

## **Rideau Park United Church Council News – November 30, 2023**

On November 30, 2023, Rideau Park Council met in a hybrid meeting (members were present in person and on Zoom). Thanks to Acting Chair Ken Tong for his work making this possible.

- Council Chair Heather Ingrams has resigned due to health challenges, and Council expressed thanks for her work; Ken Tong has been asked to be acting Chair until the 2024 ACM.
- While the income from the Britt Fund and UCW fundraising have brought in more revenue than expected, the deficit is still high. The annual Christmas appeal letter is being prepared and the Treasurer (our Poet Laureate) will make an announcement in church.
- With the retirement of Georgina Fitzgerald, the Ministry Personnel Committee is working to reassign the pastoral care work that will continue to ministers and volunteers.
- Stephanie Bailey presented some of her work on volunteer recruitment and retention at RPUC, and suggested we need to locate that important work in the committee structure.
- Council will form a task group to carry out the evaluation of the committee structure and to bring recommendations back to Council. This process may lead into the completion of a Community of Faith Profile for the Regional Council.
- RPUC was successful in its application for a grant of \$6,000.00 from EOR Regional Council in order to purchase hybrid meeting technology and expand the development of QR code communications and donations.