

2022 Annual Report

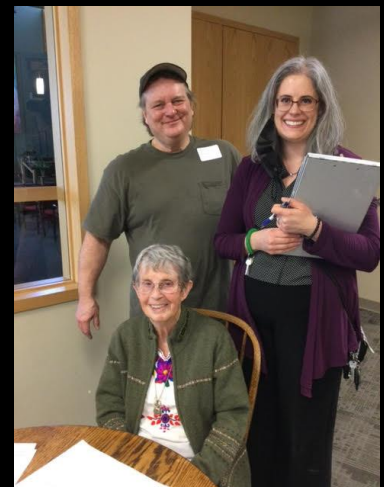
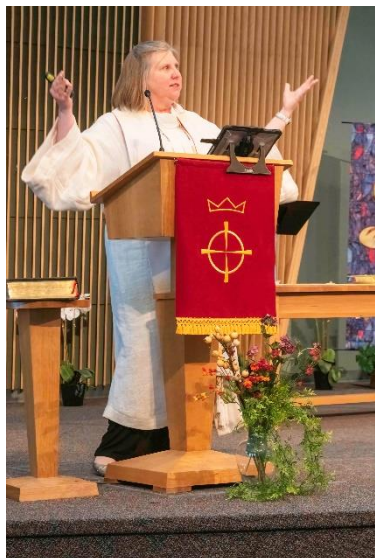


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From the Minister



2022 has been a year of transition in many ways. For the past two years, McDougall's Annual Report has been full of our activities during the pandemic – our fits and starts as we

were closed, then open, then closed again. In 2022, as the world came out of the “emergency” of COVID, even as we continue to live in a pandemic, we at McDougall began to tentatively open our building and begin to resume our programming.

To be honest, I thought we would have a time for gentle reflection on what was important to keep and what we should release. That was not to be! As I look over this report, and all the ways McDougall lives out their mission, it's hard to believe that we haven't even had one year without COVID restrictions. Programs we thought were through began to find life once again – study and fellowship groups resumed. The addition of Justin Macosky to Tanya Wan Lim's excellent music leadership meant our choral program could continue – that seemed a far-off dream just 6 months ago!

By September, worship attendance experienced a steady increase in numbers as people began to return, the community was engaged in new ways, and many volunteers resumed helping make this community a HUB in the Acadia and South Calgary area.

But along with the renewed energy, is a recognition of what we have lost in the last two

years. During the Longest Night Service on December 21, we read out the names of all the people whose lives were celebrated this past year. It was sobering to read out those many names who had died, as we remembered them in our prayers. Add to that the members of our community who have moved into assisted living or other seniors' residences and we become acutely aware of the demographic shift at McDougall, which is accelerating with each year. And to be honest, most churches have found that some people just got used to life without them and they may never return. Such is the uncertainty of post-COVID life.

Thankfully, with the reorganization of staff that happened last year and the addition of Rev. Danah Cox to our staff, we have been more intentional about inviting folks into our space to build relationships of care and compassion. A look at our Family and Community Ministry programs with partners like Linkages, Carya and Opera Buddies shows how we can be creative in our programming to attract new folks to our church.

In December, we put on then play “Merry Christmas Charlie Brown” along with a Christmas Cookie and Cider reception which was well attended by members of McDougall as well as folks from the community. 20+ cast and crew came together for the rehearsals and performances, building friendships that will last as we entertained the audience. It felt like things were returning to “normal.”

In the midst of all this renewed activity, we recognize that the ability to financially support all that McDougall would like to be is waning. Some folks have decided not to return to in-person services or to their mid-week groups, and our numbers have not returned to pre-pandemic levels. It seems McDougall as a community of faith is also in transition. There are important and difficult questions to be considered over the next while to ensure our viability. The Leadership Council Vision Working

Group is considering where we are now and where we should put our energies in the coming years. Maybe we will do fewer things, but still with great love.

Thankfully, as you can see from this Annual Report, there are still many folks who volunteer, support us financially, sit in our pews, attend our mid-week groups, who are excited about the possibilities and hopeful for the future. One thing that COVID taught us is that our reach is broader than a Sunday morning service. We are finding ways to

connect with folks online and in person, throughout the week and over the months. Our success is measured by the lives we touch more than our attendance at a Sunday morning worship service. God has been so good to us. We are blessed to have this warm and hospitable community. I am confident that McDougall will continue its vibrant ministry in our community and practice a lavish kind of love that welcomes all and insists that everyone has a place at The Table.

Rev. Joanne Anquist, Lead Minister

Report from McDougall's Board of Trustees

Current members of the Trustees are Valerie MacLeod, Daren Patterson, Jim Fitzowich, Jim Porter, and Barrie Clayton (Chair). Meetings in 2022 were held March 13, May 10, and November 6.

In fulfilling our responsibility for long-term building maintenance, we reviewed the Baseline Property Condition Assessment Report and identified some regular maintenance items, long term projects, and discussed priorities. Portions of the sloped (shingled) roof most in need were replaced. Urgent repairs to part of the flat roof areas are needed, but due to construction delays, this was deferred to the spring of 2023. Some parking lot repairs were completed. Some interior walls were repaired and painted, and flicker hole damage on exterior walls was repaired. For 2023 there will be a major expense for flat roof repairs and an improved building locking system. Trustees are in regular contact with the McDougall United Church Foundation, which is providing funding for the larger building maintenance expenses. In 2022, \$30,000 was transferred for this purpose.

The City of Calgary assessment is \$1,430,000 (tax exempt). The church property continues to be insured under the United Church of Canada UCC Protect Plan with an insured value of \$9,322,731. This includes building loss risks, general liability as well as UCC directors and officer's liability insurance coverage. The annual premium has again increased substantially to \$20,748. McDougall pays this monthly, rather than annually, at no additional cost.

Insurance premium costs for all churches have increased rapidly over the last 3 years. As a result, UCC has decided to convert the UCC Protect Plan to a captive insurance model involving a partial self-insurance plan. This new approach has given the Trustees some concern and we are waiting for more details as to how the new program will work and what other options we have. The church is covered under the old policy conditions until May 31, 2023.

I wish to thank Trustees for their service on this essential Board.

Barrie Clayton, Chair of the Board of Trustees

McDougall Staff in 2022



Rev. Joanne Anquist
Worship and Congregational
Leadership Minister



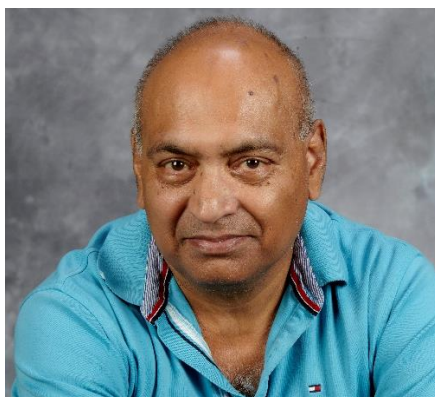
Rev. Danah Cox
Family and Community Minister



Jen Heidebrecht
Office Administrator



Sarah Reuangrith
Communications
Coordinator



Harpal Chahal
Custodian



Nik Sloat
Family Ministry Support Worker
(Term Contract)



Tanya Wan Lim
Worship Service Musician /
Contemporary Music Leader
(Service Contract)



Justin Macosky
Choral Music Leader
(Service Contract)



John Naylor
Facilities Coordinator
(Contract)



Rev. Bob Mutlow
Honorary Minister

The McDougall Council in 2022

McDougall's 2022 Leadership Council

Co-Chairs	Daren Patterson	Joanne Pritchard	
Treasurer	Norma May		
Secretary	Marilyn Bates		
Chair of Trustees/ Regional Council Rep	Barrie Clayton		
McDougall Foundation Chair	Phil Edwards		
Members-at-Large	Claire Myers	Alex Bradley	Pat White
	Marjorie MacRae	Nick Perrin	Mari Croizier
	Ken Turnbull	Bruce Munro	

Ministry Team Leads/Co-leads

Worship and Spiritual Development	Rev. Joanne Anquist
Pastoral Care	Rev. Joanne Anquist/ Rev. Danah Cox
Family Ministry	Rev. Danah Cox
Outreach and Social Justice	Rev. Bob Mutlow

Vision Team Leads

Affirming Vision Team Tara Jorgensen

Council Working Groups:

Operations Working Group

Lead: Joanne Pritchard Ministry and Personnel Lead: Peggy Jorgensen
Convenor: Mari Croizier Property Co-lead: Barrie Clayton
Minister: Rev. Joanne Anquist Member-at- Large: (Rotating position)
Treasurer: Norma May

Ministry and Personnel Working Group

Lead: Peggy Jorgensen M & P Members: Marilyn Bates , Mari Croizier

Property Working Group

Co-Leads: John Naylor Barrie Clayton

Communications Working Group

Lead: Nick Perrin

Vision Working Group

Lead: Daren Patterson

Reports from McDougall Ministry Teams

Family and Community Ministry Team

With a Christian ethos at its core, the purpose of our Family and Community Ministry Team is to foster strong relationships throughout our community. My team this year was made up of only two persons, Sarah Reuangrith and intern Nik Sloat, who joined us in June. We could not have done what we did without the help of volunteers. Thank you to everyone who helped make our events possible, with a special thanks going out to Aileen Berridge and her whole

family for going way above and beyond in helping to ensure Camp Kasota's success in 2022! This year we held 11 Messy Church events. Themes including pumpkin carving, Indigenous Story Tellers, and Mardi Gras Mask Making, where we served 600 plates! We also held a Shrove Tuesday Supper and Ash Wednesday event, cooked a Stampede Breakfast, and put on "A Charlie Brown Christmas" (200 people attended), celebrated

our 60+ anniversary with a Welcome Back BBQ, and hosted 8 “Eat, Think, Play” events (Advent series raising over \$530).

With Rev. Joanne Anquist’s 3-month sabbatical and my moving temporarily to cover her position, many of my community and family plans had to be modified to allow for my change in position.

To me, a big highlight of 2022 was being the collaboration with Caraya, LinkAges, as well as with Calgary Opera in the fall of 2022. These partnerships have provided much-needed financial, logistical, and human resources to support our ministry goals, allowing McDougall to offer a broad range of new programming that has already proven to be popular with the wider community. 2023 is going to be a busy year with so many projects on the horizon including a rebranding/name change of Messy Church to Open Table, as we feel this better reflects where we are going. We will also continue to strengthen our community partnerships as well as to keep putting on the programs that have proven popular.

Using the scripture from the Sunday worship service as a base, our Sunday morning children’s program engaged the curiosity of the children attending. We worked on group projects, using mostly visual mediums, using the Godly Play resources as well as other experiential

activities. Several times throughout the year, the children shared their creations at worship, or in special installations. Through their art forms their voices were heard by the larger faith community, helping them to feel truly part of our church community.

Nik Sloat, who was with us as a ministry intern in 2022, was involved in all aspects of the Family and Community Ministry programs. Being tasked with starting up new programs, much of his work involved the preparation of spaces in the Art Studio, Burning Bush, Sarah Hall, the Craft Storage Room, and the kitchen storage room and the Godly Play resources.

In addition to all this help, Nik’s main role was to re-establish the youth ministry program at McDougall. Nik worked hard to build an engaging program that regularly had the same 5 teens attend. Although this number may seem small, these McDougall youth helped organize the Chinook Winds Region’s Youth Trek event at Waterton, where they comprised one-third of the entirety of youth in attendance from the churches across the region! I feel this shows we are on the right path. We feel that 2023 will be a terrific year of growth for the Family and Community Ministries at McDougall!

**Submitted by Rev. Danah Cox,
Family & Community Minister**

Outreach and Social Justice Ministry Team

Members of the Outreach & Social Justice Ministry Team

Team Lead: *Rev. Bob Mutlow*

OSJ Project Group Leaders:

Refugee Support– *Marjorie MacRae*

Christmas Hampers– *Ken Turnbull*

Right Relations – *Vacant*

McDougall Scholarships – *Nick Perrin*

Acadia Pantry – *Donna Gordon (in partnership with Christ Moravian Church)*

OSJ Members-at-Large: *Daren Patterson, Jim Porter, Shirley Wilding, Tara Jorgensen, Paula Sangster, Sylvia Steventon, Barrie Clayton*

McDougall Staff: *Rev. Danah Cox, Sarah Reuangrith*

Chinook Winds Indigenous Minister: *Tony Snow*

Community Social Worker, The City of Calgary: *Viviana Reinberg*

The United Church of Canada Mission & Service Report

McDougall's Outreach and Social Justice Ministry Team oversees the contribution of our donors to the Mission and Service Fund of the United Church of Canada. M&S supports partners around the world and mission work within Canada. All money given for Mission is used for mission projects with worldwide partners and locally in Canada.

THANK YOU – *McDougall's 2022 M&S gifts - \$26,374.00 and 2021 gifts of \$30,403.44* remind us that Mission & Service is important at McDougall. Amid the fall-out from COVID – your support for UCC Mission & Service went on.

In 2022, the McDougall Foundation communicated that a member of McDougall, Donna Paynter, left an ESTATE GIFT of \$66,320.00 to the Mission & Service Fund of the United Church of Canada. Donna & Bill Paynter were “difference makers” at McDougall, who were greatly appreciated.

**Submitted by Bob Multow,
Outreach and Social Justice Lead**

Right Relations Report

Appreciation is extended to...

- **The Rev. Tony Snow** who was ordained on June 25, 2022 at Hillhurst United. Tony has organized countless Indigenous programs through Chinook Winds and often used the McDougall tipi as a focus for these events.
- **Shauna Kennedy**, Witness to Reconciliation, who in spite of illness has carried a major role in the past year filming and organizing Right Relations programs with Rev. Tony.
- **Marilyn Agnew**, Right Relations Witness and Leader at McDougall who resigned to become a board member of the McDougall Stoney Mission Society.
- **Gloria Snow, Marilyn Bates** who worked very hard purchasing and delivering the Canadian Government “Second Harvest Grant” Hampers to the Stoney Nakoda

Elders – considered the “best” hampers they had ever received.

The McDougall Tipi set up in the sanctuary has become an important focal point for many reconciliation events.

Right Relations Special Events at McDougall in 2022

- **Treaty 7 Day – September 22** – Rev. Tony organized an online Conference from Vancouver.
- **Orange Shirt Day – September 30** – Blanket Exercise program at McDougall led by Rev. Tony with “Bannock & Stew Feast” prepared by Rev. Danah, served to approximately 60 adults and children. Orange shirts designed by Shauna Kennedy

and Rev. Tony were sold prior to and at the event and were much appreciated.

- **Day of Wellness & Healing – October 1** – A special event for family members of “Murdered & Missing Women” – Teresa Snow was a key resource leader.
- **Tea & Bannock Kicking-Off Advent– November 30, 2022** —Rev. Tony led participants in exploring the 4 Advent Candles of hope, peace, joy and love along side the Indigenous four values of Courage, Generosity, Fortitude and Wisdom.



Right Relations Restricted Fund and Reconciliation Grants in 2022

Right Relations has three special accounts:

- Right Relations Restricted Funds Account, which includes donations given in 2022 and the funds remaining for 2023.
- Embracing the Spirit Grant of \$10,000 was awarded to McDougall United to foster developing Indigenous Ministry in Calgary. Approximately \$5,000 remains to be used.
- Second Harvest Grant was a Canadian government grant given to alleviate poverty – it was designated for “Feeding the Hungry” particularly Elders on the Stoney Nakoda Nation. The \$15,000 grant was completely used for what it was intended, and this account is now closed.

**Submitted by Bob Multow,
Outreach and Social Justice Lead for Right
Relations Project Group**

Acadia Network & Action Group Report 2022

The Acadia Network & Action Group (ANAG) was formed in 2015 as an informal collective of representatives from various groups in Acadia and residents. This group provides a unique opportunity to conceive ideas, organize resources efficiently & mobilize around issues of common interest.

In 2022, the group had representatives from the Acadia Community Association, the Acadia Community Garden & Arts Society, the Acadia School and Acadia School parent council, Carya, Christ Moravian Church, Cornerstone Chapel, CUPS Acadia Place, David Thompson School and David Thompson School Council, Ecole de la

Source, Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, McDougall United Church, St Vincent de Paul, St Cecilia Parish, The Acadia Food Pantry, Ward 11 staff, The City of Calgary Community Social Work Program and residents who are not affiliated to any group. The City of Calgary Community Social Worker acts as the convener for this group. Meetings take place every second month, with a break during the summer.

ANAG supports initiatives that meet the needs of families who struggle financially, of older adults and other vulnerable groups. The group values empowering, maintaining people’s dignity, and providing a welcoming inclusive

environment as key guiding principles in helping others.

At meetings, people come together to network and collaborate, share resources, ideas and support each other's initiatives. In 2022, the group continued to support the Acadia Food Pantry and it worked on coordinating Christmas hampers within the neighbourhood.

Although no new projects arose in 2022, as a group, we aim to have conversations on community issues, identifying and learning about emerging needs and take action to address those needs. The development of relationships sometimes leads to partnerships or initiatives that support and enhance efforts in the community.

For example, in 2022, the Acadia Community Garden & Arts Society included the purchase of

Acadia Pantry Report

The Acadia Food Pantry began functioning as a community-driven free food distribution system in April 2019 in response to the rising need of food insecurity experienced by many residents of Acadia and nearby communities. A proposal was brought to the Acadia Network and Action Group (ANAG) who agreed to support the development of a food pantry distribution site at McDougall United Church on the third Tuesday of each month.

In 2022, the pantry operated with the support of many local groups. The lead of the pantry is a volunteer from Christ Moravian Church, Donna Gordon, who works with three other lead volunteers and The City of Calgary Community Social Worker as an organizing group. This group meets from time to time to plan and make decisions about the direction of the pantry.

In 2022, the pantry had a total of 36 volunteers who are affiliated with Christ Moravian,

a fridge and freezer for the Acadia Food Pantry as part of a grant they applied for. The community garden also provides food support to the Acadia Food Pantry at time of harvest.

In 2022, ANAG members also provided support to Carya in developing older adults' programming in Acadia. As a result, several programs and activities for older adults are running out of the Acadia Community Association and the Acadia Community Garden.

In terms of future goals, ANAG is presently looking at the possibility of partnering with Kairos to bring about a community conversation on poverty.

**Submitted by Viviana Reinberg,
City of Calgary Community Social Worker**

Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, McDougall United, Fish Creek United and the Rotary Club, as well as volunteers who are residents from the local community. Volunteers with vehicles to pick up and deliver food are still needed, as well as volunteers capable of doing some heavy lifting.

As the number of volunteers increased, the pantry began delivery to individuals and families living within our delivery zone and unable to attend in person. The CUPS workers from Acadia Place and Claire Building in Kingsland deliver an average of six hampers to clients in their respective housing complexes.

In 2022, the pantry served an average of 53 households per month compared to last year's average of 36. The average number of people who benefited from hampers each month in 2022 was 167, with almost half of them being children.

McDougall United provides free space for food storage and distribution as well as acting as a financial agent for the pantry. Christ Moravian uses its charitable status to apply for grants. Members of both churches have made significant financial contributions to the pantry. Lutheran Church of Our Savior has provided gift certificates. Contributions have also been received from community members.

While the pantry utilizes food rescue programs and food donations from churches, most of the food is purchased thanks to cash donations and grants. Over the last three years, the Rotary Club has made a few donations and the pantry received two grants from Second Harvest thanks to special COVID funding, \$10,000 in 2020 and \$18,500 in 2022. These extra funds allowed the pantry to supplement the purchase of non-perishable items as well as provide fresh items such as produce, ground beef, milk and eggs. The grants were also used to give gift certificates to patrons so that they could buy items normally not provided in hampers. In addition, grant funds were used to purchase bins and carts for storing and moving items. The Acadia Community Garden & Arts Society

donated a fridge and freezer to store food for longer periods of time.

With the elimination of COVID grants, the pantry will no longer be able to provide the same level of service to its patrons, most of whom live in Acadia and surrounding communities. In an effort to develop more sustainable funding, the pantry will operate a fundraising campaign on its anniversary in April of each year with an emphasis on enlisting recurring monthly donations in addition to one-time donations. In April of 2022, eight donors were secured to provide monthly donations of \$25 - \$50. It is hoped that more recurring donors will be added during the April 2023 campaign. McDougall United provides annual tax receipts for donations.

The organizers of the Acadia Food Pantry would like to thank all of its volunteers and donors. Without your help, the pantry would not be able to provide nutritious food to our neighbours in need.

**Submitted by Donna Gordon,
Acadia Pantry Project Leader**

Christmas Hampers Report

The Hamper program was once again a success, with 22 families provided with hampers that included gifts, baking and a grocery voucher. Referrals were received from the City of Calgary Community Social Worker Program, CUPs and from our own congregation and staff. Our families were comprised of 40 adults and 48 children. The Adopt-A-Family program was very successful this year, with four whole families being adopted by one donor. Outside of the above, a hamper was provided to a Morley family through McDougall's Right Relations Group. The Program started this year's program with a balance of \$3,749.02 and we were fortunate to receive donations of \$4,105.00 this year. The expenses amounted to \$4,506.43 for

grocery vouchers and for gifts not contributed through the 'Angels and Bells.' That left us a surplus of \$3,347.59 as of Dec. 31 to start the 2023 Christmas Hamper Program. The generosity of this congregation in the family adoptions, the donations, Angels and Bells gifts and the countless volunteer hours spent in all the activities associated with the program have made this program a success and given many families a very merry Christmas. Thank you to the members of the Christmas Hampers team who did a wonderful job once again!

**Submitted by Ken Turnbull,
Christmas Hampers Program Leader**

McDougall Scholarships Report

On behalf of McDougall Church, our purpose is to annually recognize and award scholarships to students seeking post secondary education, whose affiliation with McDougall allows them to meet established criteria, and who display reasonable scholarship achievement and a financial need.

This project group is comprised of Nick Perrin (Leader), Daren Patterson and floating McDougall affiliates.

2022 marked the awarding of a McDougall scholarship to the 120th recipient since the program's inception in 1995.

The eleven recipients in June 2022 were:

Kayla Berridge (daughter of Al & Aileen Berridge and granddaughter of Alf & Ann Berridge)
Sander Branco (a refugee nominated by McDougall's Refugee Support Group)
Rachal Smith (granddaughter of Donna Traub)
Jordan Teniuk (grandson of Marilyn Agnew).
Alexa Wilson (granddaughter of Gordon & Joan Vickers)
Lily Wilson (granddaughter of Gordon & Joan Vickers)
Nik Sloat (ministry intern, nominated by McDougall Church)
Gloria Snow (in ministry, nominated by McDougall's Right Relations Project Group)
Ken Leave (in ministry, nominated by McDougall's Right Relations Project Group)
John Snow (in ministry, nominated by McDougall's Right Relations Project Group)
Tony Snow (in ministry, sponsored by McDougall's Right Relations Project Group)

This year the selection process expanded to include not only McDougall member family affiliates, but also to include Indigenous students involved in McDougall's right relations/ reconciliation commitment.

McDougall's scholarship program has been validated by the receipt of six feedback responses from former recipients who were able to achieve their professional objective. They expressed their gratitude for the financial assistance and even more for the honour of the recognition they received to bolster their professional resolve.

The vision for this recognition process coincides with the that of program originators and chairs Tom Enta and Bruce Elson and the current program leader Nick Perrin, and is supported by the many kind bequeaths from McDougall members and scholarship contributors. The living vision is for McDougall to continue to recognize students seeking post secondary education, by offering them scholarships based on their scholastic achievement and valued contribution to McDougall and to the wider society.

It has been my honour to lead this recognition initiative. It has allowed me to come into contact with the fabric of youth to which 'The Torch Of Leadership Is Passed'.

**Submitted by Nick Perrin,
McDougall Scholarships Program Leader**

McDougall/Christ Moravian Refugee Support Report

2022 has been a difficult and challenging year. Your continuous personal and financial support is immensely encouraging.

Support for Family from Afghanistan

In early 2022 our group felt we could support a new family. Based on our skills and interests we decided to look for a family with children, living on the south side of the city and where one family member could speak some English. The war had just begun in Ukraine but because of the strong support for Ukrainians in Calgary we decided for the first time to support a family from Afghanistan. We contacted settlement workers supporting Afghans at the Centre for Newcomers and asked them to find us a family. As a result, we met Wali and Najia and their 4 children. The family language is Dari. Wali had been a translator for the Canadian army in Kabul and so, because of this connection, he and his family were able to get a flight out of Kabul on Aug. 24 2021, 9 days after the city fell to the Taliban. The Federal government granted them permanent resident status and so they were eligible to access to ESL, health care and Federal government support for the first year. After one year they transitioned to support from Alberta Works. This includes medical but not dental coverage and therefore the recent decision by the Federal Government to provide dental care to children under age 12 is a big help.

When we met the family in February they were already established in their apartment and the three older boys (14, 11 and 9) were enrolled at school. We discussed their needs and sourced some furniture, a stroller, 4 bicycles, a computer and miscellaneous kitchen items. Wali, who has pretty good spoken English, has been taking in-person ESL classes at Bow Valley and his wife Najia, who had no English, has been taking Zoom ESL classes at Calgary

Immigrant Women's Association. Group members have also been holding Zoom sessions with her as their schedules permit and are pleased that now she has some basic English language skills. Wali found some casual work with CCIS initially calling Afghans encouraging them to get COVID shots and also meeting them at the airport. He wanted to learn how to drive and so we shared the cost of AMA driver training with him. He now has a learner's permit. One of the sons has a long standing serious medical problem, which causes them understandable emotional stress.

In the spring, because more people were getting vaccines and COVID was easing somewhat, our group felt confident enough to have more in-person contact with the family. We took them to the zoo in May, which everyone enjoyed. A group member took them again in the summer so they could see the baby gorilla. We also had a picnic at Lake Bonavista in July. The MP for this area, Stephanie Kusie, attended and Wali was able to tell her his story. Despite our help with registration, family schedules and lack of parental support prevented the boys from playing soccer both in the summer and fall.

As with most refugee families getting settled, Alberta Works child benefits are difficult to obtain in a timely fashion and insufficient to pay for rent and food. A group member delivers food from Acadia Pantry once a month. We referred them to a less costly dentist in the northeast who hopefully will be able to solve Najia's dental problems at affordable rates. In December we had fun attending the little girl's second birthday party.

Two Angolan Families

The immigration saga for the two Angolan families, which began in Feb. 2020, continues.

The work permit for the single mother with four children was refused for unknown reasons by the Federal Immigration Refugees and Citizenship Department last April. Her second appeal to stay in Canada was turned down by Canadian Border Services in August. Her lawyer appealed the decision to deport them. They were at the airport four hours before their flight left for Angola when the federal government “stayed” their departure. They are now waiting for the results of this last appeal with no date for a decision in sight. Although the 18-year-old son Sander is working, he does not earn enough to support the family and as a result the mother decided to move them to a homeless shelter in November, where they remain. The second Angolan family’s appeal was also turned down and they are also waiting for a review of the deportation decision. Because the father has a work permit, they are better off financially and able to stay in their apartment.

Both Angolan women had professional accounting qualifications and feared for their lives in Angola because they refused to participate in multimillion-dollar fraud schemes. It should be noted that the two Palestinian husbands of families we supported in 2019 also were accountants, also walked across the border, but were accepted by Border Services. They now have Canadian citizenship and are working as well as helping other newcomers to

Concluding Observations

As I pull together this report in January 2023, I am deeply appreciative of the McDougall Outreach & Social Justice Ministry activities that carried on despite COVID-19 shutdowns. Right Relations and the Acadia Network programs, particularly the Acadia Pantry continued through all the COVID restrictions; the Refugee McDougall/Christ Moravian team prevailed in spite of a lot of frustrating setbacks. A number of planned initiatives didn’t happen, including presenting a “Sunday Right Relations Speaker &

settle. This entire process with our Angolan families has been profoundly discouraging. It is clear to us that Border Services makes decisions which are racist, gender-driven, lacking accountability and without serious regard for the threats faced by refugees in their home countries.

This time has been particularly frustrating for the two 18-year-old sons in the Angolan families who both graduated from high school in June. Thanks to the scholarship committee Sander was awarded a McDougall Scholarship and was looking forward to attending SAIT in the fall. Despite being accepted, his immigration status meant he could not use the scholarship or attend school as a domestic student. The costs of attending as an international student were too high (approximately \$24,000).

Our group has 12 members and is a shared partnership between McDougall United Church, Christ Moravian Church and community members. We have been grateful to you all for your personal and financial support during this trying year. We remain optimistic about the importance of the work we do and look forward to a better year in 2023.

**Submitted by Marjorie MacRae,
Refugee Support Leader**

Luncheon Series,” lifting up the national “Anti-Racism” program of the national church, focusing on “Climate Change.”

Initiatives for Outreach & Social Justice Ministry project team in 2023 include:

- Right Relations – fostering partnerships with Chinook Winds and local churches
- Refugees – supporting the front-line team

- Acadia Pantry April Fund-Raising Appeal – buying fresh produce and protein is costly
- Re-shaping of the 2023 Christmas Hamper program
- Choosing 2023 priorities – naming the ones we can do well...

This is your invitation to join the McDougall Outreach & Social Justice Zoom ministry. Contact me at rwmutlow@outlook.com and we will be glad to add your name to our team.

Submitted by Bob Mutlow, Outreach and Social Justice Ministry Team Lead

Pastoral Care Ministry Team

The Pastoral Care Ministry Team is responsible for the spiritual and physical well-being of members of our community of faith. There are many different ways that we care for each other and all contribute to a healthy community.

Rev. Joanne Anquist and Rev. Danah Cox share ministerial responsibility for Pastoral Care, with Joanne responsible for congregational care and Danah responsible for community care.

Members of the Pastoral Care Ministry Team include Esther Petersen (who resigned as Lead in February but still sits on the team), Katie Mutlow, Sharon Hudspeth, Shirley Wilding, and Joan Johnson (Roll Clerk).

Our pastoral care initiatives in 2022 included:

Funeral support: The funeral reception committee disbanded during COVID, so families were encouraged to make alternative arrangements for catering. Jen Heidebrecht took on the role of funeral coordinator. Thanks to Jen Heidebrecht for working with grieving families to ensure that they receive compassionate care during this difficult time.

Healing Touch: Peggy Jorgensen, Paula Sangster, and Donna Traub continue to provide Healing Touch sessions in the chapel.

Memorial Fund: We encourage folks who would like to honour their loved ones to contribute to this fund. Permanent fixtures such as banners, candle wreaths etc. are purchased through this fund.

Memorial Garden: We continue to have folks deposit ashes of loved ones in the Memorial Garden. In 2022, Linda Dyck and Ann Gardner kept the Memorial Garden looking beautiful. Unfortunately, Ann Gardner died in November, and Linda Dyck has had to step down due to family commitments. We will be looking for other volunteers to ensure the garden remains a beautiful resting place.

Pastoral Care Phone Outs: Thanks to Shirley Wilding for once again taking on the congregational call out. Thanks to all those callers who took on the task of contacting their folks. This is of critical importance as we make sure each member or adherent who is on our mailing list and would like a call is contacted.

Prayer Circle: Thanks to Lee Beattie who organized the Prayer Circle so we could continue to hold those who are struggling in our prayers.

Prayer Shawls: The Prayer Shawl group has been an important part of our ministry at McDougall in the past. Unfortunately, many knitters are no longer able to contribute, and this ministry is no longer a regular group.

Roll Report: Thanks to Joan Johnston who continues to keep such good care of making sure the official membership roll is up-to-date.

A special thanks goes out to Eleanor Anderson and her hard work sending out cards of appreciation and support.

Recognizing that we had some online-only viewers, we opened a prayers@mcdunited.com email to receive prayer requests from a wider community. It has been not used as well as we would like, but we hope to grow this ministry further.

As the Senior's Lunch could not be held this past year, the funds that were set aside were used to provide a lunch to celebrate 60+ years in Acadia at a Welcome Back Service and Fair. It was the first time we had shared a meal together as a community since COVID, and many folks who hadn't been in the church for 2+ years attended. People who had COVID projects displayed them (woodworking, picture collecting, history and a table of McDougall

historical objects was displayed). Thanks especially to Art Hironaka for preparing the McDougall History PowerPoint which was shown.

Rev. Danah has been working on a strategy for Pastoral Care, to include training of folks, and ensuring that all have contact. With the help of a new software app, we hope to strengthen our pastoral care follow-up and become even more capable of caring for all who call McDougall home.

Submitted by Rev. Joanne Anquist, Pastoral Care Ministry Team Co-lead

Worship and Spiritual Development Ministry Team

The Worship and Spiritual Development Ministry team oversees the worship gatherings and adult spiritual nurture opportunities. Its primary responsibility is Sunday worship, with alternative services, book studies, Bible studies, film nights and other opportunities available throughout the year.

None of these things would happen without the help of volunteers. This is especially true for our Sunday Morning Tech team. Barrie Clayton, the Tech Team Lead, says: "Over the years technical support for worship services and other events at McDougall has evolved considerably. A team of volunteers has operated the sound system for many years, then we added a projection system, and thus PowerPoint preparation and operations people were needed. With the addition to our ministry of recording and live-streaming, more volunteers and equipment was needed. Technical support services are provided for worship and funeral services, and other events such as meetings, concerts, and theatre productions, often including rehearsals in advance. The operations roster includes

volunteers for sound, video, and camera set up and operation. Preparation of the PowerPoint usually is done by ministry, communications and administration staff. Systems maintenance is done by team members."

Thanks to the following people who have served in this ministry in 2022:

Val MacLeod, Pat White, Lilia Chavez, Aidan Scott, Bryan Scott, Jake Bowe, John Naylor, Dave Schlinker, Christopher Kuntz, Brennan Berry, and Barrie Clayton. We look forward to welcoming some new members to the team in 2023.

Our music leadership for worship has gone through a transition as we moved from online-only services to in-person and online services. Special thanks to Jen Heidebrecht, Peggy Jorgensen, Barrie Clayton and others who stepped in to help record music while the sanctuary was closed. Tanya Wan Lim (McDougall's Service Musician) and Randy Stef

(from Ogden) provided accompaniment for the services.

Once in-person worship began (March 6) Tanya Wan Lim was able to organize a choir to perform for our Easter Service. Although there had been some speculation that the choir would not continue, as some members felt they had aged out, there was enough interest (and a special donation) to encourage us to try and restart with our mixed choir, the McDougall Singers, our women's ensemble (Sonica) and our house band, Collective Spirit, this fall. Justin Macosky was hired on a term service contract as Choral Music Leader for December to December, and Tanya Wan Lim continued with her roles of worship service Musician, Collective Spirit Leader and choral music accompanist.

With so much happening in worship, and decisions having to be made regarding COVID regulations, a Worship Advisory Team was formed to assist the ministers in decision-making regarding worship. This team made the tough decisions around reopening for in-person services and masking. They also provided a conduit from both the McDougall and Ogden congregations to the ministers regarding worship during joint services this year. Thanks to Rev. Bob Mutlow, Barrie Clayton, Claire Myers and Ruth Dunsire for being part of the Worship Advisory Team, along with Jen Heidebrecht and Sarah Reuangrith (staff).

When we resumed in-person worship services in March 2022, we required sign-ins and masking, and proof of vaccination to enter, limiting attendance to 50 people. As the government relaxed regulations, we stopped checking for vaccination status, did not limit

attendance, and we made masking optional for worship in May 2022.

We continue to have joint services with Ogden United Church. Rev. Bill Weaver and Rev. Joanne Anquist alternate preaching, with Rev. Danah Cox preaching about every 6 weeks. Danah is also responsible for Sunday morning children's programming. Thanks to Rev. Bill and Rev. Danah for taking care of worship while Rev. Joanne was away on her sabbatical and holidays (May through August).

The highlight of the year was the resumption of in-person Christmas Eve Services (4 and 7pm) after two years of COVID closure. As Christmas Day fell on a Sunday this year, we elected to have an online-only service for that day, a first in McDougall's history!

The highlight of Adult Spiritual Nurture initiatives in 2022 was probably our Eat, Think, Play sessions. This was a new venture during Lent and Advent which included a meal (prepared by Danah), a Bible study and an activity as a way of engaging folks in a different way. It was well received and will continue in 2023.

In 2023 we hope to continue vibrant, relevant, engaging worship with topical sermons and hopeful celebration. We are trusting that the choirs will grow and that, as the pandemic wanes, more people will return to in-person worship, even as we continue to livestream our services.

**Submitted by Rev. Joanne Anquist,
Worship and Spiritual Development
Ministry Team Lead**

Reports from the Leadership Council:

Leadership Council



At the 2022 AGM the congregation voted in favour of the council governance structure that had been in its pilot stage since 2019. Within this approved

governance structure, the Leadership Council is responsible for decisions related to:

- Vision, mission, and strategic goal setting and evaluation of progress.
- Policy development and organizational oversight, including delegation of responsibilities laid out in The United Church Manual.
- Annual budget and major deviations from budget.
- Reporting and responding to the Congregation.
- Relationship with Chinook Winds Regional Council and the UCC General Council.
- Official matters related to pastoral relations with paid accountable ministerial staff and the creation of new staff positions.

The Leadership Council membership includes: Co-Chairs, Treasurer, Secretary, Chair of the

Board of Trustees, Chinook Winds Regional Representative, McDougall Foundation Chair, up to 10 members-at-large, Worship and Spiritual Development Ministry Team Lead, Family and Community Ministry Team Lead, Pastoral Care Ministry Team Lead, Outreach and Social Justice Ministry Team Lead, Ministry and Personnel Working Group Lead, Operations Working Group Lead, and Property Working Group Lead.

During 2022, the Leadership Council held one in-person and four Zoom meetings and provided quarterly reports to the congregation via Eblast and posted on the McDougall website. Meeting highlights included: the creation of a Communication Working Group and a Visioning Working Group, discussions around Rev. Joanne's sabbatical and the necessary arrangements required to have her position filled during her leave, visioning work as it relates to the future of McDougall, and budget deliberations.

We would like to thank all council members who have taken an active role in the work of McDougall over the past year and look forward to continuing this important work as we move into 2023.

**Submitted by Daren Patterson,
Leadership Council Co-Chair**

Affirming Vision Team

The affirming vision group celebrates and keeps alive the inclusive spirit of the congregation. We celebrate our anniversary of becoming an

affirming congregation and work within the affirming network to put on events to deepen our understanding of 2SLGBTQ+ issues

especially in faith communities. Our working group has the following members: Alex Bradley, Marilyn Bates, Jean MacEachern and Tara Jorgensen with support from Nik Sloat. In 2022 we worked on two events, PIE Day in March and the Citywide Pride Interfaith Service for Pride week. The group is moving forward with more in-person events in 2023 with a

movie night and lunch in February, PIE day in March and Pride events in August and September.

**Submitted by Tara Jorgensen,
Affirming Vision Team Lead**

Communications Working Group

The Communications Working Group (aka Perceptive Communication and Response Team) was created at the March 2022 Leadership Council meeting with the mandate to recommend and facilitate the implementation of effective communication strategies to improve communication between the Leadership Council and members of the McDougall community of faith.

Members of the Communications Working Group include Nick Perrin (Lead), Ken Turnbull and Sarah Reuangrith (Communications Coordinator) who are assisted by volunteers Marilyn Bates, Pat White and Daren Patterson.

In 2022 the Communications Working Group met and set the following goals for our first year:

1. To examine the existing effectiveness of McDougal's current internal and external communication flow using surveys, straw polls and person to person

solicited feedback to inform us as to how we can improve communication internally and externally to fit the sociopolitical and age demographic of our community members.

2. To make recommendations for improvement in the area of communications to the Leadership Council.

Members of this Council working group have been gathering feedback from the congregation and are developing a report of their findings and recommendations to present to the Leadership Council in March .

The Communications Working Group's vision for 2023 is to remains flexible and continue to explore ways for McDougall church to better serve the needs of members of our community of faith and the wider community in these changing times.

**Submitted by Nick Perrin
Communications Working Group Lead**

Ministry and Personnel Working Group

Ministry and Personnel (M&P) is a required component of the McDougall Council. It has a wide range of responsibilities related to the church's ministers, staff and contract employees. The M&P Lead is a member of the

McDougall Leadership Council and a core member of the Operations Working Group. The members of McDougall's Ministry and Personnel Working Group in 2022 consisted of Peggy Jorgensen (Lead), Mari Croizier and

Marilyn Bates, Margaret Holden-Scott and Joanne Pritchard have assisted M&P in the writing of job descriptions, letters and contracts. Others have taken on the role of Caring Contact to provide support for our staff members this past year.

The chart below outlines the staff members and contractors that the Ministry and Personnel Working Group oversees. In 2022, highlights of our work included: arranging coverage for Rev. Joanne’s sabbatical leave, arranging for Nik

Sloat’s Internship and Family Ministry contract, and Justin Macosky’s choral director contract. In the fall of 2022 M&P also conducted reviews for all employees in staff positions. In April, we organized a celebration of two things: Rev. Danah Cox’s Covenanting Service and a thank you to Aileen Berridge who had stepped down from her role as Family Support Worker.

If you have any questions about this information, please contact the M&P Lead, Peggy Jorgensen.

Position	Incumbent	Types of Position	2022 Notes
Worship and Congregational Leadership Minister	Rev. Joanne Anquist	Full-time ministerial position	On sabbatical from May–July 2022, and annual leave in August
Family and Community Minister	Rev. Danah Cox	Part-time ministerial position Additional hours for sabbatical & vacation coverage for J. Anquist	20 hours/week Jan 1–April 30 & Sept.–Dec. 2022 40 hours/wk May 1–Aug 31, 2022
Office Administrator	Jen Heidebrecht	Part-time staff position	20 hours/week
Communications Coordinator	Sarah Reuangrith	Part-time staff position	15 hours/week
Custodian	Harpal Chahal	Part-time staff position	15 hours/week min., on-call for more as needed
Ministry Intern	Nik Sloat	30 hrs/wk May – Dec. in partnership with Ambrose University	Honorarium paid with McDougall bursary
Family Ministry Support Worker	Nik Sloat	10 hrs/wk Term Contract position July–Dec. 2022	Used funds budgeted for Messy Church Support Worker position in 2022
Worship Service Musician	Tanya Wan Lim	Service Contractor	Paid per call for Sunday morning worship services and accompaniment for choir/small vocal group weekly rehearsals Responsibilities were adjusted in the Fall of 2022 when the choral music leader role was created.

Contemporary Music Leader	Tanya Wan Lim	Service Contractor	Paid per call for leadership of monthly contemporary worship services and rehearsals
Choral Music Leader	Justin Macosky	Service Contractor Term Contract Sept.– Dec. 2022	Paid per call for choral music direction of McDougall Singers and the Sonica Ensemble
Bookkeeper	DB Bookkeeping / Courtney Den Boer	Service Contract	Paid monthly upon receipt of invoices submitted for requests services
Facilities Coordinator	John Naylor	Agreement with McDougall Council	Receives a percentage of rental income
Honorary Minister	Rev. Bob Mutlow	Honorary position	no remuneration except for occasional pulpit supply

In 2023, our working group will continue to try to simplify the contract renewal process and be proactive in supporting staff. We will continue to improve efficiencies in all employee related processes.

**Submitted by Peggy Jorgensen,
Ministry and Personnel Lead**

Operations Working Group



The Operations Working Group was created in June of 2019 as an integral part of the McDougall Leadership Council pilot governance

structure that was officially approved at the Annual General Meeting in February 2022. Operations is responsible for the administrative business and budget oversight at the church. I (Council Co-chair, Joanne Pritchard) have been the Lead of Operations since its formation. Other members of this dedicated team this past year have included Rev. Joanne Anquist (Minister), Norma May (Treasurer), Mari Croizier (Convenor), Peggy Jorgensen (M&P Lead) and Barrie Clayton (Property Co-lead). Members-at-Large from the Leadership Council

have rotated through the Operations Member-at-Large position in 2022. Other Council Leads and members of the McDougall staff attended the monthly Zoom Operations meetings as needed. Quarterly Reports from both myself and the Treasurer were provided to the Leadership Council and made available to the congregation through the website and Email Blasts. This fall I collaborated with McDougall's Communications Coordinator, Sarah Reuangrith, and Bruce Munro, who has been assisting the treasurer with budget responsibilities, in conducting the Annual Stewardship Campaign. My sincere thanks go out to all who collaborated on the Operations team to keep McDougall operating smoothly and efficiently in 2022!

**Submitted by Joanne Pritchard,
Operations Lead/Council Co-chair**

Property Working Group

The major expansion and renovation of our building in 2006 afforded us with several years of minimal building maintenance costs, however maintenance needs are now increasing as the building ages. Since McDougall no longer has a Property Committee, oversight of property maintenance has been taken on by volunteers John Naylor and Barrie Clayton with on-call help from Rudy Rumpel. Regular inspections by qualified persons are required for such things as alarm systems, HVAC, water, gas, fire protection, elevators, and kitchen facilities. Regular caretaking done by Harpal Chahal and Patrick Meenagh is supervised by John. Snow removal is contracted. Numerous trades people are contracted to make repairs as needed, however arrangements for these takes considerable time. John would be pleased to hear from anyone willing to help with smaller maintenance chores occasionally. Larger, long term maintenance projects are supervised by Trustees with funding supplied by the McDougall United Church Foundation. These projects in 2022 included repairing flicker hole

damage in exterior walls, repair and painting of some interior walls, shingle replacement on part of the roof, required parking lot repairs, and investigation of flat roof repairs.

Early in the year we were fortunate to arrange the lease of a considerable portion of the lower level to Jesus Baptist Church, a new Korean based congregation. No renovations were needed for this lease, but some reallocation of space and furnishings was required. Thanks to Nik Sloat and the youth group the Holy Grounds room was refreshed. Danah Cox has a studio in one large basement room. Acadia Pantry uses the Burning Bush room for the food distribution program. Ogden United Church still has offices at the west end of the basement. McDougall has some lower-level space dedicated for our needs. Donations of artwork and furniture from the Paynter estate are gratefully acknowledged.

**Barrie Clayton and John Naylor,
Property Working Group Co-leads**

Vision Working Group

The Vision Working Group was established following the approval of the Governance Pilot at the 2022 Annual General Meeting. The purpose of this group is to provide the Leadership Council the means to return to visioning and strategic planning, by formalizing an ongoing living strategic plan which incorporates McDougall's current Mission Statement and its five key priorities.

Members of the Visioning Working Group include Daren Patterson, Marilyn Bates, and Sarah Reuangrith. The group held a congregational survey over the summer with the following takeaways: 1. Do less but do it well. 2. Those that are engaged are

content/happy. 3. Overall respondents felt optimistic about the post-pandemic future of McDougall.

The Visioning Working Group also led the Leadership Council through a brainstorming and discussion around McDougall's current vision and mission statements and how we might see ourselves in a post-pandemic world. This discussion will be followed up by a January Leadership Council meeting to review the budget request for 2023 and a congregational Town Hall meeting to receive congregation input for future budget decisions and develop understandings regarding the impact our budget has on our strategic planning.

We look forward to providing the Leadership Council and congregation with ongoing dialogue around the future of McDougall.

**Submitted by Daren Patterson
Vision Working Group Lead/Council Co-lead**

Groups Meeting at McDougall

McDougall has several traditional Fellowship Groups as well as other groups that meet at the church on a regular basis to share interests and build community. Some of them are listed below. To learn more about these groups, please visit McDougall's website.

- Carya Elder Friendly Communities, Kindness Club
- Friendship Club
- God at the Movies
- Heritage Time Out
- Homeschool Group
- Ladies Fellowship Group
- Ladies of Literature Book Group
- Ukulele Group

Baptisms and Wedding Services

Baptisms:

Matti-Brown, Eloise, baptised January 4, 2022
Matti-Leighton, Efa, baptised January 4, 2022
Menard, Daxton, baptised June 26, 2022
Phillips, Harper, baptised May 11, 2022
Cartwright, Cordelia, baptised December 4, 2022
Cartwright, Dezirae, baptised December 4, 2022

Wedding Services:

Kyle Logan Standingready-Snow & Ashley Sarah Clearsky, married January 7, 2022
Hunter Frank Riediger & Jordyn Grace Heska, married July 1, 2022
Kevin Brian Merkl & Elizabeth Anne Patterson, married July 23, 2023
Nicolas Curtis Wong & Samantha Rachel Hung, married August 5, 2022

In Loving Memory

Joyce McKechnie: September 6, 1930–December 12, 2022
Ann Gardner: March 6, 1961–November 2, 2022 (Service at McDougall)
Mary Smith: November 28, 1925–October 26, 2022

Ruth Brown: November 9, 1936–October 7, 2022
 David Jensen: October 27, 1935–October 1, 2022 (Service at McDougall)
 Richard Morison: December 22, 1961–August 29, 2022 (Service at McDougall)
 Bev Neuls: March 29, 1940–July 31, 2022
 Bill Love: July 27, 1937–July 30th, 2022 (Service at McDougall)
 Jim Traub: October 16, 1953–April 22, 2022
 Keith Hansen: May 2, 1936–April 20, 2022 (Service at McDougall)
 Joseph Merveyn Enes: October 10, 1951–April 5, 2022*
 Brian Veale: August 31, 1934–February 21, 2022 (Service at McDougall)
 Lois Sawatzky: August 9, 1932–January 19, 2022
 John Webber: October 13, 1953–November 3, 2021 (Funeral November 12, 2022 at McDougall)*

*Not on McDougall Roll



Joyce McKechnie:
 September 6, 1930–
 December 12, 2022



Ann Gardner:
 March 6, 1961–
 November 2, 2022
 (Service at McDougall)



Mary Smith:
 November 28, 1925–
 October 26, 2022



Ruth Brown:
 November 9, 1936–
 October 7, 2022



David Jensen:
 October 27, 1935–
 October 1, 2022
 (Service at McDougall)



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 December 22, 1961–
 August 29, 2022
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January 19, 2022

The McDougall Memorial Garden 2012–2022

Memorial Garden Interments:

Agatha Edna Mercer: June 8, 1912–April 6, 1977
 Tristine Alexandra Broatch: December 19, 1982–April 1, 1983
 Alan Martin: July 7, 1936–March 17, 2006
 Bruce Donald Broatch: November 19, 1936–January 8, 2007
 Dellas McKee: November 23, 1921–January 26, 2008
 Jean Frances Branson: January 1, 1922–February 26, 2010
 Stefan (Steve) Megley: August 28, 1929–November 2, 2011
 Allan Frederick Peirce: February 28, 1935–January 25, 2013
 Heather Jane Allan (Holt): November 6, 1965–December 13, 2013
 Sheila Gardner: June 21, 1926–March 30, 2014
 Douglas Sparrow: May 19, 1932–May 4, 2014
 Mona Katharine Cozart: October 26, 1916–June 18, 2014
 Grant Ben Hans: February 2, 1933–August 10, 2014
 Sheila McHutchison: April 4, 1941–October 10, 2014
 Wayne Edward Keil: February 8, 1949–May 28, 2016
 Alexander McLaren Rankin: June 18, 1927–October 31, 2016
 Dorothy McKee: August 8, 1923–June 6, 2017
 William (Bill) Paynter: July 22, 1935–October 21, 2017
 Tom Enta: January 8, 1932–January 5, 2018
 Heather Peirce: February 14, 1939–February 26, 2018
 Ted Steventon: October 19, 1938–October 22, 2020
 JoAnne Rotz: February 13, 1937–July 20, 2021
 Julia (Judy) Rankin: April 1, 1928–March 08, 2021
 Donna Paynter: August 9, 1939–October 13, 2021
 Brian Veale: August 31, 1934–February 21, 2022
 Joseph Merveyn Enes: October 10, 1951–April 5, 2022
 Keith Hansen: May 2, 1936–April 20, 2022

2022 Roll Report

Membership, January 1, 2022	272
Received into Church Membership	5
By certificate of transfer, 4	
Reinstated from our Appendix, 1	
Removed from Church membership	-8
By death, 8	

By removal to our Appendix, 0	
Membership, December 31, 2022	269
2022 Resident Members	257
Non-Resident Members	12

Members deceased in 2022:

Lois Sawatzky

Brian Veale
Keith Hansen
Bill Love
David Jensen
Freda Stewart

Ann Gardner
Joyce McKechnie

**Respectfully submitted, Joan Johnston, Roll
Clerk**

Minutes from 2022 Congregational Meetings

Annual General Meeting Draft Minutes, February 27, 2022

McDougall United Church Annual General Meeting Sunday February 27, 2022, at 1:00 P.M. on Zoom

Present: Daren Patterson, Tara Jorgenson, Joanne Pritchard, Norma May, Esther Petersen, Art and Pat Hironaka, Shirley Wilding, Ruth Dunsire, Shelley Petersen, Teresa Lang, Barrie and Carol Clayton, Sarah Reuangrith, Ann Berridge, Bob and Katie Mutlow, Nick Perrin, Karen Chow, Phil Edwards, Bob and Eleanor Anderson, Larry and Marilyn Chaney, Leanne Kempt, Joan Johnston, Reverend Danah Cox, Jennifer Heidebrecht, Bill and EVELDA Love, Pat White, Marilyn Agnew, Grace Baum, Ken Turnbull, Bruce Munro, Dianne Munro, Lori Wilson, Reverend Joanne Anquist, Denise Patterson, Jean MacEachern, Peggy Jorgenson, Shauna Kennedy, Claire Myers, Marilyn Bates

1. Welcome and Call to Order - Daren opened the meeting and welcomed all attendees at 1:07 p.m.
2. Land Acknowledgement – Marilyn Agnew
3. Opening Prayer – Rev. Joanne Anquist
4. Zoom Meeting Protocol – Tara Jorgensen
5. Elect Chair and Secretary for Congregational Meeting - Joanne Pritchard
Motion: That Daren Patterson act as Chair, and Marilyn Bates as Secretary for this congregational meeting.
Moved by: Joanne Pritchard Seconded by: Pat White
CARRIED
6. Determine Quorum from Zoom participants list (min. of 20 required) - Daren Patterson
Daren confirmed that the number of attendees meet the required number for a quorum.
7. Extending Voting to Adherents – Daren Patterson
Motions:

a. That members of the congregation who are entitled to vote at all meetings in full membership, whose names are on the Roll of the Church, give consent that adherents, who regularly contribute to the life of the Church, may vote on all matters in this AGM.

Moved by: Shirley Wilding Seconded by: Esther Peterson
CARRIED

b) That voting be conducted using the Zoom Poll option for this meeting.

Moved by: Tara Jorgensen Seconded by: Teresa Lang
CARRIED

8. Adoption of Agenda

Motion: That the agenda be adopted as amended.

Moved by: Tara Jorgensen Seconded by: Phil Edwards
CARRIED

9. Adoption of Minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting (February 21st, 2021), as well as the Congregational Meetings held on March 14th, and September 12th, 2021.

Motion: To dispense with the reading of the minutes from February 21st, March 14th, and September 12th, 2021, and approve as circulated in the Annual Report.

Moved by: Joanne Pritchard Seconded by: Marilyn Chaney
CARRIED

10. Business Arising from the Minutes of February 21st, March 14th, and September 12th, 2021.

No business was raised from the above referenced minutes.

11. Approval of the 2021 Annual Report

Joan Johnston advised another revision is required for the Annual Report. This report was to include the Fellowship Group report from Marylin Bily. Jennifer Heidebrecht retrieved the information and placed it in “chat” for the group to see the report as submitted.

Everyone was asked if there was any concern with moving forward with Revision 3 and the motion. No concern was raised, and the motion was put forward to a vote.

Motion: To approve the 2021 Annual Report Revision 2 as circulated via the McDougall website. In addition, including Revision 3 as put forth today.

Moved by: Joanne Pritchard Seconded by: Grace Baum
CARRIED

12. Governance Pilot Review Presentation – Daren Patterson

Daren made the presentation on behalf of the Working Group setting out the recommendation. He also put forth that the Leadership Council would be looking at further recommendations regarding communication and strategic planning if the Pilot Governance structure moves forward.

Motion: That the Pilot Governance Structure in place since July 2019 be approved as McDougall's official governance structure beginning March 1, 2022.

Moved by: Joanne Pritchard Seconded by: Claire Myers

CARRIED

13. (a) Presentation of nominees for McDougall's 2022 Leadership Council – Joanne Pritchard

(b) Request for nominations from the floor – Joanne Pritchard

Joanne acknowledged and thanked those leaving their Leadership Council positions:

Pastoral Care Ministry Team Lead - Esther Peterson

Treasurer - Karen Chow

Council Co-Chair -Tara Jorgensen

Leadership Council Members-at-Large - Jen Heidebrecht, Bess Penney, Sarah Lambert, Marilyn Bates, Kelsey Attard, Frank Kurucz

A list was shared showing those who have agreed to be nominated for the positions and lines indicating vacant positions AND that nominations from the floor can be made.

Motion: That nominations for positions on the 2022 Leadership Council be closed.

Motion: That those listed on the 2022 McDougall Nominees for Leadership Council, as well as any nominations from the floor, be elected to the Leadership Council for 2022-23.

Motion: That the Leadership Council be authorized to fill vacancies on the Leadership Council and its working groups as needed prior to the next AGM.

Moved by: Joanne Pritchard Seconded by: Esther Peterson

CARRIED

14. 2021 Year-End Review of Financial Statements – Norma May

Norma went over the December 31, 2021, financial statements. A typo was identified. This correction will be made. The group raised the location and naming of some of the accounts are outdated and possibly improperly named and/or placed. These changes were made by our bookkeeper. Norma will try to get this changed for next year's financials.

Motion: That the 2021 Financial Statements be approved as presented.

Moved by: Norma May Seconded by: Carol Clayton

CARRIED

15. 2022 Budget Presentation – Karen Chow

Karen presented the draft budget. She advised there were Government monies for years 2020 and 2021 which gave us surplus funds. Based on the 2-year plan that was developed and approved it is expected this extra money will carry into year 2023. There is no expectation of further Government monies in 2022. The United Church of Canada amount is

based on revenue--2022 is based on 2020, 2021 is based on 2019, etc. It is expected there will be an increase in 2023.

A question was raised as to whether there is an expectation of utility increases as we have seen in our home bills. Barrie advised they have been lower than expected but will be monitored over time. Norma indicated she did see an increase on the February bill.

An inquiry was made in relation to Tanya and Krishan. There is a restricted fund of 5000.00 for choral music.

Donations continue to be strong through PAR. If you wish to make a change in PAR you can get the form from the office.

**Motion: That the 2022 Annual Budget be approved as presented at this meeting.
Moved by: Karen Chow Seconded by: Peggy Jorgenson
CARRIED**

16. Rental Update – Barrie Clayton

Barrie confirmed that Janus Academy moved out in 2021. A rental agent was found to help locate new renters. Jesus Baptist Church Calgary Fellowship is utilizing 5 rooms downstairs including the kitchenette and washroom. They are parking on the south side and will be using the west entrance. Please welcome them.

Children's Programming is held downstairs so there may be cross traffic.

Barrie confirmed the lift and elevator are working.

17. Rev. Joanne Anquist's Sabbatical Update – Tara Jorgensen

Tara advised Reverend Joanne will be taking her sabbatical for May June and July 2022. Tara will be the Lead for a small Working Group to determine management of the resources in her absence. If you are interested in working with this group, please let Tara know.

Daren added there will be ongoing communication so the congregation knows who will be leading the service week to week.

Reverend Joanne will provide updates during her time away. She also told the group there will be a student from Ambrose joining us from May through September.

18. Sending Forth – Rev. Danah Cox

19. Adjournment – Daren Patterson

Next AGM on February 26, 2023.

Meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

*Please send any feedback regarding this meeting to Daren Patterson (daren.denise@gmail.com) or Joanne Pritchard (jmpritchard@shaw.ca).