



St. Andrew's Hall Annual Report 2020-21

Dean's Report



"I have much to write to you, but I do not want to use paper and ink. Instead, I hope to visit you and talk with you face to face, so that our joy may be complete."

2 John 12

Dear friends of St. Andrew's Hall: Blessings to you in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord! I pray this Annual Report finds you healthy and thriving in life and ministry. What a challenging year we have journeyed through together. The epistle quote above reminds us of how Christians have always built deep and meaningful relationships while isolated geographically from each other. Of course, back then they connected using paper and ink while today we use Zoom! While we have successfully adapted the ministries of St. Andrew's Hall to a new online format. I know that we still long to see each other face to face. I give God thanks for the amazing faculty, staff, students, residents and Board of St. Andrew's Hall. In a time of discontinuous change and adaptive leadership challenges, the Board of St.

Andrew's Hall has adopted a new and exciting five-year strategic framework to guide our ministry in the time ahead. Our vision is that St. Andrew's Hall is called to discern and equip the future church that God is bringing. Our mission is that St. Andrew's Hall educates and equips missional leaders through teaching, hospitality and witness for Christ's church of tomorrow, today. We are leaning into this calling through our thriving partnership with Vancouver School of Theology where people are being prepared for service in the church and academy through excellence in theological scholarship. SAH is impacting the Church in profound ways through the Centre for Missional Leadership where laypeople, elders and ministers are being equipped for effective witness and service in a post-Christendom

Canada. Through our chaplaincy, housing and facilities ministries SAH is offering Christian hospitality and evangelism to a diverse, global student body here at The University of British Columbia. You have been part of this tremendous movement of the Holy Spirit, including through the generous donations made throughout the year and during our St. Andrew's Day fundraising campaign. To God be the glory and to all of you be the thanks!

Grace and peace,

Ron Lockhort

The Rev. Dr. Ross A. Lockhart Dean of St. Andrew's Hall Professor of Mission Studies

Missional Certificate Program

Thanks to the terrific leadership of CML Associate Rev. Dr. Tim Dickau, we celebrated a wonderful first year of our Certificate in Missional Leadership program with over 100 participants enrolled coast to coast. Meeting monthly online for an all-day Saturday of lectures, discussion and learning, participants in congregational cohorts engaged the foundations of missional theology for use in their own contexts. Themes explored in the first year included exegeting text and context, developing thicker and more porous Christian communities, affordable housing/ theology of place, seeking the Kingdom of God, empowering leadership, and renewed evangelism and discipleship. Plans for Year 2 of the program are underway, as well as intake for a new Year 1 cohort in September 2021.



Tim teaching online in the Centre

Pastoral Leader Zoom Calls

At the very beginning of the global pandemic, CML responded to the stress and strain of pastoral leaders across Canada by providing regular Zoom calls with a dual focus. First, create space for ministers, elders and students to worship and share their struggles in Breakout Rooms. Second, to spend the rest of the call being equipped and inspired through teaching that ranged from the very practical regarding how to offer online worship, to pastoral care in the pandemic, to deep theological engagement on the issues facing the church and world during Covid-19. These calls ran weekly in the Spring of 2021 and switched to monthly in September 2021. As a result, leaders from hundreds of congregations across the country have been nurtured and sustained during the pandemic.



Zoom ad from March 2021

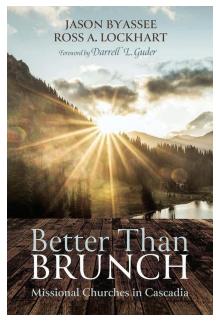
Cyclical Vancouver

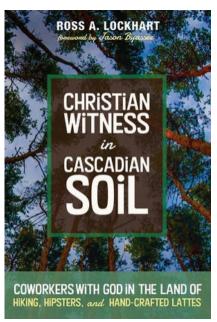


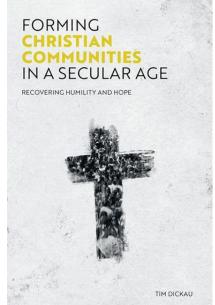
A leader in the Presbyterian Church in Canada's efforts at church planting, Cyclical Vancouver continues to work within the Cyclical PCC network bringing together those discerning new Christian worshipping and witnessing communities with resources and training necessary to take the next, most faithful step. CML Associate Andrea Perrett is off for an exciting year of maternity leave, and this work has been ably led by Rev. Lydia Bae in her place. Thanks to Lydia for connecting and encouraging discerners and starters in British Columbia who are exploring new ways of being church in the world.

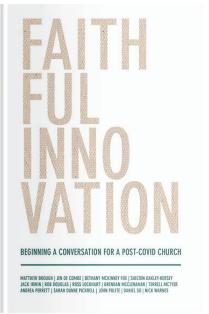
New Resources for the Church on Missional Theology

This past year has been a remarkable publishing year for members of the CML team. Congratulations to all who published the four new books on missional theology, as well as a special thank you to the 47 authors from within the SAH community who wrote for our first Lenten Study Guide.









Chaplaincy, Housing, Finance and Facilities

This past year has been a time of adaptive leadership for those serving in our chaplaincy, housing, finance and facilities ministries at St. Andrew's Hall. Rev. Sumarme Goble offered tremendous spiritual and emotional support to students struggling to adjust to online education and living with concerns of the health of their family near and far due to Covid-19. Mihye Park and the housing team worked compassionately with those who needed to leave early to care for family impacted by the pandemic. While numbers in our 130-bed residence decreased over the year due to fewer international students permitted to study at UBC, the housing office worked diligently with Val Kerekes in the finance office to ensure we were able to cover our costs and end the year with a balanced budget. In the facilities department, Christopher Orr took advantage of an emptier residence, especially in the undergraduate Quad rooms, and stepped-up renovations that are part of our long-term capital improvement plan. With in-person classroom instruction slated to begin at UBC in September 2021, many students will appreciate the "spiffed up" look to their rooms. In all of this good work in chaplaincy, housing, finance and facilities, the safety of our staff and residents has been front of mind with a clear Covid-19 protocol plan in place.



Rebecca Simpson: New Director of Denominational Formation



With Dr. Lockhart's appointment as the fifth Dean of St. Andrew's Hall on July 1st, 2021, the position of Presbyterian Director of Denominational Formation was in need of a dynamic, new leader to form future leaders in the Presbyterian Church in Canada. We're thrilled that Rev. Rebecca Simpson was selected through the search process to serve in this role. Professor Simpson is known as a gifted and experienced preacher, teacher and administrator, with previous service as Director of Camp Douglas, current minister at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Mission and service in the wider church, including as Convenor of Westminster Presbytery's Strategy and Leadership Committee. Welcome Rebecca – we are grateful for your ministry with us at SAH!

Grads for 2021



Sungil Lee

Sungil completed his Master of Arts in Theological Studies (MATS) this year. He is working with Dr.
Lockhart on a thesis exploring the various mission strategies for evangelism between South and North Korea. He hopes to either remain in Canada for ministry or return to South Korea for mission work.



Astrid Melatunan

Astrid completed her Master of Arts in Pastoral and Public Leadership (MAPPL) with a final project focused on how best to support lay leaders and Sunday School teachers who are equipping the next generation of disciples. She has connected her passion for children's ministry with Richmond Presbyterian Church.



Arthur Surjadi

Arthur is an Ordained Presbyterian Minister from Indonesia who completed his MAPPL at VST and is applying to Education and Reception to join us in the PCC. A highlight of his time of study with us was a full summer driving around Saskatchewan Synod preaching on Sundays and leading Vacation Bible School programs during the week throughout the province.





While living with his family in St. Andrew's Hall, Daniel has been serving the English Ministry at Vancouver Korean Presbyterian Church. He has enhanced his ministry skills and training from his previous Master of Divinity degree in Indonesia through the MATS program at VST. Daniel is enrolling in the Diploma in Presbyterian Studies as he takes steps to minister in the PCC.



Justin Thurn

Justin has been living with his family in St. Andrew's Hall after moving from Calgary to pursue theological education. Graduating with the MATS degree, Justin is exploring new forms of ministry and working with the collaborating Presbyterian churches in New Westminster as they explore a shared ministry together. Justin has blessed the SAH community in many ways, including through his passion for photography – capturing many of our social times together on film.



Karen Tin

Karen has been diving deep into Reformed Theology while studying in the MAPPL program at VST. She has been active in our SAH chapel services and community life and feels called to further graduate studies in theology.



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