
Spirit on the Move

2011
September

South Burnaby United Church – 7591 Gray Avenue, Burnaby, B.C.. V5J 3Z4

Welcome Back

Exciting Possibilities !

You may be aware that representatives from all seven United churches in Burnaby (Cliff Ave., Deer Lake, Ellesmere, Korean, West Burnaby, Willingdon Heights, and SBUC) have been meeting informally since early in 2011 to share ideas on how we can cooperate to build & enhance ministries in our neighbourhood. Our ministry staff (Ian, before his retirement, and Barb), together with lay representatives Sharon Marble, Donna Dawson and Stephanie Archer, were the representatives from SBUC.

Several churches are working on projects or events together in their community. Because of our close proximity & longstanding friendships, we at SBUC met with West Burnaby in particular to look at ways we could work together locally. Here are the ideas that came out of a meeting this summer, attended by some members of the above committee, plus representatives from the Joint Search committee and the Road Ahead group:

- Plan a joint Bible Study
- Plan youth group activities together
- Plan 4F children's choir program co-operatively
- Ask for volunteers from WBUC to help at the Thrift Shop here at SBUC on Thursdays; and ask for volunteers from SBUC to help at the Community lunch at WBUC, every Tuesday.

- We could look at a late Christmas Eve service at WBUC & an early Christmas Eve family service here at SBUC, that all would be invited to.
- We could invite them to bring seniors & help at our Seniors Tea.
- They would be willing to have us join them & bring our members to their Wed. morning coffee klatch.

There are 2 suggested events that we might add to our calendar:



- ** They have invited us to join them for World Wide communion at WBUC on October 2nd.
(SBUC would not hold a service that day)
- ** We could invite them to Third Sunday, Sept. 18th, here at SBUC

These suggestions were presented on August 10th to the Official Board, who approved further discussion & are enthusiastic about taking the ideas to the Worship & CE committees & all of you ...our congregation. The Official Board asked that the Road Ahead committee keep the congregation informed.

We welcome your feedback & suggestions & look forward to some new ministries on the "Road Ahead". We feel that it is important for us to meet and get to know our West Burnaby neighbours, as we see if there are areas in which we might cooperate. Please speak to members of the Road Ahead Committee with any comments on these ideas and plans.

The Road Ahead Committee:

Nancy Baird, Gwen Morse, Andrew Burge,
Donna Dawson, Mark Kitching, Spencer
Peters, Marlene Rogerson, Ken Tunncliffe.



Notice of Appointment

After a thorough, albeit condensed, search for a term Supply Minister, the Search Committee, with the approval of the Official Board, is pleased to announce that Laurie Lamb has been offered and has accepted the position. Her term of appointment runs from September 01, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

Laurie has already been with South Burnaby for three years in both a student and a congregational role. She has had many opportunities to fill in for the ministry team and also to work alongside them.

She hails from Prince George where she studied social work and has a degree in computer information services. As a member of St. Andrews United Church she was involved in many facets of the church. She was a worship assistant, youth leader, worked in the soup kitchen, a member of the board, and an avid volunteer. Laurie has recently graduated with a degree in Christian Studies from the Vancouver School of Theology, and has finished a Clinical Pastoral Education program at St. Paul's Hospital. Starting in August 2012 she will be completing her studies through the Centre for Christian Studies in Winnipeg. This year is a pastoral care year which she has applied for credit for previous education and experience which frees her up for this position at South Burnaby United Church.

This is an exciting and challenging time for all of us at South Burnaby United Church. Laurie's caring and enthusiastic nature will fit right in.

South Burnaby United Church

**** Financial Update from Stewards **** Income Statement to July 31, 2011

| | Actual to July 31,2011 | Budget 58.33% | Variance |
|------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Receipts | | | |
| General Givings | \$ 86,650 | \$ 98,636 | \$ (11,986) |
| Towards Deficit | \$ 8,605 | \$ 8,649 | \$ (44) |
| Seniors Ministry | \$ 2,297 | \$ 2,042 | \$ 255 |
| Spec Donation | \$ 3,000 | \$ 3,500 | \$ (500) |
| Other Receipts | \$ 37 | \$ 1,468 | \$ (1,431) |
| Facility Rentals | \$ 38,151 | \$ 41,735 | \$ (3,584) |
| Fac.fr.AOTS/UCW | \$ 6,125 | \$ 6,708 | \$ (583) |
| Program. Receipts | \$ 1,334 | \$ 1,517 | \$ (183) |
| Fundraisers | \$ 451 | \$ 467 | \$ (16) |
| Total | \$ 146,650 | \$164,720 | -\$18,070 |
| Expenses | | | |
| Administration | \$ 14,506 | \$ 15,107 | \$ (601) |
| Facilities *** | \$ 38,000 | \$ 28,523 | \$ 9,477 |
| Program Expense | \$ 3,981 | \$ 4,579 | \$ (598) |
| Salaries & Benefits | \$ 122,890 | \$ 126,689 | \$ (3,799) |
| | | \$ - | \$ - |
| Total | \$ 179,377 | \$ 174,899 | \$4,478 |
| Profit (Loss) | \$ (32,727) | \$ (10,179) | \$ (22,548) |
| Outreach: | | | |
| M&S | \$ 16,168 | \$ 17,207 | \$ (1,039) |
| WDR | \$ 2,010 | \$ 1,458 | \$ 552 |
| Ist United Mission | \$ 1,531 | \$ 2,042 | \$ (511) |
| UCW Sandwich | \$ 855 | \$ 933 | \$ (78) |
| Lenten Lunch | \$ 2,108 | \$ 1,200 | \$ 908 |
| Benevolent Fund | \$ 1,002 | \$ 1,050 | \$ (48) |
| Burnaby Homeless | \$ 182 | \$ 292 | \$ (110) |
| SBUC Xmas Hamp | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Burn Xmas Bureau | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Refugee Fund | \$ 400 | \$ - | \$ 400 |
| Total | \$ 24,256 | \$ 24,182 | \$ 74 |

*** The facilities are overstated by \$3,586 for insurance and cost of carpet on stairs \$3,330

Note: the General Givings are below plan by \$11,986