

# Transcona Memorial United Church

Prairie to Pine Regional Council ~ The United Church of Canada

## 2025 Annual Report



**All Are Welcome!**

In Christ's name we share God's Love

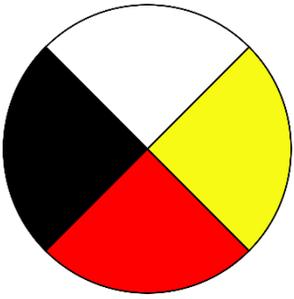
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## TMUC Acknowledgement of Traditional Territories and Treaties

At Transcona Memorial United Church, we offer our Acknowledgement to declare our implicit privilege of worshipping and serving on Treaty One territory, the traditional land of the Anishinaabe, Nehiyawak, Anisininew, Dakota and Dené Peoples, and the homeland of the Red River Métis. We also acknowledge our implicit privilege of access to the water of Shoal Lake 40, which is on Treaty Three territory. We acknowledge that the land – *askîy* or *aki* – and the water – *nîpîy* or *nibi* – are sacred. We acknowledge that the traditions of the First Peoples here deserve respect. We acknowledge that we have much to learn and much work ahead of us to reconcile the harm our presence has caused Indigenous Peoples and their culture. We acknowledge these truths in the spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.

## TMUC Inclusion Statement

At Transcona Memorial United Church “we celebrate the diversity of God’s image present in all people. We embrace the diversity of abilities, age, appearances, family configurations, gender identities, gifts, life experiences, races, sexual orientations, and talents. We welcome the full participation of people, in all of their diversity, in the whole life and work of (this) congregation.” (Annual Report, 2022)



## TMUC Mission

As a church, we seek justice, foster and nurture growth by teaching, worshipping, through music, sharing and being welcoming to all. We value and share our gifts, protect the earth and walk humbly with our God.

## TMUC Vision

We are an evolving, welcoming, and sharing community church with a community presence. In Christ’s name we share God’s love as people of varying economic, educational, and physical situations. We remain open to God’s spirit deepening our faith and our love.



## 2025 Annual Report of Rob Reed, Diaconal Minister

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*All we have are moments. So live them as though not one can be wasted. Inhabit them, fill them with the light of your best good intention, honour them with your full presence, find the joy, the calm, the assuredness that allows the hours and the days to take care of themselves. If we can do that, we will have lived.*

(Richard Wagamese, Embers: One Ojibway's Meditations, 2016, p. 161)

In 2025, half of the books I read (and this number is smaller than I had hoped it would be when I began on January 1st) were written or collaborated on by Indigenous authors (and, I am still counting Thomas King in this list). Of the Indigenous authors I have read, at anytime, the late Richard Wagamese is probably my favourite. If I were to recommend something of his to introduce you to his writing, I might start you off with his non-fiction work, *One Story, One Song*. But if you prefer fiction, might I suggest *Indian Horse* or *Medicine Walk* or *Starlight* (his last, and uncompleted novel). Richard Wagamese was a wonderful storyteller...

Stories are incredibly important to human societies and are integral within certain cultures. Stories are the tools that enable individuals and communities to mark their journeys. They are the source of meaning and purpose and inspiration. They provide us with the means to articulate history and the here-and-now and dreams. As many of you have heard me quote, "the truth about stories is that that's all we are" (Thomas King, 2003).

And what we have in this 2025 Annual Report of Transcona Memorial United Church is a collection of stories...

There are, in fact, so many stories in this Annual Report that I am grateful for the record it keeps. It can be difficult to remember them all, and each one of them is connected in some way or another to other stories, some of which are included here and some of which are not included here. The library or catalogue is immense... *The truth about stories...*

Another way that I remember some of the stories is to read through my day timer and my notebook (I never go far without either of them). The who, what, where, when, why, and how of the year are noted, somewhere, within their pages (which is great, if you can remember the approximate time they occurred) ...

The stories that capture 2025 for TMUC will be found in agendas and meeting minutes, policy documents and financial statements, scripture passages and pithy quotes, jokes and cartoons, prayers and eulogies, testimonies and theological wonderings, rituals and projected images, emails and texts, online posts and video recordings, reflections and ponderings, stories and tales, conversations and actions that can be profoundly more meaningful and impactful than any words. They are everywhere within the moments of the past year. They are about us. They are what give substance to our lives, particularly as we make our faith journey in the company of this community of faith...

As you may experience yourself, some of the stories from 2025 resonated more deeply. Specifically, I am thinking about walking in my first-ever Pride Parade in June, and participating (for a third time) in the KAIROS Blanket Exercise in November. In the sunshine and heat of the morning of June 1<sup>st</sup>, wearing my Pride tie and bucket hat and carrying one end of the Prairie to Pine Regional Council banner, I was moved to a few joyous tears as our United Church contingent neared the end of the Pride Parade route and someone in the crowd shouted, "It's the United Church!" and a huge cheer went up...

Then, it was in planning for and experiencing the KAIROS Blanket Exercise that I encountered embodied grace. I cannot think of a more appropriate word than grace because it captures the essential truth of my experience of the facilitator, Crystel Mclean-Grisdale. Grace. Gracious... Along with her mother Eveline (who served as the Elder), husband Ian (who easily claimed his status as “settler”) and grown children Sam and Kadin, we received the gift of grace in the sharing of ceremony and teaching and story. Experiencing this family’s leadership was a reminder to me of how the potential for hope manifests when humbleness, gratitude and joy are employed...

And as you might expect, these couple of stories breed more stories. Like stories of ashes and oil... Stories of responding to wildfires and a tragic house fire... Stories of bread and juice... Stories of a denominational apology... Stories of dirt, soil, earth... Stories of a flamingo suit... Stories of red dresses and orange shirts and orange ribbons... Stories of blessings at the font and candle lighting and Christmas lights on a tree and legacy giving and new people in church and curious interlopers in the nativity stable, and, and, and... *The truth about stories...*

I consider myself fortunate to have been witness to the stories of Transcona Memorial United Church in 2025 – to have experienced these moments that tell our collective story... A sacred story... An ancient story that continues to unfold...

Thank you for the privilege I receive, to minister with you, within the Transcona Memorial United Church Community of Faith.

Blessings,  
Rob.



## ROLL OF HONORARY ELDERS

*We celebrate the ministry shared with this congregation by those named by the  
TMUC Council as Honorary Elders.  
They have shared and continue to share many gifts with us.*

*Barrie Brooks (deceased)*

*Iris Collett*

*Harry Craig*

*Trudy Darichuk (deceased)*

*Joan Davidson*

*Laurence Desautels*

*Darrell Fierheller*

*Margaret Fierheller*

*Peter Frejuk(deceased)*

*Joan Garner*

*Pearl Greenaway*

*Errol Hendricks(deceased)*

*Alma Jennings*

*Len Kancer*

*Carol Kirkhope*

*Joan Merrick*

*Beth Newel*

*Merlin Shoemith*

*Dorothy Ross*

*Bonnie Scott*

*Mary Thiessen*

*Wally Stoyko*

*Ben Thiessen*

*Ken Wilkie*

*Ken Young*



## IN MEMORIAM

***Jesus said ...I am the Resurrection and the Life.  
Those who believe in me, though they die, yet shall they live,  
and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.***

*Nello Altomare (M)*

*Barrie Glenn Brooks (M)*

*Donald Edward Barry (M)*

*Errol Anton Edgar Hendricks (M)*

*Gertrude (Trudy) Darichuk (M)*

*Peter Frejuk (M)*

*Walter George Gresko (M)*

*Dennis Robert Hruda (M)*

*Hedy Mazinke (M)*

*John "Jack" Morrison (A)*

*Margaret Amy Uruich (A)*

*Eric "Buck" Tideman (A)*

*Thomas Richard Pinchbeck (A)*

*Joan Marcella Willey (A)*

*Kenneth Clifford Walter Poersch*

*Lorraine Maria Georgette Poersch*

*Edward Brian Keith Day*

*David Job Winterburn*



(M) - Member (A) - Adherent

# COUNCIL MEMBERS

|                        |  |
|------------------------|--|
| Audrey Lumsden         | Past Chair                                   |
| Breanna Drennan-Bilyk  | Chair  |
| VACANT                 | Chair Elect                                  |
| Susan Copeland         | Secretary                                    |
| Don Heinrichs          | Treasurer                                    |
| VACANT                 | Youth Member-at-Large                        |
| Rev. Rob Reed          | Minister                                     |
| VACANT                 | Learning Team Representative                 |
| Susan Sebastian        | Outreach Team Representative                 |
| Cathie Morgan Matula   | Worship and Welcome Team Representative      |
| Cynthia Ostapyk        | Administration & Sharing Team Representative |
| Stephen McKendry-Smith | Building and Property Team Representative    |
| Karen Ilchena          | Ministry and Personnel Team Representative   |
| Alan Gershuny          | Prairie to Pine Region Representative        |
| Deborah Thiessen       | UCW Representative                           |
| Ken Wilkie             | Board of Trustees Representative             |



# TEAM MEMBERS

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|---|--|--|
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>LEARNING TEAM</b></p> <p>Youth Point Person - Vacant</p>  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>OUTREACH TEAM</b></p> <p>Susan Sebastian (council rep)<br/>Shirley Bird<br/>Holly Hill<br/>Alan Gershuny<br/>Vicky Low</p>   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>WORSHIP &amp; WELCOME TEAM</b></p> <p>Crystal Schau (staff)<br/>Laura Fraser-Schau<br/>Cathie Morgan Matula<br/>Mary Price</p>                                       |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ADMINISTRATION &amp; SHARING TEAM</b></p> <p>Donna Hadaller<br/>Devan Ostapyk<br/>Cynthia Ostapyk (council rep)<br/>Barb Heinrichs<br/>Chris Richard<br/>Adrian Measner<br/>Don Heinrichs, Treasurer<br/>Jim Lewis<br/>(Trustee representative)</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>BUILDING &amp; PROPERTY TEAM</b></p> <p>Bob Kirkhope<br/>Marcel Van Eerd<br/>Stephen McKendry-Smith<br/>John Fraser<br/>Andrew Fletcher-Cook<br/>Kevin Drennan (Trustee representative)<br/>Gail Purcell</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>MINISTRY &amp; PERSONNEL TEAM</b></p> <p>Karen Ilchena (council rep)<br/>Vivien Laurie (to Nov 2025)<br/>Sheilah Ross-Campbell<br/>Cheryl Thomas (from Dec 2025)</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>BOARD OF TRUSTEES</b></p> <p>Ken Wilkie (council rep)<br/>Wally Stoyko<br/>Cynthia Ostapyk<br/>Jim Lewis<br/>Gail Purcell<br/>Patty Parsons<br/>Rev. Rob Reed<br/>John Chand<br/>Kevin Drennan</p>  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>UNITED CHURCH WOMEN</b></p> <p>Cathie Morgan Matula<br/>Susan Copeland<br/>Mary Thiessen<br/>Deborah Thiessen (council rep)<br/>Mary Price<br/>Leona Mayer</p>   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE</b></p> <p>Alan Gershuny<br/>1 Vacant</p>  |

**TRANSCONA MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH**  
**72nd ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**  
**MARCH 2, 2025**

1. Call to Order

The 72nd Annual Congregational Meeting of Transcona Memorial United Church was held on Sunday, March 2, 2025 following the church service. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson Breanna Drennan-Bilyk at 11:30 am. She noted that the Land Acknowledgement had been made at the service.

There were 60 members and adherents in attendance: Breanna Drennan-Bilyk, Audrey Lumsden, Laurie Chudley, Mary Thiessen, Gail Purcell, Crystal Schau, Lynne Kancer, Alma Jennings, Dorothy Fife, Carol Favoni, Don Heinrichs, Mave Dickson, Donna Hadaller, Pam Smith, Norma Hinds, Susan Sebastian, Linda Antymis, Heather Todd, Cheryl Thomas, Leona Mayer, Kevin Drennan, Cathy Drennan, Jim Lewis, Stephen McKendry-Smith, Roy Bergson, Carol Bergson, Bonnie Scott, Kathy Trylinski, Laura Fraser-Schau, Bonnie Riha, Helen Riha, Patty Parsons, Cheryl Hadaller, Jim Hadaller, Karen Ilchena, Paul Ilchena, Douglas Copeland, Anne Hruda, Dennis Hruda, Alan Gershuny, Lynn Measner, Adrian Measner, Ken Wilkie, Carol Kirkhope, Bob Kirkhope, Ann Cooke, Colleen Thompson, Pat Bain, Marie Day, Cathie Morgan Matula, Harvey Hochkievich, Linda Sidorow, Murray Sidorow, Judith Hare, Joan Buckingham, Rose Wright, Chris Bergman, Sheila Reid, Mike Thomas, Susan Copeland. Also in attendance was Rev. Rob Reed.

2. Appointment of Secretary for the Meeting

**MOTION:** Moved by Laura Fraser-Schau/Karen Ilchena, **“That Susan Copeland be appointed the secretary for this annual meeting.”** **CARRIED.**

3. Speaking and Voting Privileges

**MOTION:** Audrey Lumsden/Susan Sebastian, **“That all members and adherents in attendance shall have speaking and voting privileges at this 72nd Annual Meeting.”****CARRIED.**

4. Approval of Minutes

**MOTION:** Moved by Cathie Morgan Matula/Gail Purcell, **“That the minutes of the 71st Annual Congregational Meeting dated Sunday, March 3, 2024, the minutes of the Congregational Meeting dated June 17, 2024, and the minutes of the Congregational Meeting dated November 17, 2024 be approved.”** **CARRIED.**

5. In Memoriam

The In Memoriam list on page 9 of the Annual Report was read by Rev. Rob Reed at the church service.

6. Celebration of 2024

The Annual Report included reports from the Minister, Roll of Elders, Trustees, Council and Teams and the accomplishments of church groups and TMUC in the community for 2024.

**MOTION:** Moved by Alan Gershuny/Adrian Measner, **“That we accept all reports as printed in the Annual Report to page 42.”** **CARRIED.**

7. Business Arising from the Minutes

IPC Photo Directory – Breanna Drennan-Bilyk advised that the photo directory was completed and copies were available for those who had their pictures taken.

Audio-Visual Upgrades – Stephen McKendry-Smith advised that the audio-visual upgrades were completed. We now have better service; it was completed on time and is working well.

Green Plan – Stephen McKendry-Smith reported that the project is now complete at a cost of \$720,000. A payment is still to come from the Federal Government grant. The congregation provided \$40,000 for the project. He thanked everyone who supported the work. He also advised that we will still have metal drives once a year.

8. Financial Results for 2024

Adrian Measner reported that the 2024 Budget for the General Fund had a deficit of \$15,000 but we finished the year with a \$1,835 surplus. We did not have a youth position which helped with the financial results. He noted that envelopes provide 40% and PAR and electronic means provide 60% of the givings. The Food Bank had a surplus of \$31,227.

The Building Fund shows a \$10,000 deficit for the year with some final payments to come. Givings during the year were \$18,000.

The Exchange Group has reviewed the Financial Statements and there were no substantial changes to the report. The Exchange Group will be doing a 3-year review of the Green Plan.

**MOTION:** Moved by Ken Wilkie/Donna Hadaller, “**That the Exchange Group be retained as auditors for the 2025 fiscal year.**” **CARRIED.**

In response to a question, it was noted that there is a small charge on all electronic givings of between 1-3%.

9. New Business

CITAC 2025 - Cheryl Hadaller advised that the actors have been practicing and the Production Team is composed of 13 people. There are only 25 tickets left. The Dinner Theatre will be held April 24-27, 2025. The play, “Murder at Regent Manor” will be In Memory of Nello Altomare. Volunteers are needed.

Springfield Hall Renovations - Harvey Hochkievich reported that the Prairie to Pine Region is concerned about the costs for the Region’s Archives and we may be able to provide space in Springfield Hall. It will depend on whether the floor will be sufficient to hold the weight. An architectural/engineer firm will be determining if the floor will hold the weight. Prairie to Pine Region will be covering the cost of about \$3500 for the review. He noted that the Archives does not require climate control or fire suppression. If the space meets the requirements, the matter will be brought to the congregation. Children’s Choice Nursery which currently occupies the space is closing as Wendy Frejuk is retiring.

Five-Year Plan - Adrian Measner advised that we have a Five-Year Plan to look at our finances. We have an aging congregation and this is reflected in the Plan.

Legacy Fund - Gail Purcell provided a presentation on converting the Ministry Fund to a Legacy Fund. We currently have three funds: the General Fund for general operating expenses, the Building Fund for renovations and major repairs, and the Ministry Fund for special projects and to serve as an operating reserve. The proposed Legacy Fund would support special projects and assist in the long-term sustainability of the operations of TMUC. The Fund would contain the Line of Credit Reserve, an Endowment Reserve, Unrestricted Funds and Specified Donations Fund (for bequests and special donations for specific uses). She provided examples of how much each Fund would contain based on a formula. Currently 100% of unspecified bequests goes into the Building Fund and they are also proposing that unspecified bequests would be divided between the Legacy Fund at 80% and the Building Fund at 20%.

**MOTION:** Moved by Stephen McKendry-Smith/Adrian Measner, “**That the Ministry Fund be converted to the Legacy Fund with the four portions: Line of Credit Reserve, Endowment Reserve, Unrestricted Funds and Specified Donations Fund.**” **CARRIED.**

June 1<sup>st</sup> – Pride Sunday – Breanna Drennan-Bilyk reported that Council had received a recommendation from the Worship and Welcome Team that we not hold a morning service on June 1, 2025 to enable people to attend the Pride Parade. A Vesper service would be held instead.

**MOTION:** Moved by Susan Sebastian/Alan Gershuny, “**That Transcona Memorial United Church be closed on Sunday, June 1, 2025 and that an evening Vesper Service be held.**”  
**CARRIED.**

Summer Closure – Breanna Drennan-Bilyk reported that Pulpit Supply is expensive and is hard to get and it has been suggested that we close during summer when the minister is on holidays. It was noted that we have Church-o-rama with the N.E. cluster of churches.

**MOTION:** Moved by Bonnie Scott/Laura Fraser-Schau, “**That Transcona Memorial United Church close for two Sundays in the summer when Rev. Rob Reed is on vacation.**”  
**CARRIED.**

Worship and Welcome will come back to Council with the dates and rides to Church-o-rama venues will be arranged.

10. Approval of Proposed 2025 Budget

Adrian Measner advised that the Budget calls for a deficit of \$25,000 in the General Fund. They assume there will be Sunday School and Youth Program Co-ordinator hire. There is a salary increase of 3%. Rental income is uncertain and they are projecting a decrease in givings.

The Building Fund calls for a \$15,709 surplus. This includes a \$16,000 Church Development grant and the balance of up to \$24,683 from the Federal grant. There is a rough estimate of \$30,000 for the Springfield Hall renovations. The United Church loan, which has a good interest rate is \$57,173.

**MOTION:** Moved by Bob Kirkhope/Ken Wilkie, “**That the Proposed Budget for 2025 be approved (pages 46-48).**”  
**CARRIED.**

**MOTION:** Moved by Karen Ilchena/Don Heinrichs, “**That the Financial Statements for 2024 be accepted (pages 43-45).**”  
**CARRIED.**

Nominations

Audrey Lumsden thanked everyone for their work to keep the church going. She thanked Council and Team members. There were four resignations: Amy Wood from Outreach Team, Susan Bywater from Worship and Welcome Team and Cheryl and Mike Thomas from Building and Property Team.

Mary Price has been nominated for the Worship and Welcome Team. John Chand and Kevin Drennan have been nominated for the Trustees.

**MOTION:** by Audrey Lumsden/Susan Sebastian, **“That John Chand be elected to the Board of Trustees.”** **CARRIED.**

**MOTION:** by Audrey Lumsden/Anne Hruda, **“That Kevin Drennan be elected to the Board of Trustees.”** **CARRIED.**

As there were no further nominations to the Teams, Mary Price was elected to the Worship and Welcome Team.

The congregation was reminded that we are looking for a Chair. Breanna Drennan-Bilyk was thanked for serving as Chair, Susan Copeland for serving as Secretary and Don Heinrichs as Treasurer.

Motion to Adjourn: by Karen Ilchena/Don Heinrichs, at 12:40 pm.

- 14. Closing Benediction: Rev. Rob Reed. He thanked Susan and Doug Copeland and Mary and Rob Price for setting up the tables, those who looked after the kitchen and those who had brought food. He thanked Breanna Drennan-Bilyk for all her work as Chair, and Susan Copeland, Don Heinrichs and Adrian Measner for all their work. He noted we are all on a journey and followed with a prayer.

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Chairperson (Breanna Drennan-Bilyk)

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Secretary (Susan Copeland)

**TRANSCONA MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH  
CONGREGATIONAL MEETING  
JUNE 11, 2025**

A Congregational Meeting of Transcona Memorial United Church was held in the sanctuary on June 11, 2025. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson Breanna Drennan-Bilyk at 7:00 pm.

**PRESENT:** There were 29 members and adherents in attendance: Breanna Drennan-Bilyk, Harvey Hochkievich, Cindy Ostapyk, Stephen McKendry-Smith, Mary Price, Jim Lewis, Cathie Morgan Matula, Vicky Low, Pat Bain, Cathy Drennan, Kevin Drennan, Colleen Thompson, Lynn Measner, Adrian Measner, Susan Sebastian, Jim Hadaller, Cheryl Hadaller, Carol Kirkhope, Bob Kirkhope, Ken Wilkie, Don Heinrichs, Carol Favoni, Dorothy Fife, Gail Purcell, Joanne Erratt, Barb Kehler, Roy Bergson, Doug Copeland, Susan Copeland. Also in attendance was Rev. Rob Reed.

**REGRETS:** Audrey Lumsden

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:** We are gathered for worship and work in Treaty One territory, which is the traditional land of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota and Dene Peoples and the homeland of the Red River Metis. For thousands of years Indigenous Peoples walked this land and knew it to be the centre of their lives and their spirituality. We respect the Treaties that were made on these territories, we acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past, and we dedicate ourselves to move forward in partnership with Indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.

**WORSHIP:** prayer re wildfire emergencies.

**PROCEDURAL MOTION:**

**MOTION:** Moved by Ken Wilkie/Harvey Hochkievich, “**That all members and adherents in attendance shall have speaking and voting privileges.**” **CARRIED.**

**FINANCIAL DONATION TO THE RED CROSS:** A discussion was held on providing funds for the wildfire emergencies relief. A suggestion was made that the church provide \$5,000 to the Red Cross. Items raised included the amount to give, having an appeal for individual members to make donations and that the UCW might be able to give some money. The money could come from the Legacy Fund. A concern was that it was a significant amount of money that people had given to the church.

**MOTION:** Moved by Stephen McKendry-Smith/Adrian Measner, “**That we donate \$5,000 to the Red Cross Wildfire Relief, with the funds to come from the Special Projects portion of the Legacy Fund.**” **CARRIED.**

**DISHWASHER:** Breanna Drennan-Bilyk advised that there had been problems with the dishwasher. It appears to be working now. New instructions on operating the dishwasher have been posted in the kitchen. If there are further problems, the Building and Property Team is to be notified. It was suggested that the operating instructions should be passed on to those that use with dishwasher regularly.

**SPRINGFIELD HALL RENOVATIONS:** Cindy Ostapyk and Harvey Hochkievich provided information on the proposed renovations. We had applied to be considered for the Prairie to Pine Archives space and \$30,000 was placed in the budget for renovations. A structural engineer was hired to see how much weight the floor would hold, which was paid for by the Archives. We would have a long-term agreement to provide space. Floor plans have been prepared. Harvey Hochkievich noted that there are no additional requirements in regard to humidity or sprinklers, and the Archives will be covering insurance costs. The rental fee will be higher than the Nursery School paid. Preliminary discussions have also been held with Juanita Wilson of New Aniibiish regarding additional space. A discussion then followed. Items discussed included whether the fire exits as outlined in the plans would be sufficient, TMUC storage space requirements for Christmas Hampers, chairs, CITAC and other programs, and storage space requirements for the Food Bank. They indicated that they would like to proceed with the Archives portion of the renovation while they discuss further with Juanita Wilson. Another congregational meeting would be required to approve further renovations. It was also noted that the wear and tear on the building will be significantly less.

**MOTION:** Moved by Cindy Ostapyk/Barb Kehler, **“That Transcona Memorial United Church approve the renovation to Springfield Hall, not to exceed \$30,000, to accommodate the Prairie to Pine Archives project. This approval is based on the expectation of the finalization of the proposed lease agreement as outlined and continued discussion of recovery of one-time costs.”**  
**CARRIED.**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** by Susan Sebastian/Bob Kirkhope, at 7:45 pm.

**CLOSING PRAYER:** Rev. Rob Reed

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Chairperson (Breanna Drennan-Bilyk)

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Secretary (Susan

**TRANSCONA MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH  
CONGREGATIONAL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 23, 2025**

A Congregational Meeting of Transcona Memorial United Church was held in the sanctuary on November 23, 2025. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson Breanna Drennan-Bilyk at 11:10 am.

**PRESENT:** There were 44 members and adherents in attendance: Breanna Drennan-Bilyk, Harvey Hochkievich, Doug Copeland, Leona Mayer, Catherine Drennan, Kevin Drennan, Audrey Lumsden, Pat Bain, Dorothy Fife, Anne Hrada, Adrian Measner, Lynn Measner, Mary Price, Vicky Low, Pam Smith, Patty Parsons, Gail Purcell, Roy Bergson, Carol Bergson, Ray Larkins, Cindy Larkins, Judy Hare, Ann Cooke, Shelly Chand, John Chand, Ken Wilkie, Bob Kirkhope, Carol Kirkhope, Bonnie Scott, Karen Ilchena, Paul Ilchena, Mave Dickson, Steve McKendry-Smith, Alma Jennings, Mike Thomas, Cheryl Thomas, Carol Favoni, Virginia Heinrichs, Don Heinrichs, Laurie Chudley, Shirley Bird, Kathy Trylinski, Jim Lewis, Cathie Morgan Matula, Susan Copeland. Also in attendance was Rev. Rob Reed.

The Land acknowledgement was read at the service.

**PROCEDURAL MOTION:**

**MOTION:** Moved by Karen Ilchena/Bonnie Scott, “**That all members and adherents in attendance shall have speaking and voting privileges.**” **CARRIED.**

**NOMINATIONS:** Breanna Drennan-Bilyk advised that nominations for the Team members will come quickly. She asked that people prayerfully consider joining a Team. There is a spot for everyone in the community of faith.

**SPRINGFIELD HALL RENOVATIONS:** At the June 11 congregational meeting we had approved \$30,000 for the Prairie to Pine Archives renovations and that a further congregational meeting would be needed to discuss the second phase of the renovation. The cost to date for the Archives renovation is \$18,000.

Erin Acland, Archivist, spoke about the importance of keeping the history of the church. Requests are regularly made for information on births, marriages, property records and reconciliation papers. She reviewed the history of the Archives over the last 30 years. Half of the papers were kept at the University of Winnipeg and half with a storage company. Because of problems with the new storage company and the costs for the storage, a new arrangement was needed. The boxes stored at the storage company are now being stored at Transcona Memorial.

Harvey Hochkievich then provided information on the work that has been done. He thanked Stephen McKendry-Smith and Karen and Paul Ilchena of the Building and Property Team. Prairie to Pine Region will provide half the funds for the Archives portion of the renovation. At \$18,000 this results in a cost of \$9,000 to us. He noted that the bathroom beside Springfield Hall needs to be updated. This would involve replacing fixtures and making it wheelchair accessible. Estimated cost would be \$20,000. A discussion was then held. There is sufficient money in the Building Fund.

Phase 2 of the renovation involves providing additional space for Juanita Wilson of New Aniibiish. This would include three offices, reception area and storage area. We would then be able to use the 4<sup>th</sup> floor for storage. The contract has not been signed yet but a 10-year lease is wanted and they are willing to provide \$100,000 for the construction of the space. A discussion then followed. Questions were raised related to liability and fire insurance. The rental rate would be \$22/sq. ft. for 1,220 sq. ft.

**MOTION:** Moved by Harvey Hochkievich/Mave Dickson, **“That we pay the invoice for the Archives renovation jointly with the Prairie to Pine Region, up to \$20,000.” CARRIED.**

**MOTION:** Moved by Harvey Hochkievich/Bob Kirkhope, **“That we approve \$20,000 for the renovation of the old Nursery School washroom outside Springfield Hall.” CARRIED.**

**MOTION:** Moved by Harvey Hochkievich/Ken Wilkie, **“That we move forward in signing a new agreement with New Aniibiish as they move forwarding in renovating their space.”CARRIED.**

Harvey Hochkievich indicated that the work will begin in January 2026.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** by Audrey Lumsden/Gail Purcell at 11:45 am.

**CLOSING PRAYER:** Rev. Rob Reed

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Chairperson (Breanna Drennan-Bilyk)

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Secretary (Susan Copeland)

## Message From the Chair of Council - 2025

*“My command is this: love each other as I have loved you” - John 15:12*

What a year 2025 was in the life and work of the church, we continue to be a busy building - on Sundays and all the other days of the week!

I want to begin by offering thanks - to everyone who has shared their time with Transcona Memorial United Church in some way this year; to those of you who have submitted written reports to the office for publication; to those of you who served in any sort of capacity on a Team, officially or unofficially; greeters, singers, A/V experts, chair stackers, table set up crews; every single person who enters through the doors and supports the work of this congregation is appreciated and loved.

The purpose of this report is to serve as a reminder and provide historical context of what we have done as a church in 2025. Please peruse this report to see what we've been up to this past year.

I will remark on two things that were very meaningful and poignant for me personally. 2025 was a big year in the United Church of Canada, as we celebrated across the country the 100th Anniversary of the United Church. At Transcona Memorial United Church we had our own celebration service and potluck lunch on June 8, 2025. We were also so fortunate to have some creative minds at work in the months leading up to the anniversary and our congregation commemorated locally with 100 Days for Justice and Compassion. A special thank you to everyone who worked on that team. I think it was great that we used the anniversary to give a nod to the United Church's faith traditions, social justice impacts, community outreach, calls to share God's gifts and working to be the hands and feet of Christ as a way of commemorating this momentous anniversary.



Secondly, on a personal note, I was honoured to attend the Pride Parade on June 1st with a host of other United Churches, a small group representing TMUC and more than 10,000 others. It was an inspiring morning to say the least. I want to commend the congregation on their decision to close on Sunday morning and support a Vesper service instead. We have all heard the adage that “actions speak louder than words” and this was a way to ensure that TMUC was able to live out our mission publicly. I hope to be able to participate again in 2026.

It continues to be my privilege to serve as your chairperson.

Joyfully submitted,

Breanna Drennan-Bilyk, she/her

## **Administration and Sharing Team**

Another year of progress! And it is all thanks to you!!

Your generosity has continued to support a church community that doesn't just exist for Sunday mornings but serves as a community hub, offering support, fellowship, and opportunities for growth every day of the week.

**Financial Results:** We are pleased to share that we ended the year with a \$6,600. surplus in the General Fund. This is due to the sustained, reliable support from all of you. Well done!

Our results this year were strengthened through various individual projects that included a Trivia Night, the plant fundraiser, the auction, a metal drive, a book sale, Christmas Café and a very successful dinner theatre. We are grateful for all who supported, participated in, and contributed to the fundraisers, and as always, we are grateful for your regular contributions throughout the year. You make all things possible!

As in prior Years, The Exchange Group was engaged this year to perform the financial review. This is targeted to be completed March 2026.

As we look toward 2026, we will need to continue to closely monitor our donations, fundraising results and costs to ensure that we remain viable in the long term. As in 2025, we will continue to report to you quarterly, and at congregational meetings so that you are fully apprised of our progress.

**Stewardship:** We shared Stewardship messages in November of this year, reminding everyone of our good progress in 2025 and the opportunities that 2026 and future years offer us. The theme this year was "Called to Be the Church" which focused on how we respond to the Call – financially, and through sharing of our time and talents. It also highlighted current trends in our giving patterns, and identified some of the challenges we need to address in the year(s) ahead. We truly appreciated the response we received from the Congregation, not only through the campaign, but throughout the year.

**Giving Tuesday:** Tuesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> was the world-wide giving Tuesday – which is an opportunity to share our bounty and support our church and wider community. Admin and Sharing hosted a coffee event all day on that date, as many donors shared their gifts, resulting in donations over \$7,000.00 being received to support TMUC, the Christmas Hampers and Food Bank.

**Legacy Fund Campaign:** Last year the congregation approved the establishment of the Legacy Fund that is managed through the Trustees. A portion of this fund is designated as an endowment fund which will be used to support the church in upcoming years. To honor the 100 Anniversary of the United Church of Canada, we launched a campaign focused on raising awareness of the fund as we work to serve the next generations in our church community. The United Church of Canada is asking us as a church to answer God's call to be bold, diverse, courageous and united. At TMUC we answered the call by supporting our Legacy Fund which will help to ensure the continued support and sustainability of our church community many years into the future. Over the term of the campaign \$3,000. was contributed to the fund. Again, our thanks.

**Rental Contracts:** Children's Choice completed their tenure at TMUC, with Wendy's retirement in June of this year. Congrats to Wendy as she starts this new chapter in her life. We have new occupants, Prairie to Pine Regional Council who have archive space on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor and have entered into a 10-year agreement with TMUC. Thanks to Harvey and the busy team that facilitated this transition. We continue to work with Juanita Wilson, our current 4<sup>th</sup> floor tenant in the development of the balance of the space on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. A draft lease has been developed and final design plans are coming together, in anticipation of renovations starting early in the new year.

**Square Technology:** In 2025 we continue to expand the use of the Square Technology for events and donations. It has made collection of payments easier and it has been integral in keeping us in step with the changing world and increased use of technology.

**Charity Return:** The 2024 Charity Return with the Canada Revenue Agency was filed on time. There were no issues with the filing.

**Budget:** As in prior years our team prepared and reviewed the budget for the upcoming year. As part of that process, a draft budget was presented to Council for its review with ultimate approval by the congregation. The key assumptions are outlined for your information and consideration on page 64.

**Team:** Our team met regularly over the last year and included returning members Reverend Rob Reed, Don Heinrichs, Adrian Measner, Donna Hadaller, Devan Ostapyk, Chris Richard, Barb Heinrichs, Cindy Ostapyk and Jim Lewis (who continued to represent the trustees).

## THANK YOU FOR ANSWERING THE CALL

Respectfully submitted by

Admin and Sharing

## **TMUC Ministry and Personnel Team**

### **Annual Report for 2025**

The Ministry and Personnel (M&P) Team acts under the guidelines of *The Manual* of The United Church of Canada and provides resources and support for the staff and community of faith with respect to any issues affecting staff of our church including ministry personnel and lay employees.

The M&P Team for 2025 consisted of Karen Ilchena, Vivien Laurie and Sheilah Ross Campbell. In the Fall, we bid farewell to Vivien who resigned from our team. We thank her for the time she spent with us and wish her well. We are pleased to announce that Cheryl Thomas has since joined our team and we look forward to working with her as we start a new year.

Thank you to the members of the M&P Team for providing the human resources function for TMUC as well as reporting to Council on a regular basis.

As far as staffing, there hasn't been any changes in 2025.

Through his thoughtful guidance and ministerial leadership, Diaconal Minister Rev. Rob Reed continues to deepen our faith with humour and compassion. We are deeply thankful for his commitment to TMUC.

Office Administrator Dallis Kelly remains the welcoming presence in the office and skillfully manages daily operations keeps things running smoothly throughout the year.

Leading our music ministry, Director Crystal Schau and accompanist Henry Kelsey collaborate to share their exceptional musical talents that greatly enhance our worship experience.

We are truly fortunate at TMUC to have such dedicated ministry personnel and lay staff who work tirelessly to support the life and mission of our church.

Respectfully submitted,

*Karen Ilchena*

*Ministry and Personnel Team*

## Prairie to Pine Regional Council

The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting (AGM) was conducted via ZOOM on Wednesday, November 13, 2025 from 7-9 p.m. The meeting had 141 registrations, although many of those had multiple participants. It was estimated that there were close to 300 participants gathered online.

It had been previously decided that the business of the Regional Council would be brought forward at the in-person AGM at Selkirk United Church, Thursday, May 28 to Sunday May 31, 2026. Participants were directed toward their online workbook for all documents pertaining to that meeting.

After an opening worship and a report by the Nominating Committee the evening moved on to the plenary session. The topic presented was entitled "Toward 2035". The presentation ended with a thought provoking question and answer period. Then the Stewardship Support Staff gave a brief report. That was followed by an overview of General Council 45 (GC45), which had taken place in 3 sessions; Sunday, June 22 and Saturday, June 28 online, Thursday August 7 to Monday August 31<sup>st</sup>, in person at the TELUS Convention Centre and Knox United Church in Calgary, Alberta and a follow up session online on Saturday, September 13 to deal with outstanding proposals. The report to the P2P AGM included a portion on how the business GC45 was conducted; the process, diversity of delegates, and the discernment required to vote. There was a report on the Apology to the 2S and LGBTQIA+ Community. The overall reception of the Apology across the United Church of Canada membership and the 2S and LGBTQIA+ Community has been mixed. The Executive Minister delivered a report regarding an Autonomous Indigenous Church and then the meeting closed with worship.

Submitted by,

Alan Gershuny

TMUC Lay Representative to

Prairie to Pine Regional Council

## TRUSTEE REPORT

The trustees that served Transcona Memorial United Church in 2025 were:

|                      |                             |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| John Chand           | 154 Linmar Way              |
| Kevin Drennan        | 66 Blostein Bay             |
| Jim Lewis            | 314 Yale Avenue West        |
| Cynthia Ostapyk      | 84 Beachside Bay            |
| Patty Parsons        | 15 Regina Place             |
| Wally Stoyko         | 4008 – 1015 St. Anne’s Road |
| Ken Wilkie           | 435 Horton Avenue West      |
| Chair - Gail Purcell | 39 Balaban Place            |
| Reverend Rob Reed    | #57, 35 Jack Reimer Drive   |

Of these trustees 8 are members of TMUC.

The Trustees express their continued appreciation for the close collaboration with the Council and various Teams. Their contributions have been invaluable. Over the past year, the Trustees convened as needed to address emerging issues.

### Financial Report

The United Church of Canada Loan:

- At December 31, 2025 the balance on the UCC loan was \$57,173.55. The loan will be renewed in January 2026 for a 3 year term. Irrespective of the balance in the savings account, we continue to pay down the loan to make best use of our financial resources.

Building Fund:

- At December 31, 2025 the Building Fund balance was \$206,182.90.

Legacy Fund:

- At December 31, 2025 the TMUC Legacy Fund balance was \$251,573.73 comprised of the following:
  - Line of Credit Reserve\* \$ 25,337.81
  - Endowment Reserve \$172,985.17
  - Unrestricted Funds \$ 53,250.75
  - Specified Donations \$ 0.00

\*Term Deposit: At December 31, 2025 the Term Deposit balance was \$25,000.00. This Term Deposit secures the line of credit for TMUC’s General Fund. It earns interest of 3.60% and matures on August 17, 2030.

### Other Highlights:

- The Trustees can confirm that the property taxes were paid.
- The Trustees can confirm that insurance coverage is in place on the building and its contents.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Purcell

**Activities**

In addition to ongoing maintenance and upkeep of the building and its contents, the B&P Team completed:

- Installation of UCC and Affirm United crests in the sanctuary
- Reviewed and updated our five-year plan
- Supported the renovations in Springfield Hall
- Upgraded the telephone system
- Replaced both hot water tanks
- Started work on an inventory of all church assets

**Financial performance**

B&P Expenditures for the year were 11% less than what was budgeted. Savings were mainly due to less than anticipated general maintenance and lower than anticipated HVAC costs.

**Carbon footprint reduction**

As we gather more data, we're able to provide a more accurate picture of our impact on the environment.

Using 2018 and 2019 as a baseline, our gas usage is down by 61% and our electricity usage is down by 12%. Our greenhouse gas production has been reduced by 63%. We will continue to look for ways to reduce our emissions where possible.

**The Team**

Thank you to all of the team members for their valuable contributions this year.

- Cheryl Thomas (past member)
- Andrew Fletcher-Cook (past member)
- Mike Thomas (past member)
- Gail Purcell (past Trustee representative)
- Bob Kirkhope (past member, but still coming for some reason)
- Marcel Van Eerd
- John Fraser
- Meaghan Richey
- Paul Ilchena
- Kevin Drennan (Trustee representative)
- Rev Rob Reed (ex officio)

Submitted by Stephen McKendry-Smith, Chair



## Worship and Welcome Team Annual Report 2025

The Worship and Welcome Team met 10 times during 2025. Our members included Rev. Rob Reed, Cathie Morgan Matula, Cheryl Hadaller, Laura Fraser-Schau, Crystal Schau, and new member Mary Price who joined us in April.

We had another full year, adding new items to worship, welcoming newcomers, trying out the new hymn book, baptising adults and infants, preparing for communion services, and decorating the sanctuary in the appropriate colours for the church year.

We decided to reduce the number of printed bulletins to ten each week, since most people were able to follow the projected service. Rev. Rob created bookmarks with the order of service and placed them in the pews.

We hired a contractor to renovate the closets in the choir room, changing them into storage areas for the banners, communion tablecloths, and pulpit antependia.

We hosted a joint Ash Wednesday service with people from the other TBJIGGN churches.

Rev. Rob planned meaningful services for Palm Sunday, Holy Week, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday.

We asked the livestreaming tech people to organize themselves to provide weekly tech support.

In conjunction with the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United Church of Canada Committee, we placed red dresses in the church windows in honour of Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women and Girls in May.

The congregation agreed to allow us to close on the morning of June 1<sup>st</sup> so that our members could walk in the Pride Parade. We had a meaningful vesper service that evening.

We supported the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United Church Committee with all their plans for the anniversary and for the final service and luncheon on June 8<sup>th</sup>.

We spent one Saturday morning at the church, revising our wedding and baptism policies.

The church was closed for two Sundays in July, and our congregation was invited to attend one of the other TBJIGGN churches.

We spent time at our meetings in the fall looking at suggestions made by one-time moderator, Rev. Richard Bott.

We bought three copies of *Then Let Us Sing*, the new hymnbook, for Rob Reed, Crystal Schau, and Henry Kelsey.

Rev. Rob Reed's sermon topics in September focussed on Truth and Reconciliation. Orange t-shirts were placed in the windows in September in honour of the children who attended Indian Residential School and in memory of those children who never returned home.

Bonnie Scott's daughter, Joanne Bouley, baked and iced orange t-shirt cookies for the September 28<sup>th</sup> service.

We supported the UCW's Thankoffering Service in October, with guest speaker, Kathy Antymis talking about the Manitoba Wildfires.

Our Remembrance Sunday service included music by trumpeter, Andrew Fletcher-Cook and piper, Daniel Blaikie.

Jean Altemeyer, from Grands'n'More spoke to us about that group's work on Reign of Christ Sunday.

We supported the outdoor Christmas Tree Lighting event at the end of November, planned by the Building and Property Team.

We planned and hosted the second annual Christmas Café on December 6th, with help from the UCW. Crystal Schau organized the entertainment.

Rev. Rob Reed wrote a Christmas pageant for us, using Ralph Milton's Bible story, and it was presented on December 14<sup>th</sup>. Various children and adults were the actors in the pageant.

In conjunction with the Outreach Team, the Blue Christmas service was held on December 21<sup>st</sup>.

Two services were held on Christmas Eve: 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Both were well-attended.

We had 2 baptisms during the year.

Many thanks to Rev. Rob Reed for his leadership on Sunday mornings and during the week, for his sense of humour, and his deep theological thoughts. Thanks to Crystal Schau and Henry Kelsey for their musical leadership each week, and for the choir's contributions each month. Thanks to Crystal for taking the minutes for each meeting. Thanks to Cheryl and Jim Hadaller for communion prep. Thanks for Cheryl, Jim, Mary Price, and others for decorating the sanctuary and changing the banners when needed. Thanks to Laura Fraser-Schau for stepping up and filling in wherever needed. Thanks to everyone who greeted people, read scriptures, lit candles, served communion, and took the offering on Sunday mornings.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cathie Morgan Matula, chair  
Worship and Welcome Team

## 2025 TMUC STATISTICAL REPORT

|  |   |            |
|--|---|------------|
| Membership as of December 31, 2024   |   | 603        |
| Received by Transfer   | 0 |            |
| Received by Confirmation   | 0 |            |
| Removed by Death   | 9 |            |
| <i>Nello Altomare, Barrie Glenn Brooks, Donald Edward Barry, Errol Anton Edgar Hendricks, Gertrude (Trudy) Darichuk, Walter George Gresko, Dennis Robert Hruda, Peter Frejuk, Hedy Mazinke</i> |   |            |
| Removed by Transfer  | 0 |            |
| Removed by Act of Session  | 0 |            |
| Removed by Request   | 1 |            |
| <i>Vivien Laurie</i>   |   |            |
| Adjusted Membership Removal  | 0 |            |
| <b>Membership as of December 31, 2025</b>  |   | <b>593</b> |
| Number of Child Baptisms   | 1 |            |
| <i>Maisie May Paul</i>   |   |            |
| Number of Youth Baptisms   | 0 |            |
| Number of Adult Baptisms   | 1 |            |
| <i>Lawrence Henry Unrau</i>  |   |            |
| Number of Marriages  | 0 |            |
| Number of Funerals   | 7 |            |

*Barrie Glenn Brooks, John "Jack" Morrison, Margaret Amy Urich, Kenneth Clifford Walter Poersch, Lorraine Maria Georgette Poersch, Walter George Gresko, David Job Winterburn, Edward Brian Keith Day*

Respectfully submitted by  
Lynn Measner for the Worship & Welcome Team Historical Roll

## Transcona Memorial United Church Membership - as at Dec 31 2025

**Membership 31 Dec 2024**

**603**

| <u>Deaths</u>               | <u>Date</u>        | <u>Add/Delete</u> |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Nello Altomare              | January 14, 2025   | -1                |
| Barrie Glenn Brooks         | March 28, 2025     | -1                |
| Donald Edward Barry         | March 30, 2025     | -1                |
| Errol Anton Edgar Hendricks | April 25, 2025     | -1                |
| Gertrude (Trudy) Darichuk   | May 22, 2025       | -1                |
| Walter George Gresko        | August 13, 2025    | -1                |
| Dennis Robert Hruda         | September 30, 2025 | -1                |
| Peter Frejuk                | November 6, 2025   | -1                |
| Hedy Mazinke                | December 14, 2025  | -1                |

### New Members

### Transfers In

### Transfers Out

### By Request

|               |                   |    |
|---------------|-------------------|----|
| Vivien Laurie | December 31, 2025 | -1 |
|---------------|-------------------|----|

### Membership Study

### Adjusted membership

**Membership Dec 31, 2025**

**593**

# Pastoral Care Team 2025 Annual Report

Transcona Memorial United Church  
Prairie to Pine Regional Council ~ The United Church of Canada

Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.

(1 Peter 4:10 New Revised Standard Version)

So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

(Galatians 6:10 New Revised Standard Version)

The Pastoral Care Team met three times during 2025 (January, March and May). While this is much less than any of us anticipated meeting, we have continued to work to stay connected to the people who claim TMUC as their faith home.

The members of the team are each responsible for a set list of TMUC members and adherents. They fulfill their roles by telephoning, texting, emailing, in person visiting (e.g., in home, hospital or care facility), and sending cards. In some instances, people from the lists will be referred to me for follow up.

Some members of the team attended a workshop, hosted by the Regional Council, in Portage la Prairie in September. The workshop was facilitated by Rev. Barb Jardine (ret.), Rev. Judy Hare, Rev. Joe Ball, and myself. The topics we explored were death and dying, grief and MAID (Medical Assistance in Dying).

I am grateful for the care with which the members of our team undertake their responsibilities. The members of the TMUC Pastoral Care Team are Carol Bergson, Laurie Chudley, Susan Copeland, Carol Favoni, Alan Gershuny and Alma Jennings.

I will also take this opportunity to remind folks that you, too, can reach out, if you would like a visit or a conversation. The team and I are always open to hearing from you, whenever it suits you.

Submitted on behalf of the Pastoral Care Team,  
Rob Reed, Diaconal Minister.



## TMUC Prayer List Rationale and Process

Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

(Galatians 6:2 New Revised Standard Version)

The TMUC Prayer List is one expression of how this community of faith supports and cares for one another. It unites us. It provides opportunity to comfort and encourage. It enables us to share the full spectrum of life's joys and sorrows. For many, it has been and is a gift. The TMUC Prayer List has become integral to this community of faith.

As a community of faith, we all share the responsibility of maintaining the integrity of the things we do with and for one another. Praying is one of these things. Subsequently, there is an expectation that the Prayer List will be engaged with the utmost respect.

The TMUC Prayer List is available to members and adherents of Transcona Memorial United Church who request to receive it. The Prayer List is not intended for public distribution, nor is it to be forwarded by those who receive it.

Inclusion of names (first and last names) on the Prayer List requires permission from people. People can request that their names be removed at any time. Names will remain on the Prayer List for four consecutive Sundays, and then will be removed. Names may be returned to the List upon request.

If permission cannot be provided, the Prayer List may include the person's first name only.

Requests to include names on the TMUC Prayer List can be made, in person at the church office, by email ([office@tmuc.ca](mailto:office@tmuc.ca)), or by telephone (204-222-1331). Requests to receive the TMUC Prayer List can be made using these same methods.



# 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee 2025 Annual Report

Transcona Memorial United Church  
Prairie to Pine Regional Council ~ The United Church of Canada



TMUC 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee: (Back Row, L-R) Merlin Shoesmith, Anne Hruda, Donna Hadaller, Rob Reed (Middle Row, L-R) Alan Gershuny, Carol Bergson, Mave Dickson, Susan Copeland (Front Row, L-R) Bonnie Scott, Cathie Morgan Matula, Cheryl Thomas (Unable to be present: Susan Sebastian)

Transcona Memorial United Church's commemoration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The United Church of Canada was undertaken as a project of outreach, service, education and relationship building. The project was entitled "100 Days for Justice and Compassion," which resonated with the United Church's Strategic Plan (2022-2025) of "Deep Spirituality, Bold Discipleship, Daring Justice."

TMUC's 100 days began on March 3<sup>rd</sup> and concluded on June 10<sup>th</sup> with an Anniversary Prayer Service in our sanctuary. In between March 3<sup>rd</sup> and June 10<sup>th</sup>, here are some of the programs, people, organizations, actions and themes that we engaged with and in:

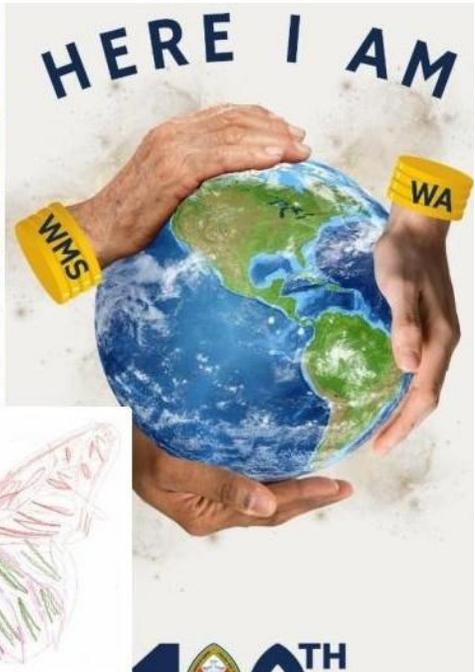
- March 3-12: Focus: 1JustCity: Guest Speaker Tara Zajac on Sunday morning; Tour of West Broadway Community Centre; collected pill bottles for single-use shampoo containers; raised \$120.65 worth of loonies for 1JustCity
- March 13-22: Focus: PIE Day and Sunshine House: Guest Speaker Alex Bouley at the PIE Day supper; displays and door prizes at PIE Day; split the proceeds of PIE Day (\$358.50) between Sunshine House and Prison Libraries Committee; raised \$124.10 worth of loonies for Sunshine House
- March 23-April 1: Focus: Canadian Museum for Human Rights: Made two Sunday afternoon visits to the CMHR, to explore permanent exhibits as well as the temporary "Love in a Dangerous Time" exhibit about Canada's Transgender Purge
- April 2-11: Focus: Amnesty International: The UCW led the Sunday service, using a service written by the national UCW for the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; raised \$106.85 worth of loonies for Amnesty International
- April 12-21: Focus: Connecting with our Neighbours: Approximately 150 Easter cards with six different designs created by folks in our Messy Church congregation were hand-delivered to our church neighbours by Carol Bergson
- April 22-May 1: Focus: Sandy Saulteaux Spiritual Centre: Raised \$109.00 worth of loonies for Sandy Saulteaux Spiritual Centre

- May 2-11: Focus: Raymond Flett Community of Faith (out of Knox United Church, Winnipeg): Hung red dresses in the church windows; distributed Moose Hide pins; raised \$100.00 worth of loonies for Raymond Flett Community of Faith
- May 12-21: Focus: Manitoba Multi-Faith Council and Rossbrook House: Collected individual personal care items for youth who attend Rossbrook House; had a book study of “One” by Devon Clunis; raised \$101.10 worth of loonies (?) for Rossbrook House
- May 22-31: Focus: Save Our Seine River and Wolseley Community Gardens: Collected 104 packets of vegetable seed for Wolseley Community Gardens; along with Scout troops and Girl Guide groups, their leaders and families, and Winnipeg Park staff, we planted 377 deciduous shrub and tree seedlings in King’s Park
- June 1-10: Focus: Rainbow Resource Centre: Walked in the Winnipeg Pride Parade; held an evening vespers service on Pride Sunday; raised \$127.50 worth of loonies for Rainbow Resource Centre; held an Anniversary service on Sunday, June 8, followed by a potluck lunch with an anniversary cake

In a request for feedback and reflections from the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee on the experience of engaging in these 100 days, the consensus was that everything we did provided an opportunity to learn and to grow in our faith. There was deep gratitude for the experiences this project gave to us. We also have been opened to the possibility of repeating some of the activities (e.g., distributing Easter cards to neighbours, tree-planting, hanging red dresses and orange shirts, book studies, guest speakers and tours) in the future, as an expression of our community of faith’s interest in and concern for people and community, and to continue embodying our call to justice and compassion through deep spirituality, bold discipleship and daring justice.

Submitted on behalf of the TMUC 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee,  
Rob Reed, Diaconal Minister.





**100<sup>TH</sup>**  
ANNIVERSARY  
Deep • Bold • Daring



## **Children & Youth Program – 2025 Annual Report Submission**

In 2025, we completed our first full year of offering the Children & Youth Program on Sunday mornings. We are grateful for our five committed volunteers, whose enthusiasm and readiness each week make this ministry possible. We extend special appreciation to Rob for faithfully preparing the weekly materials that support our sessions.

Children and youth begin worship in the Sanctuary before moving to the multipurpose room with their leader. A typical gathering includes conversation about the scripture, a story, time for questions and discussion, a hands-on craft, and a closing blessing prayer. On communion Sundays, the group returns to the Sanctuary to share in the sacrament with the congregation.

While attendance has been small, our commitment remains strong. We look forward with hope and energy as we continue to nurture and inspire children and youth in 2026.

Respectfully submitted by Barb Kehler, Lauren Plischke, Gail Purcell, Sheilah Ross-Campbell, and Mary Thiessen

## **Bible Study 2025 Annual Report**

Transcona Memorial United Church  
Prairie to Pine Regional Council ~ The United Church of Canada

A Bible Study group began in March of 2025. It was originally planned to be active through the season of Lent, but continued once the Easter season began. The group meets on Fridays, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the church office. It is not unusual for the sessions to go longer than scheduled!

Almost two dozen people have expressed interest in Bible Study, though the “regulars” would be about 13 in number. Attendance fluctuates between 4 and 10, on a regular basis.

The group has mostly focused on the readings from the Revised Common Lectionary that will be used in the worship service on the Sunday.

The group did not meet during July and August, though a list of the Lectionary readings for those weeks was created and distributed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rob Reed, Diaconal Minister.

## 2025 Music Ministry Report

2025 was a vibrant and inspiring year for music at TMUC.

Rob, Henry, and Crystal collaborated closely to plan the music for each service, ensuring a thoughtful blend of tradition, creativity, and congregational engagement.

One of the most exciting developments this year was the introduction of our new hymnal, *Then Let Us Sing*. We began incorporating selections gradually throughout the year, giving the congregation time to grow familiar with the new pieces. Copies have now been ordered and placed in the sanctuary for anyone who wishes to follow the music more closely.

During the summer months, we were delighted to welcome Claire as our guest accompanist. She was a fantastic addition to our church community, bringing skill, warmth, and a refreshing musical energy to our services while she was with us. She worked with a few soloists and duet partners.

The TMUC Singers are slowly expanding our numbers. They are a wonderfully talented group of singers, and we are very lucky to have them. The TMUC Singers contributed beautifully to worship, offering music at two services most months. Their performance at the Easter service was a particular highlight, and their contributions to the 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service were both meaningful and musically moving.

Our Children's Chorus, a mighty 6 singers, also played a joyful role in worship life at TMUC. They sang during the Palm Sunday service and again on the Third Sunday of Advent, Joy. In addition, they participated in the Christmas Pageant held that same Sunday, bringing energy and spirit to the celebration.

This year's Christmas Café, held on December 6, 2025, was our second annual event and was very well attended. There is a wealth of talent here at TMUC and we love hearing and seeing new talent, as well as those who continue to bless us with their gifts. It continues to grow into a cherished seasonal tradition.

Looking forward to another great year of music and ministry,

Crystal Schau

Music Director TMUC

## Book Club Annual Report 2025

The Transcona Memorial United Church book club started in 2002 and moves into celebrating its 24th anniversary. In 2025 we gathered, laughed, discussed and sometimes cried over the stories read. This book club is more than just reading books it's where friends meet.

In January we started our year off reading *Go as A River* by Shelley Read which was a moving story, inviting us to see the parallel of living our lives like a river gathering strength and flowing over or around barriers as we find our way forward. In February the momentum of strong women continued as we read *Looking for Jane* by Heather Marshal. It reminded us how far women have come on the rights over our own body and the hard fight that ensued giving us that right. In March we read *The Yellow House* by Sarah M. Broom followed in April with *The Last Queen* by Chitra Banerjee Divakarumi. In May we read *The Puzzle Master* by Danielle Trussoni.

In June, before we broke for the summer, we had a lovely potluck dinner. We all brought a wrapped book with a short paragraph about the book, and we did a book exchange. It was so exciting going into summer with a good book.

In September we met to bring our ideas together and pick our books for the coming year. On October 16 & 17 we put on a used book sale and raised over \$1,670.00. This was done with a lot of volunteers and donations of CDs, puzzles and books.

The October book was *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus set in the 1960's. This was a laugh out loud kind of book and a lively discussion ensued during our meeting. November took us into *The Last Train to London* by Meg Waite Clayton. Set during WWII it reminded us of the courage and strength of everyday people who helped Jewish children reach London from Germany, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland.

We ended the year with a breakfast discussion and a lovely book by Amor Towles, *Table for Two*, set in the 1930s. This was short stories full of wit, lessons, and chance encounters.

We meet every second Tuesday of the month at the church at 7:00 pm. All are welcome. Come for the year or come to read just one book – it will be fun. Contact Angie at [angiedickson57@gmail.com](mailto:angiedickson57@gmail.com) for more information.

Respectfully submitted by Patty Parsons and our Monthly Book Club

## T'BJIGGN

T'BJIGGN is the northeast cluster of United Churches, and is an acronym for Transcona Memorial, Birds Hill, John Black Memorial, Immanuel, Gordon-King Memorial, Grey Street and North Kildonan. Representatives from each congregation meet regularly to plan events for the church members to worship, work, learn and play together. The representatives from Transcona are Vicky Low and Susan Copeland. Cathie Morgan Matula, a long-time member, resigned in the spring.

For Lent, Gordon-King (Big Red Church) hosted their Pancake Tuesday supper. Transcona Memorial and North Kildonan jointly hosted an Ash Wednesday service at TMUC. John Black hosted a Maundy Thursday service.

To commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United Church a hymn sing was organized. The event, called "Singing for a Century", was held at the Big Red Church on May 10, 2025 and included a joint choir. Hymns from the past years up to some new music were sung. An archives display and refreshments followed.

Churchorama was held again this year with each congregation hosting a service during the summer months. TMUC closed for two weeks in July this year and members were encouraged to attend the Birds Hill and Immanuel services. TMUC hosted the August 10<sup>th</sup> service as well as being a flex Sunday on August 3<sup>rd</sup> along with North Kildonan.

In November, the representatives met to make seven new candles from pieces of old candles, one for each church. These T'BJIGGN candles were lit during Advent at each church as a symbol of friendship and unity.

During 2025, changes occurred within the community of churches. John Black and Immanuel are now in a collaborative ministry with Rev. Oluwajimi Dairo as their minister. Gordon King and Grey Street are in a collaborative ministry with Rev. Patrick Woodbeck as their minister. Birds Hill is also included in this collaborative ministry with Diane McKenty, a Licensed Lay Worship Leader, assisting.

Respectfully submitted by  
Vicky Low  
Susan Copeland



## **Messy Church – 2025 Annual Report Submission**

Messy Church continues to be a joyful, energetic, and wonderfully “messy” monthly gathering that truly lives up to its name in all the best ways. Each session begins with an activity, followed by storytelling, a shared meal, creative crafts, and music.

This year, two long-time members of our planning team, Jenn Harlos and Michelle Lamoureux, stepped back due to other commitments. We are deeply grateful for the time, care, and enthusiasm they poured into this ministry over the years.

Our Messy Church community is thriving. We’re delighted to welcome new families and remain thankful for the faithful presence of our regular participants. To help us stay connected and communicate more effectively with our Messy Church congregation, we introduced a simple registration form this year. It has already helped us share updates, reminders, and special invitations more smoothly.

This vibrant ministry is made possible by the dedication of our planning team, the support of our minister, Rob Reed, the creativity of our craft and activity leaders, and the commitment of our kitchen volunteers who ensure we enjoy a delicious meal each time we gather. We truly could not do this without every one of them.

Messy Church is joyfully intergenerational—everyone is welcome. We encourage our community to invite friends, neighbours, and family members who might enjoy this ministry or who may feel called to volunteer with the Planning Team, crafts, or kitchen. There is always room at the table, messy as it may be!

Respectfully submitted by Gail Purcell, Rob Reed, Lynn Richard, and Crystal Schau  
The TMUC Messy Church Planning Team

## Messy Church International Conference 2025

From June 20-24, I had the privilege of attending the Messy Church International Conference at the High Leigh Conference Centre in Hertfordshire, England—representing both Transcona Memorial United Church’s Messy Church and Messy Church Canada.

### A Global Gathering

The theme of the conference was “*All Together*,” and it truly lived up to its name. Participants from 14 countries came together to share, learn, and celebrate the vibrant diversity of Messy Church communities around the world.

### Keynote Insights: Psychological Safety

Keynote speaker Lorraine Prince discussed *Psychological Safety*—challenging us to reflect on how welcoming our Messy Churches truly are. She asked:

- Is our Messy Church a space of beloved belonging?
- Do we create environments where no one feels left outside the circle?

Her words encouraged deep reflection on how we embrace difference and foster inclusion.

### Workshops That Inspired

I participated in several workshops led by Messy Church leaders from across the globe. One standout was “*Process Art and Play*” with Sandy Brodine from Australia.

Process Art emphasizes creativity over perfection, offering a safe space for exploration and meaning-making. My personal takeaway? I can confidently lead a craft table—even if my crafts aren’t the most polished—and that’s perfectly okay!

Another session, “*All Ages Together*,” explored the intentionality of intergenerational ministry. We were reminded that we are all equal before God—uniquely created and interdependent—and encouraged to relate to one another mutually, reciprocally, and relationally.

### Messy Church Goes Wild

In a refreshing outdoor session, we trekked through the grounds, laid on the earth, and gazed at the clouds. This contemplative experience included biblical reflections from Sweden and Guyana, connecting nature with spiritual practice.

### Reimagining and Sustaining Messy Church

A workshop led by Messy Church USA focused on sustainability. Using the metaphor of a grocery store that adapted to its changing neighborhood—while a nearby church remained static—they emphasized the importance of flexibility rooted in core values.

Key takeaways included:

- Conducting regular health checks on your team, space, and resources
- Planning for leadership succession
- Reimagining Messy Church to meet evolving community needs

### **Saturday Night Ceilidh**

Saturday evening brought joyful celebration with a Ceilidh led by youth leaders and a scratch band. We danced, laughed, and embraced the spirit of togetherness.

### **A Communion of All Ages**

Sunday's closing featured an inclusive Communion liturgy led by Sandy Brodine. The emotion and energy in the room were palpable.

As we departed the conference, we were invited to take home a rock inscribed with the name of another Messy Church to pray for. I chose two that we now pray for:

- Elmsley Castle Messy Church (England)
- Emmaus Bodegraven Messy Church (Netherlands)

### **International Leadership Gathering**

Following the main conference, I was honored to join the International Messy Church leaders' gathering alongside Carol Fletcher, representing Messy Church Canada. Leaders from 12 countries shared insights on:

- The current state of Messy Church in their regions
- Cultural adaptations and challenges
- Aspirations for growth and development over the next three years

### **Gratitude and Vision**

Being part of this global movement—learning, sharing, and growing together—was deeply inspiring. I'm profoundly grateful for TMUC's support on this journey and excited to continue serving on both the TMUC Messy Church and Messy Church Canada leadership teams. Together, we bring joy, creativity, and connection to our communities.

Submitted on behalf of Gail Purcell

## United Church Women (UCW) Annual Report 2025

The United Church Women (UCW) was formed in 1962 with the joining together of the Women's Missionary Society, which was a world mission-oriented and study group, and the Woman's Association (WA), that focused on work in the local church and community. Today our UCW has around 40 active members and 20 inactive members. We meet monthly, except for July and August. Attendance at meetings in 2025 averaged 26. In the past year, we lost two of our long-time members: Doris Heselwood and Trudy Darichuk.

The year began with our annual post-Christmas luncheon at Smitty's.

In February, we hosted Quiz Night once again and raised about \$1800 for the church. Many thanks to Russ and Kathy Antymis for being our quizmasters once again. We held a bake sale at the end of the month in conjunction with sales of the dinner theatre (CITAC) tickets.

In March, we set up the coffee and tea, etc. for the luncheon at the annual meeting. We also hosted the World Day of Prayer service that month and provided refreshments. St. George's Anglican Church will be the host in 2026. We had two guest speakers from Grands n'More make a presentation at our March meeting.

April was a busy month for us as many of our ladies volunteered to serve food for one evening of the dinner theatre. We filled shoeboxes with toiletries and treats for women who experienced domestic violence and who are living in shelters. We cleaned the sanctuary on a Saturday morning. We presented the special 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United Church of Canada service created for UCW one Sunday morning.

In June we helped at the potluck luncheon following the June 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United Church of Canada service and provided the table centre pieces. These flowers were distributed to some of the older church members following the event. A spring wind-up luncheon was also held.

Our August project was collecting pictures for Art in The Attic sponsored by Grands n' More. 155 pictures were collected and the funds went to the Stephen Lewis Foundation which, among other things, provides resources to the grandmothers in Africa who are raising their grandchildren because many of their parents have died of AIDS.

We started the fall off at our September meeting with the election of new officers. Cathie Morgan Matula resigned as President after many years of service. Mary Thiessen was elected President and Mary Price was elected Vice President. Susan Copeland continued as secretary and Leona Mayer continued as treasurer. We went over the list of various jobs and positions and filled the slate.

In October, we did the annual decorating of the sanctuary for Thanksgiving. We provided the Sunday morning service for our annual Thankoffering Service. Our speaker was Kathy Antymis and her topic was The Wildfires in Manitoba, a very timely and relevant topic as Manitoba had a horrific fire season.

In November, some members of the UCW took part in The Turtle Island Blanket Exercise and the UCW donated \$200.00 to help cover the costs. We took part in the Tree Lighting by assisting with set up, baking cookies and serving refreshments.

December saw us involved with the Christmas Cafe. We also facilitated the annual Park Manor Tea, where our members were the choir, and the residents joined us in singing Christmas Carols. UCW members provided the sandwiches and dainties. A great time was had by all, and we thank Peter, our pianist, for accompanying us. We also provided Christmas Cards to the residents. We have started a letter-writing campaign with Amnesty International.

As always, we had a worship section at each meeting, with Alma Jennings providing us with interesting information about many hymns and their writers. Donna McDonald took over providing worship in September.

We elected a Kitchen Committee who did a lot of work cleaning up the kitchen, taking inventory, making minor changes and working with the B&P Committee. Unnecessary items were removed. Signs were made stating what was in each cupboard and drawer.

The work was done in conjunction with all the other people who use the kitchen.

After looking at our membership list, it was decided that members who could no longer attend meetings would receive a card or a visit from The Visiting Team. We also decided to celebrate our birthdays with a cake and refreshments twice a year.

We hosted four funeral receptions during the year, for David Winterburn, Barrie Brooks, Walter Gresko and Margaret Uhrich.

We have been collecting money for the Fellowship of the Least Coin for decades. In August 2025, the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada decided not to collect the money as under the Canada Revenue Agency this put their charitable status at risk.

During the year we purchased three fire blankets and 20 copies of the new hymnbook. One member provided the new plastic cover for the cart that holds the dinner plates. We made our charitable donations for the year. We have now reviewed all our charitable donations and will be deciding in the new year how to proceed. We also held discussions on financial matters pertaining to the UCW and these will continue in the new year as well.

We look forward to the challenges and joys of the New Year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cathie Morgan Matula, past president  
Mary Thiessen, president

**Transcona Memorial United Church Women  
Financial Statement for 2025**

Opening Book Balance, January 1, 2025 \$3,765.65

**Income**

|   |          |            |
|---|----------|------------|
| Membership - dues                           | \$470.00 |            |
| Least Coin                                  | 129.75   |            |
| Donations for "Shoe Box" project            | 530.00   |            |
| World Day of Prayer cash offerings          | 761.00   |            |
| Donations through congregation <sup>1</sup> | 1,110.00 |            |
| Fund raising - bake sale                    | 510.00   |            |
| Sale of UCW pins                            | 16.00    |            |
| Miscellaneous                               | 20.00    |            |
| Total income                                |          | \$3,546.75 |

**Expenses**

|  |          |              |
|--|----------|--------------|
| World Day of Prayer (to transfer cash offerings)   | \$761.00 |              |
| To round-up WDP offering to \$1000.00 <sup>2</sup> | 94.00    |              |
| Refreshments for World Day of Prayer               | 70.15    |              |
| Annual donations**                                 | 675.00   |              |
| Shoe Box project                                   | 304.06   |              |
| 100th Anniversary décor                            | 185.78   |              |
| Kairos blanket exercise                            | 200.00   |              |
| pianist at Park Manor PCH for Christmas tea        | 50.00    |              |
| New hymn books                                     | 500.00   |              |
| Administration: new order of cheques               | 40.00    |              |
| Total expenses                                     |          | - \$2,879.99 |

Balance \$4,432.41

|                                    |                 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Bank balance at December, 31, 2025 | \$4,932.41      |
| Less outstanding cheque #99        | - \$500.00      |
|                                    | <hr/>           |
|                                    | \$              |
| Reconciled balance                 | <u>4,432.41</u> |

Respectfully submitted by  
Leona Mayer, Treasurer

Note: A cheque in the amount of \$1,205.00 has been received in January representing December offerings from the congregation. This will be shown on the January statement; however, it is not reflected in this report. L.M/

<sup>1</sup> Amounts forward to treasurer from regular congregational offerings plus offerings from Doug Copeland re event set-up payments.

<sup>2</sup> Cheques made directly to WDP totalled \$145. This cheque rounded up TMUC's offering to \$1000

## **Outreach Year End Report to Council**

The Outreach Committee completed our objectives for 2025.

Transcona Senior Meal Program has been overseen by Outreach. The meal program continues to have once a month dine in service with a show of musicians before the dinner. Positive feedback continues on the delicious meals.

The Outreach Team congratulated Colleen Tackaberry on her retirement. Lorri Dahl is the new coordinator.

Transcona Foodbank Year End report will be (or has been) sent to Council directly by Chair, Jack Puranen.

We delivered carnations on Mother's and Father's Day to Park Manor.

Our campaign for Easter Carnation for Shut-Ins was a great success with tremendous help from the Congregation. We received several Thank-you cards from the recipients.

The Christmas Wreath Making Advent event was well received by the people who attended. They would like Outreach to have another wreath making event for Advent 2026. We still have lots of supplies and will plan on having another wreath making event. Our proceeds went into the general fund.

Stars of Hope campaign raised \$1,025.00 for the Lunch Program at Bernie Wolfe School.

The reception for Blue Christmas was hosted by our Outreach Team with cookies and dainties made by our team. Shirley and Holly did a wonderful job preparing and setting up the trays and making coffee and tea for all who attended.

Respectfully submitted by,

Sue Sebastian  
Chair, Outreach

## Transcona Food Bank

During 2025 the Transcona Food Bank continued to see a high demand for its services.

|                          | 2025  | 2024  | 2023 |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|------|
| # of Families Served     | 1,841 | 1,840 | 1759 |
| Total # of people served | 5,953 | 5,912 | 5880 |
| # of Adults served       | 3,457 | 3,346 | 3165 |
| # of Children served     | 2,496 | 2,566 | 2715 |

During 2025 the Transcona Food Bank had 13 openings, which means the Transcona Food Bank served on average 142 families per opening as opposed to an average of 141 families per opening in 2024.

While the need for help has increased, the wonderful community of Transcona stepped up and thankfully our donations increased as well. As a result, the Transcona Food Bank was able to supplement the food received from our major partner Harvest Manitoba. The Transcona Food Bank was able to buy milk/eggs for every family for every opening. In addition, we were able to occasionally buy cereal, pancake mix, syrup, peanut butter as special items. For Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas we were able to purchase frozen ground hamburger and stove top stuffing.

Many local residents, schools, churches and businesses came through with many monetary and non-perishable donations. While we can't name individuals for privacy reasons, many of our partners are outlined in our attached Donor Listing. All donations are extremely appreciated and the Transcona Food Bank could not continue to operate without this level of support from the community.

With the continued increased need, the Transcona Food Bank has become challenged with having sufficient freezer space to store food rescued from our community grocery partners ( Sobeys, Safeway and Superstore). As a result, the Transcona Food Bank has embarked on a capital project of building more space to hold more freezers. Transcona Biz is also allowing a couple of freezers to occupy space within the Transcona Biz office on a temporary basis. The Transcona Food Bank will be working on making this project a reality in the 2026.

Along with the support of donations from the community the Transcona Food Bank could not operate without its dedicated army of volunteers. The Transcona Food Bank has approximately 80 volunteers that help with donation pickups, food rescue, sorting donations received, setting up for openings, processing the families on openings and take down after openings. In addition to this brigade of volunteers there are also organizations that step in to help through the year - Transcona Guiding group during the Hi Neighbour Parade, Transcona Railer Express hockey players during November/December and RBC employees to assist with the Christmas opening. It truly takes a village.

For our 2025 - 2026 Scheduled Food Bank Openings we are getting help from students from 5 High Schools in Transcona. They are : Transcona Collegiate , Murdoch Mackay, College Pierre Elliot Trudeau, Immanuel Christian, and Calvin Christian. The students will be helping doing set up and helping on Food Bank Openings.

Unfortunately, our village lost the following dedicated members over the last year and they will be missed dearly:

Donald Barry

David Dupont

Dale Miller

As part of our church community, we feel called upon to help our less fortunate families and are pleased, willing and happy to do so. We are looking forward to whatever 2026 holds in store for us.

I would like to thank the other members of the Board Executive for their hard work, support and dedication.

Susan Sebastian - Vice- Chair

Cheryl Freeman – Treasurer

Wendy Richey – Secretary

Please find attached the following reports for the 2025 year:

- Statistics
- Financial Report
- List of Donors

Respectfully Submitted

Jack Puranen

Chairperson

Transcona Food Bank

**Transcona Food Bank  
Statement of Receipts and Disbursements  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2025**

|                                   | <u>YTD<br/>2025</u>       | <u>YTD<br/>2024</u>       |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Receipts                          |                           |                           |
| Donations                         |                           |                           |
| Grants/Directed Donations         | \$12,938.76               | 13,329.30                 |
| Direct (Direct to Food Bank)      | 31,623.78                 | 30,054.08                 |
| Indirect ( TMUC and Canada Helps) | 47,636.64                 | 35,233.54                 |
| Clothing sales                    | 1,125.60                  | 1,046.09                  |
| Bank interest earned              | 1,900.65                  | 1,063.87                  |
|                                   | <u>\$95,225.43</u>        | <u>\$80,726.88</u>        |
| Disbursements                     |                           |                           |
| Food Purchases                    | \$40,108.96               | 41,186.06                 |
| Administration and Supplies       | 6,487.49                  | 1,874.94                  |
| TMUC-honorarium for expenses      | 1,000.00                  | 600.00                    |
| Grant Expenditures                | 12,696.18                 | 5,007.98                  |
| Volunteer lunch                   | 443.76                    | 377.31                    |
| Assets                            | 0.00                      | 476.98                    |
|                                   | <u>\$60,736.39</u>        | <u>\$49,523.27</u>        |
|                                   | <u><b>\$34,489.04</b></u> | <u><b>\$31,203.61</b></u> |

PREPARED BY Cheryl Freeman, CPA, CA  
As at January 8, 2026

**Transcona Food Bank  
Statement of Financial Position  
As at December 31, 2025**

|                                     |                            |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Bank balance, Jan 1, 2025           | \$37,378.14                |
| Receipts                            | \$95,225.43                |
| Disbursements                       | (\$60,736.39)              |
| 2024 A/R received                   | \$16,683.96                |
| 2025 Deferred Revenue               | \$242.58                   |
| Less: Transfer to Savings           | (\$30,000.00)              |
| Less: 2024 Grant Deferrals          | (\$8,321.32)               |
| Less: 2025 AR from TMUC             | (\$14,622.00)              |
| Opening Sobey's Gift Card           | \$6,026.30                 |
| Less Closing Sobey's Gift Card      | (\$9,512.17)               |
| Less Interest earned on Savings     | (\$1,756.26)               |
| Bank Balance, December 31, 2025     | <u>\$30,608.27</u>         |
| Sobey's balance beginning of period | \$6,026.30                 |
| Purchase gift cards                 | \$0.00                     |
| Donations                           | \$18,585.08                |
| Disbursement charged on gift cards  | \$15,099.21                |
| Balance on Sobey's gift cards       | <u>\$9,512.17</u>          |
| Investment/Savings                  | <u>\$88,495.64</u>         |
| <b>TOTAL CASH POSITION</b>          | <u><b>\$128,616.08</b></u> |

PREPARED BY Cheryl Freeman, CPA, CA  
As at January 8, 2026

# Transcona Food Bank

## 2025 Listing of Donors

All Saints Ukrainian Orthodox Church  
Arthur Day Middle School  
Blessed Sacrament Church  
Calvin Christian College  
CN Rail Yarf Group  
CNR Retired Employees Volunteer Service Grant  
E.E.C.C. Breakfast with Santa  
East Park Lodge Tennant Association  
Ecole Centrale School  
Elmwood Giants Baseball Club  
Fraternal Order of Eagles  
Full Bloom Plant Stand  
Grace Canadian Reformed Church  
Hi Neighbour Parade  
Jewish Foundation of Manitoba  
K40 Club of Transcona  
McAshphalt Industries Ltd.  
Murdoch MacKay Collegiate  
Park City Meadow Co-op  
Prairie Landing Residents  
Pierre Elliot Trudeau School  
Rotary Club of Winnipeg – Transcona  
Ross Eadie – City of Winnipeg Councillor  
Russ Wyatt – City Councillor  
RBC ‘Retired Employees Volunteer Service Grant’  
Royal Canadian Legion No. 7 Ladies Auxiliary  
St. Michael’s Ukrainian Catholic Church  
St Michael’s Villa Senior’s Tenant Association  
Transcona Christian Reformed Church  
Transcona District Brownies and Guides  
Transcona Memorial United Church  
Transcona ‘Railer Express’ Major Junior Hockey Club  
Transcona Seniors Pickleball  
UFCW Local #832  
Wayoata Elementary School  
Winnipeg Regional Health Authority

Arden Realty  
Ball Insurance Agency  
Burnett Management Co Ltd  
The Carver’s Knife  
CN Engineered Group  
Custom Castings Limited  
End CC Yoga and Fitness Classes  
East Side Self Storage  
Ecole Margaret-Underhill School  
The Fairmont Winnipeg  
FreschCo – Regent Store  
George Wakefield Foods Inc  
Harold Hatcher School  
Immanuel Christian School  
Jim Pattison Subaru on Regent  
Manufactures Carpet & Vinyl  
Mission Thrift Store  
No FrillsTyler’s Store Transcona Blvd  
Peak of the Market  
Princess Hotel  
Real Canadian Superstore - Regent  
Royal Bank of Canada – Regent  
Royal Canadian Legion No. 7  
Safeway Store #4857  
St George’s Anglican Church  
Sobeys Kildonan Green Store  
St. Joseph the Worker Church  
Transcona Biz  
Transcona Biz Market  
Transcona Collegiate Institute  
Transcona Optimists  
Transcona Salon Spa Ltd  
Transcona Trail Trekkers  
Vickar Automotive Group  
500 Widlake Apartment Residents  
Winnipeg Musicians Fight Hunger 3.0

## **GIFTS OF GRACE STREET MISSION (SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP)**

The Gifts of Grace Street Mission was founded under the umbrella of St. Saviour's Anglican Church, 690 Munroe Avenue, Winnipeg. Since 2012, the Gifts of Grace Street Mission has been approved by the TMUC Council as a Special Interest Group. We continue to thank our church members for all they have done, and continue to do, to help keep our Mission vibrant and thriving; especially considering how things keep changing in our everyday lives. Your donations of muffins, buns, toiletries, knitted items, socks, as well as monetary donations are extremely appreciated.

**The Mission's mandate is to provide Food, Friendship and Compassion to our Friends who are experiencing homelessness in Winnipeg.**

The Mission started off 2025 well aware that we still had to be cautious as to how our various activities were to be handled as there still was some Covid 19 surfacing in places. With having our sandwich and casserole making crews already set up from two years ago; as well as other obligations that the Mission had in place; we all knew what needed to be done. The schedules for both the sandwich and casserole crews were set up by those in charge on a monthly rotation and the volunteers were notified by email or phone calls. The various teams, made up of volunteers from the entire Mission, were able to supply Main Street Project with 700 sandwiches each week for the Van Patrol from Monday through to Sunday. An additional 150 sandwiches were also made weekly to be delivered with the Thursday meal to Main Street Project and an additional 150 sandwiches were made weekly to be delivered with the Sunday morning breakfast at 190 Disraeli. Much of the bread used for the sandwiches comes from Safeway and Sobeys, as well as The Main Street Project. A decision was made by the Gifts of Grace Street Mission, as a whole, to continue to maintain our commitment to our core business, including the Van Patrol sandwiches, the weekly dinner at Main Street Project and the weekly breakfast at 190 Disraeli.

The casserole crew started up on January 8th and by the end of December, 2025, they had made 220 casseroles that were served or delivered to Main Street Project every Thursday throughout the year. There were a number of volunteers from St. Saviour's who heated, and delivered the casseroles for serving by the Main Street Project staff. Along with the casseroles were buttered buns, the aforementioned sandwiches, and available desserts, which were donated by TMUC members, as well as Blessed Sacrament members, St. Saviour's members and friends of our many volunteers.

St. Saviour's Anglican Church provides tax receipts for anyone who may wish to make a donation to our Mission. Cheques are made payable to St. Saviour's Anglican Church with "Gifts of Grace" specified on the front of the cheque. We are truly blessed to have three congregations working together, plus many friends of the Mission, to make our Mission what it is today! Dealing with the continued threat of the Covid virus has certainly not made it easy to manage the everyday mechanics of running the Mission.

We are not taking clothes at this time; but anyone who wishes to donate non perishable food items, please use our drop-off spots, which are:

**In the Transcona Area:** Transcona Salon Spa located at #14 – 1783 Plessis Rd.  
**In the Elmwood Area:** The Washeteria Laundromat at 556 Keenleyside St.  
**In the North Kildonan Area:** 417 Paufeld Drive

We always welcome new volunteers, young or old. If you are at all interested, please do not hesitate to contact Bonnie Scott (204) 222-6986 or Anne Hruda (431) 996-2509 or check out our Facebook Page under Gifts of Grace Street Mission, which can be accessed easily.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Anne Hruda, Gifts of Grace Street Mission Volunteer

## Caught in the Act Company

The 2025 Caught in the Act Company presented its 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner Theatre production, “Murder at Regent Manor”, written by Michael Druce and produced by special arrangements with Pioneer Drama Service, Denver, Colorado.

The dinner theatre took place on April 24, 25, 26 & 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025. All performances were a sellout within days of our February 22<sup>nd</sup> ticket sells date. Unfortunately, leaving some without a ticket to this year’s performance.

The Turkey buffet style dinner provided by Luigi’s Catering was served in 2 food stations this year. This provided our 144 guests each night with their food within a 15-minute time frame. Special dietary restriction meals were also provided to those indicated at the time of their ticket purchase in February. Thanks to Kathy Antymis for her talent in this area.

Over 200 volunteers helped make the dinner theatre a major win for our church, thank you, thank you, thank you! Our Director, Actors, Assistant Director, Stagehands, MC – Falala Mingo, Light & Sound, set up and tear down crew, thank you for your endless dedication, support and time you gave to this year’s play. To those who purchased a ticket, thank you, we could not make this a success without you.

In 2025, we introduced a Production Team, wow, this was a big undertaking for those who put their hand up for the task. The team made the production side run like a well-oiled machine. Thank you for your attention to detail, hours of strategic planning and countless work. “All are Welcome” to our dinner theatre, I look forward to seeing you at our next production.

Cheryl Hadaller  
Producer, Caught in the Act Company



## Caught in the Act Co. Financials 2025

|                             |                     |                                       |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Revenue</b>              |                     |                                       |
| Carry in from 2024          | \$ 788.35           |                                       |
| Ticket Sales Square         | \$ 11,073.35        | (205.6 tickets * \$55.00)<br>\$11,310 |
| Ticket Sales<br>Cash/Cheque | \$ 20,590.00        | (374.4 tickets * \$55.00)             |
| Wine/Drink Sales            | \$3,807.24          |                                       |
| Donations                   | \$339.24            |                                       |
| Resold Meals                | \$405.00            |                                       |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                | <b>\$37,003.18</b>  |                                       |
|                             |                     |                                       |
|                             |                     |                                       |
|                             |                     |                                       |
| <b>Expenses</b>             |                     |                                       |
| Printing costs              | \$ 644.53           |                                       |
| Scripts/Royalties           | \$ 800.42           |                                       |
| Stage                       | \$ 66.54            |                                       |
| Costumes                    | \$173.88            |                                       |
| Makeup                      | \$ 523.53           |                                       |
| Props                       | \$120.58            |                                       |
| Music                       | \$0.00              |                                       |
| Decorations                 | \$115.00            |                                       |
| Dinner                      | \$ 12,010.68        |                                       |
| Lighting rental             | \$ 708.69           |                                       |
| Miscellaneous               | \$ 553.48           |                                       |
| Wine/Drinks                 | \$ 1,592.10         |                                       |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                | <b>\$ 17,309.43</b> |                                       |
|                             |                     |                                       |
| <b>Net Income</b>           | <b>\$ 19,693.75</b> |                                       |
|                             |                     |                                       |
| <b>Disbursements</b>        |                     |                                       |
| TMUC Operating Fund         | \$ 19,000.00        | (\$20.00 per ticket \$11,640.00)      |
|                             |                     |                                       |
| Carry in to next year       | \$693.75            |                                       |

Submitted by Adrian Measner, Treasurer

Audited by Jim Lewis CGA(RET)

## **THE TRANSCONA COUNCIL FOR SENIORS**

The Transcona Council for Seniors Inc. is one of ten councils within the City of Winnipeg. The primary role is to assist seniors to remain living independently for as long as possible. The Transcona Council for Seniors Inc. provides information and referrals to community seniors as well as identifying and facilitating services needed to meet the needs of Transcona Seniors.

Transcona Memorial United Church is a valued and generous partner and provides space for the Council for several of our programs. We use the church kitchen twice a week to cook and serve our 55+ Dining Experience to anyone who is 55 years of age. The meals are nutritious and pick-up and delivery are provided Mondays and Wednesdays. Once a month we have a special entertainment and dine-in dinner on a Wednesday when we use the kitchen and Yale Hall for the full day. We are also grateful that we are able to use much-needed storage space in the kitchen, pantry and fridge/freezer area. The meal program also provides volunteer opportunities where many friendships are built.

Once a month we use Yale Hall for the Alzheimer's Group for Alzheimer's clients who come with their caregivers. There are about 15 Caregivers who attend and the Caregivers group is led by Terry Cousins. At the end of 2025, the Alzheimer's Society of Manitoba asked that we set up a second meeting a month at the Church and we are very grateful for the Church's positive response to this request.

We continue to use the Yale Hall at TMUC for Pickle Ball several times a week. This is the fastest growing sport in North America and is very popular with our Transcona seniors.

Once a year we hold a joint fund raiser Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale with TMUC, to support the sale of the tickets for the Dinner Theater. All funds raised are donated to TMUC. The Breakfast was held February 22, 2025.

We also occasionally use meeting space at TMUC for special speakers and information sessions as well as Board meetings.

Without the support of TMUC, many of our much-needed programs would not be possible for our seniors. Thank you for being such a wonderful, welcoming and generous part of our community. You continue to live out loving one another.

Submitted by Colleen Tackaberry

## **The Transcona Seniors Pickleball Club**

The Transcona Seniors Pickleball Club has been a part of the Transcona community since 2014. We currently have 83 members and we play at various times during the week. (M-F) at Transcona Memorial United Church and at Oxford Heights Community Centre. Pickleball is a fun sport for all ages, especially seniors. We encourage seniors in our community to come out and enjoy both the game as well as the social interaction. Skill level varies from novice to intermediate and are always on the look out for new members. Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the country.

If anyone has any questions or is interested in playing pickleball with TSPC they should contact Dave at 204-612-5576

## **Beavers, Scouts, Ventures, Guides**

The Cubs and Beavers have appreciated the use of the Church for this past year. We have 20 Cubs and 16 Beavers, in the Scouting program learning leadership and challenging themselves each week. Highlights have been camping trips, sleepover, community service work, building cub cars and beaver buggies. We hope to continue to help the church when needed for example, the dinner theatre and planting trees for the anniversary.

AJ Owen  
1st Transcona Scout Group

Our unit very much enjoys the space we use. We meet every Monday night. We have done crafts and gymnasium games most times. We did use the church for a sleepover in the fall of last year that was well received. We very much enjoyed having a fully functional kitchen to use. During our fall sleepover we ventured to nearby Yale Park. Among other things, we wrote positive chalkboard messages on the front sidewalk there to uplift our community.

Thank you,  
Colette Mondor  
# 155 Girl Guides

## **Tops MB 5290 Annual Report for 2025**

January 13/26

Our group consists of 14 members, we meet most Tuesday Mornings in the Multi-Purpose Room/Knox Lounge. We have a program each week done by the members. The programs are suggestions made by TOPS INC.

EG: Healthy living, healthy food choices, move more, etc.

In April, we celebrated individual and group successes in 2024.

In October, we had several fun meetings, a Pajama party which included making a veggie soup, for all to enjoy. Some members dressed up for our Halloween meeting, which included games and healthy snacks.

In December a Christmas celebration was held, with snacks and games.

For New Year's we gathered at the Silver Spike Restaurant for breakfast.

2025 was a very successful year for the TOPS group, we will be celebrating all those victories come April of 2026.

We the TOPS group would like to thank TMUC for allowing us to meet weekly in the Multi-Purpose Room/Knox Lounge.

Submitted by Barb Kehler on behalf of TOPS MB 5290

**New Aniibiish** is a trauma-informed therapy practice grounded in relational, somatic, and nervous-system-based care. We support children, adolescents, adults, and families using integrative approaches that recognize developmental trauma as something held in both the mind and body.

Our practice is home to two therapists, Juanita Wilson and Meghan Wilson, who bring complementary specialty training, including EMDR and somatic integration. Together, we focus on safety, regulation, and building capacity for sustainable healing.

### Looking Ahead

In the spring of 2026, New Aniibiish will become W | Integrative Wellness. This name change reflects the continued integration of advanced brain- and body-based approaches, such as QEEG/neurofeedback, biofeedback, photobiomodulation, cranial electric stimulation, audio-visual entrainment, and vagal stimulation, particularly in the treatment of developmental and complex trauma.

Renovations to the former nursery space are also planned to create additional floor space and purpose-designed treatment rooms to support this expanded work.

While our name and space are evolving, our commitment remains the same: thoughtful, integrative care that honours the whole person.

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**If you are in crisis or need immediate assistance, please contact**

Police emergency 911 - non-emergency 204-986-6222  
Team at 204-940-1781  
Unit 204-940-3633  
322-3019

Mobile Crisis  
WRHA Crisis Stabilization  
Clinic Crisis Line 204-786-8686 or 1-888-

New Aniibiish is located on the original lands of the Anishinaabeg, Ininiwak, Anishininiwak, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Red River Métis. We recognize our part of the Treaty relationship and, as an acknowledgement of the harms done, we commit to collaborating with Indigenous communities in the shared spirit of Truth and Reconciliation for the healing and inclusion of all who share this Land.

## **Transcona Families Connecting – Healthy Baby Program**

Transcona Families Connecting is a provincially funded Healthy Baby Community Support Program that is managed by Women's Health Clinic. This free, weekly drop-in group takes place Tuesday afternoons and is open to pregnant individuals and parents with babies under the age of one. No registration is required, helping ensure the program remains accessible and welcoming to families in the community.

The group focuses on prenatal and postnatal health, nutrition, and parenting, and provides both practical and social supports. Each week, this group is supported by a multidisciplinary team that includes a public health dietitian, public health nurse, and program facilitator. Participants may also receive milk coupons, bus tickets, childminding, and meal bags, along with opportunities to build meaningful connections with other parents.

The group is very well attended, with an average of 15 families participating each week; and is run year-round, with brief two-week breaks in the winter and summer. We deeply value the Transcona Memorial United Church's longstanding support and generosity in providing space, which has made it possible for this program to continue serving families and strengthening community connections in Transcona.

**Ashley Ford • She/They**  
**Manager – Families and Community Programs**  
**Women's Health Clinic**  
**(204) 947-1517 ext.145**



WHC and all of its locations are located on Treaty 1 Territory – land where we gather, work and play. We acknowledge & thank Treaty 3, Shoal Lake 40 First Nation for access to and stewardship of our clean drinking water. WHC is committed to understanding and embracing our role in reconciliation as an organization.

As an intersectional feminist organization, we welcome clients of many genders, including Two-Spirit, trans men and women, genderqueer, and non-binary people.

**TRANSCONA MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH**

**2025 Income and Expenses (Unaudited)**

|                              | 2025<br>GENERAL<br>FUND | 2025<br>BUILDING<br>FUND | 2025<br>LEGACY<br>FUND | 2024<br>GENERAL<br>FUND |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>INCOME</b>                |                         |                          |                        |                         |
| Envelope Offering            | \$77,060.43             | \$12,398.23              | \$5,172.76             | \$83,555.32             |
| PAR Offering                 | \$85,066.00             |                          |                        | \$86,879.24             |
| Other electronic offering    | \$46,889.02             |                          |                        | \$37,788.73             |
| Auction                      | \$6,150.27              |                          |                        | \$7,083.14              |
| Dinner Theatre               | \$19,000.00             |                          |                        | \$16,263.20             |
| Rent                         | \$24,262.16             |                          |                        | \$22,680.50             |
| Wedding/Funeral/Catering     | \$4,200.00              |                          |                        | \$10,357.00             |
| Other fund raising/Misc      | \$9,677.21              | 598.6                    |                        | \$5,428.14              |
| Food Bank                    | \$95,108.16             |                          |                        | \$80,750.31             |
| UCW                          | \$4,751.75              |                          |                        | \$1,653.00              |
| Bequests                     |                         | \$45,500.00              | \$182,000.00           |                         |
| Interest                     | \$445.18                | \$2,550.08               | \$2,235.72             | \$1,207.63              |
| Cropo Grant                  |                         |                          |                        |                         |
| Efficiency MB Grant          |                         | \$8,614.20               |                        |                         |
| Green & Inclusive Federal    |                         | \$18,889.13              |                        |                         |
| UCC (CDI)                    |                         | \$16,000.00              |                        |                         |
| <b>SubTotal Revenue</b>      | \$372,610.18            | \$104,550.24             | \$189,408.48           | \$353,646.21            |
| Mission & Service            | \$16,925.23             |                          |                        | \$20,975.77             |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>         | \$389,535.41            | \$104,550.24             | \$189,408.48           | \$374,621.98            |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>              |                         |                          |                        |                         |
| Pastoral Care                |                         |                          |                        |                         |
| Salaries and Benefits        | \$113,213.05            |                          |                        | \$109,897.34            |
| Allowances                   | \$1,863.02              |                          |                        | \$1,409.06              |
| <b>SubTotal</b>              | \$115,076.07            |                          |                        | \$111,306.40            |
| Administrative Staff         |                         |                          |                        |                         |
| Salaries/Benefits/Allowances | \$38,776.80             |                          |                        | \$35,785.14             |
| Contract Services            | \$27,583.50             |                          |                        | \$33,783.43             |
| <b>SubTotal</b>              | \$66,360.30             |                          |                        | \$69,568.57             |

|                              |              |             |              |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Operations                   |              |             |              |              |
| Hydro (Electricity & Gas)    | \$11,380.90  |             |              | \$12,960.71  |
| Telephone/Cable              | \$2,274.49   |             |              | \$2,450.14   |
| Water & Sewer                | \$1,793.90   |             |              | \$941.97     |
| General Maintenance          | \$7,840.71   |             |              | \$11,842.68  |
| Property Taxes & Insurance   | \$18,465.40  |             |              | \$17,312.73  |
| Elevator Maintenance         | \$4,671.46   |             |              | \$3,542.34   |
| Interest                     |              | \$1,239.78  |              |              |
| Minor renovations            |              | \$9,726.18  |              |              |
| Furniture and Appliances     | 300          | \$3,636.26  |              | 537.1        |
| Snow/Defib/Mats              | \$5,740.36   |             |              | \$4,829.79   |
| <b>SubTotal</b>              | \$52,467.22  | \$14,602.22 |              | \$54,417.46  |
| Office Expenses              |              |             |              |              |
| Photocopier Lease            | \$2,140.07   |             |              | \$2,073.77   |
| Stationary and Supplies      | \$423.55     |             |              | \$1,126.37   |
| Postage                      | \$221.78     |             |              | \$190.25     |
| Computer Software/Support    | \$1,956.61   |             |              | \$1,059.86   |
| Computer and Equipment       | \$514.05     |             |              |              |
| <b>SubTotal</b>              | \$5,256.06   |             |              | \$4,450.25   |
| Teams                        |              |             |              |              |
| Council                      | \$231.00     |             | \$5,500.00   | \$1,823.36   |
| Outreach                     | \$2,201.62   |             |              | \$1,532.03   |
| Learning                     | \$848.70     |             |              | \$839.16     |
| Admin & Sharing              | \$0.00       |             |              | \$0.00       |
| Worship & Welcome            | \$1,027.65   |             |              | \$839.69     |
| Ministry & Personnel         | \$1,462.40   |             |              | \$1,944.35   |
| <b>SubTotal</b>              | \$5,771.37   |             |              | \$6,978.59   |
| United Church Assessment     | \$14,234.00  |             |              | \$15,185.00  |
| Audit                        | \$5,000.00   |             |              | \$5,173.79   |
| Bank Charges                 | \$1,507.68   | \$ 5.00     | \$80.00      | \$1,606.40   |
| Food Bank                    | \$60,736.39  |             |              | \$49,523.27  |
| UCW                          | \$2,879.99   |             |              | \$2,196.12   |
| Misc                         | \$359.40     |             |              | \$176.87     |
| <b>SubTotal</b>              | \$84,717.46  |             |              | \$73,861.45  |
| <b>Expenses SubTotal</b>     | \$329,648.48 | \$14,607.22 |              | \$320,582.72 |
| <b>Mission &amp; Service</b> | \$16,925.23  |             |              | \$20,975.77  |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>    | \$346,573.71 | \$14,607.22 | \$5,580.00   | \$341,558.49 |
| Surplus (deficit)            | \$42,961.70  | \$89,943.02 | \$183,828.48 | \$33,063.49  |

As of December 31, 2024 the amount outstanding on the UCC loan is \$57,173.55

From the December 31, 2025 Balance Sheet:

Total Chequing and Savings in the General Fund: \$68,818.26.

Building Fund: \$205,989.21 and the Legacy Fund: \$226,235.92. The Legacy Fund also has a GIC \$25,000.

**TRANSCONA MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH**

**BUDGET INCOME AND EXPENSES**

|                              | 2026<br>GENERAL<br>FUND | 2026<br>BUILDING<br>FUND | 2026<br>Legacy<br>FUND | 2025<br>GENERAL<br>FUND |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>INCOME</b>                |                         |                          |                        |                         |
| Envelope Offering            | \$77,000.00             | \$6,000.00               | \$5,000.00             | \$77,060.43             |
| PAR Offering                 | \$85,000.00             | \$6,000.00               |                        | \$85,066.00             |
| Other electronic offering    | \$47,000.00             |                          |                        | \$46,889.02             |
| Auction                      | \$7,000.00              |                          |                        | \$6,150.27              |
| Dinner Theatre               | \$21,250.00             |                          |                        | \$19,000.00             |
| Rent (1)                     | \$37,900.00             |                          |                        | \$24,262.16             |
| Wed/Fun/Catering             | \$7,000.00              |                          |                        | \$4,200.00              |
| Other fund raising/Misc      | \$7,000.00              |                          |                        | \$9,677.21              |
| Food Bank                    | \$40,000.00             |                          |                        | \$95,108.16             |
| UCW                          | \$2,000.00              |                          |                        | \$4,751.75              |
| Interest                     | \$400.00                | \$2,700.00               | \$3,000.00             | \$445.18                |
| <b>SubTotal Revenue</b>      | \$331,550.00            | \$14,700.00              | \$8,000.00             | \$372,610.18            |
| Mission & Service            | \$18,000.00             |                          |                        | \$16,925.23             |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>         | \$349,550.00            | \$14,700.00              | \$8,000.00             | \$389,535.41            |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>              |                         |                          |                        |                         |
| Pastoral Care                |                         |                          |                        |                         |
| Salaries and Benefits        | \$115,500.00            |                          |                        | \$113,213.05            |
| Allowances                   | \$3,953.00              |                          |                        | \$1,863.02              |
| <b>SubTotal</b>              | \$119,453.00            |                          |                        | \$115,076.07            |
| Administrative Staff (2)     |                         |                          |                        |                         |
| Salaries/Benefits/Allowances | \$49,000.00             |                          |                        | \$38,776.80             |
| Contract Services            | \$32,600.00             |                          |                        | \$27,583.50             |
| <b>SubTotal</b>              | \$81,600.00             |                          |                        | \$66,360.30             |
| Operations                   |                         |                          |                        |                         |
| Hydro (Electricity & Gas)    | \$12,700.00             |                          |                        | \$11,380.90             |
| Telephone/Cable              | \$2,400.00              |                          |                        | \$2,274.49              |
| Water & Sewer                | \$2,000.00              |                          |                        | \$1,793.90              |
| General Maintenance          | \$13,900.00             |                          |                        | \$7,840.71              |
| Insurance, property taxes    | \$18,600.00             |                          |                        | \$18,465.40             |
| Interest (3)                 | \$0.00                  | \$10,104.00              |                        |                         |
| Elevator service             | \$3,800.00              |                          |                        | \$4,671.46              |
| Security Upgrade             |                         | \$15,000.00              |                        |                         |
| Stage Curtains               |                         | \$6,000.00               |                        |                         |
| Sanctuary Steps              |                         | \$20,000.00              |                        |                         |
| Paint Sanctuary              |                         | \$10,000.00              |                        |                         |

|                            |                     |                     |            |              |
|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------|--------------|
| 3rd Floor Bathroom Reno    |                     | \$20,000.00         |            |              |
| Furniture and Appliances   | \$400.00            |                     |            | \$300.00     |
| Snow/Defib/Mats/Kitch (4)  | \$10,600.00         | \$3,000.00          |            | \$5,740.36   |
| <b>SubTotal</b>            | \$64,400.00         | \$84,104.00         | \$0.00     | \$52,467.22  |
| Office Expenses            |                     |                     |            |              |
| Photo Copier Lease         | \$2,000.00          |                     |            | \$2,140.07   |
| Stationery and Supplies    | \$1,100.00          |                     |            | \$423.55     |
| Postage                    | \$300.00            |                     |            | \$221.78     |
| Computer Software/Support  | \$1,200.00          |                     |            | \$1,956.61   |
| Computer and Equipment(4)  | \$2,800.00          |                     |            | \$514.05     |
| <b>SubTotal</b>            | \$7,400.00          |                     |            | \$5,256.06   |
| Teams                      |                     |                     |            |              |
| Council                    | \$1,000.00          |                     |            | \$231.00     |
| Outreach                   | \$2,090.00          |                     |            | \$2,201.62   |
| Learning                   | \$1,200.00          |                     |            | \$848.70     |
| Admin & Sharing            | \$0.00              |                     |            | \$0.00       |
| Worship & Welcome          | \$2,227.00          |                     |            | \$1,027.65   |
| Ministry and Personal      | \$2,005.00          |                     |            | \$1,462.40   |
| <b>SubTotal</b>            | \$8,522.00          |                     |            | \$5,771.37   |
| United Church Assessment   |                     |                     |            |              |
| Audit                      | \$17,388.00         |                     |            | \$14,234.00  |
| Bank Charges               | \$5,300.00          |                     |            | \$5,000.00   |
| Food Bank                  | \$1,500.00          |                     |            | \$1,507.68   |
| UCW                        | \$40,000.00         |                     |            | \$60,736.39  |
| Misc                       | \$2,000.00          |                     |            | \$2,879.99   |
| <b>SubTotal</b>            | \$66,188.00         |                     |            | \$84,717.46  |
| <b>Expenses</b>            |                     |                     |            |              |
| <b>SubTotal</b>            | \$347,563.00        | \$84,104.00         |            | \$329,648.48 |
| <b>Mission and Service</b> |                     |                     |            |              |
|                            | \$18,000.00         |                     |            | \$16,925.23  |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>  | \$365,563.00        | \$84,104.00         | \$0.00     | \$346,573.71 |
| Surplus (deficit)          | <b>-\$16,013.00</b> | <b>-\$69,404.00</b> | \$8,000.00 | \$42,961.70  |

1. Includes 4th floor rent to June 30 and then 3 office rent to Dec 31
2. Includes \$10,350 for SS and Youth Coordinator
3. Principle and Interest on United Church loan
4. Includes Additional Defibrillator Purchase and purchase of new office computer.

