

# **ANNUAL REPORTS FOR 2008**



**ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

**533 BINGHAM AVENUE**

**SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN**

**DIOCESE OF NORTHERN MICHIGAN**

**ANNUAL MEETING, SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2009**

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**ANNUAL MEETING  
ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

**JANUARY 21, 2009**

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order
2. Prayer
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes of 2008 Annual Meeting – January 20, 2008
5. 2008 Treasurer's Report
6. Vestry Election
  - a. Report of Nominating Committee
  - b. Other Nominations
7. Rector's Report
8. Senior Warden's Report
9. Junior Warden's Report
10. Organizational Reports by Title and Questions if Necessary
11. 2009 Budget Presentation
12. Report on Elections
13. Other Business
14. Closing Prayer
15. Adjourn

## ST. JAMES' RENEWAL PRAYER

Please pray daily.

We pray that God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give us a spirit of wisdom and revelation as we come to know Him, so that, with the eyes of our hearts enlightened, we may know what is the hope to which God has called us. Amen. Ephesians 1:17-18a

## DIOCESE DISCERNMENT PRAYER

Please pray daily

God of vision and imagination you know us better than we know ourselves: grant to the members of our Episcopal ministry discernment team an awareness of your presence. Guide their discerning. Ground them in prayer. Give them courage, wisdom, listening hearts, creativity, and a willingness to risk. We ask this in the name of your Son. Amen.

### PRESENT VESTRY

2009  
Fran McCall  
Sharon Sabatine  
Steve Stiling

2010  
Linda Bourque  
Ruth Neveu

2011  
Dawn Aldrich  
Christie Larke  
Larry Rice

Treasurer - Ed Gillhooley 2007-2010

### FROM THE PARISH REGISTER FOR 2008

#### Services

Sunday	-	Holy Eucharist	-	104
	-	Lay Eucharistic Ministry	-	0
	-	Daily Offices	-	<u>0</u>
		TOTAL		104
Weekday	-	Holy Eucharist	-	86
	-	Social (Weddings, Funerals)	-	6
	-	Private	-	41
	-	Daily Offices	-	<u>0</u>
		TOTAL		133
Attendance at all Services	-		-	2,380
Communion made in 2008	-		-	2,091

VESTRY MEMBERS PRESENT: Mmes. Aldrich, Bourque, Brown, McCall, Neveu, Sabatine, Wooley; Messrs. Gillhooley, Rice, Stiling; ABSENT: NONE.

Fulfilling Canon Law, attendance was taken. 30 people were present.

1. Sr. Warden, Lee Brown called the meeting to order.
2. Lee Brown opened with a prayer.
3. Agenda Approval: **Bob Aldrich made a motion to approve the agenda as printed. Diane Horst seconded. Motion carried.**
4. Approval of 2007 Annual Parish meeting minutes January 21, 2007: **Diane Horst moved to approve the annual meeting minutes of January 21, 2007. Supported by Dawn Aldrich. Motion carried unanimously.**
5. Treasurer's Report & Budget Presentation: Ed Gillhooley presented the 2007 treasurer's report. The income was \$103,155 and the expenses were \$99,039. Ed pointed out \$15,000 came from Endowment Funds plus the Endowment income was \$15,611. Ed also stated that the \$60,000 taken for tuck pointing two years ago has never been replaced. **Darien Neveu made a motion to accept the 2007 Treasurer's Report. Dawn Aldrich seconded. Motion carried.** The treasurer's report was placed on file. **Jean Austin made a motion to have an audit done and completed by June 1, 2008 according to the Diocesan guidelines. Dawn Aldrich seconded. Motion carried.**
6. Vestry Election: Lee Brown reminded the congregation Dawn Aldrich and Larry Rice were eligible for a three-year term. Christie Larke has also agreed to serve on the vestry. **Darien Neveu moved to close the nominations and have Dawn Aldrich, Christie Larke and Larry Rice on the ballot. Dorothy Dansdill supported. Motion carried. Diane Horst made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot. Bob Aldrich seconded. Motion carried.**
7. Sr. Warden's Report: Lee Brown reviewed her report. Susan Harries thanked Lee on behalf of the congregation.
8. Jr. Warden's Report: Larry Rice thanked congregation for voting him in. Larry stated the fire alarm has not been working properly and he is looking into getting this solved.
9. Organizational Reports: The organizational reports were presented. Claude Caldwell stated the Endowment fund is down \$5,600 in investments. Susan Harries stated the number for baptisms in the Mutual Ministry report was in correct. Pam stated the register book needs to be reviewed and corrected. Not everything was entered properly. Susan is also asking for more help in the Ch-Ed area. Jean Austin reported on the ECW reports..
10. Ed Gillhooley presented the 2008 budget. After a brief discussion, **Darien Neveu moved to accept the 2008 Budget as presented. Dawn Aldrich seconded. Motion carried.**
11. NONE.
12. Other Business: Anita Wingert had a lengthy discussion of what will be happening in the coming months with the Eastern Region and the Bishop Discernment. Handouts were given to the congregation and she will have another meeting on February 3 after the 10am service. All are encouraged to attend. Lee Brown asked that anyone interested in serving on the discernment committee for the Eastern Region to submit their names. The diocese is to cover the travel expenses. There will be a discernment meeting on February 1, 2008.
13. **Jean Austin made a motion to adjourn. Dawn Aldrich seconded. Motion carried.** 12:46pm
14. There being no further business, the meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Briglio  
Clerk of the Vestry

## SENIOR WARDEN'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2008

This has been a very busy year for me. After being elected to be a representative to the Discernment Committee my year went off on a flying pace.

The hardest part of this year was saying goodbye to our dear friend Anita. We did send her off in grand style. The whole Eastern Region had representatives there to celebrate her time with us and wish her Gods Speed in her future. Shortly before the farewell gathering, we were informed that we would have two part time missionaries and that they wanted to meet with the Vestry and the Team to see where we would go from here. We met and it was decided that Kevin Thew Forrester and Rayford Ray would be coming over about twice a month to give us whatever help we needed. This continued for a few months and now we have Kevin about twice a month. He has been coming mostly to the Team Meetings and has preached once or twice at the ten o'clock service. This will most likely continue until the new Bishop/Missioner Developer is in place. At this time it has not been voted on, also it has not been determined where this person will be living. I can tell you that the other missionaries are saying that someone must live over in the Eastern Region. This could take some figuring out. It all depends on who is chosen for the new position. So many new and exciting things are happening and shortly will all be decided and we can move on to bigger and better things.

St James has hosted Pathways again this year and the people in charge decided to change the time to seven o'clock in the evening. It turned out to be a great success. They had the largest crowds ever.

Singers United continue to rehearse at St. James and had their Christmas Concert here this past December. There were over 200 people in attendance. We enjoyed singing to the group and from the feedback we got, I think everyone enjoyed the concert.

We had training for new members for Ushers, Alter Guild, Lectors, Flower Arrangers. We did get some new members at that time, however, these groups will accept members at any time.

We hosted a tour of the church for some students from Bahweting Elementary School. They were interested in the architecture of the church and its history. The students enjoyed this tour very much.

I especially want to thank the outgoing members of the Vestry. Sharon Sabatine, Fran McCall and Steve Stiling have served faithfully as members of your vestry for the past three years. Steve has been our treasure for several years and I want to extend our appreciation for his services both as treasure and vestry member. I would also like to thank Shelly Wooley for her years of service as a member of the Vestry. With such wonderful people who have made commitments to the running of St. James and all who have volunteered to help when needed, my job has been very rewarding. With my appreciation and thanks, I wish us all a promising future.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dawn Aldrich, Sr. Warden

## JUNIOR WARDEN'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2008

With the year ending of 2008 as your Junior Warden, It is safe to say that it has been very busy and interesting year and a lot was accomplished. I have enjoyed serving the congregation as your Jr. Warden this past year and would like to thank Pam our Office Administrator, Bud and Dennis our Sextons, Bob our Organist, Dawn our Senior Warden, Ed who would always be of help when needed, and the members of the Vestry, and Mutual Ministries Team members. I also would like to thank Dorothy and the garden crew who kept the flower gardens looking so beautiful throughout the year. With out all their help and support I could not have accomplished everything that has been done.

I would like to thank the Diocese for the grant and the many people who donated funds towards the renovation of the Men's Bathroom. LMG were the contractors on this job, which turned out to be a splendid job. Well done guys you made the men very happy.

Just to look back on some of the other jobs completed for the year were.

- Hiring Dennis Verrett to do some much needed maintenance work in the church, he was busy doing painting, cleaning, repairing, cutting grass and many other odd jobs that were neglected thru the years, well done Dennis for a job well done.
- Replaced the ten light fixtures with incandescent light bulbs with low energy lighting in the Nave.
- With the retirement of Bud Bradley, our long time Sexton due to ill health, we hired Dennis as our full time Sexton.

Thank you Bud for the many years that you put in to St James, you will be missed.

- We replaced our snow blower this winter with a new blower from Parker's Ace. It was much needed as the old one was on its last legs.

Jobs that need to be done in 2009 - an upgrade on our fire alarm system.

Respectfully submitted,  
Larry Rice, Jr. Warden

#### REPORT OF ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE FOR 2008

The Endowment Fund Committee was made-up of the following members: Gary Bennett; Chairman: Claude Caldwell; Dorothy Dansdill; Sandy DePlonty; Ed Gillhooley, Church Treasurer.

The Endowment Committee has the responsibility of investing all funds in the Endowment Fund, with the object of obtaining the highest yield with safety of principal being a prime consideration.

At the end of each quarter, the income received from these investments, are turned over to the Vestry for church use.

During the year, contributions to the Fund are made by members and friends of St. James, usually as memorials or expressions of good will.

In the year 2008 these contributions totaled \$2,610.00.

The dividend and interest earnings from our investments during 2008 totaled \$14,480.98.

This year \$22,000.00 was withdrawn from the principal of the fund to help defray the church expenses.

The following shows the activity of the two Fund accounts.

Balance January 1, 2008	\$369,576.39
Withdrawal	22,000.00
Income	<u>14,480.98</u>
Balance December 31, 2008	\$248,633.77

Respectfully submitted  
Claude Caldwell, Secretary

#### ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH - ENDOWMENT FUND

#### INVESTMENTS HELD ON DECEMBER 31, 2008

##### STOCKS

AT&T	\$11,770.50	
B P Petroleum	14,022.00	
Cleco Corp.	16,437.60	
Enbridge Energy	9,690.00	
Equity Residential	7,455.00	
Integrys Energy Group	13,579.50	
National Fuel Gas	15,665.00	
Schering Plough Corp.	9,366.50	
Super Value.	12,410.00	
Travelers Companies, Inc.	12,204.00	
U G I Corp	<u>36,630.00</u>	\$159,230.10

##### MUTUAL FUNDS

Franklin Income Fund	\$ 28,932.07	
Income Fund of America	<u>34,713.02</u>	63,645.09

##### BONDS

Dow Chemical	\$ <u>4,443.60</u>	4,443.60
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Smith Barney Money Fund	<u>20,780.34</u>
TOTAL VALUE OF SMITH BARNEY ACCT.	\$248,099.13
TOTAL VALUE OF CENTRAL SAVINGS ACCTS.	<u>534.64</u>
TOTAL VALUE OF ENDOWMENT FUND	<u>\$248,633.77</u>

ENDOWMENT FUND CONTRIBUTORS FOR 2008

<u>In Memory Of</u>	<u>Contributor</u>
Dr. Mary Adams Bone	Peter and Georgia Gianakura Patricia Thompson Gary and Sally Atkins
William Thompson	Esther Thompson
Robert T. McPherson	Nellie McCoy Virginia Boulton Marjorie Armstrong Peter and Georgia Gianakura John and Audrey Jones Claude Caldwell Diane Horst Margaret Wieneke John and Jean Austin Ed and Joyce Gillhooley Frank W. Kerr Estate of Bob McPherson Jody S. Kline Kristie K. Hower

ALTAR FUND ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2008

Balance January 1, 2008		\$2,013.54
Receipts – Deposits – ECW Budgeted	\$100.00	
Interested Earned	<u>14.72</u>	<u>114.72</u>
Total Receipts		<u>\$2,128.26</u>
Disbursements	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2008		<u>\$2,128.26</u>

ST. JAMES' BUILDING FUND ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2008

Balance January 1, 2008		\$3,378.26
Receipts – Deposits – Memorials / Patio Donations	\$3,650.00	
Interested Earned	<u>22.73</u>	<u>3,672.73</u>
Total Receipts		<u>\$7,050.99</u>
Disbursements		
LMG – Men's Washroom Renovation	<u>\$6,500.00</u>	<u>6,500.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2008		<u>\$ 550.99</u>

BUILDING FUND CONTRIBUTORS FOR 2008

<u>In Memory Of</u>	<u>Contributor</u>
Garden Club Bob McPherson	Donation Larry & Sue Rice Bob & Dawn Aldrich Gino & Pam Briglio & Family Warren & Ruth Benson

Cap Gravelle	Larry and Sue Rice
Honor of E.C.W.	Nellie McCoy
Lloyd Stanley Gray	Audrey LeLievre
Janet Ask	Ann O. Pratt

FLOWER FUND FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2007

Balance January 1, 2008		\$1,307.76
Receipts – Donations	\$1,194.00	
Interest	<u>10.24</u>	<u>1,204.24</u>
Total Receipts		\$2,512.00
Disbursements	\$ <u>821.91</u>	\$ <u>821.91</u>
Balance, December 31, 2008		<u>\$1,690.09</u>

MEMORIAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2008

Balance January 1, 2008		\$5,595.80
Receipts – Deposits	\$ 20.00	
Interest	<u>52.01</u>	<u>72.01</u>
Total Receipts		\$5,667.81
Disbursements	\$ <u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2008		<u>\$5,667.81</u>

MEMORIAL FUND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2008

<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>Contributor</u>
Janet Ask	E.C.W. of St. James

ST. JAMES' ORGAN FUND FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2008

Balance January 1, 2008		\$3,290.99
Receipts - Deposits	\$ 0.00	
- Interest	<u>30.58</u>	<u>30.58</u>
Total Receipts		<u>\$3,321.57</u>
Disbursements	\$ <u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2008		<u>\$3,321.57</u>

MUTUAL MINISTRY ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2008

This year may have seemed a little different. The Ministry Support Team (MST) has completed over two years of caring for the ministerial needs and support of St. James Church. We now have a feel for the activities and rhythms during the church year. We maintain our MST with bi-monthly meetings (Thursdays at 7:00p.m.). One meeting is to conduct business and the other meeting is for education.

At our business meetings we discuss seasonal planning, home communion needs, Diocesan issues, Team issues, weddings to plan and schedule, and other church needs from our Eastern Region. This year we supplied a priest and deacon for the church at DeTour two times to celebrate the Eucharist and we supplied a priest for the church at Curtis to celebrate the Eucharist. We have had discussion and material to review for a Morning Prayer service so we can be prepared when the need is there. Mini workshops were held before the regular 10:00 am service for any congregation member that wanted to serve as a lector, usher, reader for the prayers of the people or teller. We had a good response to these workshops and now we have new voices being heard during the church service. We also had a workshop for new alter guild members and are still looking for volunteers for later flower arranging.

Our education meetings center around material called Life Cycles. We have used this material since 2003 when the MST formed. We have a Missioner at most of our educational meetings which help strengthen and expand on our discussion of the materials. Prayer and scripture readings are part of the material also. We always welcome anyone that might enjoy attending.

Outside of the life of St James Church, members of the MST attend the Soo Ministerial Alliance monthly meetings. Discussion is held on the needs of people in the EUP community. There are usually five to six churches represented at these meetings. It was from these meetings that a Thanksgiving service was held at First Baptist Church. The money collected during the offertory went to the "Walk for Warmth" program. St James had three members of our MST participating in the service. The last time this service was held in the Soo was 40 years ago. Freighter View Assisted Living is also a regular bi-monthly activity for the MST. We provide a Eucharist service at 6:00pm. We encourage anyone that might be interested to attend that service with us. Finally, team members participated in the "Changing of Command Service" for the United States Coast Guard.

Two team members have been heavily involved with the discernment process for our new Bishop. It has required hours and hours of travel, phone calls, e-mails and discussion. Also, the Eastern Region of the Diocese is still in the process of formation and MST members have dedicated many hours to make that a success also.

Please visit the church website where you can read sermons written by MST members. The website also posts scheduled plans and activities.

Here is a summary of regular activities we held during the church year:

Weddings - 4  
Baptisms - 3  
Funerals - 2  
Confirmations - 5  
Home Communion - 41  
Weekday services - 86  
Weekend Eucharist - 104  
Church attendance for the year 2,080

Respectfully submitted,  
Selden Collins

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MUSIC DIRECTOR ANNUAL REPORT 2008  
ON THAT NOTE (Musical) 2008

The past year has seen growth and change in the musical offerings in our parish. Our loyal vocalists, Karly McKee, Janine Parish, Ellen Perry, Margaret Stiling and Gary VanLue have sung 20 vocal solos during the liturgies. Dawn and I played ten piano and organ duets; and a duet on the organ. Margaret Stiling offered nine flute solos throughout the year.

During the summer, we were blessed to have Gene Sartori play the organ for three services. Gene also played the piano as a portion of one of the programs for the Pathways to Historic Churches Series. He will be with us again this summer.

Matt Zook began playing the guitar as part of the musical offerings during Advent and on Christmas Eve. He plans on continuing to offer his talents. He's told me he is even composing some selections for the Easter Season.

Jamie Kibble has played the flute on two different occasions late this year. She is working on a major selection to be heard later.

After two and one-half years of monthly service to St. James, Gary VanLue left us and our organ in December in order to attend Medical School in California. He has played on the second Sunday of each month. Dawn Aldrich has agreed to play for these services, now that Gary has departed. She will provide piano accompaniment for our worship.

I was part of a concert presented this summer for the Pathways program. I also played a concert and demonstrated our organ for a group of Elder-Hostel members this summer.

The changes made and the new musicians willing to play for us will bring new energy, variety, and new music in the New Year. Please join us each Sunday.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bob Aldrich, Music Director.

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YOUTH ACTIVITIES/CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2008

Youth Activities

2008 has been a time of change for all of us in the Diocese of Northern Michigan. Following the annual Diocesan Convention in October of 2007, the diocese as a whole has moved forward in establishing a process to call a new bishop/ministry developer and a ministry support team. Our young people actively engaged in conversation around who/what a bishop is and have offered their input which has in turn been conveyed to the Episcopal Ministry Discernment Team through me as both their educator and an EMDT member.

In January some of our young people attended a winter gathering at the Tundra Bay Lodge in Green Bay, and from all reports, they had a lot of fun. In June we had quite a contingent of folks attend the combined Junior-Senior Camps at Page Center. We had a full camp for sure. Jamie Kibble, Zach and Kim Jodoin, and Gordie Meiners attended as campers. Susan and Kristy Harries, Mahlon Collins and Christie Larke all attended as staff members. I must say from my personal perspective that it was very cool to attend camp with my daughter!

Jamie Kibble was able to attend the triennial Episcopal Youth Event in San Antonio, Texas in July and she reported back to us that this was an amazing experience- meeting with Episcopal youth from all over the country, sharing their stories, learning about things such as the Millennium Development Goals. Jamie shared her camp and church experiences in our diocese and found out that not everyone practices or even understands the concept of the ministry of the baptized (Mutual Ministry) and I do believe she was an advocate for our diocese in this area. I want to thank St. James' for their continued support in sponsoring campers at Page Center as well as helping send Jamie to EYE. I am convinced that these experiences will continue to nurture and inform our young people and that they in turn will lead St. James' into the future.

In December, some of our young people and adults participated in what has come to be an annual shopping event to purchase gifts for a needy area family. Though I was not able to attend this event this year, I understand that it went well. My thanks to all who participated and supported this project in any capacity. This important community outreach project is funded by proceeds received from recycling returnable cans and bottles, individual donations, and parish events such as the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper.

Christian Education

For the past several years, our Sunday school youth have met from September through June on an average of 2 Sundays a month for 30-45 minutes per session. In addition to learning sessions about the geography of our diocese, the various congregations, and the scriptural description of the office of the bishop, we have also begun to use the LifeCycles curriculum for continuing formation as a regular part of our "Sunday school" sessions. Any adults who wish to join us as we continue to explore and learn are most welcome.

Larry Rice has offered a number of opportunities for Bible Study throughout the year. These sessions are open to anyone who wishes to learn more about the Bible and the history of God's people. The Ministry Support Team encourages all members of the congregation to expand their knowledge in many areas through active participation in offerings at St. James' and throughout the diocese. This could be a New Years Resolution that each of us could make and fulfill!

Respectfully Submitted,  
Susan Harries, Christian-Ed/Youth Coordinator

ST. JAMES' YOUTH FINANCIAL REPORT 2008

Savings balance January 1, 2008		\$ 17.78
Receipts	\$ 0.00	
Interest	<u>.18</u>	<u>0.18</u>
Total Receipts		\$ 17.96
Disbursements	\$ <u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Savings Balance December 31, 2008		<u>\$17.96</u>
Checking balance January 1, 2008		\$ 25.30
Receipts - Bottle Money	\$ 68.20	

	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper	122.00	
	Donations Youth Shopping	150.00	
	Miscellaneous	10.75	
	Interest	<u>.39</u>	<u>\$351.34</u>
Total Receipts			\$376.64
	Disbursements		
	Epiphany Play (meal)	\$ 20.00	
	Youth Recognition Gifts (end of school year)	80.00	
	Craft materials for Sschool/Bulletin Boards	15.15	
	Cash Withdrawal Youth Shopping	180.00	
	Campership for Parishioner	50.00	
	Miscellaneous*	<u>10.75</u>	<u>355.90</u>
	Balance December 31, 2008		<u>\$ 20.74</u>

\*The Miscellaneous entry in checking was a bazaar check which was accidentally deposited into the youth account, thus that deposit was later withdrawn and deposited to the correct account.

CEMETERY LOTS OWNED BY ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Riverside Cemetery

Graves #5-6-7-8-9-10 in Lot 6 of Block 21

Graves #5-6-7 in Lot 6 of Block 21 – Left to the church by Mrs. Arthur (Conley) Navin in October of 1965

Lots 8-9-10 are used by Rev. James C. Wardlow; wife, Sadie Wardlow and daughter Shannon if needed.

Grave #1 in Lot 58 of Block 10 – Left to the church by Marilyn F. Raffaele (original owner: Mrs. Clarence Menerey) in January of 2006

Pine Grove Cemetery (6 Mile and Mackinac Trail)

Plots #2-6, Lot 23 Block M – Transferred from Walter and Freda Koehler in March of 1973

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN (ECW) ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2008

Officers: Co-President: Dawn Aldrich and Audrey LeLievre. Secretary: Jean Austin. Treasurer: Pam Briglio

Committees: Kitchen: Dawn Aldrich and Pat Julius. UTO: Dawn Aldrich. Receptions: June Meehan. Nursery: Jean Austin. Crop & Least Coin: Harriet Bentley. Coffee Hours: Margaret Stiling. Church Women United: Audrey LeLievre. Friendship: Diane Horst. Bazaar: Dawn Aldrich/Diane Horst.

Our additional goodness follows:

- Held a Spring Tea in conjunction with the Sault Garden Club which added over \$500.00 to our Treasury.
- Purchased vinyl for new table covers in the undercroft.
- Provided Campshares (1/2 of cost) for Little Lake Camp for five of our youth.
- Sent appropriate cards to members of St. James.
- Participated in Downtown Sidewalk Sales. Profit \$550.00.
- Provided lunch following funeral of Bob McPherson.
- Held reception and bid farewell to Anita Wingert.
- Donated \$1,000.00 to the men's room remodeling.
- Purchased an electric heater for the Centennial Room.
- Had another successful bazaar which added over \$3000.00 to our Treasury.
- Recognized the 90th birthday of Agnes Dybeck with a special cake for a special person.
- Donated, packed, and delivered Christmas cookies to Church shut-ins.
- Donated Christmas toys for children in foster care.

Thanks to Lil Jennings we had another successful Quilt raffle.

We have earned the right to be proud of our 2008 year and we look forward to continuing our goodness in 2009. Attendance at our meetings is down but when asked the women of St James come through beautifully and we thank everyone for their contributions in making 2008 another year of goodness and giving for our many outreach programs.

Respectfully submitted,

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2008

Savings Account Balance January 1, 2008			\$2,275.97
Receipts	Spring Tea (ECW 380; Garden Club \$292)	\$672.00	
	Bazaar 2007	\$3,742.29	
	Donation - Memory of R. McPherson	\$100.00	
	Interest	\$31.07	\$4,545.36
Total Receipts			\$6,821.33
	Transfer to Checking	\$4,880.50	\$4,880.50
Savings Account Balance December 31, 2008			\$1,940.83
Checking Account Balance January 1, 2008			\$218.29
Receipts	Transfer from Savings	\$4,880.50	\$4,880.50
Total Receipts			\$5,098.79
Disbursements:			
For St. James			
	Christian Ed	\$0.00	
	Kitchen	\$157.95	
	Little Lake Campships	\$460.00	
	Altar Guild	\$100.00	
	Rector's Discretionary Fund	\$1,000.00	
	Staff Christmas	\$150.00	
	Spring Tea	\$94.25	
	Flower Fund	\$50.00	
	Purchase Wreaths for Bazaar	\$1,105.50	
	Building Fund - Men's Washroom Renovations	\$1,000.00	
	Jean Austin - Space Heater	\$59.99	
	Jean Austin - B'day Cake for Agnes	\$23.99	
	Sidewalk Sales Booth Registration	\$25.00	
	Memorial Fund	\$20.00	
Outreach			
	United Thank Offering	\$75.00	
	Church Periodical Club	\$50.00	
	Anchor House	\$25.00	
	Soo High Graduation Party	\$50.00	
	United Way	\$150.00	
	Habitat for Humanity	\$100.00	
	Church Women United	\$50.00	
	Hospice of Chippewa County	\$50.00	
	High Rocks Academy	\$100.00	\$4,896.68
Checking Account Balance December 31, 2008			\$202.11
Jean Austin, Secretary			

**2008 FINANCIAL STATEMENT / 2009 BUDGET**

	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>
	Adopted	Actual	Proposed
	2008	2008	2009
<b>INCOME:</b>			
Pledge Total	\$62,370.00		\$61,178.00
97.5% of Pledge Total	60,810.75	60,602.50 [1]	59,648.55
Plate Offerings	3,000.00	3,705.30	3,000.00
Special Gifts	1,500.00	3,832.50	2,000.00
Carry Over Pledges	794.00	290.00	300.00
Endowment Withdrawals	18,000.00	22,000.00	0.00
Endowment Fund Earnings	12,000.00	14,480.98	12,000.00
<b>Total Income [lines 2-8]</b>	<b>\$96,104.75</b>	<b>\$104,911.28</b>	<b>\$76,948.55</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
Diocesan Assessment:	\$16,402.00	\$17,610.27	\$16,159.20
— 21% of Total Income [lines 7-11]			
Employee Expense			
Eastern Region Missioner Support	\$32,359.00	\$24,269.22 [3]	\$10,000.00
Salary-Sexton	4,272.00	4,250.51	4,400.16
Salary-Office Admin.	10,633.00	10,632.90	10,951.99
Salary-Org/Choir Dir.	7,378.00	7,371.54	7,599.34
FICA/Medicare Taxes .	1,704.65	1,778.91	1,755.79
W. Comp. Insurance	236.00	0.00	243.29
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$56,582.65</b>	<b>\$48,303.08</b>	<b>\$34,950.57</b>
Office Expense			
Supplies	\$2,500.00	\$2,166.11	\$2,500.00
Postage	950.00	1,123.00	950.00
Telephone / Internet	1,500.00	1,874.17	1,500.00
Website	160.00	159.49	160.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$5,110.00</b>	<b>\$5,322.77</b>	<b>\$5,110.00</b>
Facility Expense			
Electricity	\$1,600.00	\$1,885.74	\$1,600.00
Water	425.00	351.62	425.00
Refuse	540.00	702.48	540.00
Fuel	8,000.00	16,534.02	9,000.00
Insurance-Bldg.	4,624.00	6,104.00	4,880.00
Maintenance	800.00	1,181.00	1,000.00
Equipment	500.00	1,586.99 [6]	1,600.00
Contractual Services	500.00	2,631.00 [7]	1,500.00
Supplies/Hdwe	1,000.00	1,634.07	500.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$17,989.00</b>	<b>\$32,610.92</b>	<b>\$21,045.00</b>

	Proposed 2007	Actual 2008	Proposed 2009
<b>Parish Expense</b>			
Christian Education	\$500.00	\$450.00	\$500.00
Altar Supplies	500.00	191.73	500.00
Music Supplies	400.00	415.94 [8]	400.00
Organ Maintenance	500.00	0.00	500.00
Supply Organist	600.00	300.00	0.00
Bulletins	110.00	109.90	110.00
Convention Expense	500.00	573.86	500.00
Audit	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pledge Drive	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mutual Ministry	1,000.00	418.67	500.00
Outreach	1,000.00	799.42 [9]	1,000.00
Anchor House	250.00	0.00	0.00
Diocesan Youth Programs	260.00	0.00	260.00
Misc	500.00	177.50	500.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$6,120.00</b>	<b>\$3,437.02</b>	<b>\$4,770.00</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$102,203.65</b>	<b>\$107,284.06</b>	<b>\$82,034.76</b>
<b>Income only:</b>	<b>\$96,104.75</b>	<b>\$104,911.28</b>	<b>\$76,948.55</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>102,203.65</b>	<b>107,284.06</b>	<b>82,034.76</b>
<b>Income - Expenses:</b>	<b>-\$6,098.90</b>	<b>-\$2,372.78</b>	<b>-\$5,086.21</b>
<b>A. Actual Cash on hand, January 1</b>	\$10,179.25 [108]	\$10,179.25 [108]	\$10,486.11 [2009]
<b>Estimated Funds at End of Year</b>	<b>\$4,080.35</b>	<b>\$7,806.47</b>	<b>\$5,399.90</b>

1. Actual pledges received for year 2008
- 1a. \$62,370 estimated pledges for 2008 as of 12/3/08
2.  $(0.025 \times \$65,089) / 2 = \frac{1}{2}$  of 2.5% of "adopted" pledge total for 2008
3. Short three payments of \$2,696.58 totalling \$8,089.74 for October, November & December Eastern Region payment.
4. \$3.86/100 of pay for sexton; \$.40/\$100 of pay for clerical; \$.39/\$100 for professionals
5. Internet is including in the phone bill - SBC DSL
6. \$137 Baril Plumbing; \$40 Snowblower Repair; \$35 State of MI Stair Climber Certificate; \$45 Lawnmower Tune-Up; \$1,329.99 New Snowblower
7. \$788 Parking Lot Snowplowing/Snow Removal; \$40 Julian Locke Undercroft Floor; \$25 Dennis Verrett Snow Blowing; \$450 Copier Maintenance; \$160 Boiler Inspection; \$928 LMG Balance of Men's Room Renovation; \$240 Annual Fire Monitoring
8. \$27 Musicians Handbook; \$280 CCLI Copyright License; \$8.94 Shipping Charges for Singers United Music; \$100 Meg Stevens / Christmas Eve
9. \$72.80 Day By Day Subscription; \$18.29 Lenten Resources; \$115.45 Shrove Tuesday; \$100 Heart of Lakes for Building; Confirmand Prayer Books; \$55.93 Lakepalooza; \$26.50 Gift; \$60 Episcopal Calendars; \$15.92 Pet Medals; \$10.08 Singers United Bulletin Cover

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