Dwyer, Lillian Grandy, Nancy Hawthorne, Clara Heron, Lynda Parker, Nancy Watkins, and Marg Borland.

In addition to the five meetings, three of the girls, Clara Heron, Nancy Watkins, and Lillian Grandy, have spent many hours creating some beautiful seasonal arrangements that can be used many times in their appropriate season. This involved gathering some materials from woods, swamps, neighbours, and various places, and painting some of them. It also entailed shopping all over for the best prices for containers and flowers.

We are also very grateful and wish to thank all the people who have donated flowers in 2007 in Memorial, for special occasions, and out of their gardens. We also want to thank the UCW for their beautiful Easter decorations and for their Anniversary Service flowers, and the Men’s Club for Remembrance Day, and Thanksgiving Day decorations. Last but not least, we wish to thank the Choir members for the beautiful poinsettias and Christmas decorations at Christmastime. When we all work together, beautiful things happen.

In 2008, we are planning to replace the green felt in the pews where the communion glasses are placed, and would invite anyone who would like to take part in this little venture to speak to either Nancy Watkins or Marg Borland.



Mission and Service Committee

Chair: Pauline O'Dell 742-2986



Another successful year for this committee, thanks to the help of **all** members of St. James, especially the UCW. Without their generous donations, we would not meet and exceed our goals. Many events were sponsored in 2007:

March - Stew Luncheon following Church Service.

April - Served refreshments during intermission of the Spring Play.

June 10 - Bus trip to Toronto to see Blue Jays baseball game.

October - Prepared and conducted Mission Church Service. Speakers were Jill and Peter Adams, volunteers with *Sleeping Children Around the World*.

November - Had a table at the Annual Tea & Bazaar. Sold dove-shaped cookies with the proceeds going to *United for Peace Project (2007-2009)*.

- Delivered 49 *Samaritan Christmas Child Shoe Boxes* to local outlet to be shipped abroad.

December - Supported the Angel Tree, White Gift Sunday, and helped serve refreshments Sunday after church.
- Bought and wrapped approximately 50 Christmas remembrances for our St. James shut-ins who reside in nursing homes, retirement homes and their own homes. These gifts were delivered with a Christmas card and church bulletin, through the kindness and generosity of some of our church members.
All in all a busy, rewarding and fulfilling 2007. We are a small group; five people, with a purpose. Why not join us?

Our blessings and prayers to all, as St. James celebrates 100 Years (1908-2008).

Goal set for 2007 - \$18,000.00. Total amount reached December 31, 2007 - \$20,671.00

Our committee consists of: Jean Hughes, Christine Jarvis, Mildred Lancaster, Judy Morrow, and Pauline O'Dell.

The Miracle of Friendship

There's a miracle called Friendship
that dwells within the heart
and you don't know how it happens
or when it gets its start
but the happiness it brings you
always gives a special gift
and you realize that Friendship
is God's most precious gift.

—M. Pauline O'Dell

The Benevolent Fund

Total contributions in 2007 were \$608. There were no disbursements from the Benevolent Fund in 2007.

Memory Lane Fund 2007 Financial Report

Balance, December 29, 2006	\$ 1,178.59
Donations	1,000.00
Interest	90.00
Total Receipts, 2007	<u>2,179.49</u>
Outreach Disbursements	<u>1,375.00</u>
Balance, December 29, 2007	\$ <u>804.49</u>

Jack Byers

742-6133

Board of Stewards

The year 2007 was a busy one for the Board of Stewards. We were fortunate to start 2007 with a financial surplus. We have continued for another year with the lien against our Church and the Stewards have worked monthly with our solicitors to have it removed. St James has not incurred any additional costs in our attempts to rectify and remove the lien. The Stewards did not handle any major repairs this year, however we did embark on several upgrades such as:

- 1) Rates set for funerals to match weddings held in the Church,
- 2) Changed from dial-up to high speed Internet. Our provider is now Cogeco and the Church's email address is sjuc@cogeco.net.
- 3) New Sound System in the Sanctuary. Support was received from the St. James Players and the family and friends of the late Howard Rolufs. A special thanks to Floyd Sutherland of the Stewards for handling this project.
- 4) Nursery Speaker. A member of our Church has donated the funds to install a new speaker in the Nursery.
- 5) Computer for Secretary's Office. A new computer has been purchased for Secretary Tina Rouse and will have been installed early in 2008.
- 6) Insurance Updated. The Trustees and the Stewards embarked on a reassessment of our insurance policy to ensure our Church is adequately covered.

For 2008 we will be looking at repainting the Sanctuary (held over from 2007), looking at possibly repairing or replacing the gym roof and weather proofing the outer walls of the gym.

Finally the Stewards would like to thank Treasurer Shannon Lynch for her time and her hard work. Looking after the finances and the paperwork for our Church is a large job and it takes quite a time and expertise commitment.

Dale White
Chair-Board of Stewards

Christian Education

Chair:

Eileen Stanbury

799-5833

Sunday School

The Sunday School Picnic was on June 3rd. The service and picnic were held at the Riverview Zoo. The children were excused to Sunday School as usual and made crafts at a picnic table nearby. After the service, a potluck picnic was held, followed by games for all ages. The Sunday School is using Workshop Rotation for the second year. Enrolment has been very low. The Jack Byers Award was not awarded in 2007. The Sunday School children performed in a Christmas Pageant called, “The Signs of Christmas” on December 16th during the church service. There were a few last-minute changes due to a snow storm. A Christmas Party complete with Santa was held following the pageant. The children were given goodie bags. Leftover goodie bags were donated to the Angel Tree.

Youth Group

Youth Group did not meet in 2007. A Youth Co-ordinator is needed.

Library

Several books were added to the Library

Softball

We had 4 teams representing St. James: 2 boys teams, Atom and Bantam, as well as 2 teams of girls, Senior and Overaged. We had to pool some of our St. James children to help make up other teams as we were down children in some of the age groups—this has happened at all the churches, and we ended up with some of the other Church leagues’ children on our teams. We had the overaged girls win the consolation game. I am looking for help with the running of this year’s softball as I can not make all the meetings and need help on our registration days.

—Bruce Coulter Softball Coordinator

Hockey

A decision was made to resign from the Peterborough Community church Hockey League and to join the Peterborough Minor Hockey Association. Shannon Lynch represents St. James on the Executive.

—Eileen Stanbury, Christian Education Chair

Congregational Life

Chairperson	Frank Lamoureux	742-4160
Treasurer	Jim Lowes	292-0707
Secretary	Helen Stewart	742-4855
Sunshine	Doris O'Brien	755-0543

Number of members in the group - 14

Main Events in 2007

Winter Fun Day & Pot Luck	February
Ham & Strawberry Supper with Men's Club	June
Corn Roast & B.B.Q.	September
Turkey Dinner	December

Financial Report

Balance, December 31, 2006	\$ 1,150.07
Receipts/Income 2007	<u>8,391.59</u>
Total	\$ 8,967.49
Expenditures 2007	<u>8,342.23</u>
Balance, December 31, 2006	\$ <u>1,199.43</u>

Contributions to St. James General Fund in 2007:

June 2007	\$ 2,700.00
December 2007	<u>3,000.00</u>
Total Donations to General Fund	\$ <u>5,700.00</u>

Board of Trustees

Garvin White (Honorary)	635 Lillian Street	743-3296
Carl Bedford	654 Monaghan Road	742-4878
Karen Cronk	1004 Barnardo Avenue	745-3312
Rev. Paul Grassie (Minister)	Box 3, Lindsay	(705) 328-0342
Nancy Hawthorne	7 Springbrook Drive	742-7160
Don Hess (Chair)	34 Village Crescent	742-2866
Ron Horton	1636 Waddell Avenue	743-8904
Bus Jensen	621 Harold Drive	742-8387
Lynda Parker	759 New Romaine St.	742-1983

The St. James Board of Trustees held four meetings during 2007. Church policies and procedures commenced in 2006 were finalized in 2007, covering such areas as Restricted Funds, Investments, Bequests, Memorial Donations, Maintenance, Repairs and Improvements.

1. It is the responsibility of the Trustees Board to ensure that insurance carried is adequate to protect the Congregation from liability claims and fire damage. Insurance policies have been reviewed and recommendations made, leading to:
2. An increase from 2 million to 5 million dollars in liability areas such as Bodily Injury and Property Damage, Abuse and Harassment, Errors and Omissions Church Counselling, Directors and Officers liability. Cost \$544.00.

A complete Appraisal of all land, building, furniture and equipment was undertaken and completed during the summer months to determine the insurance coverage we should carry for replacement value coverage in the event destroyed by fire. The cost is to be partially subsidized by the United Church of Canada, and will be \$684. We await the dollar amount of coverage we should carry, and the increase in annual premium. (It is ten or more years since this was last undertaken).

Don Hess, Chair

St. James United Church Women



Purpose: To unite all women of the congregation for the total mission of the church and to provide a medium through which they may express their loyalty and devotion to Jesus Christ in Christian witness, study, fellowship and service.

The UCW celebrated their 45th Anniversary during 2007. The theme for the year was “We Are One”, celebrating 45 years of Ongoing Faithful Service 1962 – 2007. It has been a special time to look back and remember the women who went before us on this journey into UCW. There were WMS reunions and get-togethers for the people who paved the path for the future. On May 27th, 2007, St. James UCW held a special Anniversary Service with June Drain, Bay of Quinte Conference President, as our guest speaker. A Remembrance Candle was lit by Verna Rolufs, our second President, Charter Members were recognized with a certificate and the names of Life Members were read out by Marg Borland.

Ten Executive Meetings with an average attendance of 14, and eight General Meetings with an average attendance of 37 were held during the year.

There are three units and each has a group of associate members that aren't able to come out to meetings but help out where and when they can. Each unit takes turns preparing Worship, lunch and courtesies for the General Meetings. They all participate in catering, special lunches, anniversary and birthday parties, preparing meat pies, layettes, muffin parties, and preparing for and working at our Annual Tea and Bazaar. Individuals in all units supported the Ukonga Water Project (\$400 from St. James and over \$10,000 for all of Bay of Quinte Conference), Sleeping Children Around the World, and donated items to Cameron House, and Camp Quin-Mo-Lac, and visited many of our shut-ins and those living in retirement residences, nursing homes, and hospital.

100 place settings of Corelle dinnerware were purchased for the kitchen this year. We catered six funeral luncheons, one birthday party, two wedding anniversaries, and six banquets during 2007. We made meat pies on four days and held two muffin parties. 66 “Thinking of You”, birthday greetings, and “Get Well” cards were sent. Four layettes were purchased—two went to the hospital and two to the Childrens’ Aid.

We have two members who represent St. James at St. Joseph’s at Fleming and three at Fairhaven.

The UCW donated \$3,020 to various charities, \$9,000 to St. James General Fund, and \$6,030 to the Mission & Service Fund.

A Life Membership was given to Grace Roberts at the Christmas General Meeting in recognition of her many years of dedicated service to St. James UCW.

We have had a very successful year once again. To the men and to the ladies who do not attend our meetings but help out in so many ways, a heartfelt thank you! We appreciate all that everyone does. Let’s continue to work together to make 2008, St. James’s 100th Anniversary year, a memorable one. May we all continue to have rich blessings, good health, and love. May God bless each and every one of you. .../Cont’d

*And now go with us, Lord,
 Into the days ahead.
 Strengthen us for Peace
 Give us Wisdom,
 Keep us humble
 And may we live and work together,
 And so striving,
 Build a new and better world of tomorrow.*

Respectfully submitted,
 Nancy Sutherland, President

FINANCIAL REPORT - UNITED CHURCH WOMEN 2007

Income

Envelopes	2,957.30	
Donations	2,585.42	
Projects	15,385.91	
Other	<u>346.79</u>	
Annual Income	\$21,275.42	
Previous Balance	<u>5,035.25</u>	
		\$26,310.67

GIC (Dishwasher Reserve) \$10,742.51

Expenses

Administration	1,143.90	
Supplies, Improvements & Gifts	2,799.63	
Donations to St. James UC	9,410.00	
Outreach	<u>10,083.88</u>	
	<u>\$23,437.41</u>	
Balance December 31, 2007		\$ <u>2,873.26</u>

St. James Men's Club

Executive:	Kenn Grainger (Chair)	743-0415
	Wayne Bell (Secretary)	743-5385
	Jack Byers (Breakfast Club)	742-6133
	Wayne Dominick (Treasurer)	745-9308
	Bill Bott	742-8879
	Bob Heron	742-6824
	Lou Ellis	742-1229
	Roland Schizkoske	748-9296

There are 50 Club Members. The Club hosted the following in 2007:

- Sweetheart/Ladies Night at St. James February 9th
- Men's Breakfast at Kawartha Golf Club March 10th
- Annual Beef Dinner fund raiser at St. James April 14th
- Breakfast Program Volunteer Lunch at St. James June 8th
- Assisted Congregational Life Ham Strawberry Dinner at St. James June 22nd
- Men's Breakfast at Kawartha Golf Club September 15th
- Men's Club Dinner at St. James October 19th

We continue to operate a Breakfast Program at Keith Wightman Public School spearheaded by Jack Byers who gives up 185 Days every year of his retirement to administer this Program. The Breakfast Program was initiated at St. James back in 1996 with King Edward Public School and later with Sacred Heart Separate School participating. Each school day at Keith Wightman approximately 45 to 70 students eat a hearty breakfast. This is prepared and served by 30 Volunteers each week. Donations are from Government and private sources. The cost to run this Program averages \$500.00 per month.

For the 2nd consecutive year we again hosted a Hot Turkey Dinner in 2 shifts commencing at 11:30 a.m. on December 18th. Approximately 230 students of Keith Wightman Public School plus 40 teachers and Breakfast Program Volunteers enjoyed this dinner. We supplied the food and the Kenner Collegiate culinary class prepared and served this meal. Santa Claus gave out Christmas goodie bags to each student in attendance following the dinner. Our cost for this Dinner was \$1,788.89.

We made donations to St. James United Church; St. James Angel Tree; Kawartha Food Share and the Salvation Army Christmas Hamper Fund.

We continue to support our 15 year old Foster Child, Valentina, in the Dominican Republic.

We have committed \$1,000.00 toward the purchase of a Projection Screen for the Sanctuary in conjunction with the St. James 100th Anniversary celebration.

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Upcoming Events in 2008

- Saturday February 9th at 6:00 pm Sweetheart/Ladies Night at St. James
- Saturday March 15th at 8:30 am Men's Club Breakfast at Kawartha Golf Club
- Saturday April 12th - 2 sittings 4:30 and 6:00 Men's Club Beef Dinner Fund Raiser
- Tuesday June 10th at 12 noon Breakfast Club Volunteer Lunch at St. James

Financial Report for 2007

Balance December 31, 2006	\$ 6,026.37
Plus Receipts in 2007	<u>\$ 13,631.58</u>
Sub Total	\$ 19,657.95
LESS Expenditures	<u>\$ 12,565.48</u>
Balance December 31, 2007	\$ 7,092.47

Peterborough Presbytery

Representative: Grace Roberts 742-8127

Five general meetings were held in 2007 at the various United Churches throughout the Peterborough Presbytery area: Wesley, Warsaw, Bridgenorth, St. Andrew's Maynooth, Trinity Peterborough. Average attendance was 42.

The Annual Meeting was held in Baltimore Recreation Centre in June, the speaker was from Queens University and his topic was "Agriculture and the Church". The Mission and Outreach Committee continue to work closely with the Trent Chaplaincy Program, Parish Nursing, Habitat for Humanity, and Restorative Justice, Cameron House, Crossroads, and the Brock Mission.

The Emerging Spirit Workshop was held at Grace United Church in September. Many discussions were held regarding the new centralized payroll system for all United Churches.

As of November, there were four candidates in the process of religious education.

The Conference Archives Committee is very active collecting church histories and pictures, and hoping to have a spring presentation.

Next meeting will be at Lakefield United Church on February 6, 2008 at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Grace Roberts

Friendship Card Group

President: Linda Richardson 743-7963

Treasurer: Peggy Thompson 742-6636

The Friendship Card Group meets every Tuesday afternoon between 1:00-3:30 p.m. for friendship and euchre.



Financial Report

Balance, December 31, 2006 \$ 389.36

Total Receipts, 2007 974.00

Total Funds Received \$ 1,363.36

Disbursements

Christmas Dinners \$ 300.00

Stained Glass Window Fund 500.00

General Expenses 217.53

Service Charges 2.00

Total Disbursements \$ 1,019.53

Bank Balance December 2006 343.83

\$ 1,363.36

St. James Prayer Chain

Our active and confidential prayer group meet the first Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in our church Friendship Room to update all requests. No request is too small or unimportant. The members pray privately in their own homes, and we would welcome any sincere prayers to join our group. Call Norma Crozier (742-9969) at any time.



Tuesday Morning Craft Club

Leader	Karen Cronk
Treasurer	June Millett & Judy Carter
Bus Trip Co-ordinator	Lynda Parker

Ten women meet every Tuesday morning for a couple of hours of fellowship and crafts. Most of the women work on their own projects, but some women knit or sew squares together to make blankets for the Youth Emergency Shelter. June Millet resigned as treasurer due to poor health. Lynda Parker arranged a Spring bus trip to Quinte Mall and to the Campbellford Chocolate Factory on April 25, 2007. She also arranged a bus trip for November 14, 2007 to Pickering Town Centre and the White Feather. The women on the bus trips seem to really enjoy these “days away” and the proceeds are part of the Tuesday Morning donation to St. James. UCW Unit 2 catered a lovely Christmas lunch for the Tuesday Morning Group and the Friendship Card Group. We have a lovely group of women and welcome new members.

Financial Report

Balance, January 1, 2007	\$	56.43
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Receipts:

Dues		127.20
Bus Fundraiser Returns – May		123.43
Bus Fundraiser Returns – November		<u>142.25</u>
Total Receipts	\$	449.31

Disbursements:

Operating Expenses + Sunshine	\$	26.49
Christmas Gifts		19.00
Sleeping Children Around the World		60.00
St. James General Fund		250.00
Balance – December 31, 2007		<u>93.82</u>
	\$	<u>449.31</u>



St. James Players 2006 Annual Report

Chairperson: Fred Batley
Treasurer: Shirley Rolufs
Secretary: Leigh Doughty

Twinderella- Spring 2007:

Twinderella was a wonderful production, directed by Cathy Ferreri. The cast were very enthusiastic and committed with a lot of newcomers. The Production team was comprised of many of the Board of Directors who really worked hard to make the show a big success. This was a very funny show, and very up-to-date.

Bells are Ringing- Fall 2007:

With it being an older show from the 1950's we were not sure as to how the ticket sales would go. But we decided to go with 7 shows and ticket sales went well and were also well received by the audiences. It was a great production and when all was said and done we profited approximately \$18,000 for the show, which is on par with previous productions.

35th Anniversary:

On November 9, 2007 we had the Gala to celebrate the 35th anniversary of the Players at Showplace, which was well attended. We presented the first annual SJP bursary to Michelle McLeod and Alessandra Quinn-Ferreri. We also recognized Jean Hughes for 32 years of volunteer service to the Players with her own seat at Showplace.

Website:

The Players had a website designed and was up and running in September 2007. This has been a great communication and awareness tool for the Players. We have been able to announce our shows, auditions, workshops and special events on the site.

St. James Church 100th Anniversary:

The Players will be putting on a show in October 2008 in the sanctuary to celebrate the 100-year history of St. James, which will be a musical tribute. Leigh Doughty and Kay Anne Houghton will coordinate the event and there will be auditions and rehearsals in the fall of 2008.

A big thank you to the St. James Players Board of Directors, volunteers, and St. James church congregation for all you do and your continued support for our productions.

Financials for Annual Report are as follows:

Balance at December 31, 2006:	\$37,375.50
Total Receipts in 2007:	\$42,869.47
Total Expenditures in 2007:	\$48,573.94
Pending Expenditures in 2007:	\$14,046.17
Balance at December 31, 2007:	\$29,277.80

With \$10,000 given to St. James United Church; \$3,000 to the St. James Building Fund for Sound system and \$1,000 to Memory Lane Fund.

Adult Only Fellowship Group

The Adult Fellowship Group met on a regular basis in the spring. The fall dates were far and few because of other commitments and we only met on November 3rd. Generally, we meet once a month but due to conflicts schedules we missed September, October and December. The group gets together to play board games, cards and with thanks to the Carpet Bowlers we are able to put out a mat or two for people to try occasionally. We enjoy further fellowship at the end of the evening over a potluck finger food luncheon.

The Adult Group kicked off the 100th Anniversary with our 2nd New Years Eve Party and had a great turnout. We had a fun evening of cards, board games and some fun group games. We had a cold potluck luncheon at 11:00 and rang in the New Year at midnight. Once the New Year was here we started kicking up our heels and danced before ending the evening. Thank you to Congregational Life for assisting us financially on New Year's Eve with their donation towards the evening.

The dates for the spring will be announced in the bulletin. We look forward to seeing you there. The fall schedule will also be announced at a later date in the bulletin.

IN MEMORIAM

**Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life.
He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and
whoever lives and believes in me will never die. "**

John 11:25-26

Mary Gwenyth Thomson * †

Ruby Isobel Heard * †

Howard Ross Rolufs *

Beatrice Bernice Ashbridge *

Priscilla Ann Pound †

Gladys Elsie Meredith

Lela Curtain * †

Brenda Diane Sturgeon * †

Kenneth Mark Drain *

William Blair Cameron * †

Alice Eileen Orvis * †

Marion White

Gerald Arthur Rousseau * †

* Indicates full members of St. James Church

† Indicates funeral services held elsewhere