Archives and Records Committee

Since the last Annual Meeting of The Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters Regional Council (hereafter FSLDW), the lingering presence of COVID and other factors have continued to prevent the commencement of the in-person workshops on archives and artefacts that were originally intended to begin several years ago. Hopefully, these workshops can commence in the next year.

There will be two sessions of a workshop entitled *Artefacts Unlocked!* that will be presented at this year's Annual Meeting. Please consider attending one of the sessions if you have interest in or are concerned about artefacts connected to some entity within the United Church. Moreover, please consider attending one of the workshops if you wish to better understand why it is necessary that archival records and artefacts be handled differently.

Prior to the pandemic, an archives consultation meeting was held at the denominational level. Those who participated in that consultation and following endeavours are still awaiting the final report from what was learned as a result of that consultation process.

On a sorrowful note, the Archives and Records committee secretary passed away last summer. Reverend John A.C. Wilson served as both a member of the old Maritime Conference Archives Committee and the new FSLDW Archives and Records Committee. Condolences are extended to his family and friends. His enthusiasm, wisdom and pertinent questions will be missed on the Archives and Records Committee.

As always, we thank archivist, Sarah Wallace, for her continued hard work and dedication.

Please remember that information about what records to send to archives and guides about how to work with United Church artefacts can be found on the Pastoral Charges page of the Archives section of the FSLDW part of the Regions East website (https://ucceast.ca/59443-for-pastoral-charges).

Respectfully Submitted, Julielynne Anderson, Chair, Archives and Records Committee Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters RC April 2023