

**Territory of the People – Profile Task Force
Input Survey**

Please note: you are not limited to the space here for your responses – our recommendation is that you type the responses and remove lines where helpful.

I. Respondent Data

a) Parish:

St. Andrews United and St. Mary's Anglican Shared Ministry

b) Was this response prepared by Clergy, Laity or both?

Both

c) Group or Individual?

Group

d) How were indigenous persons involved in preparing this response?

None.

II. Who We Are

a) Our parish mission statement:

to glorify God by helping people develop a growing relationship with God and each other through faith and in Jesus Christ

b) How is this statement lived out?

This statement is lived out in our commitment to Bible Study and book study. We live out our faith through outreach into the community with weekly soup ministry, monthly food bank, suppers, garage sale (offers quality goods at low prices), coffee hour at our bakery. We have several people who volunteer to sing, play games at our extended care home. Outreach into the larger world is accomplished through monthly giving to Mission & Service (UCC) and PWRDF (ACC) and our 'silver Sunday' offering every December to choose gifts for the world from M&S, PWRDF catalogues and the Council of the North as well as Canadian Food Grains Bank.

c) Five words that describe our parish are:

Generous, supportive, committed, open-minded and experienced

d) The five greatest strengths of our parish are

Outreach, volunteers, committed to being here, faithful and determined

e) The present needs of our parish are:

we are concerned for our viability in the near future, given the average age of our folks. We need help formulating a new vision for our parish with steps to achieve this new vision. We are in the process of revamping our mission statement to reflect our current life The physical needs of our parish encompass updating our electronics,

kitchen and general maintenance that has been deferred. We need to write grant proposals for larger tasks.

f) In order to go forward our parish needs:

A new vision for the future to enable us to remain a viable parish

g) Our new bishop can help us meet the above needs by:

Helping us to vision the future, pastoral visitation and understanding of life in a shared ministry.

III. Global Anglican Marks of Mission:

Respondents may review the Marks of Mission here:

<https://www.anglican.ca/ask/faq/marks-of-mission/>

Our parish addresses the Marks of Mission in these ways:

a) To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom, we

We continue with our outreach into the our wider community with various programs

b) To teach, baptize and nurture new believers, we

have Bible study and a book study every fall/winter and winter/spring (choosing books that are challenging to our faith and beliefs.

c) To respond to human need by loving service, we

have our many opportunities for outreach

d) To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation, we

Our outreach addresses some of the problems found in our modern society – homelessness, hunger, affordable goods through our garage sales. With our Silver Sunday we always try to address food and water security in developing nations as well as some support for the non-stipendiary priests through the Council of the North.

e) To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth, we

Recycle and re-purpose what we can

IV. Programs and Ministries

Our programs or ministries that we were not able to categorize in the Marks of Mission: we open our church for a group of Korean students and their leaders, who do spring break (March) and summer programs (August) at our Bridge River

Reserve. They have been coming here +/- 4 years. We also have a group of gentlemen from the “Lighthouse Church” including one or two of our men, meet on Saturday mornings for breakfast, study and fellowship. Various other groups (the ladies of the Royal Purple, Lillooet Community Choir and Lillooet Music use our facilities on a regular basis). We also have an office here for Lillooet Hospice.

V. Anything Else?

If, in your opinion, there is something else that a potential candidate for Bishop of The Territory of The People needs to know about your parish that you were not able to express elsewhere in this survey, please use the space below to include it.

We are situated in a valley between the Coastal Mountain Range and Fountain Mountain Range. We live and worship on the unceded territory of The St’at’mic and T’it’q’et people. Our indigenous peoples are predominately Roman Catholic and have been to residential schools and caught up in 60’s Scoop. There is still a lot of distrust of the Church with them. However last year we were honoured by one of our Friendship Centres for the amount of work we do with our indigenous brothers and sisters. We have 4 other churches in our community. Our minister has tried unsuccessfully to get a ministerial association up and running. Our minister is also working with one of our Friendship Centres on affordable housing initiative.

We receive financial aid from both judicatories in the amount of \$10,000/yr. - \$5,000 from each.

Thank you for your contribution to the process of developing the Profile for the Territory of the People to be used for electing a Bishop when the time comes to do so.