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BROAD VIEW UNITED

ANNUAL REPORT

2023

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Dear Broad View United Community,

It is my privilege to present to you the Annual Report for 2023 on behalf of the BVU Board. There are so many highlights to celebrate as you read through this report. Thanks to the hard work and collective efforts of the BVU community, our ministries and programs continued to thrive and grow. As well, our renovation project wrapped up and we were able to celebrate Advent and Christmas in our new space.

Our community also grew in an unexpected way this year. As the renovation project unfolded, First Metropolitan United Church approached BVU about amalgamating during the 2023 year. As we talked and negotiated, it became clear that we share so many values in common and the path was quickly paved for us to become one. With joy, we were able to spend time worshipping in their historic space over the summer and fall and then move into our newly renovated space in November as one newly amalgamated congregation.

The board is deeply grateful to our incredible staff team that rose to the challenge of the renovation project and the move to our new building space with grace, humour and tenacity. They accomplished so much in the midst of great upheaval. We are pleased to welcome First Met staff, Rev. Shelagh McKinnon and Micia Kanstrup to our ministry team.

I am thankful for the invaluable contribution of time, expertise and leadership of my fellow board members. They are committed and care deeply about the future of BVU. Sarah Porter is stepping down after serving for 6 years as Board Secretary for Cadboro Bay United and BVU. We wish Sarah all the best and will miss her expertise and dedication.

With the move into our newly renovated building, there is a renewed sense of purpose, energy and hope within our beloved church community. We remain committed to our vision to be a progressive, diverse and safe faith community that works together to find fresh, bold, thoughtful and authentic ways to live out our faith and make a difference in our community and the wider world.

Thank you for your support and commitment to the BVU community.

Sincerely,



Kathryn Clinton, Board Chair



BVU Board: David Bray, Barry Cameron, Thomas Dennett, Sandi Lee, Paul Malnarich, Kelly Orr, Leanne Prestwich, Sarah Porter, Darcy Wingrove, Kathryn Clinton, Rev. Ha Na Park, Rev. Mark Green



MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTERS

What a year it has been! As you read through this Annual Report, we hope that you will see yourself in the pages of what has been accomplished this past year.

It has been year full of many transitions and not one person who is attached to Broad View United will have been untouched by the changes in some way. Some of the changes have been welcomed and some have been harder to navigate. Each person at BVU experiences the changes in different ways.

What has been most impressive however is the resilience and the positive attitude that has been exhibited by the congregation. As we navigated the various transitions this year, individuals and groups repeatedly rose to the challenge, embraced the possibilities and rolled up their sleeves to help. All this was accomplished by so many volunteer hours and a cheerful willingness to be a part of what was emerging, even when the full picture of the end result wasn't clear.

These transitions took much fortitude from both board members and staff and a willingness to put in many additional hours to help make the transition as smooth as possible. We cannot express our gratitude enough for the physical, emotional and spiritual energy that was contributed by so many folks.

And of course, we aren't done with all the transitions yet. And perhaps we never will be. But such is the nature of life in the Spirit. We congratulate all of you and commend to you this AGM oversight reflection on the past year and the ways we have engaged the strategic plan.

The format of this report is a bit different from what you may have experienced before. It's formatted to align itself with the four goals of the strategic plan which can be found [HERE](#). Each goal is a different colour and has sub-goals that are delineated. What is reported are ways some of the goals were addressed in 2023 and future plans for 2024. In addition there is a special amalgamation report from the First Met perspective and year end financial statements. All in all, it is a comprehensive overview of the 2023 year.

There is much here to celebrate and we wish to extend our gratitude to you all for the opportunity to be in Ministry with each of you: Board, Trustees, Ministry Team Members, Volunteers, Community Partners, Ministry staff and each person who calls Broad View United their community of faith. Thank you!

Respectfully,

Mark Green and Ha Na Park
Co-Lead Ministers



Strategic Area 1: Enhancing our connections, expanding our relationships, understanding and engagement

Goal 1.1 : Opportunities for 'church' in different places, formats, and platforms

EXPLORING SPIRITUAL GROWTH, NOT LIMITED TO SUNDAYS

offering programs that share experiences of life's changes and transitions

- Putting Death on the Table
- Confidential Prayer Ministry
- Sacred Pause
- Intercultural Bible Study

SMALL GROUP MINISTRIES

Lay leaders create a network of connection and support within BVU, using their inner resources and experiences

LAY-LED PROGRAMS

- Healing Pathway ministry
- Women Exploring Spirituality
- Tai Chi Chih
- Gentle Yoga
- Chair Yoga
- Lectio



THE BVU COMMUNITY CHOIR AND KIDS' COMMUNITY CHOIR

Emphasizing the joy of singing as a spiritual practice. Community Choir grew each week and presented Spring and Christmas concerts.

COMMUNITY BUILDING AND BEING A CHURCH OUTDOORS THROUGH TIMES OF TRANSITION

- Wednesday Meet and Greet at Horner Park
- Summer barbecue at First Met's parking lot
- Community Dinners
- Soup Sunday
- Time to Connect



Goal 1.1 : Opportunities for 'church' in different places, formats, and platforms

ENHANCING A REGIONAL CHURCH PRESENCE

Through worship and amalgamation, BVU embraces the First Metropolitan United Church whose members come from different parts of the city, including the North Park neighbourhood and continuing First Met's legacy.

ENGAGING IN INTERCULTURAL COMMUNITY THROUGH FOOD SHARING STORIES, ESPECIALLY INVOLVING WORSHIP

- International Lenten Pancake supper followed by Ash Wednesday ritual
- Maundy Thursday supper
- Christmas Fiesta



Goal 1.1 : Opportunities for 'church' in different places, formats, and platforms

AFFIRM TEAM'S INITIATIVES FOR GATHERING

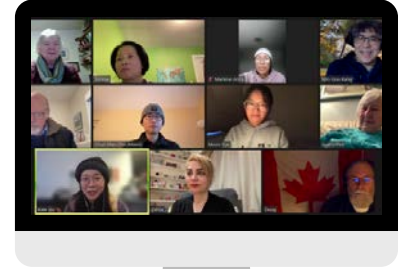
- Reconstructing Christmas: Experimenting with Rest retreat, half a day at the Indigenous space, Auntie Collective, primarily for BVU and First Met queer and trans folks
- Transgender Day of Remembrance commemoration during Worship
- Drama through a queer lens for the Christmas Eve day morning service
- Inter-View: Inter-spiritual and Queering monthly Zoom meeting for peer support and spirituality



Strategic Area 1: Enhancing our connections

Goal 1.2 : A physical and virtual community hub that is welcoming, accessible, and safe space for all.

- Forming an online community through livestreaming
- Monthly Community Dinners and movie nights
- New drop-in groups for elders (Circle CHAT)
- English Conversation Circle (on Zoom)
- Worship series on disability justice



Goal 1.2 : A physical and virtual community hub that is welcoming, accessible, and safe space for all.

INTERCULTURAL MINISTRY PROGRAMS

- **Saturday Social with Ping Pong and Board Games:** held every Saturday night for building new friendships and networks among immigrants, newcomers and volunteers. This impressive community gathering sparks great initiatives and ideas! Join us for ping pong, board games, karaoke, cup ramen and other intercultural snacks for conversation and hanging out!



- **Taste of Home**
- **Collaboration with UVic CARSA:** During transitions, the intercultural community gathered outdoors and with sponsorship from the UVic Wellness Centre, the group meet every Saturday at CARSA's gym for pickleball, thereby building stronger connections with UVic's newcomer and international students.

INTERCULTURAL CHRISTMAS SERVICE AND FIESTA

The Christmas Day evening service -- story meeting visual arts -- followed by salsa dancing with Danza Columbia and fiesta-themed dinner. This led to the increasing connections with Latino speaking community around and within BVU.



Strategic Area 1: Enhancing our connections

Goal 1.3 : Social purposes through the community hub/third space model

PARTNERING WITH LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS

for programs focusing on food security, ecological justice, and supporting the marginalized

- Shelbourne Community Kitchen
- Danza Columbia
- Saanich Neighbourhood Place
- Regenerate Cascadia

DEEPENING THE RELATIONSHIP WITH UVIC MULTIFAITH CENTRE

for supporting the students' projects to bring people together

- Queer Apocalyptic Nativity play (Advent)

ENGAGING WITH MT. TOLMIE SHELTER RESIDENTS

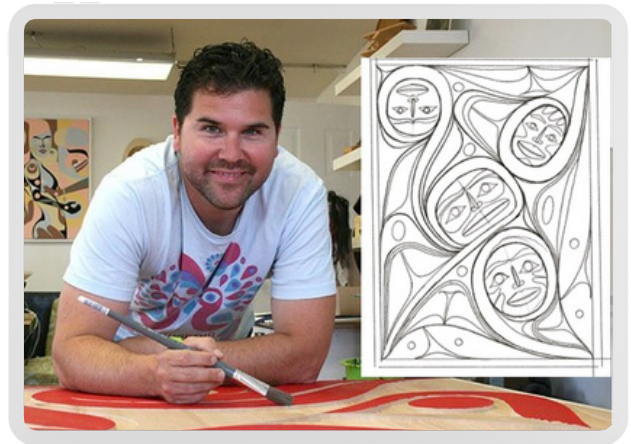
- Bi-weekly barbecue and Coffee for Conversation
- Sharing Christmas gifts after they moved to their permanent home.



Strategic Area 1: Enhancing our connections

GOAL 1.4 : Educational and social opportunities and resources that connect with diverse individuals, expand our understanding, and support engagement.

- Planning Reconciliation Learning Events to hear first-hand from an elder
- Caring for Creation: A small group sharing resources for learning
- "Deep Diversity" study (on anti-racism)
- "Learning to Regenerate the Earth and Our Communities" worship with Joe Brewer
- Collaborating with Indigenous leaders for reconciliation artwork and renewing BVU's commitment to reconciliation
- Gathering at Belfry Theatre to watch, learn, and discuss the play "The Unplugging" as part of our commitment to the work of Truth and Reconciliation



GOAL 1.5 : Engagement with children, youth, young adults in diverse ways in all aspects of congregational life and spiritual nurture.

- Maintaining a stable structure and routines to provide enriching program for children, junior youth, senior youth and young adults despite of transition, including two moves!
- Kids Zone
- Youth Groups (Junior and Senior)
- Parents and Tots Group
- Young Adults biweekly meetings with lunch
- Welcoming new ministry staff member, Micia Kanstrup from First Met
- Family camp and young adults camping at Goldstream Park
- Facilitating deep and broad connections with UVic's Multifaith Centre's young adults, newcomer, intercultural and international students through staff sharing (Min-Goo serving as a Multifaith Spiritual Care Provider for half the time) and spiritual companionship.



Strategic Area 2: Building a Movement, working to amplify community voices and support mobilization to address social issues

RE-ENGAGEMENT WITH PARTNERS AS WE PREPARED TO MOVE INTO THE NEW BUILDING

- Saanich Neighbourhood Place (SNP)
- Shelbourne Community Kitchen
- Revisioning partnership with North Park Community Association
- Ongoing work with KAIROS and our ecumenical partners on shared justice issues

PUBLIC COMMITMENT/ADVOCACY/SOLIDARITY ACTIONS TO A NUMBER OF SOCIAL ISSUES

- Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI) counter-demonstration at Legislature
- “Walk of Grief”: through downtown Victoria, Candle-lighting and reflection to mourn those killed by the war in Israel/Palestine
- Transgender Day inclusion in liturgy
- PRIDE Day parade
- Vigil for National Reconciliation Day
- Service of Remembrance on International Drug Overdose Awareness Day
- Service marking National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women
- Peace pole reinstalled in church garden



Strategic Area 2: Building a Movement

WORKING ON DECOLONIZATION AND RECONCILIATION

- Participation in Moose Hide campaign
- Quilts for Survivors project with more than 40 quilts made this year
- Land acknowledgment at all events and services
- Commissioning of Reconciliation art work with local Indigenous artist Rande Cook
- Emerging partnership with Awi'nakola Foundation and Victoria Native Friendship Centre
- Educational series (postponed to 2024) on ongoing trauma from residential schools
- Encouraging congregational engagement with local indigenous activities, such as the Pow Wow on National Reconciliation Day

WORK OF THE BVU JUSTICE ANIMATION TEAM AND THE EVOLVING CHURCH TEAM

- Justice Fairs to raise awareness of various social issues and partner groups
- Interfacing regarding Rainbow Refugee
- Sale of Fair Trade and other justice products
- Organizing congregational engagement in social issues



Strategic Area 2: Building a Movement

WORKING WITH OTHER CHURCHES AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS IN RELATION TO POVERTY, HOMELESSNESS, FOOD SECURITY

- Active member in Greater Victoria Acting Together (GVAT) whose focus this past year has been on housing crisis
- Support of individuals living in the Mt. Tolmie shelter through to their transition to housing in December
- Ongoing support to Our Place through donations, volunteers, 160 Angel Gifts, Coldest Night of the Year Walk and fundraising (\$7,500)
- Support of Victoria Multifaith Food Bank for students
- Support of Shelbourne Community Kitchen food drives and garden project



ALIGN WITH OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS

- Hosting Regeneration Cascadia events and partnering with organizations on shared goals for thinking "outside the box" and raising awareness to give hope

PLANS FOR 2024

- Bowker Creek Society partnership
- Strengthening partnership with Awi'nakola Foundation and Victoria Native Friendship Centre
- Earth Day Film Festival
- Rainbow Refugee sponsorship enacted



Strategic Area 3: Being Sustainable, optimizing our church capacity and living into the future

INCORPORATE ALTERNATIVE ENERGY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY INTO THE BUILDING RENOVATION

- Solar Panels recovering 70% of our electricity use
- Electric car chargers
- LED lighting throughout the building
- Upgraded windows, insulation, doors, heat pumps
- Energy efficient appliances
- Green Grant applied for and received
- Integration of bike racks and encouragement of carpooling



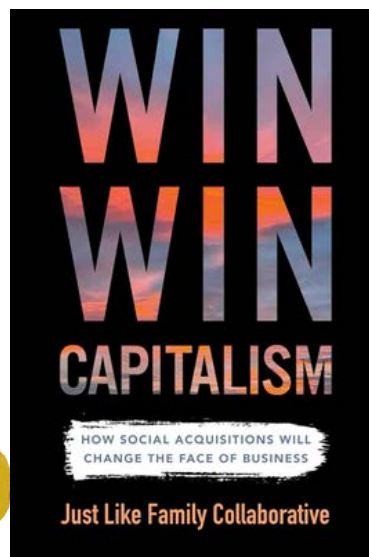
Strategic Area 3: Being Sustainable

SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

- While store could not be open, Thrift Store board helped facilitate a mission statement and articulate a vision with the volunteers to keep them connected
- Thrift Store volunteers worked hard to clean and sort and ready the store for opening in January 2024 after renovations
- Hiring of new Thrift Store manager
- Just Like Family home care company continued to pivot, breaking its Vancouver Island territory into five franchises and selling two (Nanaimo and Langford); brought in new managers and business model changes for the South Island. Future plans discerned by JLF board for local involvement in 2024
- National Just like Family investment and acquisition resulted in the book "WIN WIN" being published, telling our story and the positive challenge it has made to understanding how charities can be involved in social acquisitions as a sustainable and value-based way of doing business



Celebrating Volunteers on Valentines Day, 2023



Strategic Area 3: Being Sustainable

FUNDRAISING AND LEGACY GIVING

- Fundraising campaign for Reconciliation Art project
- Integrating First Met best practices in honouring and encouraging Legacy program donors, such as the Legacy Lunch
- Treasurer met with several individuals about wills, estates, gifts of shares and investments
- Capital gifts for the renovation

FIDUCIARY OVERSIGHT DURING CONSTRUCTION

- Detail tracking of \$1 million in change orders
- Managing interim financing and investment of proceeds from property sales
- Interfacing with contractors, architects, engineers and other professionals throughout the project



New Thrift Store Workroom



Concrete Pad has been poured for the new labyrinth.



Chancel area of the sanctuary.



Sanctuary, looking to where the Narthex is beginning to take shape.



Strategic Area 3: Being Sustainable

GOVERNANCE AND LEADERSHIP CAPACITY

- Board retreat
- Integration of First Met members into Board and Trustees governance
- Review of strategic plan
- Work with consultant, Allison Rennie, to do a visioning process in 2024



The Board's first meeting in the new building!



BVU staff at Christmas lunch – The diversity of our staff team is amazing!

BUILDING A COHESIVE, COHERENT AND AMALGAMATED CONGREGATION

- Town halls
- Newcomer events
- Monthly newsletter
- New small groups
- Livestreaming to reach those still not comfortable with in person attendance
- Weekly "Bits and Bytes" e-mail update



PLANS FOR 2024

- Easy waste sorting system
- Website redesign and update for ease of access
- Rental policy and system enacted
- "Shut-in" quarterly newsletter
- Name tag program restarted
- New Members programs



Strategic Area 4: Telling Our Story

Promoting BVU as a progressive church working on important issues for the community

- Planning for Open House and Grand Opening for both the neighbourhood and wider community and community partnerships
- Creating of Program Guide
- Livestreaming
- Community-based Justice Vigils
 - a. National Reconciliation Day
 - b. Transgender Violence Day
 - c. Pride and SOGI counter-demonstration presence with banners
 - d. International Drug Overdose Awareness Day
 - e. National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women



- Creating signage
- Social media presence
- Website/ Bits and Bytes
- Community Choir outreach and integration
- Integration into UVic Multifaith program
- Connecting regularly with Ecumenical Ministerial group

PLANS FOR 2024

- Integration of First Met and Broad View databases
- Streamlining bookkeeping system for more timely reporting
- Communication team
- Building more partnerships and links in the community
- Website redesign
- Partnership with TransBC for transgender family camp sponsorship



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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS October 01, 2020 to December 31, 2023

	Oct - Dec 2020	Jan - Dec 2021	Jan - Dec 22	Jan - Dec 2023	Cumulative to Date	Revised Budget
REVENUES						
Total Revenues	2,968,474.25	55,299.30	119,671.71	5,061,168.04	\$8,204,613.30	
EXPENSES						
Professional & Contractor Fees	10,000.00	153,639.39	247,432.13	715,421.53	\$1,126,493.05	1,334,000.00
Total Story Construction Costs			384,629.59	5,452,035.75	\$5,836,665.34	\$ 5,854,101.06
Total Construction Expense	10,000.00	153,639.39	632,061.72	6,167,457.28	\$6,963,158.39	\$ 7,188,101.06
Other Expenses						
Transfer to Foundation (JLF shares)			199,700.00		199,700.00	
Transfer to Special Purposes Fund			110,177.60			
Renovations to Thrift Store	28,660.80	790.40	40.00		29,491.20	
Banking/Investment Fees	6.00	1.80	10,982.21	7,463.13	18,453.14	
Pacific Mountain Region		200,000.00			200,000.00	
Real Estate (Environmental Study)			5,116.25		5,116.25	
Legal				7,646.40	7,646.40	5,000.00
Ancillary Expenses			56,106.01	43,459.27	99,565.28	
Transfer to Operational Account		100,000.00	144,365.56	160,000.00	404,365.56	
Total Other Expense	28,666.80	300,792.20	526,487.63	218,568.80	964,337.83	
TOTAL EXPENSES	38,666.80	454,431.59	1,158,549.35	6,386,026.08	\$7,927,496.22	
TOTAL NET	2,929,807.45	- 399,132.29	-1,038,877.64	- 1,324,858.04	\$166,939.48	



BVU Capital

BALANCE STATEMENT

As of December 31, 2023

	As of Dec. 31, 2023	As of Dec. 31, 2022 (PY)
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalent		
VanCity - Capital Holdings	-938.29	284,524.19
Accessibility Grant	0.00	38,381.52
VanCity - GIC6293	0.00	1,002,931.50
Total Cash and Cash Equivalent	-\$ 938.29	\$ 1,325,837.21
Investments		
VanCity Mutual Funds	189,712.34	57,798.05
VanCity - Investment Cash	5,334.01	4,365.56
	\$ 195,046.35	\$ 62,163.61
Total Assets	\$ 194,108.06	\$ 1,388,000.82
 Liabilities and Equity		
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	18,825.22	11,014.24
GST Payable	88,843.47	
Receiver General Suspense	-132,630.45	
Total Liabilities	-\$ 24,961.76	\$ 11,014.24
 Equity		
Opening Balance Equity	1,376,986.58	2,966,219.23
Retained Earnings	166,941.28	-441,578.20
Profit for the year	-1,324,858.04	-1,147,654.45
Total Equity	\$ 219,069.82	\$ 1,376,986.58
 Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 194,108.06	\$ 1,388,000.82



Broad View United

OPERATIONS 2023 VS. 2022

	Budget 2023	Actual Jan-Dec 2023	Actual Jan-Dec 2022	Change Yr. over Yr.
REVENUE				
Receiptable Donations (Note 1)	482,000.00	505,641.35	460,302.05	45,339.30
Non-Receiptable Donations	74,500.00	54,679.17	79,435.12	- 24,755.95
Social Enterprises (Note 2)	251,000.00	125,638.08	211,559.42	- 85,921.34
Letting Income	52,000.00	36,326.50	52,727.20	- 16,400.70
Grants	30,250.00	5,257.00	45,281.00	- 40,024.00
Capital/ Investment Income	85,000.00	168,916.86	144,365.56	24,551.30
Other Income (Secondment Recovery, Restorative Care)	5,000.00	34,967.29	18,111.92	16,855.37
TOTAL REVENUE	979,750.00	\$931,426.25	\$1,011,782.27	-\$80,356.02
EXPENSES				
Ministry & Program Staff	444,363.01	446,015.31	412,755.57	33,259.74
Contract & Casual Staff	145,222.00	83,650.72	185,702.09	- 102,051.37
Aministration & Custodial Staff	211,734.70	181,366.06	204,511.08	- 23,145.02
Building Costs	65,300.00	110,948.82	102,937.52	8,011.30
Ministry & Mission	24,750.00	20,031.14	12,265.90	7,765.24
M&S/Justice/Outreach	43,500.00	48,034.48	40,062.28	7,972.20
Board Expenses	6,950.00	4,415.53	6,378.67	- 1,963.14
Technology/Communication	5,750.00	3,050.17	4,463.97	- 1,413.80
UCC/PMR Assessment	28,000.00	27,911.00	35,637.00	- 7,726.00
OPERATIONAL EXPENSES	975,569.71	925,423.23	1,004,714.08	- 79,290.85
OTHER EXPENSES				
Transfer to Outreach Funds	16,000.00	2,648.86	16,524.49	- 13,875.63
Transfer to Refugee Funds	2,000.00	2,391.16	3803.90	- 1,412.74
TOTAL EXPENSES	993,569.71	\$930,463.25	\$1,025,042.47	- 94,579.22
NET REVENUE/ NET DEFICIT	-\$13,819.71	\$963.00	-\$13,260.20	\$14,223.20

Notes:

Note 1: Actual (Jan-Dec 2023) includes contractor donation toward rent.

Note 2: Actual (Jan-Dec 2023) includes Thrift Store net contribution and dividend from JLF.



Broad View United

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As of December 31, 2023

	As of Dec. 31, 2023	As of Dec. 31, 2022 (PY)	Change
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalent			
Operational	84,778.90	91,371.84	-6,592.94
VanCity Special Purpose Funds	126,326.79	119,146.15	7,180.64
Coast Capital Savings	94,384.04	124,758.14	-30,374.10
Total Cash and Cash Equivalent	\$ 305,489.73	\$ 335,276.13	-\$ 29,786.40
Accounts Receivable			
Total Accounts Receivable	7,645.96	435.00	7,210.96
GST Recoverable	5619.99	0.00	5,619.99
Total Current Assets	\$ 13,265.95	\$ 435.00	\$ 12,830.95
Total Assets	\$ 318,755.68	\$ 335,711.13	-\$ 16,955.45
Liabilities and Equity			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable (A/P)	10,534.12	3,980.24	6,553.88
Total Credit Card	585.12	-329.78	914.90
Unearned Revenue	5,127.24	0.00	5,127.24
GST/HST Suspense	0.00	-3,939.49	3,939.49
Total Current Liabilities	16,246.48	-289.03	16,535.51
Non-current Liabilities			
Accrued Liabilities	0.00	0.00	0.00
CRA Covid Loan	0.00	60,000.00	-60,000.00
Total Non-current Liabilities	\$ 0.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ -60,000.00
Total Liabilities	\$ 16,246.48	\$ 59,710.97	\$ -43,464.49
Equity			
Special Purpose Funding	65,396.93	72,775.54	-7,378.61
Outreach Fund	22,988.36	16,568.51	6,419.85
New Initiatives	30,144.00	30,000.00	144.00
Total Special Purpose Funds	118,529.29	119,344.05	-814.76
Retained Earnings	183,016.86	143,395.98	39,620.88
Profit for the year	963.05	-13,260.13	14,223.18
Total Equity	\$ 302,509.20	\$ 276,000.16	\$ 26,509.04
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 318,755.68	\$ 335,711.13	-\$ 16,955.45



Broad View United

BUDGET 2024

	Budget 2024	Budget 2023	Jan -Dec, 2023 Actual
REVENUE			
Receiptable Donations	634,000.00	482,000.00	505,641.35
Non-Receiptable Donations	97,000.00	74,500.00	54,679.17
Social Enterprises	285,000.00	251,000.00	125,638.08
Letting Income	68,000.00	52,000.00	36,326.50
Grants	17,500.00	30,250.00	5,257.00
Special Purpose Fund Transfer	25,000.00		
Capital/Investment Income	50,000.00	85,000.00	168,916.86
Other Income (including Secondment Recovery)	147,500.00	5,000.00	34,967.29
TOTAL REVENUE	1,324,000.00	979,750.00	931,426.25
EXPENSES			
OPERATIONAL			
Ministry & Program Staff	604,491.00	444,363.01	446,015.31
Contract & Casual Staff	227,455.00	145,222.00	83,650.72
Administration & Custodial	226,050.00	211,734.70	181,366.06
Building Costs	104,100.00	65,300.00	110,948.82
Ministry & Mission	29,400.00	24,750.00	20,031.14
M&S/Justice/Outreach	62,100.00	43,500.00	48,034.48
Board Expenses	15,700.00	6,950.00	4,415.53
Technology/Communication	14,500.00	5,750.00	3,050.17
UCC/PMR Assessment	36,626.00	28,000.00	27,911.00
OPERATIONAL EXPENSES	1,320,422.00	975,569.71	925,423.23
OTHER EXPENSES			
Transfer to Outreach Fund	1,000.00	16,000.00	2,648.86
Transfer to Refugee Fund	2,500.00	2,000.00	2,391.16
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,323,922.00	993,569.71	930,463.25
NET REVENUE	78.00 -	13,819.71	963.00

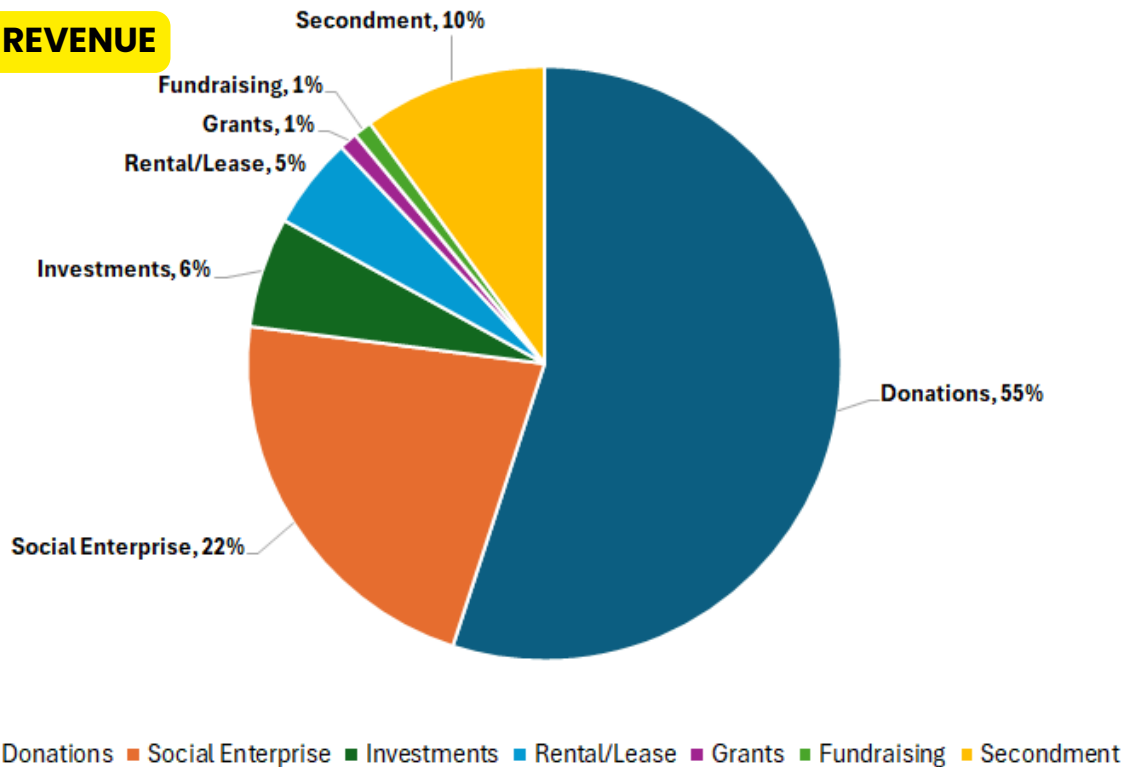
NOTES:

*The budget reflects the anticipated contributions and expenses resulting from the amalgamation of
First Metropolitan United Church and Broad View United*

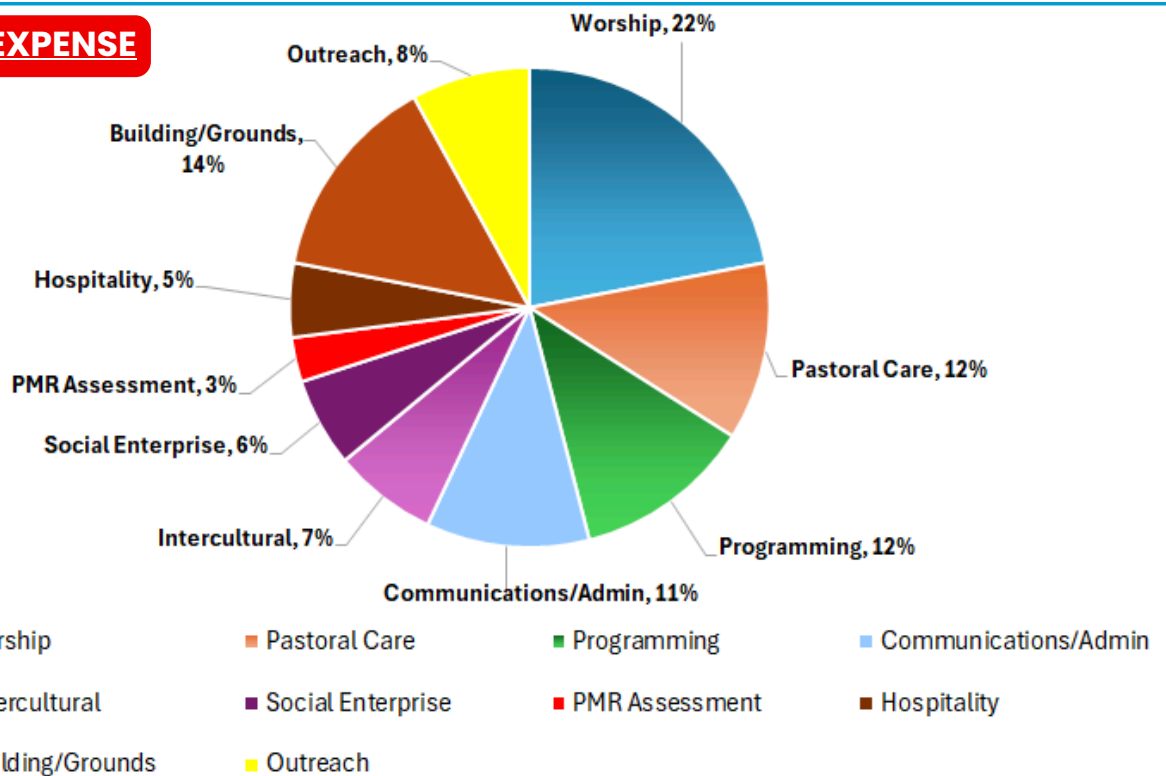


Narrative Budget 2024

BVU REVENUE



BVU EXPENSE



Broad View United Foundation

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

As of December 31, 2023 (Unaudited)

	BOOK VALUE	MARKET VALUE Dec. 31st, 2023
GENERAL FUND		
FIXED INCOME		
MacKenzie Income Fund	\$ 23,592	\$ 23,143
PH&N Total Return Bond Fund	\$ 23,526	\$ 21,230
TOTAL FIXED INCOME	\$ 47,118	\$ 44,373
EQUITY		
1222046 (JLF) Numbered Company	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
JLF - National	\$ 199,700	\$ 199,700
400 Shs Alphabet Inc (US)	\$ 34,312	\$ 75,774
150 Uts Brookfield Renewable Partners	\$ 2,171	\$ 5,229
200 Shs Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd	\$ 21,480	\$ 20,968
30 Shs Costco (US)	\$ 24,211	\$ 26,931
50 Shs FirstserviceCorp	\$ 12,220	\$ 10,733
300 Uts Granite REITs	\$ 16,882	\$ 21,729
65 Shs Intact Financial Corp	\$ 12,154	\$ 13,251
75 Shs Johnson & Johnston (US)	\$ 15,528	\$ 15,987
165 Shs Royal Bank of Canada	\$ 17,111	\$ 22,110
110 Shs Starbucks Corp	\$ 15,624	\$ 14,363
150 Shs Sunlife Financial Corp.	\$ 10,470	\$ 10,308
TOTAL EQUITY	\$ 421,863	\$ 477,082
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$ 468,981	\$ 521,455
MARY ANN KLYMAK FUND		
CASH EQUIVALENT & FIXED INCOME		
BNS Corp Tiered Savings	\$ 12,511	\$ 12,511
Manulife Bank Investment Savings	\$ 1,140	\$ 1,140
HSBC Bank of Canada Notes	\$ 15,000	\$ 14,902
	\$ 28,651	\$ 28,553
EQUITY		
90.808 Manulife Dividend Income Fund	\$ 1,240	\$ 1,307
TOTAL MARY ANN KLYMAK FUND	\$ 29,891	\$ 29,860
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 498,872	\$ 551,315

US FUNDS : covered \$1.00US = \$1.3600Cdn



Broad View United Foundation

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As of December 31, 2023 (Unaudited)

	2023	2022
ASSETS		
Cash on deposit at CIBC	\$ 23,473.46	\$ 63,471.96
Cash on deposit at ScotiaMcLeod	\$ 16,255.33	\$ 16,044.77
Accrued Interest Income	\$ 821.00	\$ 725.85
Investments - at fair market value	\$ 311,615.10	\$ 222,868.00
Private Equity Holdings	\$ 239,700.00	\$ 239,700.00
Cash Value of Life Insurance	\$ 35,309.00	\$ 27,839.21
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 627,173.89	\$ 570,649.79
EQUITY		
Foundation Balance (beginning of year)	\$ 570,649.79	\$ 376,198.55
Additions During Year:		
Charitable Gifts Received	\$ 50,208.00	\$ 48,419.95
Private Equity Dividend	\$ 120,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
Additional Private Equity Purchase	\$ -	\$ 199,700.00
Investment Income	\$ 3,304.88	\$ 1,405.79
Increase in Cash Value of Life Insurance	\$ 7,469.79	\$ 911.41
TOTAL	\$ 180,982.67	\$ 275,437.15
Deductions During Year:		
Donations Paid Out	\$ 160,238.20	\$ 45,000.00
Administrative Expenses	\$ 388.98	\$ 252.91
TOTAL	\$ 160,627.18	\$ 45,252.91
Total Equity (December 31, 2022)	\$ 570,649.79	\$ 376,198.55
Unrealized net gain (loss) on Investments	\$ 36,168.61	-\$ 35,733.00
Net Additions During Year	\$ 180,982.67	\$ 275,437.15
Net Deductions During Year	-\$ 160,627.18	-\$ 45,252.91
TOTAL EQUITY	\$ 627,173.89	\$ 570,649.79

US FUNDS : covered \$1.00US = \$1.3600Cdn

Approved by the Board:



Director



Director



FIRST METROPOLITAN UNITED CHURCH

ANNUAL REPORT 2023



2023 was a busy, hard, blessed, exciting and exhausting year! As I write the Minister's Report for the last First+Metropolitan United Church Annual Report, it is a time to reflect on all that has happened in the last year. Generally, these Minister's Reports look both backward and forward as the year of the Report begins to become history. This was a time of remarkable blessing as the community of faith held together and held each other up in a time of stressful transition and also a time of rich hope. The energy of the Sacred Spirit encouraged and equipped us as we worked together through a demanding year through to the arrival, on a sunny Sunday in June, when we voted to amalgamate. We have arrived at a very solid place for us to be as a congregation. And so it is with a sense of giving thanks for where we have been as well as saying Yes to what will be that we review the year together.

The costs of maintaining the old, if beautiful, edifice, built in 1909, were draining our resources beyond our ability to replenish them. This was the painful reality we admitted demanded our response. We were engaged, in the fall of 2022 and into the winter of 2023, in what is known as "a future search." We gathered facts and figures; we discussed and debated; we talked to other congregations; we searched and prayed about all the options ~ we were searching a new future, a new path forward. Long hours. Deep conversations. Fervent prayer. The Future Search Task group worked diligently for long hours: in person; by Zoom; through emails. We owe them a debt of gratitude. At a congregational meeting on a misty Sunday morning a vote was taken in person and by Zoom. The overwhelming majority chose the option of Amalgamation. As a congregation, Amalgamation was not unknown: Metropolitan United and First United had amalgamated around the turn of the century.

The next engagement was to see if there would be a suitable community of faith with which we could amalgamate: one whose values and practices were in congruence with our own. Broad View United was a recent amalgamation itself, of Gordon Head, St. Aidan's and Cadboro Bay United Churches. In February, a Congregational meeting was held at which the Amalgamation Steering Committee and Board recommended initiating talks with BVU and the sale of property in the face of the financial realities which would deplete the Foundation in a few years. This motion passed. In the month of April, several town halls were held for information and discussion, after which a congregational meeting was to be held April 30 to move sale of the church property. It was cancelled April 29 due to lack of support from the Pacific Mountain Region.



Throughout May, the hard-working Amalgamation team worked on a long list of tasks, which were approved by the Board. On June 11, the Congregation of FMU voted to amalgamate with BVU. BVU's congregation and leadership was graciously welcoming, and we received an extraordinarily strong vote of agreement from the members of First-Met. Edeana Malcolm, Chair of the Board of First Metropolitan United (29 to 2023), wrote "I believe that we have made the right decision to amalgamate. At First Met, we could have continued to fade away,



our dwindling resources going to fuel an ancient oil-burning boiler, but that would not have been stoking the fire of the Holy Spirit. The Church believes in rebirth, and it feels as though we have been reborn in this new congregation. For something new to be born, something old has to die, and death brings with it a period of mourning. Each of us will experience grief in our own way, but let us not linger long in its shadow. The disciples were journeying on the road to Emmaus, deep in mourning after the death of their beloved friend Jesus, when they encountered the Spirit of the risen Christ and began rejoicing. May each of you encounter that Holy Spirit as we journey on to our next adventure." We had worked with members of the BVU Community of Faith as the possibilities were drawn out to become realities. Co-Lead Ministers Mark Green and HaNa Park and members of the Board and congregation of BVU became our partners at this point.

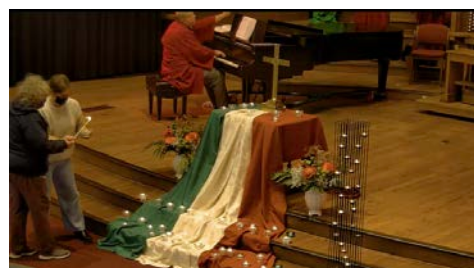
A new chapter began in August when the new Amalgamated congregation began to worship together at the First-Met site. This arrangement continued until when renovations were finished at the former St. Aidan's United Church site, off Cedar Hill Cross Road at Shelbourne Ave in Saanich. On October 1, PMR took over title and management of building at 932 Balmoral.

"Honouring the Past, Celebrating the Present and Grace to trust in Spirit's Future," was the theme of the last service at First Met, November 19, 2023. Together we prayed:

Gift-giving God, for over 125 years your people have gathered in this place to share who they were and what they had. Through the practice of giving to you, our ministries grew and thrived. We give thanks for all that has been. Help us to be part of the ongoing ministry in a new place."

On November 26th, we worshipped together as BVU's in our newly renovated church.

At the end of November, we received a letter from PMR Surplus Commission regarding surplus decision. Because this decision is being appealed by ourselves, we haven't got any final decisions to report about the buildings at 932 Balmoral or the Balmoral Gardens on North Park Street.





As we travel into the year of 2024, we are seeking and finding a new sense of home. Some of the key and unique services which have helped shape First+Met over the years will continue to be part of the life of Broad View United. In one sense they are a legacy of the congregation's long history at Quadra and Balmoral, and at Pandora and Quadra. They include the International Day for Overdose Awareness, Orange Shirt Day in September, Let Not your Hearts be Troubled (All Saints Day), The December 6th Anniversary of the Massacre in Montreal in 1989, and others. The Evolving Church Team is still active in the North Park neighbourhood, and with Our Place.

As Minister, I want to thank you for the opportunity to travel this journey with you. Parts of 2023 were, indeed, difficult to navigate and we experienced a sense of grief and loss. But now, we have arrived in a new place. God's people are constantly challenged to be on the move. We have arrived here. We are experiencing the enduring strength of our call to be a community of faith in new ways and in a new setting. There is much to be grateful for: joy and laughter and new relationships. I want to express my personal appreciation to everyone in this new Community of Faith who made this amalgamation possible. We continue to appreciate all we shared with staff and members who did not travel on to with us, for a variety of reasons. They will always be part of our story.

The Chair of the Board, Edeana Malcolm, the members of the various Task groups and committees and I want to thank each one of you from the deepest part of our hearts for the fellowship we have experienced with you. A church is truly not a building but rather the people who meet there. I will be on staff as a Minister of Transition and Pastoral Care until December 31, 2025 to allow the First+Met congregation to be supported in this integrative time. I look forward with great excitement as we move together in a new green building. We are living more gently on the earth, cherishing the delicate web of Creation.

For all this, we say: Thanks be to God

Submitted by

(Rev) Shelagh MacKinnon
Lead Minister/Minister of Transition and Pastoral Care



FIRST METROPOLITAN UNITED CHURCH
Statement of Financial Position
Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Operating Fund	Restricted Funds	2023	2022
ASSETS				
CURRENT				
Cash	\$17,971	\$19,365	\$37,336	\$42,679
Accounts Receivable	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,207
GST Receivable	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,364
Due from Foundation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200
Due from Operating Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$674,753
Due from Restricted Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,169
Prepaid expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$24,050
Investments	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$62,622
	<u>\$17,971</u>	<u>\$22,365</u>	<u>\$40,336</u>	<u>\$814,044</u>
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT				
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$616,333</u>
	<u>\$17,971</u>	<u>\$22,365</u>	<u>\$40,336</u>	<u>\$1,430,377</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
CURRENT				
Bank indebtedness	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,314
Accounts payable	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$56,323
Due to Operating Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,169
Due to Restricted Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$674,753
Deferred revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$13,272
Deferred contributions	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$747,831</u>
NET ASSETS (DEFICIT)				
Internally restricted	\$0	\$22,365	\$22,365	\$1,360,841
Unrestricted	<u>\$17,971</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$17,971</u>	<u>-\$678,253</u>
	<u>\$17,971</u>	<u>\$22,365</u>	<u>\$40,336</u>	<u>\$682,588</u>
LIABILITY AND NET ASSETS				
	<u>\$17,971</u>	<u>\$22,365</u>	<u>\$40,336</u>	<u>\$1,430,419</u>



FIRST METROPOLITAN UNITED CHURCH
Statement of Operations
Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Operating Fund	Restricted Funds	2023	2022
REVENUE				
Donations from registered charities	\$659,359	\$10,126	\$669,485	\$380,907
Gain (loss) on investments (note 1)	\$0	-\$631,395	-\$631,395	-\$1,628
Givings	\$193,339	\$3,568	\$196,907	\$246,048
Investment Income	\$0	\$2,422	\$2,422	\$329
Letting, net	\$132,532	\$0	\$132,532	\$160,059
Other income	\$5,407	\$1,213	\$6,620	\$5,095
	<u>\$990,637</u>	<u>-\$614,066</u>	<u>\$376,571</u>	<u>\$790,810</u>
EXPENSES				
Administration (note 2)	\$68,524	\$111,571	\$180,095	\$161,119
Building and grounds	\$183,816	\$0	\$183,816	\$258,473
Staffing costs	\$572,287	\$0	\$572,287	\$492,430
	<u>\$824,627</u>	<u>\$111,571</u>	<u>\$936,198</u>	<u>\$912,022</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES BEFORE PROGRAMS	\$166,010	-\$725,637	-\$559,627	-\$121,212
Net program deficit	-\$82,627	\$0	-\$82,627	-\$52,289
DEFICIENCY OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	<u>\$83,383</u>	<u>-\$725,637</u>	<u>-\$642,254</u>	<u>-\$173,501</u>

Note 1: The restricted funds loss on investments reflects the write off of the remaining building assets as of October 1, 2023 due to the transfer of the building at 932 Balmoral Road to the Pacific Mountain Region on that date.

Note 2: The restricted funds administration amounts include donations to other registered charities including the donation of the remaining E Mayne, H&G James, Library and Music funds to Broad View United.



IN MEMORIAM 2023

With love and gratitude we give thanks for the lives of the following who died in 2023.
Well done, good and faithful servants.

BROAD VIEW UNITED

Jin Wong
Helen Fogarty
Jean Peters
Cecil Chapman
George Goossen
Dean Goard
Jean MacKenzie
Joan MacKinnon
Donald Jenson
Mary Molly Reid
Gary Dillabaugh
Joyce Brown
Helen Harris
Diane Kendall
Ann Howard
Betty (Elizabeth) Newell
Jack (Edward John) Owen
Ed (Edward) Dyatt
Harvelyn McInnis
Eddie (Edward) Williams



FIRST+METROPOLITAN UNITED

Elaine Reedhead
Irene Bevan
Janet Leighton
Dorothy Friedrich
Eunice McLean
Arthur Foss
Els (Elske) Jansen
Ray Biederman
Stewart MacKay
Trudie Fellner
Doris Ward
Dennis Bartel
Kathleen Maguire
David Nicholds
Janet Harper
Louise Hudson



BVU BOARD FOR 2023

Chair - Kathryn Clinton
Vice Chair - Barry Cameron
Secretary - Sarah Porter *
Treasurer - Paul Malnarich
M&P Chair - Thomas Dennett
D'Arcy Wingrove
Kelly Orr
Sandra Lee
Leanne Prestwich
David Bray

*= retiring



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BVU TRUSTEES

Kathryn Berge
Bob Beaty *
Don Craigmyle
David Coulter
Mark Green
Ha Na Park
Forrest Nelson +
Pam Shemilt + *

*= retiring

+ = First Met nominees from July 01, 2023



Our Strategic Direction

Our role is:	To be an agent of transformation and a fresh expression of progressive Christian faith.
We accomplish this by:	Being a compassionate, cohesive and engaged community of faith and resource centre for a progressive Christian voice.

Our core values as inspired by the teachings of Jesus and affirmed by this community:

Progressiveness	Aligning ourselves with a progressive Christian theology and voice that embraces diversity and emphasizes social justice. Working for transformative change through innovation and being responsive to changing needs.
Integrity	'Walking the talk' in everything we do. Being a safe and welcoming place for all that is accessible to people with differing abilities. Embraces diverse communities, affirms LGBTQ2S+ people, building relationships with Indigenous peoples and communities, and protecting the integrity of our earth.
Connectedness	Building strong connections and shared values with all generations by fostering meaningful relationships, working in partnership with others, combating social isolation, and building community around shared passions and interests. We recognize that engaging children, youth and young adults will take special initiatives.

Our strategic priority areas:

- Enhancing our connections
- Building a movement
- Being sustainable
- Telling our story

Full strategic plan can be found [HERE](#).

