
Presbytery Report to Council, January, 2010

Supper was prepared and served by the women of Stairs Memorial to the members of Halifax Presbytery.

Evening devotions were led by Rev. Sarah Reaburn, assisted by congregational members. Rev. Stew Clarke offered the pastoral concerns for our prayerful support.

Chair, Wyman Benjamin presided over this meeting. Janice Frame agreed to be the interim secretary.

Several visitors were introduced and welcomed as well as new representatives to Presbytery. It was Rev. Jean Udall's last meeting with Halifax Presbytery because she has accepted a call to Thunder Bay.

Joyce Wylie, new chair of the Camp Kidston Board of Directors, stated that more members are still needed. The 2010 "camp" will still go forward.

Workers are needed in the spring to help with repairs to the facilities. Port Wallis has taken responsibility for the building of a new cabin. A representative is required from Woodlawn!!

Pastoral Relations: Vacancies have been declared in Rockingham and Brunswick St. Church and joint search committees have been formed.

Requests have been made for the renewal of licenses for Stew Clarke, Wayne Hartlen and Verna Dunlop. Rev Robert Humble has been transferred to Winnipeg.

Treasurer, Henry Ellsworth presented a very detailed financial report for the Court.

Education and Students: Cole Harbour - Woodside has been approved as a learning site with Rev. Susan MacAlpine-Gillis as the supervisor. Kevin Parks has been approved for ordered ministry and Kevin Cox as an applicant for Designated Lay Ministry.

Church in Action: Satya Ramen, a member of Just us Development Education Society (JUDES) explained the workings of this organization on Fair Trade matters.

The presenters for Kairos were received with great interest. Of great concern to Kairos, and all of us, is child poverty, climate change and human rights. The funding from the Canadian

International Aid Agency has been cut from the Kairos group and this will be problematic for their mission.

The Covenanting service for Rev.Helene Burns will be on January 17 at 2 pm at St.James United,Goodwood.

Respectfully submitted,
Dorothy Lindsay