

August 27 Lawrence Fisher's backhoe and gravel truck removed the remaining foundation rubble to facilitate form work around the west end of structure and bell tower. Close proximity of gravestones required great dexterity by the backhoe operator. The remaining forms were placed under the northwest walls, tower and entrance ramp with the final run of cement poured at 5:30 p.m.

The outer foundation forms were removed and some backfilling started. Flashing was installed covering the top four inches of the foundation and extending six inches up under the re-installed siding. We salvaged replacement siding from the old Turton farm site south of Cannington. Because the original corner trim boards were rotted at the bottom, new corner trim boards were primed and applied.

August 31 was the contractor's last day. He was in a hurry to get to the next project. Some of the finish work and flashing are a bit rough, but it is good to have so much work completed in one season. None of us foresaw the time needed to extract the integrated buttresses and foundations of an earlier (ca.1930) intervention.

September 16 we removed the ladders from the interior and began cleaning in preparation for a baptism on Sunday. The site was still a mess but everyone seemed to understand the situation.

I managed to source translucent glass panes to replace the broken altar windows and found a close match at Estevan Glass. When installed they were unnoticeable. Both windows required preliminary structural work to accept the new glass. Epoxies and wood fillers were used to repair damaged/missing parts of the wood mullions.

September 30 saw the new 5-inch, white eavestroughs installed by E-Z Eavestroughs from Stoughton. The only fascia board to replace was above the east wall of the vestry.

A site grading bee was organized for Oct. 22. We had a backhoe and six people on shovels and rakes. The backhoe removed the troublesome berm along the north side of the property to allow water to drain toward the street instead of under the church. Drainage swales were also created along the east and south. Backfilling was completed around the perimeter up to the metal flashing to allow for settling. To the north we added extensions to the eavestroughs, and to the south we placed concrete splash pads at the outlets. Water now flows away from the building at all points along its perimeter.

One of the huge old evergreens developed a list toward the church and power lines after last spring's big storm, so we engaged a professional arborist, Curtis Taylor, to extract it without damaging the church or gravestones.

The north property line fence has been put back in place. All construction debris has been removed. The building and site are secure and safe.

Next year our focus will be painting and detailing the structure inside and out. Our projected costs will be about \$50,000 using Jack Edinborough's estimates, but we hope to find a local contractor to reduce this figure. The secretary-treasurer has not yet received the final billings for disposal, eavestroughs, etc., but it appears we have been able to stay on budget.

Autumn Downey has created a great website <http://www.canningtonchurch.sasktelwebsite.net/> that provides research resources, photos, project updates and all things related to our work at Church of All Saints, Cannington Manor.