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Rev. Cindy's Reflections

2014 was a year of challenge and opportunity, celebration and loss.

We began our year with the **challenge** of amalgamating. It was a huge task and the Exploration Team, which eventually became the Implementation Team, did an outstanding job of dealing with the issues and leading the congregations. I extend a sincere thank you to the ET and IT members for your dedication and effort during a challenging time.

During the process of exploring amalgamation it was determined that there were areas in the church building in need of repair and others in need of a facelift. So this summer became an **opportunity** to do some major work on the building. We are hugely indebted to Linda Fujita who took on this monumental task. Her expertise, dedication, patience and determination to oversee this project was outstanding and we thank her so much!

We also took time to **celebrate** our faith journey from the past to the present. On Sunday, April 6th we celebrated the 60th Anniversary of Centennial-Japanese United Church. We went on to celebrate the individual ministries of CJUC and Oriole-York Mills United Church on September 21st. Through all the years, your care and devotion to God has been the foundation of your church life. Then on Sunday, September 28th we celebrated the formation of Bayview United Church in a moving and meaningful service.

As a congregation we also experienced the **loss** of several of our members. It is so difficult to say good bye to people who have been such a special part of our lives. We are grateful for their ministry among us and we will miss them dearly.

Other highlights of 2014 include:

- ❖ Our ongoing monthly ministry to the Donway and Momiji retirement homes. The seniors are so grateful for our coming. Many thanks to those who support this ministry with their time and refreshments.
- ❖ The women of our congregation who even after disbanding as United Church Women are still willing to coordinate the weekly refreshments following our worship service.
- ❖ The presentation and dedication of the worship antependia designed and made by Nel Ottevangers for the seasons after Epiphany and Pentecost, the season of Lent and Creation Time. Thank you Nel for enhancing our worship space with your creative work.

- ❖ The many special worship experiences: UCW Sunday, Black History, Prayer service in March, Good Friday, Easter, Picnic at Cronin Park, Memorial service, Remembrance Day, Advent season and Christmas Eve. Different worship experiences touch and inspire us in many different ways.

My thanks to Jean Javanshir for the office support she has given me over the past three years. I wish her well in her retirement. My thanks to Amy Kunihiro for her commitment to coordinating the weekly announcements. Thank you Amy for keeping me up-to-date. Thank you to Karen Quinton our gifted Music Director who inspires us with her music each week. I always enjoy our planning sessions.

It has been an honour and privilege for me to work with Henry Ichiyen these past eight years. I am so grateful for his practical wisdom and dedicated service in leading the Council for the past fifteen years. He successfully led the church through two amalgamations and two moves! Well done, good and faithful servant. Henry, I thank you for your support, guidance and care.

I am also very grateful for the leadership that Carol MacLean has exemplified this past year. Her calm, wise and caring spirit has enabled the smooth transition into Bayview United Church. We are blessed to have such a committed and capable Chair of Council.

As we begin 2015, we are still in a time of transition. My hope is that everyone is feeling at home at Bayview United Church. As we begin our new ministry together, this is an opportunity to create new visions and goals for BUC. Who we are and what we are about as a congregation will depend on the directions we set for our church. Our future ministry depends on the questions we ask and the answers we give.

The United Church of Canada has given us a process called Effective Leadership, which Carol MacLean explains more fully in her report. Over the next few months the Council will be led through a Ministry and Mission process to describe ourselves and our current priorities. Then as a congregation you will have an opportunity to set a few goals and action plans for the coming year.

It is an exciting time for Bayview United Church. I am grateful for the opportunity to be in ministry with you. Thank you for the support you gave me in 2014 and especially for the very gracious monetary gift in recognition of my contributions to the amalgamation process. I look forward to new adventures together in 2015.

“...the one thing I do, however, is to forget what is behind me and do my best to reach what is ahead. ¹⁴ So I run straight toward the goal in order to win the prize, which is God's call through Christ Jesus.” Philipians 3:13-14

May you all feel God's blessing in your life today and always!

Rev. Cindy

Centennial-Japanese United Church Minutes of the Annual Meeting on Sunday, February 23, 2014

Present: (61 in total)

C. Abe, J. Cermak, Rev. C. Cooper, L. Fujita, S. Fujita, R. Fukuzawa, D. Honda, L. Hirowatari, P. Idenouye, C. Ito, L. Clubine-Ito, M. Ito, Brian Kagawa, H. Kagawa, I. Kagawa, B. Kai, M. Kaneko, M. Kitagawa, M. Koga, W. Krebs, B. Kunihiro, A. Kunihiro, R. Kunihiro, W. Kunihiro, K. Matsugu, N. Matsugu, C. Masuda, A. Hanada-Nagahara, J. Nagahara, H. Nagata, J. Nagata, K. Nagata, T. Nakamichi, N. Nakaza, J. Nogami, E. Ogura, G. Omoto, K. Oiye, K. Quinton, K. Saito, J. Sakamoto, M. Sakamoto, R. Shikaze, K. Shikaze, P. Taira, B. Tanaka, S. Tanaka, J. Takahashi, N. Takasaki, C. Takasaki, P. Takasaki, T. Takasaki, H. Tamemoto, B. Tomihiro, J. Tsujimoto, T. Usami, E. Watanabe, S. Yamashita, E. Yoshioka, S. Yoshioka, N. Greene (Southwest Presbytery).

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

1. Welcome and Opening Prayer

Rev. Cindy introduced Norm Greene from Southwest Presbytery who was here to observe the voting on the amalgamation recommendation. She then opened the meeting with prayer.

2. Election of Chairperson and Recording Secretary

Rev. Cindy explained that we have to appoint a chairperson and a secretary for this meeting.

Moved by Michael Kitagawa and seconded by Chris Masuda to have Rev. Cindy to act as chairperson for this meeting. **Carried**

Moved by Chris Masuda and seconded by Linda Fujita to have Howie Kagawa act as recording secretary for this meeting. **Carried**

3. Granting Voting Privileges to Adherents

Moved by Kaz Shikaze and seconded by Janice Cermak to grant voting privileges to adherents in attendance at this meeting. The exception to this is that only members are allowed to vote on the amalgamation question. **Carried**

4. Approval of Agenda

Jun Nogami noted that there was a numbering error in the printed agenda. The second number 10 should be 11 and number 11 should be 12.

Moved by Chris Masuda and seconded by Linda Fujita to approve the Agenda with the above amendment. **Carried**

5. Approval of the Minutes of Last Year's Annual Meeting held February 24, 2013

The chairperson allowed several minutes for the congregation to review last year's minutes as published in the Annual Report on pages 3-6. **Moved** by Ted Nakamichi and seconded by Tosh Usami to approve the minutes as printed. **Carried**

Approval of the Minutes of the CJUC Congregational Meeting of March 24, 2013

Moved by Irene Kagawa and seconded by Kay Oiye to approve the minutes as printed.

Carried

6. Business Arising from Last Year's Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes of last year's meeting.

7. Reports

The following reports were printed in the Annual Report which had been distributed the previous Sunday. It was assumed that members had read the reports and would ask questions as each report was discussed. The reports would then be approved after they were all were presented.

a) Minister's Report

- Rev. Cindy indicated that she forgot to mention in her report that services are held once per month at the Momiji Centre with 20-30 people in attendance. She also thanked the Hospitality and Care Team for preparing the lunch at the June service. Rev. Cindy thanked Henry Ichiyen, Chair of the Church Council for his leadership. There were no questions.

b) Chair of Church Council's Report

- Henry Ichiyen was away on vacation.
- There were no questions with regard to Henry Ichiyen's report.

c) Board of Trustees Report

- Michael Kitagawa thanked everyone for their support. He explained that the Trustees oversee the Church's investments and they try to generate income for the church without assuming too much risk. There were no questions.

d) Ministry and Personnel Committee Report

- Michael Kitagawa, Chair of the M&P Committee, thanked Janice Cermak (Co-Chair) for her work during the past year.
- There were no additional questions regarding his report or the committee's activities.

e) Spiritual Formation Ministry Team Report

- Jun Nogami reported that there has been some interest from OYM in having Bible Study after the service. There were no questions on his printed report.

g) Worship Ministry Team Report

- Christine Abe thanked the congregation for their help during the Sunday services. She also thanked her Team members for planning interesting services.
- Ken Koyama was away for this meeting but Rev. Cindy mentioned that Japanese language services are held once a month in the afternoon after lunch with Rev. Aihara as minister. There were no questions regarding the Worship Ministry Team report.

h) Stewardship Ministry Team Report

- Kaz Shikaze presented the Stewardship Ministry Team report. He asked the congregation to consider using the Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) system for their weekly offering. It saves a lot of work for people who input donations into the computer.
- There was a question about Bequests to the church and how they are accounted for. Kaz indicated that they are kept in a separate account and are shown on page 19 of the Annual Report.
- Kaz also informed everyone that Harry Nagata has agreed to serve as independent reviewer for our church's books.

i) Hospitality and Care Ministry Team Report

- Jane Tsujimoto gave the report for the team which is still looking for a leader to replace Lorinne Chong.
- A total of \$405 was collected from the annual Community Christmas Card Project. The proceeds were sent to the Typhoon Haiyan Relief Fund.
- There were no questions regarding the Team Report.

j) Communications Ministry Team

- Brian Kai announced that there will be a celebration of our Church's 60th Anniversary at the April 6th Sunday Service.
- There were no additional questions.

k) Community and Global Partnership Team

- Irene Kagawa thanked the congregation for supporting all of our outreach projects and the M&S fund. She also thanked all of the Team members for their invaluable help,
- There were no questions.

l) United Church Women

- The U.C.W. report was given by Eiko Watanabe. She thanked Brian Kai for setting up the audio/visual equipment for their monthly meetings and Ted Nakamichi and the Men's Club for their help and support.

m) Men's Club

- Ted Nakamichi is looking for a new leader for the Men's Club.
- Ted thanked the U.C.W. for their assistance at Men's Club activities such as Welcome Back Sunday, Pancake Sunday and Mothers' Day lunch.

8. Approvals

Motion to Accept all Reports as Printed and Presented

- **Moved** by Christine Abe and seconded by Theresa Takasaki to accept all of the reports as printed. **Carried**

Motion to Approve the 2014 Budget

- **Moved** by Kaz Shikaze and seconded by Linda Fujita to accept the proposed 2014 Budget as printed on page 17 of the Annual Report. **Carried**

Motion to Approve the M&S Goal for 2013

- **Moved** by Irene Kagawa and seconded by Ruby Shikaze to set the Mission and Service Fund Goal for 2014 at \$21,500. **Carried**

9. Nominations

- Chris Masuda and Peggy Widgery have agreed to serve on the Stewardship Team.
- Moved by Kaz Shikaze and seconded by Irene Kagawa to accept the above nominations. **Carried**

10. Report and Motion from the Exploration Team about Amalgamation

- Mike Kitagawa presented a review of the work of the Amalgamation Exploration Team.
- Howie Kagawa asked about the Cedarhurst Residence next door. Mike and Linda Fujita replied that the property on which the Cedarhurst building sits belongs to OYM but is leased to Cedarhurst under a 40 year lease. Upon termination of the lease, the Cedarhurst building reverts to OYM.
- Joy Takahashi asked about our obligations to Lansing U.C. Mike answered that there are no formal arrangements to return to Lansing.
- Mike made the following motion: *that the Congregation of Centennial-Japanese United Church and Oriole-York Mills United Church agree to amalgamate on September 28, 2014 and ask for South West Presbytery's and Toronto Southeast Presbytery's approval.* The motion was seconded by Janice Cermak.
- Voting took place by secret ballot. The ballots were sealed in a box and the process was observed by Norm Greene of South West Presbytery. OYM will be voting one week later on March 2 at their Annual Meeting. The ballot boxes will be opened and the ballots counted on Sunday, March 9.

11. New Business

- Rev. Cindy brought up the subject of a new location for our annual picnic in June. We need a location where there is shelter/shade. Milliken Mills, Downsview Park and Thompson Park were suggested as possible sites. Rev. Cindy will get someone to investigate.

12. Date for Next Annual Meeting – February 22, 2015

Moved by Mickey Kaneko to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting ended with the singing of *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky* – VU#509.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Oriole-York Mills United Church Annual Congregational Meeting Sunday, March 2nd, 2014

1. Call to Order

Carol MacLean, Chair of Council, called the meeting to order at 12:40 p.m.

2. Minister's Opening Prayer

Rev. Cindy Cooper expressed her gratitude for this congregation and for opportunities for service together with CJUC.

Motion 1 - Appointment of Chair and Secretary for the Meeting

It was MOVED by Joan Bennett, seconded by Norm Emms that Carol MacLean be Chair of the meeting and that David Johnson be secretary.

CARRIED

Motion 2 - Voting Privileges

It was MOVED by Brenda Haddock, seconded by Beverley Read that for the purpose of this meeting voting privileges be extended to adherents in attendance at this meeting with one exception – that they are not allowed to vote on amalgamation, in accordance with the United Church manual.

CARRIED

Motion 3 - Agenda Approval

It was MOVED by Dianne Domelle, seconded by John Brooker that the agenda for the meeting be approved.

CARRIED

Motion 4 - Minutes of 51st Annual Meeting on March 3rd 2013

It was MOVED by Brenda Haddock, seconded by Dianne Domelle that the minutes of the 51st Annual Meeting of March 3rd 2013 be approved.

CARRIED

Motion 5 - Recommendation on Amalgamation

It was MOVED by Jack Bennett, seconded by Dianne Domelle that the congregation of Centennial Japanese United Church and Oriole-York Mills United Church agree to amalgamate on September 28th 2014 and ask for South West Presbytery and Toronto Southeast Presbytery's approval. Voting took place by secret ballot and votes were sealed in a box that will be opened and counted on Sunday, March 9th.

3. Minister's Remarks

Rev. Cindy remarked that it has been a joyous year for her in the bringing together of the two congregations.

4. Chair's Remarks

On behalf of all present, Carol MacLean thanked Rev. Cindy Cooper for her leadership in moving toward amalgamation. She also thanked the Exploratory Team for their hard

work and dedication. Carol was thanked in turn for her leadership.

Joan Bennett stated that as this March 2nd 2014 meeting has the possibility of being our last O-YM Annual Meeting she would like to have on record an expression of our thanks to some of our former Chairs for their contributions to our Church life. Many are in attendance today - Ron Bloor, Gerry Cooper, Norm Emms, Don Felker, Jack Junkin, David Johnson, David Pelton and Don Worth.

Dave Pelton went on to thank committees for their faithful and dedicated efforts.

Motion 6 - 2013 Financial Statements

On behalf of Bob Graham, Carol MacLean provided a review of the financial status.

It was MOVED by Joan Bennett, seconded by Peter Holloway that the financial report be approved.

CARRIED

Motion 7 - 2014 O-YM Budget

It was MOVED by Beverley Read, seconded by Dave Pelton that the 2014 O-YM Budget be approved.

CARRIED

Motion 8 - M&S Goal for 2014

It was MOVED by Betty Emms, seconded by Carol MacLean that the congregation set a goal of \$8,500.00 for M&S givings.

CARRIED

Motion 9 - 2013 Council Vote of Thanks

It was MOVED by Carol MacLean, seconded by Dianne Domelle that a motion of thanks be extended to the 2013 Council.

CARRIED

Motion 10 - 2014 O-YM Council

Remove duplicate listing of Joan Bennett as Roll Clerk.

It was MOVED by Brenda Haddock, seconded by Molly Pelton that the 2014 OYM Council be approved with the above change.

CARRIED

5. New Business

Dave Pelton raised the issue of "where do we go from here?" Jack Bennett replied that we may form a new 'Implementation Team' to replace the old 'Exploratory Team'. There are many things to be resolved - for example we need a new name. Eventually a new Council will be formed to carry out the many steps that will need to be undertaken.

Motion 11 - Committee Reports

It was MOVED by Dave Pelton, seconded by Ron Bloor that the committee reports be

accepted.
CARRIED

Motion 12 - Adjournment of Meeting

It was MOVED by Brenda Haddock to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Rev. Cindy Cooper closed the meeting with a prayer.

Oriole-York Mills United Church
Annual Congregational Meeting
Sunday, March 2nd, 2014

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| 1. Dave Johnson | 25. Terry Watt |
| 2. Carol MacLean | 26. Marie Cruise |
| 3. John Brooker | 27. Jack Junkin |
| 4. Robyn Clare | 28. Don Worth |
| 5. Betty Emms | 29. Elaine Turnbull |
| 6. Norman Emms | 30. Marion Felker |
| 7. Ron Bloor | 31. Don Felker |
| 8. Brenda Haddock | 32. Juanita Pfaff |
| 9. Elda Scott | 33. Howard Pfaff |
| 10. Debbie Sloan | 34. Joan Bennett |
| 11. Hazel Hayles | 35. Jack Bennett |
| 12. Peter Holloway | 36. Denise Fam |
| 13. Anne Holloway | 37. Elda Burnes |
| 14. Bob Robinson | 38. Andrew MacLean |
| 15. Kay Best | 39. Ann Smiley |
| 16. Dianne Domelle | 40. Ronald McIntyre |
| 17. Beverley Read | 41. Lynne Pulenzas |
| 18. Joan Jensen | 42. Ruth Graham |
| 19. Jean Reynolds | 43. Heather Hall |
| 20. Alex Hu | 44. Molly Pelton |
| 21. Sophia Hu | 45. David Pelton |
| 22. Barb Marshall | 46. Kathryn Bongard |
| 23. Lynn Watt | 47. Lorne MacLean |
| 24. John Cruise | 48. Rev. Cindy Cooper |

Oriole-York Mills United Church Congregational Meeting March 9th, 2014

1. Appointment of Chair And Secretary For This Meeting

Motion 1

It was MOVED by Dianne Domelle, seconded by Brenda Haddock that Rev. Cindy Cooper be elected Chair of the meeting and that Dave Johnson be elected secretary.
CARRIED

2. Results of Vote

Carol MacLean reported that in response to the question "I am in favour of amalgamating with CJUC" of the 48 O-YM members and adherents present who were entitled to vote, 42 unanimously voted yes. She recalled earlier discussions of September 2011 leading us to the formation of Exploratory Team and final agreement to sharing a joint ministry together. Norm Greene, representing Presbytery, stated that Presbytery has given their support and he asked for God's blessing on our joint ministry.

3. Motion to Destroy Ballots

Motion 2

It was MOVED by Brenda Haddock, seconded by Joan Bennett that the ballots be destroyed.
CARRIED

4. Motion to Disband Exploratory Team

Motion 3

It was MOVED by Dianne Domelle, seconded by Bev Read that the Exploratory Team be disbanded.
CARRIED

5. Motion to Establish an Implementation Team

Motion 4

It was MOVED by Dave Pelton, seconded by Don Worth that O-YM Council form an Implementation Team together with a similar team from CJUC to undertake all steps necessary to implement the amalgamation of O-YM and CJUC congregations.
CARRIED

6. Motion to Adjourn

Motion 5

It was MOVED by Brenda Haddock that the meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED

Chair:

Rev. Cindy Cooper

Secretary:

Dave Johnson

Centennial-Japanese United Church Congregational Meeting March 9, 2014 12:00 p.m.

1. Appointment of Chair and Secretary for this meeting.

Motion 1.

It was MOVED by Janice Cermak and seconded by Pat Idenouye, that Rev. Cindy Cooper be elected Chair of the meeting and that Eiko Watanabe be elected Secretary.
CARRIED

Rev. Cindy introduced Norm Greene who was representing South West Presbytery. Norm Greene supervised the vote counting and is present for this congregational meeting where we are announcing the results.

2. Results of Vote

Kaz Shikaze reported that in response to the question "*I am in favour of the motion that the congregations of Centennial-Japanese United Church and Oriole-York Mills United Church agree to amalgamate on September 28, 2014 and ask for South West Presbytery and Toronto Southeast Presbytery approval by marking YES or NO by secret ballot*",

the results for CJUC is: 47 YES and 8 NO – total 55.

Carol MacLean of O-YM recalled earlier discussions of September 2012 leading us to the formation of the Exploratory Team and final agreement to sharing a joint ministry together. Norm Greene, representing South West Presbytery, stated that Presbytery has given their support and he asked for God's blessing on our joint ministry.

3. Motion to Destroy Ballots

Motion 2

It was moved by Peter Watanabe and seconded by Peggy Widgery that the ballots be destroyed.
CARRIED

4. Motion to Disband Exploratory Team

Our chair gave thanks to the Exploration Team for all their work.

Motion 3

It was moved by Precious Watanabe and seconded by Linda Fujita that the Exploratory Team be disbanded.

CARRIED

5. Motion to Establish an Implementation Team

Motion 4

It was moved by Precious Watanabe and seconded by Kay Oiye that CJUC Council form an Implementation Team consisting of 4 people plus the Minister, with a similar team from O-YM to undertake all steps necessary to implement the amalgamation of O-YM and CJUC congregations.

CARRIED

6. Motion to Adjourn

Motion 5

It was moved by Janice Cermak that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting ended at 12:15 p.m.

CARRIED

Chair:

Rev. Cindy Cooper

Secretary:

Eiko Watanabe

Centennial-Japanese and Oriole-York Mills United Churches Minutes of Joint Congregational Meeting of Sunday, June 8, 2014 – 12:45 p.m.

Attendance: From OYM – Ron Bloor, Brenda Haddock, Elda Scott, John Brooker, Don Worth, Ruth Graham, Jack Bennett, Dave Johnson, Robyn Clare, Bob Robinson, Barb Marshall, Terry Watt, Lynn Watt, Bob Graham, Carol MacLean, Andrew MacLean, Marion Felker, Don Felker, Hazel Hayles, Elaine Turnbull. **From CJUC** – Brian Kai, Sado Kitagawa, Ben Kunihiro, Mickey Kaneko, L. Clubine-Ito, Miyo Ito, Hedy Arai, Jean Nagata, Wendy Krebs, Karen Quinton, Chris Masuda, Peggy Widgery, Aiko Murakami, Judy Maikawa, Ruby Shikaze, Kaz Shikaze, Tom Maikawa, Noby Matsugu, Ken Koyama, Harumi Tamemoto, Shizue Fujita, Y. Chiba, Shizuka Koyama, Akira Kobasigawa, Toyomasa Fuse, Lois Fuse, Eiko Yoshioka, Irene Kagawa, Ken Matsugu, Roy Fukuzawa, Jane Tsujimoto, Kate Nagata, Madeleine Sakamoto, Patricia Idenouye, Eileen Ogura, Louise Hirowatari, Dorothy Honda, Christine Abe, Kay Fujita, Linda Fujita, C. Ichiyen, Keiko Kobasigawa, Eiko Watanabe, Wendy Kunihiro, Howie Kagawa and Rev. Cindy Cooper (OYM and CJUC).

1. **Call to Order.** Henry Ichiyen called the meeting to order at 12:50 p.m.
2. **Opening Prayer.** Rev. Cindy gave the opening prayer.
3. **Appointment of Chair and Secretary for each Congregation**
 - For CJUC: Moved by Linda Fujita and seconded by Christine Abe to have Henry Ichiyen act as co-chairperson. Carried
 - For OYM: Moved by Robyn Clare and seconded by Ron Bloor to have Carol MacLean act as co-chairperson. Carried
 - For CJUC: Moved by Ruby Shikaze and seconded by Mickey to have Howie Kagawa act as secretary for CJUC. Carried
 - For OYM: Moved by Bob Robinson and seconded by Brenda Haddock to have Barbara Marshall act as secretary for OYM. Carried
4. **Update from Implementation Team**
 - Rev. Cindy reported on the work of the Implementation Team.
 - We are in the process of obtaining approval to amalgamate from both SE and SW Presbyteries and from Conference.
 - The IT has examined the finances of the 2 congregations.
 - The property has been reviewed and a schedule to renovate the building has been made.
 - A new governance structure has been created.
 - Other items that were tackled by the IT include a joint membership roll, a new sign on the front lawn and combining the websites.
 - All of the remaining CJUC items stored at Lansing United Church were brought to OYM. Rev. Cindy thanked the people, particularly Andrew MacLean, who sorted items and brought them to 2609 Bayview Ave.
5. **Motions by Each Congregation to Approve the following:**

a. Name of Congregation – Bayview United Church.

The name *Bayview United Church* was selected after an elimination process. OYM:

Moved by Don Worth and seconded by Elda Scott to adopt *Bayview United Church* as the new name of the amalgamated church. Carried

CJUC: **Moved by Irene Kagawa and seconded by Peggy Widgery to adopt *Bayview United Church* to as the new name of the amalgamated church.**

Carried

b. Location of Church – 2609 Bayview Avenue

For OYM: **Moved by Marion Felker and seconded by David Johnson to adopt 2609 Bayview Avenue as the address of the amalgamated church. Carried**

For CJUC: **Moved by Brian Kai and seconded by Tom Maikawa to adopt 2609 Bayview Avenue as the address of the amalgamated church. Carried**

c. Mission Statement. The new mission statement as recommended by the Amalgamation Implementation Team reads as follows: *As a diverse and inclusive Christian community, our mission is to empower individuals to connect with God and equip them to live their faith in just and compassionate ways that will help transform themselves, their neighbourhood and the world.*

For OYM: **Moved by Ron Bloor and seconded by John Brooker to approve this as our Mission Statement. Carried**

For CJUC: **Moved by Tom Maikawa and seconded by Wendy Krebs to approve this as our Mission Statement. Carried**

d. Constitution. Prior to the beginning of this congregational meeting, the document entitled *Bayview United Church Constitution (Draft No. 6) May 30, 2014* was handed out. Also, a 11/2 page document entitled *Changes to Constitution resulting from IT Meeting with Presbytery June 3, 2014* was distributed. Jack Bennett explained that what we are being asked to approve is the above noted Draft No. 6 but modified by the document entitled “Changes to Constitution resulting from IT Meeting with Presbytery June 3, 2014 and dated June 7, 2014”.

For OYM: **Moved by Jack Bennett and seconded by John Brooker to approve the new constitution with the changes as noted above. Carried**

For CJUC. : **Moved by Linda Fujita and seconded by Christine Abe to approve the new constitution with the changes as noted above. Carried**

e. Proposed List of Trustees, Council Members, Ministry Team/Committee

Members. A document entitled *Bayview United Church, Council and Ministry Teams effective September 28, 2014* was distributed prior to the beginning of this meeting.

For CJUC: **Moved by Peggy Widgery and seconded by Tom Maikawa to approve the slate of proposed Trustees, Council and Ministry Team members.**

Carried

For OYM: **Moved by Don Worth and seconded by Don Felker to approve the slate of proposed Trustees, Council and Ministry Team members. Carried**

It was noted that Marion Felker’s name was omitted from the list of members-at-large. As a result, it was **moved by Michael Kitagawa and seconded by Kaz Shikaze to add Marion’s name as a member-at-large. Carried**

6. Adjournment

Henry Ichiyen and Carol MacLean thanked the CJUC and OYM members respectively for their support during the amalgamation process.

For CJUC: Mickey Kaneko moved to adjourn.

For OYM: Brenda Haddock moved to adjourn

The time was 1:20 p.m.

Next Council Meeting: Sunday June 15, 2014

Minutes of the Bayview United Church Congregational Meeting October 5, 2014

The meeting was held immediately after the Church service in the sanctuary. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Robin Pilkey, representative from Southwest Presbytery, at approximately 12:20 p.m.

Purpose of this Meeting

The purpose of this meeting was to approve the call of Rev. Cindy Cooper to Bayview United Church and to vote on the terms of call.

Background to Today's Meeting

Centennial-Japanese United Church (CJUC) began worshipping at Oriole-York Mills United Church (OYM), 2609 Bayview Avenue during the summer of 2011 under a rental agreement. In the past 3+ years, Centennial-Japanese United Church and Oriole-York Mills United Church have worshipped together with Rev. Cindy Cooper as the minister. That is, we remained distinct and separate churches but we shared the same minister. During the past year, CJUC and OYM worked toward the amalgamation of the two Churches. This work culminated in the successful amalgamation of the two churches into the new Bayview United Church. The amalgamation service took place on Sunday September 28, 2014.

Ms. Pilkey requested Michael Kitagawa, Chair of the Ministry and Personnel Committee to read the motion.

Moved by Michael Kitagawa and seconded by Janice Cermak that Bayview United Church of South West Presbytery request the Toronto Conference Settlement and Pastoral Relations Committee to approve the call of Cindy Cooper as Ordained Minister to Bayview United Church beginning September 28, 2014 with the following terms:

The Motion was carried.

The meeting was adjourned by a motion made by Dianne Domelle.

From the Past Chair of Council

My 15 memorable years as Chair of Council for CJUC ended with our wonderful amalgamation with O-YM in September, 2014 to become Bayview United Church. Thanks so much to Rev. Cindy for her leadership, wisdom and guidance during the Exploration and Implementation processes. It was great working with the wise, devoted and strong Exploration Team (ET) and the Implementation Team (IT) of Dianne Domelle, Carol MacLean, Bob Graham and Jack Bennett of O-YM; and Linda Fujita, Kaz Shikaze and Mike Kitagawa of CJUC. I thank you for a job well done and the successful conclusion.

I have enjoyed the many years that Rev. Cindy and I have worked together and I thank her for her attention, understanding, judgment and hard work. Bayview United is so fortunate to have her.

My gratitude and appreciation to the former CJUC Council members for their good work, support, co-operation and devotion. It was a pleasure working with you all for our church and God. To Howie Kagawa, my thanks for being the recording secretary and doing such a good and accurate job and your devotion.

To the wonderful ladies of the former UCW, thank you so much for your dedicated service and hard work: helping with the various fund raising projects; and especially for their support to the Mission & Service Fund.

The Sunday School is so important for the children and youth of our church and so I thank the teachers for their devotion and hard work.

Thanks to Naomi, Theresa and the Takasaki family for organizing, leading and working hard on another successful bazaar. The donors of food, crafts, prizes and the many hard working volunteers also contributed to the great success of this bazaar. Thank you very much.

To you all, my dear friends of the former CJUC, your support, friendship, trust, co-operation and understanding are cherished and appreciated. Many thanks (domo arigato) and God bless.

I know you will give Carol MacLean, your Chair of Bayview United Church Council, the same co-operation, support and help that you gave me. She is a wonderful, smart, friendly and talented leader.

I am very pleased with the final result and you are all to be congratulated for your support, input and decision making. Remember that the past is history and you must look after the present and the future.

I leave you with this message: "Come work for the Lord, the work is hard, the hours are long and the pay is low. But the retirement benefits are out of this world."

Respectfully submitted, Henry Ichiyen

Report from Chair of Council

“Let the peace of God, to which also you are called in one body, rule in your hearts. And be thankful.” Colossians 3:15 (MEV)

This verse was part of the scripture reading during the moving and memorable amalgamation service on September 28, 2014. This service was the culmination of the exceptional number of hours volunteered by the many dedicated and gifted members of our congregation throughout the amalgamation process. I thank each of the founding members of Bayview United for your generous spirit of service and support throughout 2014.

The reports from the ministry teams and committees this year also record how we, as a congregation, continued to carry out our mission and vision this past year with commitment and dedication.

I am most grateful to the members of Council for your willingness to continue your outstanding leadership. Many agreed to lead teams and committees after years of service on the Councils at Centennial-Japanese and Oriole-York Mills. I encourage everyone in the congregation to take this opportunity to contribute your unique gifts and talents to the growth of our church through service on one of the ministry teams. In 2015 we will continue to grow and be intentional in the work of the church. At our January 2015 meeting Council agreed to adopt the Effective Leadership program of the United Church and to develop a Ministry and Mission Profile for our congregation. Effective Leadership was developed to replace the JNAC process previously used by congregations in recruiting ministry staff. While it objectively matches ministers and congregations that have similar objectives in their profile, it can also help congregations that already have an outstanding minister. Through this review we will develop concrete goals to focus the energy and resources of our congregation to carry out our mission and vision in the future. Together we will adopt an annual goal for the church year beginning in September.

To set our goal Council will be using questionnaires developed by the United Church and complete a review of each of the following topics – Leadership, Stewardship, Discipleship, Worship, Outreach, Ministry Partnership, Pastoral Care, and finally Belonging, Balance, Spiritual Practice. In May, Council will review and prioritize the goals identified for each topic and select one or two goals will be selected. The recommendation from that review will be presented at a congregational meeting in June and one or two goals will be selected.

My thanks to Cindy, both personally and on behalf of council, for generously giving of her time to listen, counsel, and guide us with wisdom and compassion. We wouldn't be who we are and where we are today without her outstanding leadership, guidance, and support.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol MacLean, Chair

Board of Trustees

Following amalgamation in September, the investment assets of Oriole-York Mills were added to the investment accounts of Centennial-Japanese, held by BMO Nesbitt Burns and professionally managed by Michael Currie, Vice-President and Senior Investment Advisor, under the direction and oversight of the Board of Trustees.

We made strategic purchases throughout the year, although we still have a significant cash component of our portfolio which we are still looking to deploy as good opportunities arise. We also continue to hold preferred shares for the dividend component to generate additional income.

The Trustees have also been kept apprised of issues related to the land and building by Linda Fujita, Chair of the Property and Administration Ministry Team.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Kitagawa, Chair, on behalf of Rev. Cindy Cooper, Brian Domelle, Linda Fujita, Ruth Graham, Henry Ichiyen, Brian Kai, Ken Koyama, Robert Kunihiro, Dave Pelton, Kaz Shikaze and Don Worth

Report of the Property and Administration Team

2014 was a very busy year at 2609 Bayview Avenue!

The Amalgamation/Implementation Team commissioned a property assessment report from S2S Environmental and, from this; a number of necessary repairs and upgrades were identified to be carried out in 2014. Upon amalgamation, the Property and Administration Team was formed with a mandate to upgrade and repair as much as possible.

In June, a new elevator was installed to replace the former platform lift. This project, managed by Toryan Homes and Savaria Elevator, means that we can now accommodate up to 8 people without an elevator monitor. We thank the elevator monitors for their past dedication in ensuring that people could get between the two floors. Now that the new elevator is in place, they can have a well-deserved rest before we find them something new to do! We also thank the very generous donors who helped make the elevator possible.

In July, the OYM Property Manager ended his contract and Complete Commercial Property Management was contracted in his place.

In August, the building was closed for 3 weeks to allow Woodbecker Construction and Historic Restoration to complete the renovations slated for 2014. Historic repaired the leaking chimney and the interior water damage so we no longer have water coming into the choir room and narthex when it rains. Woodbecker looked after re-enforcing the floor at the front of the sanctuary and installing railings, gutting and remodelling the 3 downstairs washrooms and installing the stained glass dome from CJUC's former location in the narthex ceiling. New tiles were installed on the west staircase and many other small repairs including re-painting most of the common areas. As well, two large fans were installed in the sanctuary ceiling which will help keep the sanctuary cool in summer and reduce heating costs in winter.

At the end of the year, Jean Javanshir, the church administrator, retired after 11 years of service and Jeffrey Dale was hired to replace her. Jeffrey comes to us with a strong United Church background and organizational skills. He is eager to take on more responsibility which will make the load lighter for many of our volunteers. We look forward to working with Jeffrey.

We are hoping to implement more improvements over the next year. We wish to thank the many people who assisted with clean-up and organization this year but special thanks go to Carol MacLean who did way more than her fair share – co-ordinating,

organizing, and researching, and even re-finishing the communion table in her “spare” time.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Fujita, Team Leader

On behalf of the Property and Administration Team:

Christine Abe, Jack Bennett, Alex Hu, Carol MacLean, Lorne MacLean, Dave Pelton

Ministry and Personnel Committee

The Ministry and Personnel Committee oversee relationships of the pastoral charge staff to each other and to people in the Congregation.

The Committee has been meeting monthly since amalgamation. While many of the activities of the Committee are considered confidential, we can report that generally speaking our activities have included reviews of compensation and contracts, meetings with personnel, reviewing our procedures and practices, creating and instituting policies and attending workshops.

The M&P Committee has a dual role: it is both supportive and consultative. As such, the Committee wishes to facilitate communication with and among members of the congregation and staff/personnel. We therefore encourage you to speak to any member of the Committee if you have any questions or comments.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Kitagawa, Chair, on behalf of Joan Bennett, Janice Cermak, John Cruise, Barbara Jackson, and Linda Sumiya

Worship Ministry Team

Members: Christine Abe, Ron Bloor, Dianne Domelle (Sanctuary Decoration Coordinator), Linda Fujita, Sophia Hu, Christine Ichiyen (Flower Coordinator), Brian Kai, Barb Marshall (Hospitality Coordinator), Carol MacLean, Linda Nagai-Sumiya (Scripture Reader Coordinator) and Rev. Cindy Cooper

The Worship Team meets monthly and works cooperatively to present a united worship program, coordinating music, scripture readers, speakers, ushers, greeters, communion servers, sanctuary decorations and flowers. If it happens in the sanctuary...we are responsible for it.

Throughout the first 8 months of 2014 the Worship Ministry Teams for both OYM and CJUC worked collaboratively in an effort to present engaging, enlightening and meaningful worship services to both congregations. With the amalgamation into Bayview United Church in September, our two Worship Teams officially became one but in reality amalgamation caused little impact as to how we operated, as we have for the past few years essentially functioned as a single cohesive unit.

Over the past few years it has been a wonderful experience to learn from each other about our individual congregation's traditions to create worship services that are in some way familiar and meaningful to both. It is from the traditions and history of both OYM and CJUC that we are creating a new pattern of traditions for Bayview United Church.

One of the traditions OYM/CJUC and now BUC, has been the presentation of special music and services throughout the year. In particular, during Advent, Lent and Easter music and themed services were presented in order to enhance worship. This past year our list of special services included Remembrance Day, Memorial Sunday, Outreach, Promotion Sunday and our traditional evening candlelight service on Christmas Eve, just to name a few. Of special note, this year the Worship Ministry Team spent tremendous effort in the preparation and presentation of the special services to commemorate the closing of OYM and CJUC, as well as the service to celebrate the amalgamation of the two congregations into Bayview United Church.

Thank you to all of the members of our congregation that assisted and participated in the planning, organization and presentation of worship services throughout the year. This thank you also extends to our choir members that each week enthusiastically sing and also to our members that share their talents as musicians and soloists. We are truly blessed with a congregation that is generous of their time and talents. When called upon, the BUC congregational family illustrates that they are a giving and gracious faith community. Thanks to all for assisting in creating worship services that are memorable and spiritually fulfilling. To all of these people - your assistance and continued commitment to worship was and is, greatly appreciated.

On behalf of the BUC Worship Ministry Team, I would like acknowledge and extend a special thank you to Karen Quinton, our music director, organist and pianist. Throughout this past year Karen oversaw the presentation of music to enrich and enhance our weekly worship experience, but also worked with soloists, guest performers, the choir, the Sunday School choir and John Liddle in the presentation of a concert to celebrate our amalgamation.

Thanks to Dianne Domelle and Christine Ichiyen for their continued efforts as coordinators of sanctuary decorations and sanctuary flowers respectively.

Of special note, I would like to acknowledge a new member to our Worship Ministry Team in 2014, Ron Bloor. Thank you Ron for joining our ranks. We would also like to thank Roy Fukuzawa as he retired at the end of 2014 from serving as a head usher. Thank you Roy for your dedication throughout the years. Lastly, we would like to thank and acknowledge the tireless work of a departing member of our team, Carol MacLean. We are eternally grateful to Carol for her years of assistance and dedication to the Worship Ministry Team.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Abe
Team Leader, Worship Ministry Team

As always, we are united in spirit, united in worship and united with God.

Spiritual Formation Ministry Report

This past year was a year of spiritual growth for both OYM and CJUC as we moved forward with the amalgamation project. Even as both congregations focused their energies on the mechanics of coming together, there were opportunities for enhancing our spiritual life together.

Our Sunday School programs, which were already integrated, now provide spiritual formation for the youngest members of the new congregation.

The Sunday School continues to be divided into three age groups. The average attendance was 9 students, (1 in nursery, 4 in school age, and 4 in the older group). The numbers are noticeably getting older from year to year. The youth class is now sometimes the largest class, and the nursery is often down to one student.

The nursery class continues to meet under the leadership of Christine Takasaki, with help from Theresa Takasaki, Brian Kagawa, Naomi Takasaki, and Carroll Sondermeyer.

The school-age class meets under the alternating leadership of Amy Hanada-Nagahara, Noby Matsugu, Ruth Graham, Jessica Yuan, and Jun Nogami. We continue to make use of the resources of the "One Room Sunday School" curriculum.

The youth class is lead by John Egger. The group explores questions of faith through lively discussions of biblical themes, events in the world, or whatever is on their minds.

Music Director Karen Quinton continues to work with the Sunday School children to prepare musical presentations to share with the congregation on special occasions. We thank her for all of her enthusiasm and support.

There were also other opportunities for deeper spiritual engagement. The congregational gathering on November 15 featured a concert with performances from our choir, as well as many members of our congregation. "One-hour Bible Study" sessions on Sunday afternoons led by Jun Nogami and Rev. Cindy invited deeper reflection on biblical passages.

Confirmation classes for both youth and adults were held during the course of the fall under the leadership of Rev. Cindy; four adult members and three members of our Youth Group were confirmed in January 2015.

All of us in Spiritual Formation would like to offer a sincere THANK YOU to all those are involved with the Sunday School, and also all those who participated in the congregational gatherings and Bible studies. A special thank you to Noby Matsugu who is stepping down from the Sunday School after many years of faithful service.

We look forward to another year of growing in faith, growing in caring for one another, and growing in awareness of the needs of this world which God loves so much.

Sincerely, John Egger, Amy Hanada-Nagahara, and Jun Nogami

Music at Bayview

Bayview United's music director, Karen Quinton, and the choir make fine contributions to our Sunday services each week. Karen, a sensitive and highly trained musician, provides beautiful piano and organ music for our regular services, and directs and accompanies choir members in anthems, solos and duets. John Liddle on trumpet adds a bright and beautiful accompaniment to hymns, as well as providing music at special services such as our Remembrance Day service. The choir rehearses each Thursday; in addition, each week Brenda Haddock and Karen provide recordings for choir members' home study. The result is a beautiful and meaningful contribution to Sunday services each week.

Besides the choir, other members and friends of the congregation have contributed to our services, among them Precious Watanabe, soloist; Lois Fuse, oboist; and Marianne Nagata, violinist.

Some highlights of 2014: In January the Children's Choir sang "One Small Child," rehearsed and directed by Jun Nogami and Midori Koga. On Easter Sunday, our service began with "Easter Fanfare" played by Paige Kunihiro, Kennedy Liddle, Cassandra Watanabe, and John Liddle, all on trumpet, followed by the choir singing "Rejoice, the Lord is King," and then John Liddle playing "Trumpet Fanfare." At the Father's Day service in June, the children sang two songs; they also sang one anthem with the adult choir. On September 28, the choir celebrated Amalgamation Sunday singing the joyful anthem, "With a Voice of Singing." In November, the congregation enjoyed an evening of music from members of the choir and the congregation. Organized and led by John Liddle and Karen Quinton, the performances were a delight, and sometimes a surprise—who knew that Jun played the cello, or Ron the guitar? Woven through the December 21 service were several beautiful Christmas pieces: three anthems by the choir and a duet by Lauren-Eve Lazar and Karen Davidson.

Many thanks to Karen Quinton, choir members, and all contributors who add beauty and meaning to our services with their gifts of music.

Respectfully submitted, Janice Cermak

BUC Japanese Language Service

A Japanese language service is scheduled for the first Sunday of each month in the main sanctuary at 1:00 pm. with Rev. Harold Aihara. The average attendance at each service was 13 - 14 members. The program for the service is the same as the former TJUC: starting with practicing Hymns, announcements etc.

Fellowship continued after the service downstairs. While ladies exchanged their baking style from Okinawa to Akita, the men ate. This is where we planned for the following month's service: to improve our faith and also to pray for each other.

This year we had to change dates to the 2nd Sunday of the month instead of the 1st Sunday on three occasions due to other activities in the church.

We cannot thank enough, Rev. and Mrs. Aihara for coming from Brechin ON to lead the services. We are also indebted to Ms. Ai Matsuzono, Mrs. Junko Yoshizawa and Mrs. Kayoko Okagaito for their service in music.

Ken Koyama

Stewardship Ministry Team

I have tried to come up with a definition of Christian Stewardship by searching the United Church website and others but could not find anything that totally satisfied me. Therefore, I created my own based on what I had found:

Christian stewardship is living a life of gratitude..... taking the time, every day to recognize the gifts that God has given to us, to be grateful for them and to return a portion of our gifts to God in the form of our time, our talent our treasure and our love.

2015 will be an interesting year since it will be our first as an amalgamated congregation... Even though it is early stage in the calendar year, I am confident that we will be able to balance our operating budget for the full year.

I would like to thank everyone for their generous stewardship in 2014; it was an encouraging year and gives me hope for the full year of 2015.

Once again I am going to explain PAR to you and urge you to sign up for PAR if this method of supporting your church makes sense to you:

PAR is a direct debit program that allows people to support their church through an automatic monthly withdrawal from their bank account. The United Church administers the program following the giver's wishes (e.g., a specified amount for local church expenses and another specified amount for the Mission and Service Fund). Once a month, all PAR givings will be debited from your bank account and then the total, less a service fee of \$0.50, will be electronically transferred to BUC's bank account. You can change the amount of your contribution at any time and you may also revoke your PAR authorization at any time.

If you make donations to Bayview United Church either by weekly envelope or as a periodic donation, please indicate on your envelope the total amount of the donation and how much should be designated to the Local Church and how much to the Mission and Service Fund or other areas as required. This helps to make the counting process easier for our counters. When you do not designate, we have to assume that you want your entire donation to go to the Local Church.

If you are making a donation to the church by cheque please make it payable to Bayview United Church.

I would like to express my thanks to the members of the Stewardship Ministry Team for their ongoing efforts in keeping our finances accurate, up to date and on an even keel.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kaz Shikaze

Community and Global Partnership Report

Our goal is to fulfill our Mission Statement. We urge individuals to connect with God and live their faith in just and compassionate ways by helping those at home and throughout the world.

During the year, members of our team read from "Minutes for Mission" to explain the work of M&S. We surpassed our total M&S goal of \$30,000 and raised \$30,262.60 through: weekly envelope donations (\$27,286); U.C.W. (\$2,000); and a stew lunch, bake sale, Japanese food items sale (\$976.60).

Our church is a member of **Don Valley Refugee Resettlers**. This year DVRR sponsored a family of five. Our major fundraising for DVRR is our Annual Golf Tournament where members and friends donate prizes and participate in this event. Proceeds from golf (\$1,165) and donations (\$540) plus an additional \$500 from the Mission and Vision Fund brought our total to \$2,205. We also supported their amaryllis and honey sales and also other charities.

Our church also supported additional outreach projects:

Lenten Givings. \$1812.80 which included matching funds from the Audrey Sasaki Fukuzawa (ASF) Fund was sent to the United Church of Canada to order items from the Gifts with Vision booklet.

Crisis in South Sudan. We donated a total of \$1,240 to the United Church of Canada (members donated \$240 and \$1,000 from the ASF fund). An additional \$30 was sent to UCC for **Typhoon Haiyan Relief**.

Lansing Food Bank. Proceeds of \$4,168.05 from World Food Day soup sales (\$430), cash donations (\$738.05), ASF fund (\$1,000), plus the Mission and Vision Fund (\$2,000) were donated to the Lansing food bank. Also, non-perishable food items collected during the year were given to the food bank.

Terry Fox. Sunday School children and their parents participated in the Terry Fox Run for Cancer Research and raised \$880.

Japanese Social Services. The JSS Holiday Drive raised \$390 in cash donations plus \$500 from the Mission and Vision Fund.

White Gift (Eva's Place). Our donations of socks, hats, gloves, scarves, warm clothing, gift cards and cash (\$460) were delivered to the youth at the emergency shelter. Throughout the year we collect toiletries, soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, etc. for Eva's Place.

The Leprosy Mission Canada. Used stamps are collected and delivered to this organization.

Momiji Heath Care Foundation. A \$2,000 donation was made from the Mission and Vision Fund.

Audrey Sasaki Fukuzawa Fund: A donation of \$1,000 to a single mother suffering from incurable cancer; Joyce Petrie (\$500) who helps with AA; and those affected by the Ardglen Fire in Brampton (\$500).

Respectfully submitted by Irene Kagawa

Members: Irene Kagawa, Mickey Kaneko, Grace Omoto, Kaz Shikaze, Diane Domelle and Joan Bennett

Hospitality and Pastoral Care Ministry Team Report

Events

March 23rd – A healing Prayer Service, a reflective and meditative service was held in the sanctuary where there was an opportunity for individual prayers and laying - on-hands.

March 30th – A Bible study with Rev. Cindy in the Library. She discussed some of the Bible passages in relation to the last week of Jesus' life

May 25th – Bible Study in the Sunday School room. Discussion on what the Holy Spirit is and how it relates to you.

June 26th – Momiji Luncheon with the residents was successful with 40 attendees. The H & C Ministry women provided the luncheon (fancy sandwiches with dessert). The residents enjoyed the singing of their favourite hymns with Karen Quinton and entertainment by Precious, Cassandra and Vanessa Watanabe.

August 23rd -- Retreat at Rev. Cindy's Home in Cheltenham to review the functions of the H & C Committee

October 26th – H&C meeting chaired by Lorinne Chong. Ruth Sumi took the minutes of the meeting. Members who have resigned from the committee are Jane Tsujimoto (recording secretary), Louise Nagano and Betty Tomihiro

November 14th – 80 people enjoyed the Congregational Gathering with Chinese/Thai food which was organized by Rev. Cindy and Linda Fujita. Karen Quinton and John Liddle collaborated an excellent concert with many talented performers. The evening was successful thanks to the organization of Jun Nogami (Spiritual Formation) and members the H & C committee.

List of Ongoing Functions of H & C Members

Pastoral care by Rev. Cindy and other members who visit shut-ins, Castlevue Wychwood Towers and Yee Hong. During the Christmas season, poinsettias and special gifts are delivered by members to shut-ins and those in geriatric facilities. .

BUC Prayer Group led by Noby Matsugu and Barb Marshall. This group offers confidential prayer support to anyone how is in need of God's healing love, support and compassion in their lives.

Sharing table coordinated by Judy Maikawa is held at regular intervals.

Prayer Shawls are made by Pat Idenouye, Noby Matsugu, Barb Marshall and Betty Tomihiro and delivered to shut-ins by Rev. Cindy and some members.

Respectfully submitted by **Ruth Sumi**, Secretary

Members: Marie Cruise, Norm Ems, Shizue Fujita, Pat Idenouye, Dave Johnson, Amy Kunihiro, Judy Maikawa, Barbara Marshall, Rev. Ken and Noby Matsugu, Madeline Sakamoto, Kaz and Ruby Shikaze, Harumi Tamemoto, Elaine Turnbull, Eiko Watanabe, Don Worth, Dee Dee Yatabe
Chair (vacant)

Communications Ministry Team

This team is responsible for communications issues within Bayview United Church. Communications are handled by internet, email, post office, bulletin board, Sunday bulletin, newspaper advertising, telephone tree, video/audio projection, and paper-based information.

- We deal with wireless microphones, computers, and smartphone for the minister using wireless technology, and audio conference calling.
- We are now researching new ways of communication (photo directory, electronic distribution of materials).
- We continue to use the video projector (including a new large projection screen) for use during the worship services and special events
- We continue to use the audio system purchased in 2012.
- We organize the distribution of the United Church Observer magazine.

Currently, we perform the following tasks:

- Church bulletin – announcements are organized and sent to the OYM secretary. The worship service outline is prepared by the minister.
- Church website www.bayviewunitedchurch.ca – is updated weekly with major revisions once a year. A redesigned site was launched on September 28, 2014, amalgamation Sunday.
- Church email info@bayviewunitedchurch.ca – is monitored daily with messages responded to and/or forwarded to the proper person.
- Newsletter – church news and information articles are gathered and edited in a small tabloid format. It is distributed by regular mail, email and also available on the church website.
- BUC directory – paper-based address/phone listing of BUC members and adherents. The directory also includes the members and friends of BUC in a separate section. Electronic file distribution is not yet available on the church website due to privacy concerns. Possible distribution of sensitive information may be available in the future.
- Observer – monthly magazine published by the United Church of Canada.
- Presentations – use of images, text, and video shown on a large screen in the chapel as an alternative to worship service bulletins.
- Audio recording – we record the audio portion of the worship service onto a CD for use by shut-in members upon request.

Members: Brian Kai (team leader, www.bayviewunitedchurch.ca website, video projection), Howard Kagawa (church council secretary), Theresa Takasaki (newsletter), Amy Kunihiro (bulletin announcements, administrative lists), Eiko Watanabe (bulletin announcements), Linda Fujita (BUC address directory), Patricia Kitagawa (Observer magazine), Don Worth (telephone tree) and Kathe Sanz (on maternity leave)

Annual Report 2014 UCW/Women's Fellowship Circle

On January 12th our first general meeting of the year was held with co-ordinators Tosh Usami, Kathi Saito & Kate Nagata, with our guest speaker, Elda Scott of OYM (a valued member of our choir) who shared her experiences with the Oxford Church Music Choirs, travelling to England, Vienna, Prague & Vienna.

The annual Daybreak was held on Feb. 13th at the Momiji Seniors Centre with 47 women attending. Speaker was Nancy Viola a psychotherapist and Reiki Master, who explained the benefits of mediation practices. Co-ordinators were Ruby Shikaze, Janice Cermak, Grace Omoto, Molly Morita & Rev. Cindy Cooper. We enjoyed a delicious lunch of salads, cold cuts & yummy desserts, prepared by our ladies. The next day our ladies participated in the Worship Service.

March 9th general meeting was co-ordinated by Pat Idenouye, Louise Nagano & Madeline Sakamoto with guest speaker, Peter Wakayama, who spoke about the journey of over 50 volunteers in the making of the JCCC cookbook, "Just Add Shoyu".

April 13th general meeting was co-ordinated by Kay Oiye & Grace Omoto. Jessie Ng, a registered Zumba specialist, demonstrated and we participated in Zumba, a combination of stretching exercises and dance with music.

On June 1st we had a special review and planning meeting, attended by 20 ladies, we had a vote by secret ballot to decide whether we should stay with South West Presbyterial UCW or disband. We voted to disband the UCW and explained to the SW Presbyterial UCW that we no longer are able to sustain our membership and impossible to attend their meetings, as most of them are in the west & north, mostly in Brampton. However, we voted to continue to meet as a group.

On June 6th we had our annual wind-up with 46 ladies in attendance, organized by Naomi Takasaki.

Our UCW group supported both the Momiji Bazaar on March 29th and the JCCC Bazaar on May 3rd. A special thanks to the ladies who participated.

Many thanks to our ladies for making sandwiches for the 60th Anniversary Service on April 6th and in the fall again the ladies came through with more sandwiches for the Memorial Service on Nov. 2nd as well as the Remembrance Day Service on Nov. 9th.

We also wish to acknowledge all who worked so hard (women, men & children) at the Food and Craft Bazaar held on October 18th and the Turkey Luncheon on December 7th, both a congregational effort. A special thanks to Theresa Takasaki for co-ordinating the Bazaar and Naomi Takasaki for organizing the Turkey Luncheon.

On November 11th we had a special general meeting, co-ordinated by Noby Matsugu, Joan Bennett & Amy Kunihiro to vote for a name of our new group and discuss new structure and purpose of our new group.

Donations for 2014

Mission & Service	\$2,000.00	Fred Victor Mission Society -	200.00
Emmanuel College	100.00	Momiji Health Care Society -	290.00
Japanese Social Services	200.00	JCCC	200.00
Massey Centre	100.00	Total	<u>\$3,090.00</u>

Thanks to our dedicated ladies who provide sandwiches, etc. Again we raised \$2,000. for the M&S Fund at our weekly coffee hour. Thank you to Louise Nagano, who cheerfully co-ordinated this huge task.

In memoriam we remember the following women: Toshiko Usami, Marion Felker, Kazue Endo, Katie Nishino and Yuki Tamaki. May we not forget the efforts of our UCW women of the past who contributed to our UCW.

This was a year of transition with mixed emotions as we officially disbanded our congregation`s UCW. After 52 years of witness, study, prayer, fellowship, and service we bid farewell at the Sunday, January 11, 2015 service. We are grateful for the dedicated service the UCW has graced us with over the years. We are also indebted to Rev. Cindy Cooper for her guidance and support.

At the special Worship Service To Give Thanks for and Closure to the UCW, Christine Ichiyen eloquently gave us `The Highlights of the UCW over the years` and Jane Tsujimoto spoke of the difference the UCW made to her. Thank you to Joy Takahashi for the beautiful red rose that was presented to each of the women in attendance, in appreciation of the dedicated work of the CJUC Women.

We have formed a new group, called "Women`s Fellowship Circle" and will continue on a smaller scale. The purpose of our new group is to have fun, fellowship and build community among the participants; to provide refreshments for the congregation after Sunday worship services, thus raising money for Mission & Service; and to do some outreach by providing support to the Momiji & JCCC Bazaars, etc. The structure of the new group will be more informal. We will continue with fewer general meetings, the Daybreak in February at Momiji and the Windup gathering in June. The weekly coffee service will continue and since September we have initiated a new system of charging a nominal fee of \$2.00 per person for coffee, tea and raisin/cheese bread &/or sandwiches with fruit and cookies. A budget meeting was held and Louise Hirowatari, our Treasurer will confer with our Council Treasurer to discuss the logistics of finances.

Respectfully submitted by,
 Tina Ichiyen & Eiko Watanabe Past Co-Presidents
 & Louise Hirowatari, Treasurer & Eiko Watanabe,
 Recording Secretary.

Men's Club 2014

Executive: President: Ted Nakamichi
 Visitation: Mickey Kaneko (East) & Kaz Shikaze (West)
 Special Projects Kaz Shikaze (Annual Golf)
 Mickey Kaneko (Annual Picnic & Terry Fox)

I wish to thank everybody for supporting all the events in 2014. This year has been exceptional as the church amalgamation proceeded to take place while the building and property were being improved under the supervision of experienced people in our congregation such as Cindy Cooper, Carol MacLean, Linda Fujita, Henry Ichiyen, Kaz Shikaze, Brian Kai, etc.
Everything was practically finished by Sept. 28 when we became the Bayview United Church

March 9th - Men's Club Annual Pancake Luncheon. We served 95 adults and 11 children with Naomi Takasaki's pancake mix. Helping the Takasaki family flipping pancakes were Ken Matsugu, Harry Nagata and Ken Koyama. The servers were Don Worth, Ted Nakamichi and Yutaka Chiba. The sausages were grilled by Tom Maikawa. The washers were Ken and Shizuka Koyama, Ken Matsugu and Christine Takasaki. (Who also donated and cut the butter into pads.) Syrup was donated by Brian Kai. Coffee and tea- Louise Nagano.

March 9th - UCW meeting with guest speaker - Peter Wakayama

June 7th - Annual CJUC Golf Tournament was held at the Whispering Ridge course at Lakeridge G.C. by Kaz Shikaze, Kevin Nakawatase and Robert Kunihiro. Proceeds donated to refugee sponsorship of family from Eritrea.

June 22nd – Annual Picnic was held at Cronin Park. Prizes were purchased by Mickey Kaneko and Christine Takasaki (\$100).

Sept. 28th - Amalgamation.

Oct 18th Saturday – Bazaar Day - Bayview (CJUC & OYM) Men (look after hot water)

Dec. 7th – Turkey Luncheon by ladies. - Clean up and wash utensils – Men's Club.

Respectfully submitted by Ted Nakamichi

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