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2024 Annual Report



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Letter from the Pastor



What an incredible first year we've had together as pastor and church! Jess and I can't begin to express our gratitude for you. From the moment we arrived, you have welcomed us with open arms, making us feel truly at home in this church family. This first year hasn't always been easy, but it has been such a blessing to walk this journey with you. You have shown me the beauty of doing life and faith in community—supporting one another through both sorrow and joy, through difficult seasons and times of great celebration. That's what it means to be the church: standing together, no matter what comes our way. This past

year, we said goodbye to many dear members of our church family: Deb Sinclair, Garth Shannon, Charlene Pollries, Mary Shostal, Harvey Zoerb, Frank Vangool, Fiona Hiscock, and Henry Boire. Writing down these names is a sobering reminder of the deep loss we have felt. And yet, even in our grief, we have held fast to the unshakable hope we have in Christ—the hope of resurrection, of reunion, of life made whole in Him.

We have also so much to celebrate. Motorcycle Sunday and VBS brought people together to hear about Jesus, and we've seen new faces join our community while deepening relationships with one another. My prayer is that even more good days are ahead—days of growth and lives transformed by God's love.

I often say that the title "Lead Pastor" is misleading—it should simply be *the* Pastor. I am beyond grateful to be your pastor. Thank you for a year of friendship, grace, learning, and shared faith. I can't wait to see what God has in store for us next.

With love and gratitude,

Pastor Austin Gagné

Ministry Highlights

Sunday Mornings

Each Sunday (minus 2 snow Sundays), we gathered for worship, teaching, and community. Special services included our Easter Sunday with a mini kids choir and our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, where we “tuned in” for a radio broadcast themed evening. These moments, along with our weekly services, were made possible by our incredible volunteer music teams, tech crews, coffee and snack volunteers, and more. Thank you for all you do to create a welcoming and worshipful space each week!

Avg. Attendance 53



Junior Church

This year has been an exciting season of growth for Junior Church—for both our kids and our ministry! We expanded our team from one to eleven and introduced a Grade School Class and a Preschool Class, creating spaces where kids can learn and grow in their faith. A huge thank you to our amazing team, and especially to Tina, who has championed this ministry over the past several years. The dedication of our team and the love they have for these kids will have a lasting impact. We’re excited to see how God continues to work in the lives of our young ones!

Avg. Attendance 13



Ministry Highlights

8th Motorcycle Sunday

This year marked our 8th Annual Motorcycle Sunday, and it was an incredible day of fellowship and fun! Pastor Herb Anderson delivered an inspiring message and Rev. Rick Martens led us in worship, setting the tone for a meaningful morning. After the service, we gathered for a delicious BBQ, where stories were shared over great food. The bounce castle was a hit—enjoyed by kids and pastors alike! Thank you to everyone who came, served, and made this event possible. We look forward to another great ride next year!

Total Attendance 117



VBS 2024

This summer, kids dove deep into God's love with our SCUBA VBS! Through exciting games, Exploration Station, and scripture memorization from the Gospel of John, they discovered the depths of God's love for them. A huge thank you to our station leaders, group leaders, and especially Kristi and Susanne for leading group time and songs! Your dedication made this week unforgettable for our kids as they explored and grew in God's love!

Can't wait for VBS 2025!

Total Attendance 43



Ministry Highlights

Men's Ministry

Our Men's Ministry continues to be a place of fellowship, faith, and service. We gathered for Men's Breakfasts, sharing good food and meaningful conversations. Our Fishing Trip at Tobin Lake was a highlight, with Marvin Zoerb winning the Fisher of Men award! Beyond fun and connection, we also came together for a service project, putting our faith into action. A huge thank you to Cam Fraser for all his hard work in organizing these events. Your dedication helps build a strong community of men growing together in Christ. We look forward to another great year ahead!



Women's Ministry

This year, our Women's Ministry thrived through connection, growth, and service. We gathered for our May Retreat at Thrive in Hepburn, focusing on the Fruit of the Spirit, and enjoyed fellowship at Monthly Brunch with Girlfriends. We had a Spring Bible Study, *Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World*, and enjoyed our annual Greenhouse tour. Our Coffee House and Bake Sale brought warmth and generosity to our community. A huge thank you to everyone who helped serve at the many funeral lunches this year—your kindness and service made a difference!



Ministry Highlights



Fall Bible Study

This fall, we gathered for a 8-week Bible study inspired by our fall teaching series, diving into the Practicing the Way Course. Together, we explored what it truly means to follow Jesus—to be with Him, become like Him, and do what He did. Through discussion, reflection, and practices, we deepened our understanding of discipleship in everyday life. Thank you to everyone who participated and contributed to this journey of spiritual growth.

We hope to create more spaces of growing in 2025.

35

Operation
Christmas Child
Shoeboxes Packed

6

Meals Shared

We became “Church”.

We completed the formal process of changing our registered charity name from “Chapel”. This change was important because a chapel traditionally refers to a building without a permanent pastor or congregation—something we clearly are not. Our new name now better reflects who we are. But this change wasn’t just about a new name—it marked a year of growth in relationships, opportunities to serve one another, and moments where we spurred each other on as a united community. We’re excited to continue living out this mission together in the years to come!

10

Funerals Services

713

Total plays of the
DCC Podcast

Be In Christ Church Of Canada Report To Local Congregation's 2025



***“We are a growing faith community - following Jesus,
sharing His message and extending His peace around the world.”***

Hello BIC friends across Canada!

We are so glad you and your church are part of our BIC family. We believe we are better together - joy is multiplied and challenges divided. As we work as a team we can do more than we ever could do alone. So thank you for leaning in. Here's a few notes from 2024...

- **Baptisms** - we saw many Baptisms across our churches celebrating new life in Christ;
- **Compassion** - our churches found many creative ways to bring blessing to their “place” - food banks, shelters, helping people who experience illness or job loss, contributing to MCC, funding water wells the list goes on and on;
- **Leadership Development** - we raise up and train people for ministry success through our Elevate and Pastoral Residency programs;
- **Supporting Pastors** - we provide coaching, LEAD days, seminars, consultation, mentoring, clusters and retreats to encourage our Pastors and help them grow;
- **Church Plants and Re-starts** - our longing is for each church to thrive and that we would invest in new churches and new forms of ministry. In 2024 we worked intentionally with 3 established churches and 4 church plants.
- **Meeting House** - with loss of insurance in June countless hours were spent moving staff and sites into a new structure under the Sandbanks Church. Ongoing work is being done with each church in becoming healthy and self-sustaining. Sale of the Oakville building is pending;
- **Camp Kahquah** - we completed a major renovation and had a very successful year of kids and family camps, retreats and training leaders. Sr. High and Jr. High retreats for students were a great success. Kahquah serves us all - memories are made and lives are changed;
- **Global Work** - we continued to support missions and supportive partnerships with other BIC National Churches. Short-term Teams are a key way to facilitate this as is our participation in both the International BIC Association and Mennonite World Conference;
- **Finding New Pastors** - With a number of Pastors retiring over the last couple of years we have worked in Pastoral Search with 6 congregations in 2024 to find and credential new Pastors. We are grateful to those who have served us well in Interim Pastoral work.
- **Advent Guide** - we produced our Christmas devotional “Who Did Jesus Come For?”. The guide has become an annual tradition for our churches;
- **Life support** - at the end of the day your local church is where you find your “people”. It is where you belong, where you do life, where you care and are cared for, where you find encouragement and spiritual growth. We hope you also found great joy in Jesus there.

In 2025 we will observe the 500th anniversary of anabaptism. This milestone reminds us that we have both a wonderful past and a promising future. We are glad you can be part of the story God continues to write through our church.

Grace and peace to each of you!

Charles E. Mashinter - Executive Director

2025 AGM Agenda

1. Call to Order

2. Adoption of Agenda

3. Adoption of Minutes

-Annual Meeting Minutes – March 10, 2024

4. Approval of Financial Report

- **Financial Statements for 2024**
- **2025 Budget**

5. Approval of Board and Deacons

6. Presentation of Annual Report

- **Highlights**

7. Commissioning of our Leadership Team

8. Adjournment

2024 AGM Minutes

-Following the Morning Service 12:05-12:30pm

Present: (Valerie has given a copy, to Austin, of the Membership list and the non-members that attended the meeting. He can use this for any followup). Total= 61. Members: (31) Nancy Bedry, Caroline Boire, Nikki Cameron, Krisi Done, Wes Done, Rudy Dyck, Valerie Dyck, Carlin Fehr, Laurali Fehr, Cam Fraser, Lorrie Fraser, Austin Gagne, Jess Gagne, Vivienne Hiscock, Jo Ann Howdle, Tim Lozinsky, Bob Muckalt, Rita Muckalt, Blair Orser, Tina Orser, Dale Shannon, Mary Shostal, Ruth Shostal, Tim Shostal, Jeannie Stewart, Norm Stonehouse, Sher Stonehouse, Cheryl Zoerb, Marvin Zoerb, Bekah Klassen, John Klassen.

Non-Members: (10)-adults; (20) children

MC: Carlin Fehr-opened in prayer

Agenda: See the Handout

1. Approve the Minutes for the March 12, 2023 Annual General Meeting

Tina approved the minutes. Laurali 2nd. Discussion. In favour-majority. Opposed-0. Carried.

2. Approve the 2024 Nominees

Rudy makes a motion to approve the Nominees listed. Norm 2nds.

Discussion: There are 3 positions open-

TBD. Anyone can bring names forward to the board. Must be a member to be on the

3. DCC Board. In favour-majority.

Opposed-0. Carried.

Approve the 2023 Financial Report and the 2024 Budget Report Bob makes a motion to approve the 2023 and 2024 Budget Report. Cam 2nds. Discussion. In favour-majority. Opposed-0. Carried.

4. Receive the Ministry reports as presented.

Norm makes a motion to receive the reports as given and read.

Rita 2nds. Discussion. In favour-majority. Opposed-0. Carried.

Close in prayer/adjournment: Carlin

Prayer for the Potluck to follow.

2024 Financial Overview



General Contributions

\$113,235.04

Total Revenue

\$138,568.19

Total Expenses

\$162,878.63

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-\$24,310.44

A huge thank you for your financial support of the ministries of Delisle Community Church. For 2024 giving, there were 48 Receipts for Income tax purposes issued. Of those receipts issued, 15 of them were to our regular contributors. The total general offering was \$113,235.04, which was an increase \$794.33 over the previous year.

The fixed costs for payroll and occupancy were \$8716.73 per month in 2024. Unfortunately, the income in the months of January, February, April, May, July and August was less than that amount. The average cost for all aspects of Delisle Community Church was \$14,073.17 per month. Although many of the ministry costs (ie. VBS, Motorcycle Sunday, Men's Fishing Trip, Women's retreat, BIC events in Ontario) occur only in specific months, our income exceeded that amount June, October and December. This meant that the church had to dip into reserves throughout the year to pay our bills.

We know that God is working in and around Delisle and using Delisle Community Church in accomplishing what He is doing. We appreciate your financial support of the church in our ministry in this area and seek your prayerful continued support in 2025.

-Norm Stonehouse
Treasurer

2024 Financial Statement and 2025 Proposed Budget

<u>Category</u>	2024 budget	2024 Actual	2025 Proposed
<u>Income</u>			
General Offering	148,500.00	113,235.04	125,000.00
Designated other	3,000.00	3,100.00	3,000.00
Catering & BBQ	4,500.00	5,533.89	5,500.00
Capital Fund	4,000.00	5,490.00	3,000.00
Church rentals	2,000.00	2,150.00	4,000.00
Generosity Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Men's ministry	4,500.00	3,040.00	4,500.00
Womens Ministry	4,000.00	4,394.00	4,500.00
Youth	1,000.00	500.00	0.00
Leadership Dev.	500.00	0.00	500.00
CSJ Grant	0.00	0.00	7,200.00
GST Rebate	950.00	1,078.16	950.00
Other Income	600.00	47.10	300.00
Total Income	173,550.00	138,568.19	158,450.00

EXPENSES

Ministries

Hospitality- Kitchen,Decorating,Food	2,000.00	1,335.46	1,500.00
Catering	500.00	2,881.95	500.00
Leadership Dev.	1,000.00	80.00	500.00
Library	100.00	79.61	100.00
Outreach events	2,000.00	1,561.54	1,600.00
VBS	1,800.00	2,013.57	2,000.00
Junior Church	1,000.00	423.30	600.00
Worship/Speakers	1,000.00	800.00	800.00
Licenses (CCLI, CCCC, Etc)	1,000.00	906.88	1,000.00
Drama	100.00	0.00	0.00

Awana	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bible Study	400.00	133.31	250.00
BIC Co-operative Ministries	14,850.00	11,930.00	12,500.00
Deacon's Fund	800.00	780.79	700.00
Men's ministry	4,500.00	3,310.00	4,500.00
Women's Ministry	4,500.00	4,083.86	4,500.00
Youth	1,500.00	0.00	0.00
Designated out	0.00	750.00	0.00
Misc Ministries	0.00	100.00	0.00
Total Ministries	37,050.00	31,170.27	31,050.00

Occupancy

Church Maintenance	2,000.00	1,040.17	1,200.00
Elevator	300.00	120.00	150.00
Building Insurance	3,600.00	3,824.64	4,000.00
Equipment	3,500.00	6,151.75	1,000.00
Ground Care	3,150.00	2,529.83	300.00
Janitor Supplies	500.00	398.28	500.00
Garbage Disposal	280.00	281.76	290.00
Bank Charges	400.00	260.20	300.00
Advertising	1,000.00	335.64	500.00
Computer Software	700.00	622.92	750.00
Office Supplies	500.00	614.15	550.00
Photocopier	300.00	170.79	200.00
WCB	300.00	100.00	100.00
Pastors Cell Phone	1,000.00	996.00	1,000.00
Telephone	2,000.00	1,953.44	2,000.00
Sask Power	4,200.00	4,430.19	4,500.00
Sask Energy	3,200.00	2,185.00	2,200.00

Water/Sewer	1,200.00	653.66	800.00
Lock/unlock fee	200.00	320.00	400.00
Capital Expenditures	7,000.00	6,270.89	3,000.00
Misc Occupancy	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Occupancy	35,330.00	33,259.31	23,740.00

Admin/Payroll

Janitor /Office admin Wages	17,376.00	17,376.70	13,038.00
CSJ Church Worker	0.00	0.00	8,250.00
Pastor Salary	65,845.68	62,578.02	62,603.00
Pension Plan	4,880.00	5,947.56	8,065.22
Health Benefits(CHurch Portion)	5,895.59	5,040.09	7,622.52
BIC Events	2,400.00	4,041.77	3,000.00
Professional Dev.	3,000.00	2,331.98	3,000.00
Pastoral Hosting	1,200.00	313.65	500.00
Reimb. Car Exp. Pastor	2,800.00	819.28	1,200.00
Sabatical Misc	1,000.00	0.00	0.00
Admin/Payroll	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Admin/Payroll	104,397.27	98,449.05	107,278.74

Total Expenses	176,777.27	162,878.63	162,068.74
		-24,310.44	-3,618.74

2025 Leadership Team

2025 Board Members

Lorrie Fraser

-One Term Remaining -ending 2025

Ruth Shostal

-One Term Remaining -ending 2025

Carlin Fehr

-Two Term Beginning -ending 2026

Jo Ann Howdle

-Two Term Beginning -ending 2026

Tina Orser

-Two Term Beginning -ending 2026

Pastor Austin Gagné

-Non-Voting Member

2025 Deacons

Lorrie and Cam Fraser

-One Term Remaining

Jo Ann Howdle

-One Term Remaining

Valerie and Rudy Dyck

-Two Term Beginning

Eyes on the Future

As we reflect on this past year and look forward to what's ahead, we invite you to partner with us in prayer in two important ways.

First, **please pray for our Leadership Team.** Pray that they would continually seek God's wisdom, direction, and guidance as they make decisions. Pray that they would lead with humility and discernment, not relying on their own understanding, but trusting fully in God's plans for our church.

Second, we encourage you to **prayerfully consider how you might use your unique gifts and talents to help us continue to grow as a church** that reflects the Kingdom here in the RM of Vanscoy. Whether through service, leadership, hospitality, or behind-the-scenes support, every contribution matters in building up this body of believers.

Thank you for being a vital part of our church family. Together, let's keep stepping forward in faith!

2025 Membership List

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| 1. Erik Anderson | 25. Vivienne Hiscock | 49. Cheryl Zoerb |
| 2. Herb Anderson | 26. Jo Ann Howdle | 50. Marvin Zoerb |
| 3. Ruth Anderson | 27. Brianna Janzen | |
| 4. Nancy Bedry | 28. Donna Johnson | |
| 5. Caroline Boire | 29. Gary Jurgens | |
| 6. Nikki Cameron | 30. Suanne Jurgens | |
| 7. Jeromy Domoslai | 31. Carrol King | |
| 8. Rachelle Domoslai | 32. Dave King | |
| 9. Kristi Done | 33. John Klassen | |
| 10. Wes Done | 34. Bekah Klassen | |
| 11. Wil Driedger | 35. Tim Lozinski | |
| 12. Rudy Dyck | 36. Sierra Mochar | |
| 13. Valerie Dyck | 37. Janet Norrie | |
| 14. Carlin Fehr | 38. Blair Orser | |
| 15. Laurali Fehr | 39. Tina Orser | |
| 16. Logan Fehr | 40. Dale Shannon | |
| 17. Robbyn Fisher | 41. Christine Shirley | |
| 18. Wayne Fisher | 42. Craig Shirley | |
| 19. Cam Fraser | 43. Ruth Shostal | |
| 20. Lorrie Fraser | 44. Tim Shostal | |
| 21. Austin Gagné | 45. Jeannie Stewart | |
| 22. Jessica Gagné | 46. Norm Stonehouse | |
| 23. Craig Gannon | 47. Sher Stonehouse | |
| 24. Randi Gibson | 48. Tammy Wisminity | |

February 19, 2025

