

Ministry and Personnel (M & P) Committee Report 2024

Cochrane Street united Church

Over the past year, the MAP process evolved and a plan for securing dedicated ministerial services remains in progress. As such, this committee has not had responsibility of oversight of a minister this year. The work of arranging the supply ministers or lay persons for each Sunday has remained with the Worship committee. We extend a sincere thank-you to Paula Reynolds and this committee who have worked so diligently to ensure a leadership plan for worship each week. Thank-you as well to Rev Peggy Johnson, for being a consistent resource to our Council and our congregation; this official representation has been needed for meetings and sacraments. It has been wonderful having your support.

We extend a thank-you to Robyn MacMaster, our office administrator, for all her continued office work provided this year. The in-office presence is a much needed connection for the congregation. The work of the office also provides an important link between Cochrane Street Church community and First Light. To ensure Robyn has support, in the absence of our own minister, some Council members have been making weekly contact with the office. Thank-you Tim Reynolds and Sandy Stavo for volunteering for this important liaison work.

What a wonderful year of music and support Tristan Cleveland Thompson has delivered to our congregation over this past year. Congregation and choir members continue to express very positive feedback about his musical leadership and contribution to our weekly services. Thank-you Tristan. Thank-you also to our choir members and choral scholars for all the lovely music you have injected into our services; your participation is integral to our services each week.

John Williams continues to ensure we have an online presence for those who wish to join us online for our weekly services. Thank-you for making this outreach possible each week. We have all come to realize there are such advantages of ensuring access to worship through this medium. We look forward to another year of working together with John and his company Jackabon Media.

My thank-you to Cheryl Sullivan-Critch who has again this year provided thoughtful advice and counsel to the work of this committee. As many of you would know, I complete a lot of this work in the later hours of the day. Cheryl has been so amazingly accommodating to both short notice and later night meetings. Thank-you so much for working around my schedule.

To all members of the congregation please consider some volunteer opportunities with our church, however limited your available time may be. It all contributes to assisting the work we are accomplishing at Cochrane Street.

Sincerely,

Judy L Kay,

Chair, M and P