

Successful year recorded for Victoria United church, Maynard

MAYNARD — Reports for the year 1976 were heard and business conducted at the annual meeting of the congregation of Victoria United church, Maynard, on the evening of January 17 in the church parlor. Devotions were conducted by Rev. Dermott Arscott, of St. Paul's United church, Prescott, and Mervyn Peters, lay minister, chaired the meeting. Mrs. Edith Jenkins was named secretary for the evening.

The financial report was given by Mrs. Irene Conklin, church treasurer, and showed a financially successful year again. In addition to individual givings, money was raised through "In Memoriam" gifts, and large donations from the two U.C.W. groups. Heaviest expenditures were for heating, hydro, insurance and salary to organist. Givings to the Mission and Service fund were up slightly over last year a total of \$820.42.

MONEY RAISED

Mrs. Mildred Weir gave the report for the After Unit of U.C.W. These women had 10 meetings during the year, and were actively engaged in fund-raising to the extent of \$1,391.13.

Mrs. Marilyn Conklin reported the Evening Unit equally busy; their efforts netted \$1,581.40. Funds raised by these groups go to the general fund of the church in the main. Both had sent support to Rideau Hill Camp. The manse fund continues to grow, with Mrs. Finnie Fretwell in charge. Various expenses were paid, and a balance of \$3,746.49 remains. This amount is invested toward the time when the manse may again be occupied by a resident minister.

Mrs. Edith Jenkins gave the standing of the Sunday school. A Christian Education committee is now actively giving assistance and guidance to the workers there. Mrs. Dorothy Travis, chairman of the newly-reorganized Baby Band, showed the charts she has prepared, and told of her work with the smallest members of the congregation. She was highly commended for her interest in this valuable work.

The trustees have been unusually active this year, as reported by chairman John Robinson. The church steeple was struck by lightning during the summer, necessitating calling tenders for repairs. It was decided to accept that of DLC, and the work has been partially completed, but at present is at a standstill because of severe winter weather. One side of the building has been insulated, and asphalt shingles put on. The steeple has been built, and is ready to be put in place. The basement tile has been restored, and other minor repairs effected. Work will continue as soon as weather permits.

A building fund was set up with Mrs. Ruth Dudley as treasurer. A number of donations from interested friends near and far, supplemented by the insurance, a dinner at Spencerville fair

catered by parishioners, a bequest from the late Miss Suzie Palmer, all added to this fund. It is hoped to redecorate the interior as soon as the exterior work has been done, since there is considerable water damage. Thanks was expressed to Wilfred Weir who supervised the installation of two aluminum windows on the south end of the church, and personally paid for one of them. Ted Jenkins reported for the auditors that all accounts had been found in order.

SUCCESSFUL YEAR

The board of stewards report given by Egbert Fretwell showed a successful year. They had prepared and presented a plaque and gift to Mr. and Mrs. Dale Conlin, valued members of the church who had moved to Rideau Ferry area during the year. Mrs. Melba Boulerice, reporting for the sessions, said that five weddings, 11 funerals, four baptisms and nine new members by profession of faith, and one by transfer were on her books. Joint communion service with Bethel had been held at the Christmas eve gathering in Bethel church.

Results of the election of officers were as follows: Board of stewards, William Louwerse, Egbert Fretwell, Ruth Dudley, Edith Jenkins, Edward Byers, Brian Barton, Irene Conklin, Goldie Connell and Carl Polite. New members will be Dorothy Travis and Garnet Irving.

Trustee board: John Robinson, Grant McIntosh, Dwight Shannon, Leslie Dulmage, W. B. Weir, Frank Conklin, W. L. Durant, Carl Durant and Egbert Fretwell. A member from the former Domville church will be invited to join also.

Sessions board: W. L. Durant, honorary members; Melba Boulerice, Gordon Conklin, William Louwerse, Gary Mielke, John Robinson, Debbie Hammerli, Marilyn Conklin, M. E. Jenkins, Egbert Fretwell, Leslie

Dulmage, Corinne Murdock, Sharon Barton.

Auditors will be M. E. Jenkins and Earl Greer. The manse committee was re-elected, as was the church treasurer. Thanks was expressed to Irene Conklin for her efforts in keeping the financial records, and an honorarium was voted to her.

Organist Marie Cowan will be invited to continue her work with the choir, and her assistants are to be Beryl McIntosh and Sharon Barton. Edith Jenkins will continue as caretaker, and the stewards will meet with her to draw up a resume of duties required in this area.

Mrs. Jenkins will again represent Maynard at presbytery meetings, and the Missions and Service Committee named was Finnie Fretwell, Melba Boulerice and Thelma Coyea, along with the minister. Anniversary services will be held on Sunday, October 16. Mr. Peters was asked to contact a guest speaker for that occasion.

John Robinson was granted an honorarium to cover snowplowing done at the church during the past year.

Rev. Mr. Arscott announced changes in the salary and car allowance to be paid, and members will meet with Bethel to set the travel allowance. Mr. Peters was invited to remain on the charge for another year, to which he consented. The meeting concluded with benediction, and a social time enjoyed over lunch.

Annual congregational report of Victoria United church, Maynard

1974

MAYNARD — The annual meeting of the congregation of Victoria United church, Maynard, was held in the Sunday school hall on the evening of Monday, January 13, with a fair attendance. Rev. Dermott Arscott, of St. Paul's United, Prescott, opened the meeting with devotional reading and prayer.

Chairman for receiving reports was Mervyn Peters, lay minister on the Augusta circuit. Mrs. Edith Jenkins was named secretary for the meeting, and minutes of the 1973 annual were accepted as read.

Church treasurer, Mrs. Ruth Dudley, gave a detailed account of the finances for the year, and showed a good balance to begin 1975. She also gave an interim report on the Missions and Service Fund, with a total of \$977.75, while the target was \$1,100. It is hoped that this can be made up before the books close officially on January 31.

Reporting for the United Church Women, evening unit, Mrs. Marilyn Conklin, treasurer, said that this group had raised \$469, and after contributing to the General Fund and paying other expenses, had a working balance of \$37.10. The afternoon unit once again had a banner year, with \$1,307.37 raised, and a balance of \$61.56 reported by Mrs. Dudley.

Mrs. Jenkins gave the report from the Sunday school. After paying all expenses, and giving \$100 to the Missions and Service, the balance remained at \$402.09. Dale Conlin is superintendent of the organization. Their conducting of the service on December 15 proved most successful, and was thoroughly enjoyed by the congregation. He was aided in this by Ruth Robinson and Candy McIntosh.

Mrs. Melba Boulерice, clerk, gave the report of the Sessions, showing four marriages, 12 baptisms, five funerals and one committal. Communion service was held on four occasions. Again there was a loss in membership, with three new members joining by transfer, while five transferred to other churches. The stewards met three times. Egbert Fretwell said, and they conducted a canvass of members and adherents as well as putting on a successful barbecue. Dale Conlin and Carl Durant had audited the books of the treasurer, and found all in good order.

The Manse Committee statement was given by Mrs. Finnie Fretwell. Aluminum windows were installed on the manse, and other minor repairs attended to as required. The balance there is now \$2,771.07. The trustees, headed by John Robinson, had put two aluminum windows on the north end of the church, a gift from an interested friend of the congregation. The roof had been nailed down again, and was in satisfactory condition at present. Central treasurer, Mrs. Dudley, showed a balance of \$593.43 in that department.

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

There are some changes in members on various boards, with some no longer living here, and others retiring according to the plan drawn up some years ago. Mary Shannon, Joan Throop and Matt Jenkins were replaced

on the Sessions by Mrs. Marilyn Conklin, Mrs. Sharon Barton, Ted Jenkins and Leslie Dulmage. The Board of Stewards will now consist of Bill Louwerse, Egbert Fretwell, Mrs. Ted Jenkins, Mrs. Ruth Dudley, Mrs. Goldie Connell, James Conklin, Brian Barton, Edward Byers, Mrs. Irene Conklin, Carl Polite and Spencer Howard, Sr.

The Trustee Board was re-elected intact with John Robinson, Grant McIntosh, Dwight Shannon, William Durant, Leslie Dulmage, Wilfred Weir, Frank Conklin and Egbert Fretwell. The Manse Committee are Mrs. Hilda Conklin, Mrs. Finnie Fretwell, Bill Louwerse, Egbert Fretwell, and three members from Bethel to be named at their meeting.

Representative to Presbytery alternates between the two churches, and this year it is Bethel which will name the delegate. Mrs. Edith Jenkins will be alternate. Mrs. Ruth Dudley was unanimously returned to her office handling the finances, while Mrs. Marie Cowan will be organist and Mrs. Beryl McIntosh as assistant. Dale Conlin will continue as superintendent of the Sunday school, and Ruth Robinson as caretaker.

A committee was named to plan for the 50th anniversary of church union, which is to be marked on June 8, 1975. Plans were made for the regular annual anniversary of the church, and hoped for date is October 19.

All members will continue to receive the Observer, and it is hoped that many will again contribute the \$2 cost of same. Mr. Peters will get out the financial statements.

Courtesies were expressed by Mrs. Goldie Connell, who thanked Mr. Peters for his faithful work with the people, and Mrs. Dudley for her competence with the books. Mr. Peters was invited to remain on the charge, and consented to do so. Rev. Arscott presided briefly while details of salary and car allowance were worked out.

When all business had been accomplished, lunch was served, and a social hour followed.

CONGREGATION LIST, 1978-79

R. R. # 2

Mr. & Mrs. Carl Buker
Mr. & Mrs. Edward Byers
Mr. & Mrs. Alton Baynham
Mrs. Bob Boulerice
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Conklin
Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Conklin
Mr. & Mrs. James Conklin
Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Conklin
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Conklin
Mr. A. Ray Conkain
Mr. Leonard Conklin
Mr. & Mrs. William Coyea
Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Connell
Mr. & Mrs. Merrill Code
Mr. & Mrs. Dalton Servage
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Sherwood
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Walker
Mr. & Mrs. Lyall Wyatt
Mr. & Mrs. William Lowwerse
Mr. & Mrs. Bert Liscumb
Mr. & Mrs. Allan Lennox
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Farrell
Mr. & Mrs. Fred Lovegrove
Mr. & Mrs. Tom Lovegrove
Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth McNaught
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Macdonald
Mr. & Mrs. Grant McIntosh
Mr. & Mrs. John Nuttal
Mr. & Mrs. Mansell Hough
Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Hough
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Booth
Mr. & Mrs. William L. Durant
Mr. & Mrs. Carl Durant
Mr. & Mrs. Egbert Fretwell
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Fretwell
Mr. Percy Fretwell
Mrs. Erwin Fretwell & Clifford
Mr. & Mrs. Cecil Empey
Mr. & Mrs. John Hughes
Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Yeatman

Mr. & Mrs. Earl Greet
Mr. & Mrs. Sam Good
Mr. & Mrs. Dan Hammerli
Mr. Jack Harrison
Mr. & Mrs. Hugh Jones
Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Jenkins
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Stearns
Mr. & Mrs. Carl Robertson
Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Flood
Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Irish
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Worden
Mr. & Mrs. Dean Avery
Mr. & Mrs. Lyndon Cronk
Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Spicer
Mr. & Mrs. Harve Kelso
Mr. & Mrs. Lyle Levere
Mrs. Ernie Perrin
Mr. & Mrs. Rod Farber
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Conlin
Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Hough
Mr. & Mrs. John Robinson
Mr. & Mrs. Carl Polite
Mrs. Mildred Weir
Mr. & Mrs. Brian McLaughlin
Mr. & Mrs. Courtney Bolton
Mr. & Mrs. D. D. Harrison

***This list includes adherents, as well as members.

Congregation hears reports at Victoria Church meeting

1978 Annual

(Special) - The annual meeting of the congregation of Victoria United Church, Maynard, was held in the church parlours the evening of January 15, with Mr. Mervyn Peters, lay minister, acting as chairman. Reverend Dermot Arscott, St. Paul's United Church, Prescott, was present in his official capacity as Overseer of the Augusta Charge. He conducted a brief devotional period, reading from Matt. 7, verses 15-29, and leading in prayer. Mrs. Edith Jenkins was named secretary for the meeting, and minutes of the 1977 annual meeting were approved as read.

Lyndon Cronk, treasurer, gave a report of the financial situation. All expenses had been paid and a substantial balance was left to begin the new year. Givings to the Mission & Service Fund were up from the previous year, as were heating and lighting expenses. The sum of \$532 had been received from In Memoriam donations; this is a special fund for some future capital outlay. Mr. Cronk gave a detailed break-down of receipts and expenditures to inform the people in attendance. Mr. Peters read the report of the Building Fund in the absence of the treasurer, Mrs. Peters. Carpet had been purchased at Sheridan's for the church aisles. Eighteen aluminum windows were purchased, to complete the windows in the upper floor.

Reporting for the Sunday School, treasurer Corrinne Murdock showed a busy year there, and a balance on hand of \$332.16. Superintendent Irene Conklin thanked the many ladies who had helped in the Sunday School during the year, especially with the Hallowe'en and Christmas parties. Chairman of the Christian Education Committee, Lynda Mielke, said that they had held five meetings to plan curriculum and other activities. The executive hopes to have a social event at the close of the year, possibly a picnic or pool party for the children. Chairman Dorothy Travis of the Cradle Roll Department, which deals with children under four years of age, sends birthday cards and baptismal certificates, and enrolls children who become five years old in the Kindergarten Department. She thanked those who had helped her with the Christmas party, mentioning especially Mrs. Farber who had made costumes

for the children. Mr. Peters expressed appreciation for the times the S.S. Choir, led by Corrinne Murdock, had sung during church service.

The Afternoon Unit, UCW, had another good year, with seven meetings, and a balance of \$56.11 left in the treasury. They had earned their funds with bake sales, Anniversary Supper, penny bags, talent money, and a sale in the 1000 Islands Mall in the Fall. Mrs. E. Byers commended the members of this small group for their efforts on behalf of the church. The Evening Unit, likewise, had a very good year, and a balance carried over of \$112.99. The sale of cookbooks had been very successful, and the Dime Cards netted \$237.70 during the Easter season. The sale in the Mall brought in \$284. Of monies raised, the Afternoon Unit had given \$800 and the Evening Unit \$750 to the General Fund of the church. Both donated to the work at Rideau Hill Camp, the Missions & Service. The Evening group also donated to the Youth Work of the Presbytery.

John Robinson for the Trustees reported that storm windows had been put up, and part of the property fenced when the manse had been done. Report of the Sessions, prepared by secretary Melba Boulrice, was read by Mr. Peters. There were six marriages, 11 baptisms, six funerals, while 12 members were received through profession of faith and four by transfer during the year. Transferred to other parishes were three members, and two were removed by death. Communion was served four times, and also at the Christmas service, shared with the Bethel congregation. This church serves 130 households, with 259 members, 33 of them non-resident.

Egbert Fretwell reported for the Board of Stewards, their chief activities being the barbecue held in June, work with the caretaker, and a bee to clean up the grounds. Mrs. Finnie Fretwell told of maintenance work being done at the manse. This fund now stands at \$5681.85, with some bills for work just now being done not included. Repairs to the porch were done and concrete step placed there. The property had been fenced in conjunction with Alton Baynham. Insulation is being put in the attic, the bathroom is being up-dated, and painting is being done indoors. Mr. and Mrs. Don Francis, the new tenants,

were supplied the paint, and are doing the work themselves.

Mrs. E. Byers, secretary of the Nominating Committee, brought in a slate of officers for approval. Results of this election as follows: Trustees: John Robinson, Grant McIntosh, Dwight Shannon, William Durant, Leslie Dulmage, Egbert Fretwell, Carl Durant, George Robinson, Edward Murdock and Lyndon Cronk.

Session: Honorary - William Durant; Active - John Robinson, Bill Louwerse, Corrinne Murdock, Melba Boulrice, Garry Mielke, Gordon Conklin, Egbert Fretwell, Eddie Byers, Leslie Dulmage, Dwight Shannon, Ruth Robinson, Bram Couperus. Stewards: Bill Louwerse, Egbert Fretwell, Edith Jenkins, Ruth Peters, Goldie Connell, Eddie Byers, Irene Conklin, Carl Polite, Dorothy Travis, Ross Smith, Edward Robinson, Gerald Hough, Bram Couperus, Maude Durant, Thelma Coyea, and Lyle Levere. The representative to Presbytery will be Edith Jenkins, with alternate, Ruth Peters. Treasurer Lyndon Cronk was commended for his fine work, and returned to office, as was organist Marie Cowan, and her assistants, Beryl McIntosh and Thelma Coyea. The caretaker will be interviewed by the Board of Stewards. Auditors will be Earl Greer and Ted Jenkins.

Under new business, Mr. Peters announced that Church Membership classes will begin March 4. The Good Friday service, which alternates with Bethel, will be held at Victoria this year. Reports will be printed again, with Mr. Peters attending to this. Anniversary Service dates were discussed, and September 30 was settled as the date, and Mr. Peters was asked to contact speakers for the occasion. Honoraria were voted to the Robinson Farms for snowplowing the grounds and to Lyndon Cronk, treasurer. The Observer will be ordered as previously, a recommendation that came after much discussion.

Rev. Arscott congratulated the congregation on the healthy state of affairs, and the goodwill demonstrated in the meeting. Mr. Peters was invited to remain on the Charge for another year, and the salary scale was explained. Mr. Peters thanked Mr. Arscott for his guidance through the

past year, and the members of the congregation for their continuing work in maintaining the church in the community.

CONGREGATION LIST, 1978-79

In Prescott -

Mrs. Cora Scott
Miss Sharon Hinton
Mr. & Mrs. Ray Baker
Mr. & Mrs. Sam Cowan
Mr. Herb Newans
Mr. & Mrs. Theodore Travis
Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Alkerton
Mrs. Ola Polite
Mr. & Mrs. Tom Connell
Mrs. Mildred Place
Miss Louise Wilson
Mr. Harold Scott
Dr. Sterling Spicer
Mrs. Pansy Lane
Mr. & Mrs. Lorne Durant
Mr. David Durant
Mrs. Ezra Newans

Mr. Will Glasgow, Mrs. B. Throop
St. Lawrence Lodge

Mr. Robert Barton
Riverside Nursing Home

Mr. & Mrs. Kennedy,
Maitland

R. R. # 1 -

Mrs. Harold Scott
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Warren
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Vail
Mr. & Mrs. Roger Wing
Mr. & Mrs. Clarence King
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Louwerse
Mr. & Mrs. Gary Mielke
Mr. & Mrs. Norman Potter
Mr. & Mrs. Hugh Ferguson
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Knapp
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Coville
Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth McArthur
Mrs. Brenda Buchanan
Mrs. Herman Leizert

R. R. # 4

Mr. & Mrs. Milburn McCully
Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Moulton
Mr. & Mrs. Russell Moulton
Mr. & Mrs. Hubert Earle
Mr. & Mrs. Emery Stephenson
Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Throop
Mr. & Mrs. William Bailey & Earl Smith
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Coville
Mr. & Mrs. Ross Smith
Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Barton
Mr. & Mrs. Don Alkerton
Mr. & Mrs. Edward Hunter
Mr. & Mrs. George Skakum
Mrs. Thomas Stephenson
Mrs. Dorothy Barton
Mr. & Mrs. Willard Shannon
Mr. & Mrs. Dwight Shannon
Mr. & Mrs. Reginald Stephenson
Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Stephenson
Mrs. Kenneth Polite
Mrs. Arthur Dulmage
Mr. Keith Dulmage
Mr. Leslie Dulmage
Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Travis
Mr. & Mrs. Keith Boyd
Mr. & Mrs. David Cummings
Mr. & Mrs. Malcolm Coville
Mr. & Mrs. David Boyd
Mr. & Mrs. Ken Villeneuve
Mr. Graham Kroll
Mrs. Lester Bass