

St.Davids-Queenston United Church Fall Newsletter



Fall 2012 - Greetings from your Minister

October; the days are shortening and cooling and the leaves are turning from green to red and gold. It is a time of change and transition.

We in the St. Davids-Queenston congregation have seen much change in the last number of months and years. There has been much growth and renewal. New members, new initiatives, new energy, wow, has God ever blessed us!

In the pages of this newsletter you will find an update on what has happened recently and on what is coming up. Please read it through and make note of the various activities and how things relate to you.

As both individuals and as a congregation we have been richly blessed by God. As we realize (and maybe even count) our blessings we respond with prayers of thanks, and with actions that share our blessings with the world around us. As a special reminder please note that on Sunday October 14 we will be having a combined ecumenical worship service at St. Saviour's Anglican Church in Queenston, to celebrate the peace between Canada and the United States following the War of 1812-14.

See you in church, Paul

Greetings from the Congregational and Official Board Chair

Earlier this year at our Annual Congregational Meeting, it was truly an honour when you installed me as your Congregational and Official Board Chair. Your Official Board, which is made up of committee members from Session, Property, Finance, Ministry and Personnel, Christian Education, Mission and Service, our Secretary, Presbytery representative, representative from the Trustees and our Minister has worked hard this year to maintain, enhance and improve our church. It has been an exciting year so far as the Board has dealt with a number of important issues and initiatives. This newsletter is being offered as a means of keeping the congregation informed on what is happening at St. Davids-Queenston United Church.

This year the Board has approved and overseen a number of capital projects that were long overdue and made possible by the generous, heart-felt bequest of life-long congregation member Leone Ostrosser who passed away in 2009. Leone's bequest was \$88,101.67. To date, \$82,414.01 has been spent or committed. You can see a detailed breakdown in the Property and Finance Committee Reports. In addition to managing these major church renovations, the Board has been busy overseeing and coordinating the work of all the committees. We are working closely with the Trustees to establish a Capital Reserve Fund from the restricted non-operating GICs that resulted from the sale of the Manse a number of years ago. This will allow us to have ready access to capital funds for future infrastructure renewal projects. The Board has also made a number of grant requests to the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario, Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund and Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro through the Save on Energy Program for the replacement of interior lighting with energy efficient lights.

I'd like to leave you with an idea for a new fellowship group in our church. Currently we have a wonderful United Church Women's group and a fledgling Women's Craft Group that meet on a regular basis. Our church does not have a similar group for men. I am suggesting we explore the possibility of establishing a **Men's Group** where the men of the church would have the opportunity to meet on a regular basis in a casual, social atmosphere for fellowship, companionship and enjoyment. If there is interest and you are willing to take the lead and organize a Men's Group, please see Steve Hardaker.

God bless, Steve.

St. Davids-Queenston United Church is on Facebook

Facebook is an incredibly popular social networking platform where people can stay connected with friends and family, to discover what's going on in the world, and to share and express what matters to them. If you or members of your family are currently a *Facebook* user, you can search of "**St. Davids-Queenston United Church**". Once on our *Facebook* page, select "**Like**". If you are not a current *Facebook* user, we can be found on the Internet at

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/St-Davids-Queenston-United-Church/305044349553815>.

You will be prompted to establish a *Facebook* presence, before you can see our page.

From the Editor

Submitted by Kathryn Jordan

As Paul wrote in his opening letter, we are in “a time of change and transition.” While many find this exciting, for others it is difficult and change is on the list of life situations that cause stress. We who approach change, kicking and screaming, are generally mourning what is passing and dig in our heels playing tug of war with what is around the corner.

Change can come in varying degrees with many different consequences. Recently I hired professionals to take down trees in front of the cottage. Never in favour of clearing it was surprising to me that I agreed to do this. Once the decision was made, two professional climbers and two groundsmen, felled 3, 60 to 80 foot cedars in one hour.

For a brief period I suffered “buyers remorse”. What had I done! What a shock! The rings of one cedar attested to 120 years of growth, but ultimately it was necessary and the right decision but would I get used to the impact it made on the property?

Now weeks later, the squirrels and chipmunks have forgiven me for disturbing their play ground, sun bathes the dock much longer into the late afternoon, and the cottage inside seems warmer and brighter. We can see the lake from the porch just perfectly to watch the loon that frequents our bay in the early evenings and unhindered by tall branches, during this week Martin, Dad and I watched a Harvest Moon from the porch as it rose across the bay.

There are some life changes that can be difficult and even hurtful, we all know that. We also know that change is inevitable. For those upon whom change is imposed and for those who are simply “*change resisters*”, we need to remember that we do not face life’s changes alone.

An excellent reminder of this is in the words of one of my favourite hymns; *In A Bulb There Is A Flower... VU # 703. “**From the past, will come the future, what it holds, a mystery, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.**”*

These words are consoling and give hope to everyone regardless our circumstance. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

Traditionally fall becomes a time of action; clubs, groups, and committees reconvene, we chart a course of action, set goals and get busy. Thank you so much to everyone for submitting your reports. Communication within a congregation is very important in fostering the sense of fellowship we feel as part of a dynamic church family. We trust everyone will find the contents of this newsletter helpful in charting your course in this time of change.



**PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES AND
MARK THE DATES ON YOUR CALENDARS**

<u>October 7</u>	World Wide Communion and Thanksgiving Sunday Thanksgiving food drive concludes
<u>October 10</u>	UCW Meeting
<u>October 12</u>	Church Directory photo shoot.
<u>October 14</u>	Worship at St. Saviour's Anglican Church, Queenston. 10:30am. The Theme is "Peace."
<u>October 15</u>	Church Committees 7pm, Session 7:15, Official Board 8pm
<u>October 20</u>	Church Directory photo shoot
<u>October 26</u>	Beef on a Bun & Games Night <u>6:00pm</u>
<u>November 3</u>	Annual Bazaar
<u>November 11</u>	Remembrance Day Service
<u>November 14</u>	UCW Meeting
<u>November 19</u>	Church Committees 7pm, Session 7:15, Official Board 8pm
<u>November 21</u>	Turkey Supper <u>5:00pm</u>
<u>December 2</u>	First Sunday of Advent
<u>December 12</u>	UCW Meeting
<u>December 16</u>	White Gift Sunday - Pageant by Sunday School
<u>December 17</u>	Church Committees 7pm, Session 7:15, Official Board 8pm
<u>December 23</u>	Fourth Sunday of Advent, Christmas Communion
<u>December 23</u>	Christmas Candlelight Service <u>7:00pm</u>
<u>December 24</u>	Christmas Eve Service <u>7:00pm</u>

Stewardship

Submitted by: Steve Hardaker
Congregational and Church Board Chair

What is a steward? We are all stewards during this short period that we spend on this earth that God has created and provided for us. Earth is estimated to be about 4.5 billion years old, so our time here is short. As stewards we must work diligently to ensure something is left for those who follow. Leave it the way we found it; or, better still, enhance it. We must sustain what we are given so that what is left, is left for the next stewards to take up the cause. Stewardship is working to enhance and save what we have been blessed with. Our earth, the water, the sky and all living things.

Stewardship is building the interest in others in the common cause we all believe in. As God's stewards, we contribute. A good steward is a volunteer - a contributor - someone who gives willingly, unconditionally and without expectation. Some stewards give of their time. Others give generously, monetarily to sustain the stewardship mission of our church community. We are all stewards of God's wondrous world.

St. Davids-Queenston United Church is seeking new stewards and leaders to get involved with our church's committees and groups. Our Fundraising Committee is seeking new members to help plan, organize and run church fundraisers. If you are interested in how our church plans worship services, then Session will interest you. Are you handy? The Property Committee may be for you. The Friendly Visitors Committee visits many in our congregation who may not be able to make it to regular church services and functions. Can you sing? Do you have a passion for the hymns we sing? Then the Senior Choir can use your talents. You may also be interested in Mission and Service or our Finance Committee. Membership on a church committee also includes appointment to the Official Church Board. Your talents are vast and varied and worth offering.

Our church is blessed with great stewards – many who have been stewards for many years. We are blessed. In what way are you a steward?

Senior Choir

Submitted by Lisa Brillon
Organist and Choir Director

It's great to be back to regular choir practices now that it is September and our choir loft is bulging with wonderful singers! We have 17 singers from all three different congregations who are dedicated and talented choir members.

The choir meets on Thursday evenings for practice at 7:30 p.m. Besides singing an anthem weekly in church we are preparing for our annual Christmas Candlelight Service which will be held on Sunday December 23rd at 7:00 p.m. If you would like to join us, please come out on a Thursday evening.... We always can make room for more choir members.

Presbytery

Submitted by Larry McRae
Presbytery Representative

For those of you who may not be aware, Fred Van Nest indicated that he would like to be relieved of his position as Presbytery Representative early in the year. After my transfer from another church I was in a position to take over from Fred so he could accomplish this goal.

Presbytery is comprised of all Ministry personnel and all Lay Representatives from the Churches in the Niagara area, that is, from Ft Erie to a bit beyond Dunnville, across to Beamsville and back down to NOTL. This totals approximately 160 people. However, not all of them show up for each meeting. Anyone is welcome to attend meetings which are held from September to June on the fourth Tuesday of the month, except for December and June when the dates are changed to accommodate Christmas and the election of the new Chairperson of Presbytery. Presbytery also has a number of committees which deal with everything from Property issues to Spiritual matters; from interpreting the rules of the Manual to promoting the fund raising efforts of Cave Springs Camp and the Brock U Winter Coat Drive.

At the June meeting Rev Don Glennie of St John's – Stevensville was elected as the new Chair of Presbytery. The Vice – Chair is now Ken Pettigrew from the Resource Centre.

As there are no meetings during the summer months and this report has a deadline, there is not much that can be added at this time.

Fundraising

Submitted by Doug MacArthur

Your Fundraising Committee is on a mission to find special needs at our church and work at filling them. The committee is responsible for coordinating all fundraising activities for our church. The committee's activities for the remainder of this year are: beef on a bun and games night, Saturday morning pancake breakfast, fall Bazaar, Turkey Supper. Special speakers and other special activities are in the works.

The money raised in 2011 through the fundraising committee was \$9,452.50. So far in 2012,, we have raised \$6,597.75. The members of the committee are, Alice Page, Betty McIlroy, Sandi Salewytch, and Doug MacArthur. If anyone else would like to join us we would be pleased to have you on the committee. Please contact any member of the committee.

If anyone has idea they would like to share as a fundraising project or social event, we would love to hear about them. This year's special fundraising project will be announced by the end of October.

Property Committee

Submitted by: Steve Hardaker
Property Committee Chair

Your Property Committee is responsible for maintaining the church building and property and making recommendations for Official Board approval when funding is required for repairs, capital replacement of infrastructure and for new projects. Members of the Property Committee are Tim Andrews, Jack Cecckin, Steve Hardaker, Monty Slingerland, Greg Smith and Don Slingerland.

2012 has been a busy time for church infrastructure renewal. Thanks to a generous bequest from lifetime congregation member Leone Ostrosser, who passed away in 2009, the Board approved a number of projects. The church basement underwent a major renovation. Spurred on by a flood in the spring of 2011 that resulted in a \$20,000.00 insurance claim plus an additional \$10,000.00 from Leone's bequest, offices and the nursery were restored and a new Christian Education classroom and remodelled Parlour were designed and built with new walls and new flooring throughout. The main parking lot received a double application of tar and chip and plans are to expand the parking lot in the rear of the church to provide additional parking. To mitigate the threat of future flooding, a hydromatic sump pump that utilizes town water rather than electricity to drive the pump was installed and a back-up generator was purchased. Foundation deterioration at the back of the Christian Education Hall lead us to excavate the back wall, install new weeping tiles and add a layer of crushed rock for better drainage. Seven single-glazed windows in the church basement and the window on the stage have been replaced with vinyl double-glazed windows and we are in the midst of replacing all the exterior doors with new no maintenance steel doors. Finally, the original forced air gas furnace and electric hot water tank for the Christian Education Hall were replaced with high efficiency gas appliances. The benefit from many of these projects is to better sustain our church and lower our operating costs through reduced utility charges.

On a regular basis, grants are available from various levels of government on a cost sharing basis for community institutions that are open for public use. We are currently seeking a grant from the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario, Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund covering 33% funding for the church modernization projects we have completed this year. We have submitted four prioritized grant requests including the Flood and Foundation Deterioration Mitigation Project, the Parking Lot Improvement Project, Window and Exterior Door Replacement Project and the Furnace and Hot Water Tank Replacement Project for a total of \$14,375.40. A decision should be forthcoming early in the new year. In addition, we are seeking about \$600.00 or 50% funding for light bulb replacements through grants from Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro and the Save on Energy Program. This will allow us to replace all remaining fluorescent tubes, incandescent and halogen lights with equivalent energy efficient bulbs that will in turn reduce our energy consumption and our hydro bills.

I'd like to thank all the current members of the Property Committee for their continued dedication to maintaining the church. The Property Committee is seeking new members who are handy and have an interest in the maintenance of our church.

Christian Education

Submitted by Dianne Bergsma

Committee members are Dianne Bergsma, Violet McArthur, Stephanie Morley, Bonnie Boyda and Karen Den Besten, Pastor Paul James.

To begin we would like to say how happy we are with the new Sunday School room! Stephanie Morley, our Sunday School teacher, very much enjoys the new classroom, although she could use another bookcase or shelving unit for books and craft materials, which are now on a table. If you have something that might be suitable, please let us know! Violet McArthur has made beautiful curtains for the windows that also help with the acoustics in the room, somewhat dampening the excited and enthusiastic voices of the children. Vi and her husband Doug donated the tables and a bookcase and Carol James donated a shelving unit with baskets for which are grateful and thank them very much. Many thanks also to Al DesRoches who donated the television and DVD player, which also have been used already for the Adult Education group with Pastor Paul, and we very much appreciate the availability of this wonderful teaching tool.

We experience an active Sunday School, for which we thank Stephanie! The number of children attending on a Sunday morning fluctuates between two and fourteen, which creates a challenge for Stephanie that she prepares for. Vi McArthur and Jill Dill are 'back-up' Sunday School teachers, and Vi has volunteered to help Stephanie when we have a large group of children. We have also had high school students volunteer for their required volunteer hours, but more consistency in regular attendance would be appreciated and will be discussed with them in the future.

We had an excellent Vacation Bible School this summer. Although the numbers were a bit down from last year, due to vacation times, we look forward to next year. Thank you to the volunteers who helped make it all work so well.

Stephanie also planned some 'socials' for the children at her home and she took them out to Pizza Hut for supper. A 'bowling evening' has been promised. This social time builds a sense of church community for the children too, and we thank Stephanie. We like to remind everyone that on 'games night' for the adults, there is also 'games night' for the children so that families can come to supper and games together. We will publicise this more for our next 'games night'.

For future plans, Stephanie has suggested a 'progressive supper' evening so that the children can get to know some of the congregational members better and picture them in their own homes. We would need three participants to host part of the supper (a very casual, child-friendly supper!). If you are interested in participating in this, please contact Stephanie for more information. Also, we would like the children to participate in a worship service during advent with a Christmas pageant. More information on this will be coming!

Upon our request, Rena Edgley has expressed an interest in becoming a committee member. We will contact the Nominating Committee for the proper formalities. We thank Stephanie and the volunteers for their work on behalf of the children through Christian Education.



St. David's - Queenston UCW

Submitted by Alice Page, President

The United Church Women (UCW) meet at the church on the second Wednesday of every month, except in July and August, and in June when we go out for lunch and in December we have a pot-luck to which, last year, the congregation was invited.

This year in celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the UCW we held a service in June "Tapestry of Love." For this occasion, one of our members wrote a song: "United Church Women," which was approved by Hamilton Conference UCW and used by other groups.

As part of this celebration, nine women from the church, attended a drama and English tea in Niagara Falls. At the annual Niagara Presbyterial meeting, six of our Chartered members received a pin. Another part of the celebration is a special project to raise money for the Morogoro Women's Training Centre in Tanzania. So far the amount raised by all UCW (including us) is \$161,722.34 which will provide for eight fully funded maternal healthy care training.

Meat pies are made and sold on the last Friday of most months, which is a big project in which several women are very involved.

This year we donated \$5,000 to the General Fund, to cover the cost of insurance. Although insurance was less this year our donation remained \$5,000

We annually participate in "World Day of Prayer," held in a different church each year. Our annual Bazaar will be held on November 3rd.

It would be great to have more women joining us. We meet for tea and a snack at 1:30pm, begin our meeting at 2:00 and are usually finished by 3:00pm.

The Friendly Visitors Group

Submitted by Christine Lancaster

The Friendly Visitors Group consists of about nine to ten members of our church who visit either by phone or in person those who are unable to come out to church, are hospitalized or recently bereaved. The group meets only once a year and contact between the group is carried out on an informal basis at other times.

Communication between Rev. Paul James, the congregation and the visitors group is essential in order that required visits may be carried out. We ask all members to

help keep Rev. James informed of the needs of our church family. Additional to our Visitors Group members are encouraged to “keep track” of this segment of our congregation by making your own calls, visits or sending cards and letters. Many who are in this group would greatly appreciate it. Names, phone numbers and addresses of these folks are available from Christine or contact Darlene at the church office.

Session

Submitted by Alice Page
Clerk of Session

Session consists of eleven elders, who meet on a regular basis with Rev. Paul James. We are not a working committee but oversee the spiritual interests of the congregation.

Session has a Memorial Fund and a Benevolent Fund. The majority of money donated to the Memorial Fund in 2010, 2011, and early 2012, was given toward the cost of the elevator and chair lift. The Benevolent Fund has a small amount of money in it, which is available to anyone in need who would qualify. Funds collected from the sale of name tags were donated to the Mission and Service Fund.

Our Anniversary Service with Rev. Pritchard as our guest speaker and the luncheon which followed, was a great success. Our Lenten and Easter Services were well attended. Communion has been served three times so far this year and we approved one Baptism so far this year.

We held the Dedication of the renovations of the basement: Sunday School room, nursery and parlour - in memory of Leone Ostrosser: a long-time member of this congregation. We have welcomed many new members into our congregation this year. We are so pleased to have them.

In the spring, all United Churches were asked to study the “Word of Faith,” a booklet on the doctrine of the United Church. The intention was to broaden the Statement of Faith, by adding to the original doctrine from the Basis of Union in 1925. We were asked to discuss and vote on three issues:

- 1) a change in the Statement of Faith
- 2) a change in the New Creed
- 3) adding a “song of faith.

We did the study and our unanimous vote was not to approve #1. We did however approve #2 and #3. The Session’s discussion was then taken to the Official Board. The final result was that the majority of United Churches approved all 3 changes.

The next few months will be busy with the Christmas season approaching. We emphasize the FOOD DRIVES during Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas, but we do accept food donations all year. Project Share will pick full barrels from the Narthex.

Mission and Service

Submitted by Evelyn Stewart and Jill Dill

The M. & S. envelope offering at the end of September was \$10,646. This amount was \$2,559 above that of the same time last year. If we continue with our givings, we’ll be well over our goal of \$10,000, as we have been in the past few years. M. & S. outreach is a very important part of our church and our congregation is to be commended for its splendid response. “Toonie Sunday” collections have benefited

many worthwhile charitable organizations. (See detailed information update in one of the October church bulletins. Likewise, the "Penny Piggybank Project" information will be there also.) Please, let us know of any local charities that you hold dear and would like to have brought to the M. & S. committee's attention for our consideration.

It is our intention to bring you "Minutes for Missions" on a regular basis. Anyone wishing to join our M. & S. committee would be warmly encouraged to become members.

St. Davids-Queenston United Church Green Audit

Submitted by: Steve Hardaker

Greening Sacred Spaces is a practical program developed by *Faith & the Common Good* to assist faith communities in taking actions to create a more sustainable and energy efficient place of worship and to educate members of the community about ecological issues. It also provides an opportunity to save money, help save the planet, and engage in meaningful conversations about the spirituality of eco-sustainability. Under the program, the United Church of Canada would fund a Green Audit of our church in exchange for us committing a minimum of \$750.00 in retrofits recommended in the resulting audit report. As the St. Davids-Queenston United Church Board had already approved a number of infrastructure projects that have an eco-sustainability component this became a no-cost item for our church. This was a great opportunity for us to assess our day to day operations and whether there were ways to reduce our environmental footprint, improve our environmental sustainability and even lower our operating costs. The resulting 34-page Green Audit Report was detailed and extensive and is available upon request. Here is a recap of their executive summary and recommendations:

"St. Davids-Queenston United Church is a 6,300 sq. ft. space located in St. Davids, Ontario. The Church Sanctuary was built over the years of 1946-1955, followed by a large addition, called the Christian Education Hall in 1964. The addition has 1 level, which includes a gym and a kitchen, while the original structure has 2 levels with the Sanctuary, children and youth areas, washrooms and various meeting/gathering rooms in the basement. The exterior of the building is constructed primarily of cement and brick, while the interior is either cement block or dry wall.

Electricity, natural gas (NG) and water are the Church's three utilities. Combined, utility expenditures for the year 2011 were \$5,742.69 and for this period the Church's energy consumption contributed approximately 20.68 tonnes of carbon dioxide to the atmosphere and consumed 17.66 kWh per sq. ft. This is just below our calculated average of 19.34 kWh per sq. ft.

Overall, we feel that the Church is in good operating condition as a result of the care and foresight taken in the day to day operations of the building, yet still has an excellent opportunity to reduce electricity, NG and water consumption"

There were many good recommendations in the report. Some are very low cost while others will take planning and funding. I would like to invite anyone in the congregation with a like-minded desire to worship in an eco-sustainable facility and who believe that Earth is a sacred gift to form a **Green Team**. The Green Team would be responsible for breaking the Green Audit Report into manageable portions then bringing other recommendations to the Board for consideration. This is also a great way to get together for fellowship and good discussions on a subject you have a passion for. Please see Steve Hardaker if you have an interest in this.

Faith and Culture Classes 2012 - 2013

Submitted by Bob Johnston

This year the theme of the discussions is taken from Genesis 4: 10 "Am I my brother's keeper?" We will look at how we handle our relationships with others. The first book is. "The Widow's Tale" and is about the emotions involved in grieving. We have all lost someone, parents, siblings, spouses, children and friends. In fact if we are prepared to love, we must expect to lose at some point. We have all experienced these emotions but seldom talk about them. It is always easier to speak out in a small sympathetic group.

In the second book, we will look at the interaction between a chimpanzee and a boy, and how they are both affected. We will discuss the ethical treatment of animals and the ethics of the Academic Community.

The third book is a popular best seller, "The Help" which is also available in DVD for those who find reading onerous. It's theme is racism in the deep south of the United States and Linda will be attending to fill us in on the cultural mores of the period.

Even if you cannot read all the books please attend, as we often get into "*off the subject*" discussions and all opinions are valued. Remember there are no stupid questions.

The reading lists and dates are as follows

The Widows Tale by Mick Jackson	21 st October and 4 th November 2012
Half Brother by Kenneth Opal	18 th November and 2 nd December 2012
The Help by Kathryn Stockett	13 th January and 27 th January 2013
Sarah's Key by Tatiana D Rosney	10 th February and 24 th February 2013
Bedtime Story by Wiersema	10 th March and 24 th March 2013
Eddie's Bastard by William Kowalski	7 th April and 21 st April 2013

Classes will run in the ladies parlour every Sunday indicated from 9am - 10am. Please contact Bob if you wish to attend (*he will be out of the country until October 18*). Please contact the church office if you cannot reach Bob.

Finance Committee

Submitted by Darlene Romanowsky

Our Church has been able to complete many upgrades and improvements to its infrastructure while maintaining a stable financial statement thanks to a bequest from Leone Ostrosser, a lovely lady we all remember so well, our blessing with increased membership, the extra effort of our property committee, the hard work of our fundraising committee, the generosity of our UCW and our ever faithful congregation that whole heartily supports every project that is undertaken. Thank you all so very much!

St. Davids Queenston United Church		
YTD Operating Revenue and Expense Statement (Abridged)		
Jan.1- August 31, 2012		
OPERATING REVENUE:		
Accessibility Fund		
From Memorial Fund	1500.00	
Credit memo	0.02	
Envelope Givings	68,042.65	
GST,HST recovery	3,270.46	
Insurance Claim (roof repair and yard clean-up)	2,825.09	
Interest	640.86	
Fund Raisers	6,597.75	
Refund on Purchases	50.74	
Sale of Church Calendars	60.00	
Tax Refund from ADP	55.16	
UCW donation for insurance/etc.	5,000.00	
Weddings & Rentals	280.00	
Total Operating Revenue		\$88,322.73
OPERATING EXPENSES:		
Minister, Benefits, Expenses and Church Staff	63,304.91	
Church Operations, Administration and Supplies	13,159.73	
Christian Education	2,243.71	
Mission and Service	-	
Session	2,716.92	
Property	1,840.78	
Presbytery Dues	1,819.10	
Extension Council Loan Payment	3,125.12	
HST remaining from Insurance Claim	551.64	
Recoverable HST (Federal and Provincial)	5,287.60	
Total Operating Expenses		\$94,049.51
Year to Date Surplus/Deficit		-\$5,726.78
General Ledger Balance from 2011		\$22,758.58
Plus Operating Revenue		\$88,322.73
Total Operating Revenue		\$111,081.31
Less Operating Expenses		\$94,049.51
General Ledger Balance (August 31, 2012)		\$17,031.80

St. Davids Queenston United Church		
YTD Capital Revenue and Project Expense and Commitment Statement		
Jan.1- August 31, 2012		
BEQUEST REVENUE:		
Leone Ostrosser Estate Bequest	88,011.67	
Total Bequest Revenue		\$88,011.67
PROJECT EXPENSES:		
Basement Windows	2,051.57	
New CEH Furnace (June 2102)	5,145.03	
New CEH Water Heater (June 2012)	1,683.83	
Tar & Chip parking lot	12,472.80	
Sump Pump Sealing and New Hydromatic Sump Pumps	2,923.86	
CEH Rear Wall Waterproofing	3,636.50	
Renovation Costs over Ins. Coverage and Deductible	11,837.68	
Extension Council Loan Payment (in full)	34,912.74	
Total Project Expenses		\$74,664.01
APPROVED PROJECT COMMITMENTS:		
New Exterior Doors	7,500.00	
Stage Window Replacement	250.00	
		\$7,750.00
Total Project Expenses and Commitments		\$82,414.01
Year to Date Capital Surplus/Deficit		\$5,597.66
Bequest Revenue		\$88,011.67
Total Operating Revenue		\$88,011.67
Total Project Expenses and Commitments		\$82,414.01
Capital Reserve Balance (August 31, 2012)		\$5,597.66