

ST JAMES THE LESS CHURCH

PARISH OF RENFORTH

“Being A Mission Station”

Seniors

The Homeless

In the Village

Unmet Community Needs

Youth

Ministry Partnerships

ANNUAL REPORT 2014

THE CORPORATION
February 23, 2013 – February 08, 2014

RECTOR

The Rev. Eric B. Phinney

CHURCH WARDENS

David Henderson
David Parsons

VESTRY

Jennifer Blackwood	David Kierstead
John Cudmore	Deja Peterson
Shelly Dauphinee	Josh Peterson

TREASURER

Don Hazen

ENVELOPE SECRETARY

Linda Jennex

VESTRY CLERK

Vacant

DELEGATES TO SYNOD

Norm McLeod
David Parsons
Val Phinney

ALTERNATES TO SYNOD

Jennifer Blackwood
Don Hazen
Gregor Hope

Parish of Renforth Annual General Meeting for the year 2014 - Held on Feb 08, 2015

AGENDA

Welcome and Prayer

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Parish Statistical Report

Wardens Report

Financial Report 2014 including budget for 2015

Reports Submitted:

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Missions Committee

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Altar Guild

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Artist Community Ministry

King's Way Care Centre Art Ministry

Weekly Bible Study Group

Elections of Wardens and Vestry (see last page of Annual Report)

Elections of Synod Delegates

Any other Business

Votes of Thanks

Adjournment

Minutes of the AGM of St James the Less Church

February 23, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 13:31, with 25 people in attendance.

Motion to approve the minutes of the last AGM. Moved by Shelly Dauphinee and seconded by Linda Jennex
Carried

Motion to receive the Rectors report. Moved by Norm McLeod, seconded by Ann Ross. Carried

Motion to receive the Wardens report. Moved by Don Hazen and seconded by Sharon Kierstead. Carried

Motion to receive the Financial reports and approve the Budget for 2014. Moved by Don Hazen. Seconded by Norman McLeod. Carried

Motion to receive other reports. Moved by David Henderson . Seconded by Rodney Senior. Carried

Vestry and Wardens. Moved by Norm McLeod and seconded by Ada Onuora. And by Linda Jennex and David Kierstead. Carried

Synod Delegates. Moved by David Henderson and seconded by Dave Kierstead

All Other Business: Elections New Brunswick. Aug 1 to Oct 6. Want to lease space in the building. This information was received but it was thought by the wardens that this would not be a good use of our facility as it would preclude us from using our own building.

Votes of thanks were moved toward Val, Eric, Don Hazen as Treasurer, Linda as secretary, the Wardens for their exemplary service. Thanks to the whole congregation

Adjournment. Moved by Ada Onuora and seconded by Norman McLeod at 14:36

Rectors Report 2014

Gone are the days of the church when we could say: if you build it they will come. Those days are gone and probably gone for good.. It is time to begin thinking of the church in a new way. I think the model that fits best is that of a mission station. Think of St James the Less as a station that has been plunked down in the midst of a very different culture. Everything is strange and unknown to us and we are strange and unknown to the community around us. I would have to add to this however that we still do have a long and deep graced history in this community and culture, but that is no longer enough. This has a number of implications that we are just beginning to take seriously. Some of the signs of which are:

- Many people, while they consider themselves full members of the church attend much less often. Once a month for some is the new normal.
- Activation of a Mission committee that is taking action
- Renforth Shore Community Life Days (new initiative)
- Garbage pickup (a great experience last year)
- Talks with the Town of Rothesay
- Connecting with other organizations that want to also make this a better place
- Mission committee working hard to make and maintain connections

We also Need to work on the internal health of the community

- Training and deploying: For many years I have described the Church as a place where people are Saved, Healed and Delivered, so that they can be Filled, Equipped and sent out. This has not changed, but perhaps we need to work harder at doing specific equipping and then releasing people into ministries. If we are to think about ourselves as a Mission Station in the Town of Rothesay then we have to define clearly the tasks that need to be done and train people to do them.
- Fellowship and serving together: The internal health of the Church Body is also of critical importance. We have begun again to really try to call people together more often to celebrate, work and pray. We are God's family and family is important. Last week's breakfast was a wonderful sign of this. We will do it again.

Engagement with the culture

- Study to understand: The culture that we are in has shifted and continues to shift and slide so that it is almost unrecognizable. We need help with this. I once made the comment that if we got to the point where we had to study our own culture that we would be in really bad shape.. sadly I think we are at that point. But maybe this is an opportunity. If we are to really engage with the culture around us we need to really understand it. I do plan to take some time this year and ask for some help with this.
- A group of us watched the Reggie McNeal videos and this was a great start. If there are others that would like to do this short course let me know and I will make the videos available to you. There are also some books that can be loaned out. We do need to revisit this material in a deeper way this year and ask the question: *How does this affect us and what do we need to do about it?* Ignoring it is not an option.

Alpha

- The single best tool for advancing the gospel. There is no question that Alpha produces new believers. What we know about Alpha and evangelism is this:
 - We need to learn how to invite people to come. We are reluctant, afraid and sometimes just disobedient. If we never invite anyone then no one will ever come, but if we begin to invite.... then some will come and some will turn to Christ.

- Need to innovate: Alpha continues to work best where it is innovated to fit the culture and people that it is there to serve. By doing specialty type of Alpha Courses we dramatically increase the number of strata in our society that we can reach for Christ. One of the realities however of this is that some of those people that do become Christians will never turn up on a Sunday morning, because they just can't fit in.... nor should they!
- Just Do it: Last year we ran three Alpha courses. Youth, Regular, and Seniors. It was well received by all. We used the "Youth Alpha Film Series" and the comment was made by some of the Seniors group that "we want to know what the young people are thinking" I will continue running Alpha as often as I possibly can and I also encourage others to do the same. It works well in a small venue like a home.
- I continue to serve on the Board of Directors of this Organization and this May Val and I will both go to London to attend the World Leadership Conference for Alpha.

Wycliffe Bible Translators: I strongly believe that having the scriptures available in a language that people know really well is critical to growth in faith. I serve WBTC as a board member and give leadership to its Policy Review Committee. In this role I offer care for some of the most courageous missionaries that have ever ventured out. The persecution of Christians is very high in the times that we live in now. Canada has unique favour to place missionaries into countries that many other nations are barred from. We take great care at making it as safe as possible but it is still high risk service.

- Shiloh ready to go: Even as I am writing this I got a note from Shiloh Peterson saying that she is almost ready to purchase her ticket to West Asia.
- Wycliffe is also key to helping us in the western civilized world learn to understand how the culture has changed around us.

Spiritual Direction

- After more than two years of following an Ignation path of spiritual direction and contemplative prayer, I can say that the process is one that has changed my thinking, my actions and my beliefs more than any other single experience. That being said the experience is one of discipline that involves a significant time spent in prayer each day. I would recommend this to anyone who wants to really go deeper with Jesus.

Port Chaplaincy

In the spring of last year I discerned that the Lord was asking me to lay down my involvement in Renforth Fencing. This was an organization that I had conceived of and built up over the last 10 years. Hundreds of young boys and girls and a good number of adults were members over the years. I had the opportunity to minister to many in various ways over that time, Renforth Fencing continues under the gifted leadership of Diane Philips with help from coaches Rick Gosselin and Elana Redkina. At the time I did question the Lord because I didn't have a plan for how I was going to use the two evenings a week that I had dedicated to Renforth Fencing.

In mid August the answer came when I received a call from two people representing the Seafarers Mission. I had for the last several years longed to somehow be involved in the business/industry side of the port. As many of you know my father was one of the leaders in the port of Saint John for many years. When I was asked if I would take on the position of chaplain to the port of Saint John, I saw this as the hand of God.

I believe that the calls to give up fencing and bring my gifts to the port were related. The time commitment will be about the same, although it will be during day time hours and leaving more time for evening work in the Parish, which I have already been taking advantage of.

Conclusion

As Rector I ask you for the following.

- 1) A new openness as to how we do “Church”. We have been innovators and leaders in the past and it is time to do it again.
- 2) Faithfulness. You will read and hear elsewhere that finances are a real challenge. Actually if you work it out it is not very big. It is about \$10 per week per person and we will have a balanced budget. But perhaps that is not the biggest issue. I do have to thank our wardens or giving exemplary leadership this year to the Vestry. Recently they have made some bold faith moves concerning provision. I believe that they are right on track. I will leave it to them to explain more.
- 3) Prayer, Always; Prayer moves mountains and it calms the seas. We must not do anything but it be adequately bathed in prayer. I challenge you all to begin each day of Lent with 20 minutes of prayer; For yourself, for your family and for your Church.
- 4) Finally your engagement. There will be many new things this year and we will need people with specific gifts to give leadership and sometimes grunt work. Please remember that God is not concerned with your abilities, but rather your availability. He knows already what he has given you for His Mission; you just need to make the decision to give it back.

PARISH ANNUAL STATISTICAL RETURN

PARISH OF RENFORTH

YEAR: 2014

Section 1 – Population Summary

Congregation:

Number of Congregations 1

Households:

Families: 41

Individuals: 21

Membership:

Children: 18

Adults: 121

Other:

Confirmed Persons: 63

Communicants: 139

Identifiable Givers: 47

Section 2 – Parish Groups and Roles Summary

Layreaders:

Parochial: 3

Diocesan: 2

Episcopal: 0

Church School Information:

Schools: 1

Teachers: 4

Students: 13

Attendance:

Parish Groups:

Men's Groups - # Groups: 0

Total Membership:

Women's Groups - # Groups: 1

Total Membership: 7

Youth Groups - # Groups: 1

Total Membership: 10

Music teams - # Groups: 4

Total Membership: 12

Section 3 – Worship Services Summary

Celebrations of Holy Eucharist/Holy Comm.

Inside Church: 92

Outside Church: 0

On Sundays: 92

On Weekdays: 0

Administration of Reserved Sacrament:

Reserved Sacrament Services: 30

Other Services:

Evensong: 0

Lessons & Carols: 1

Funerals: 2

Baptism: 1

Marriage: 2

Confirmation: 0

Reaffirmation: 0

Reception: 0

Holy Unction: 0

Other: 0

Total Services:

On Sundays: 102

On Weekdays: 1

Section 4 – Number of Individuals

Making:

Easter Communion: 70

Communion by Reserved Sacrament: 5

Other Yearly Totals:

Normal attendance on Sundays (est.) 60

Number Buried: 2

Number Baptized: 1

Number of Marriages: 2

Number of First Communions: 0

Number of Confirmations: 0

<i>Study Groups - # Groups:</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Number of Reaffirmations:</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Total Membership:</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>Number Received from other Communions:</i>	
<i>Other Groups - # Groups:</i>			

2014 Wardens' Report

Looking back at the 2014 year I am very encouraged and grateful that once again the Lord has shown his great mercy and provision for St. James the Less. In this we need to take time to remember and acknowledge that all of our provision and trust needs to be in God and God alone. Despite times of what would appear to be reduced numbers and decreased income, the bills have been paid, our doors remain open and more importantly we have turned back to becoming more missional. For this we need to give thanks.

In the budget set by Vestry and passed by the congregation last year, it was decided to send a tithe (10%) of our income to missions giving and additionally to pay our yearly apportionment to the diocese.

These two areas of giving had dwindled over the last few years to nearly nothing, when at the end of 2013 Vestry decided enough was enough. At that point, Vestry felt that as an act of faith we should send out a tithe of our monthly income to missions. At that point, sending money to Missions was something that we should not have been able to afford but we deemed it necessary to do, so the money was sent out. This pattern was continued for the following three months. At the end of the year an interesting thing happened, when we should have been in the red, our financial statement was in the black.

Following this process of giving, we wanted to take this concept and begin to send money in 2014 to both missions and to the Diocese. Although our intention was there, after paying bills each month and sending our tithe to mission's, there was no additional money to send to the diocese. Truthfully they fell well short of what they should have been (we sent \$7,597 to missions and \$3,410 to the diocese). Previously the process that vestry has followed is to pay bills first and remaining surplus would be used to pay the diocese. This process may have worked in the past, during times when surpluses don't happen this doesn't work and frankly it isn't God's way of doing things. One encouraging thing to take away from last year is that during the times that in faith money was sent to the diocese there were funds remaining to pay the bills at the end of the month.

For 2015, Vestry once again intends to send money to the diocese and to missions with one slight but significant change. At the start of each month, after the first Sunday of the month, that month's diocese contributions and tithe will be sent out. In this we are going to be stepping out into an area of faith based giving that I believe our parish has not been before. We are going to give to God what is God's and will put our faith in him for provision for everything else. From what we have seen over the last two years is that any time we have put our faith in God for finances, he has come through.

Our intention is not to concentrate on finances, but to identify our weakness and give them to God. In many ways, one of our primary weaknesses is in the way we dealt with our finances. It is not that we do not have enough, surely God has provided us with everything that we have and ever needed. Rather we have held onto the misconception that we are in control of our finances and therefore have not handled our finances in a way that we should have. In our weakness He makes us strong and in our seeming financial weakness he will strengthen us.

God asks us to submit fully to Him; mind, spirit, body, and yes finances. As we look forward to 2015 I am encouraged and eager to see what God has in store for St. James the Less. In years past our finances have been a source of discouragement and frustration for some. But when we give our weakness to God, He is able to take it and use it for His glory. In this I cannot be anything but excited to see what God has planned.

Respectfully submitted,
David Parsons and David Henderson, Wardens

BUDGET ANALYSIS 2014

**INCOME DEC. 2014 BUDGET 2014 PROPOSED
BUDGET 20115**

ENVELOPE 142238 172000 145000
MISC 2923 10000 5000
Additional Income req'd 27631
TOTAL INCOME 145161 182000 177631

EXPENSES

BANK CHGS 835 1000 800
CHUR MAINT 8490 7500 7500
CHUR SUPP WORSHIP 1140 1500 1000
INSURANCE 4085 4100 4256
KITCHEN 1114 1500 1000

MISC 160
MISSION PROJECTS

TITHE 7597 18000 18000
DIOCESE 3410 27482 24475
FOSTER CHILD 912 888 888

OFFICE 1504 2000 1500
SALARY-JANITOR 5940 6600 6600
RECTORY TELEPHONE 2301 2550 2300
RECTORY MAINTENANCE 1508 1500 1200
SAL SECT 6375 7800 6500
STIPENT & BENEFITS 85459 83900 86000
EI-CPP-WHSC (MISC) 598 600 600
WATER & SEWER 1208 1350 1350
CHUR ELECT 7963 7500 8200
RECT ELECT 4687 5000 5000
CHUR TELEPHONE 1162 1200 1200
YOUTH MIN EX 66 300 150

VISITOR HONOUR

TOTAL EXPENSE 146064 182270 177631

SURPLUS (DEFECIT) <903> <270> <9631>

**2014 Budget Group Breakdown
\$ Per Year \$ Per Month \$ Per Week**

Administration \$10,600 \$900 \$200
Building 28,906 2,400 556
Rectory 8,500 700 163
Clergy 86,000 7,200 1,654

2014 Report to the Parish regarding Finances

Dear fellow Parishioners:

At our Annual Meeting held on February 23rd, 2014, those present approved a budget calling for an income of \$183,000 and expenses of \$182,270. At our January 2015 Vestry meeting, we were told that our 2014 income was \$145,160.76 and that our paid expenses were \$146,064.69 (see below).

2014 Budget:	Income	\$183,000.00	Expenses	\$182,270.00	Balance	\$730.00
<u>2014 Actual:</u>	<u>Rec'd</u>	<u>\$145,160.76</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>\$146,064.69</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>\$(903.93)</u>
2014 Shortfall:	\$	37,839.24	\$	36,215.31		

How, may you ask, did we achieve this feat of having a negative balance of only \$903.93 for the year?

To be blunt, we were expected to send \$27,480 to the Diocese as our portion of the “Shared Ministry Budget” toward the cost of running the Diocese, and we sent only \$3,410. I should add that someone in our Parish gave \$2,300 directly to the Diocese. That person should be heartily thanked, because the Diocesan records show that they received \$5,710 from the Parish of Renforth in 2014.

On the other hand, we did give \$7,596.94 to several missions through the Missions Committee and also supported two Foster Children in the amount of \$912 during the past year.

Our Parish shortfall of \$21,770 to the “Shared Ministry Budget” has put us on the Diocesan radar as being a Parish that may not be capable of supporting itself and the Diocese and, if this continues, we must be ready to accept that our Rector may be removed by the Bishop and that Saint James the Less may be closed.

When it comes time to vote on our 2015 budget at the Annual Meeting, please keep the previous paragraph in mind. We must approve a budget that we are willing to support with our tithes and offerings. This will require donations of \$3,400 per week. By the way - an increase of \$10 per week from each of the fifty (or so) envelope holders would accomplish this goal (that’s \$520 per year each).

The budget for 2015 has been pared to the bone, in the opinion of the Rector, Wardens and Vestry, at our last monthly meeting. It is said of Bishop David Edwards that “he is the first Bishop that can’t pretend that everything is alright”. I believe the same applies to our Parish in 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

David Henderson, Warden

Missions Committee Report

Beginning in 2014, the St. James the Less missions committee began meeting 1-2 times per month. At the start of the year, it was decided that a tenth of all funds that come into the parish would be sent out as a tithe to support other ministries. These ministries would be identified by the missions committee and the month's tithe would be dispersed, to support non-SJTL ministries. Additionally the missions committee has also been tasked to identify and develop potential SJTL ministries and outreach.

Below is a list of ministry partners that SJTL has supported 1-2 times over the last year. In addition, the missions committee decided it was important to support on a long term basis two ministries/missionaries that have been long time part of the SJTL family. Each month our parish sends funds to MMI and Wycliffe Bible translators to support the ministry done by Madeline Allard and Shiloh Peterson respectively. Over the period of 2014 the missions committee sent out \$7,597 to various groups.

In addition to financial support, the missions committee has also organized the Renforth Cleanup day in the spring as well as the prayer walk this last fall. Although these two events may seem rather minor, the importance of taking our ministry outside the church walls and off of our property into the community should not be underestimated. These may seem baby steps but I believe they are forming the foundation for the real mission that God has planned for us. *Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us Heb 12:1.*

As we look to 2015 we will continue to support our local ministry partners but we also look forward to initiating STJL ministries. Currently we are working on the framework for a Renforth Community Day, planning another Renforth cleanup and beginning the very early stages of reviewing options for doing an international mission trip.

We would ask that you continue to pray for our Missions Committee and its members. In all that we do prayer and discernment needs to be our main focus as we seek Gods' plans and heart for SJTL. We thank God for his great provision for our church family and the countless blessings that he has given us.

Missions Committee Chair



David Parsons

Outflow Ministry,
Renforth Clean Up,



Individuals needing support within the Parish

Christmas Support for Families

Saint John Seafarer's Mission <http://sjseafarers.com/>

Joshua Group <http://joshuagroup.ca/>

Dayspring Ministries (Youth With a Mission) <http://www.ywam.org/>

Street Hope Saint John and Street Hope back pack campaign <http://thresholdministries.ca/john/street-hope-saint-john-about-us/>

Larche Saint John <http://larchesaintjohn.org/>

KV Outreach (women's support ministry) <http://www.kvoutreach.ca/>

Medical Mission International MMI <http://www.medicalmission.ca/>

Wycliff bible Translators <https://www.wycliffe.ca/wycliffe/>



2014 Kids' Church Report

This year we have had 4 teachers and 12 kids enrolled in Kids Church. Regular attendance was about 9.

From January to June our teachers were Sharon Kierstead, Val Phinney and Sue Henderson

For the first 2 Sundays of each month, we did a teaching and activities that follow the Lectionary Readings for these Sundays, using "sermons4kids.com". On the third Sunday the kids prepared and practised the Lectionary readings for the fourth Sunday, which they read in the Kids' Service. The kids also prepared the prayers to pray during the service. Many thanks also go to Joan Blackwood for helping the kids prepare for the readings and prayers.

We are so grateful to Val Phinney for preparing the Kids' Worship Band to minister at the Kids' Service. This was a real blessing to the whole congregation!

Beginning in September our teachers were Karen Kelly, Sharon Kierstead, Val Phinney and Susan Henderson. We divided into a Junior Sunday School and a Youth Group (seniors).

Karen, Sharon and Sue took turns teaching the juniors using sermons4kids.com and preparing them for the Family Service on the fourth Sunday. Since September, adults and kids have shared the readings and prayers for Family Service.

Val facilitated the Youth Group (12 and over) as they took the "Youth Alpha" program. We enjoyed a Holy Spirit Retreat on a Saturday at Elmhurst Outdoors.

Many thanks to the dedicated teachers and supply teachers who, with God's help, make this work possible. Thanks also to the parents who bring their kids so they can attend.

We have enjoyed this year and ask for your continued prayers for the teachers and children of this Parish.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Henderson

Altar Guild

To our Rector, Wardens, Vestry and members of St James the Less Church:

I extend sincere thanks to the following members for their continued dedicated service and cooperation: Jill Atkins, Jennifer Blackwood, Dorothy Buckley, Anne Cummings, Joan Goucher, Charlotte Hope, Bonnie Jones, Sharon Kierstead, Alice McLeod, Dorothy MacPhee and Mary Splane. It is a real joy to serve with these ladies.

As mentioned in previous reports, we still need more members and I invite other members of our congregation to prayerfully consider this as a ministry.

“For we are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” Ephesians 2:10

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Ross, Convener

Prayer Chain

To our Rector, Wardens, Vestry and members of St James the Less Church:

We are pleased to report another active and encouraging year for our Parish Prayer Chain. The Lord is faithful and has shown his hand in the lives of many for whom we have prayed. We give Him all the praise and glory.

I wish to acknowledge and thank the members of the chain for their steadfastness and commitment to prayer. We have five members: Ada Onuora, Judith Senior, Joan Goucher, Sharon Kierstead, and myself. If you feel called, you are welcome to be part of our ministry.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Ross

Prayer Link

Art Community Gathering 2014

"He has done all things well;" Mark 7:37

With another year under our belts, we continue to be thankful for the roof over our heads, food on the table and friends to spend time with who share a passion for the arts! The Art Community Gathering is in its 7th year and continues to be a haven every second Friday morning in the Fellowship Hall for new, emerging and seasoned artists who are looking for community to share their journey in the arts. It has also been a place of learning and teaching, a safe place where people bring their lives into contact with others for moral, social and spiritual support. The Lord is faithful to knit us together in His love, and yet not so tightly that newcomers don't feel welcome. There is always room in the circle for new faces, and familiar faces are missed when they can't be with us. As the sessions open, we reflect on His Word. It is always enriching, exhorting us to be all He has created us to be, and to live our lives in the freedom of Christ, by the Spirit. We are God's workmanship, His creation, and we honour Him by putting our hands to creating beautiful things that speak of His glory and power in us. He has done all things well, and we try to live our lives to reflect His excellence. Open to the public, all are welcome to come, to bring a friend. Bring something you are working on, whether paints, drawing, fabric art, sewing, knitting...Come create together! We also set up a potluck breakfast! Yum Yum ☺ We extend a special thank you to Mike and Pattie Johnson who faithfully help to set up the hall and kitchen.

Art Community Gathering Outreach

'Art With Friends' at Kings Way Care Center

Every second Friday, artists from the Art Community Gathering meet at Kings Way Care Center to paint with residents. Come to be known as 'Art with Friends', this outreach has continued to be a place where the heart, hands and feet of Jesus impact people living and working in long term care. We are privileged to see God moving in our midst, enabling us to demonstrate and teach art to residents with physical and mental challenges. And likewise, the residents are enabled, often overcoming significant impairments to create wonderful pieces of art. It is nothing short of miraculous in some cases. Recently a resident shared with the team that this was a significant day, a day of much more than painting, but a day of life, the paintings were alive! There was such joy! We knew this was an inspired exhortation. God is with us! Our hearts are always to bring His peace and joy to the pain of loneliness and boredom. We bring His love through friendship and kindness. Our presence confirms each person's value and their significance at every stage of life. We and the executive at KWCC are thankful to SJTL who have financially supported this outreach at its inception over 5 years ago, and this past month by buying supplies and easels. A special thank you to Pattie Johnson and Sue Henderson of this parish, and Sandra Hooper of All Saints, Pat Gionet from St Mark's, Connie Huang from Kings Way Assembly for letting the Lord use your time and talents. Anyone who would like to join the team is welcomed to chat with us to see how you can help. We are always in need of more hands and hearts. No art skills required! There are many ways to help.

In His Service,

Cynthia Cudmore and Ada Onuora

Weekly Bible Study Group

The Thursday night Bible Study group started in 2013 has continued meeting each week at Joan and Colin Blackwood's home. We have studied several books of the Bible this year and have learned much about the Word as well as about ourselves. Our goal is to dig deeper into the word and apply what we have learned to our daily life. We have started to examine the Book of Revelations and are finding it to be both interesting and enlightening. Discussion is welcomed and we are finding we look forward to meeting each week as we share in the richness of His Word. Many thanks to our faithful 8 for their attendance and contribution to this group.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Kierstead

2015 Nominations Committee Report

Wardens

David Henderson

David Parsons

Vestry

John Cudmore

Shelly Dauphinee

Donald Hazen

David Kierstead

Norman McLeod

Deja Peterson

Josh Peterson

Synod Delegates

David Henderson

Norman McLeod

Val Phinney

Alternate Synod Delegates

Don Hazen

Gregor Hope

David Parsons