

### Update from the Board

Due to safety concerns the Board, after much discussion, determined that the Hospitality Teams will no longer have a greeter standing at the entrance doors. Special attention will of course, as always, be paid to those entering that may have handicap issues, however in order to eliminate congestion and safety issues greeters will be in other areas.

The focus of the November meeting was the budget for 2016. All is in place and everyone is invited to the Congregational Budget meeting on December 13, 2015 following Worship. This will also be a soup Sunday event.

Because of the state of the economy, and after a discussion with the Fort Saskatchewan Food Bank, it was decided that all of the Christmas Eve offerings will be given to the Food Bank to help them help others throughout the year. The Food Bank in Fort Saskatchewan has seen a dramatic rise in clients and most are "working poor." All monies received are used to purchase perishable items each week, such as milk, fruit etc.

Until the New Year, Rev. Debbie Brill, will act as an emergency Minister, with her name and number being on the church voice mail. Holly will handle all other issues.

The Church Office will be closed Dec. 24th to 28th, open 29 & 30th, then closed again until January 4th.

A December Board meeting will not be held and in preparation for Rev. Paul's arrival it was felt that an Interim Board Chair would provide better stability for Rev. Paul to become more familiar with us. We are grateful to Diane Durnford who agreed to take that position, therefore Diane will be Interim Board Chair until June 30, 2016.

The next Board meeting has been tentatively set for January 20, 2016, depending on Rev. Paul's schedule.