

James Bay United Church

Annual General Meeting Agenda

April 16, 2026

1. Board Chair's Opening Remarks
2. Opening Prayer
3. Opening Hymn MV 1 Let Us Build A House
4. Land Acknowledgement
We gather on land that has sustained bodies, hopes, and dreams for a very long time. We acknowledge the Kosapsum and Songhees, Lək'wəŋən peoples—all relations yearning for right relationship. And so we recommit to a complex journey toward reconciliation.
5. Meeting Covenant
We covenant together... to listen and speak with respect... to express our views... to be aware of each other and ourselves... to be mindful of time, making room for each person to contribute... to consider prayerfully... to care about the life of the congregation, the community and the world... to ask for help as needed... to meet our commitments
6. Introduction of Board Members

Martin Stewart	Marg Lunam, Member at Large
D'Arcy McPherson, Secretary	Diane Monteith, Member at Large
Gordon Miller, Treasurer	Scott Jantzen, Member at Large
Karen Halliday, Member at Large	Mahima Silvester, M&P
Colleen Nichol, Member at Large	Greg Powell, <i>Ex Officio</i>
7. Introduction of New Full Members
8. Procedural Motions
Motion 1: To approve voting privileges for adherents
(Adherent: one who contributes regularly to the life and work of the congregation and is not a "full member".)

Motion 2:
 - A. To accept the 2026 AGM Agenda as presented,
 - B. To elect D'Arcy McPherson as AGM recorder,
 - C. To approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of James Bay United Church held March 27, 2025

9. Life and work of Ministries in 2025
10. Gratitude for Employees
 - Candis Elliott (Office Administrator)
 - Jennifer Turner (Music Minister)
 - Natalia Zhuravlova (Donor Relations Manager and Communications Coordinator)
 - Jamie Waters (Audio Technician)
 - Nathan McDormand (Video Technician)
 - Kelby MacNayr (Director of Arts Ministry)
 - Rev. Greg Powell (Minister of Word, Sacrament, and Pastoral Care)
 - Kyung (and staff of Cheques and Balances, Bookkeepers)
11. Thank you to board and employees who served in 2025/26

Board:	Karen Halliday Mahima Silvester James Troutman Joanne Keelan	Staff:	Jackie Cox-Ziegler Zunaira Mustaqeem
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12. In Memorium
 - Aleksa Harkness
13. Congregational reflections
 - Where are you noticing abundance in your communities?
(small group and all together)
14. Hymn MV 12 Come Touch or Hearts
15. Revised Minister's Job Description
 - Motion 3:** To approve the revised Ministers job description reflecting the proposed increase to 0.9 FTE from 0.75 FTE, and the updated responsibilities as presented.
16. Financial Review
 - 2025 Financial statements
 - 2026 Budget
 - Motion 4:** To approve the 2026 Budget
17. Annual Report
 - Motion 5:** To receive the 2025 Annual Report
18. Board Nomination for 2026/27

Scott Jantzen, Chair	Marg Lunam, Member at Large
Martin Stewart, Past Chair	Diane Monteith, Member at Large
D'Arcy McPherson, Secretary	André Fontaine, M&P Representative
Gordon Miller, Treasurer	Jim Cuthbert, Member at Large
Colleen Nichol, Member at Large	

 - Motion 6:** To elect the above persons as board members

19. Trustee Nominations

Martin Stewart, term ending 2028

Heinz Unger, term ending 2029

Karen Halliday, term ending 2030

Motion 7: To re-elect the above trustees for specified terms

20. Closing Remarks and Adjournment

21. Closing Hymn VU 578 As a Fire Is Meant for Burning