



L'ÉGLISE PRESBYTÉRIENNE  
**BRIARWOOD**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 13, 2010

### **Gift of new Audio and Visual Systems**

Six members of the congregation wish to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary by presenting Briarwood with new Audio and Visual systems.

Most will agree that our existing sound system leaves a lot to be desired and, when we visit other churches, we realize that many systems are considerably better than ours. It is intended that the new system will enable many of us to hear more than we presently hear. It will also bring a great improvement to the contemporary music at the second service.

As the Church tries to keep up with the developing electronic world, many churches are using projectors. While it is not the intention to depart far from the traditional morning service, they might be used for communion liturgy, sung responses or images during the service. They will be used extensively during the Second Service and will be useful for education.

When installed, there will be four speakers, two suspended from the roof beams and two on the wall. The configuration of the sanctuary requires us to have two retractable screens on the walls behind the choir and the piano and two projectors suspended from the roof as unobtrusively as possible. The controls will be where they currently are. A monitor will be placed at the rear of the sanctuary so that a speaker will know what is being projected on the screens behind him.

The Session and the Board have each discussed this gift. It is thought that some members might question the wisdom of accepting this gift at a time when offerings are running behind our budget. However, it is seen that the annual budget is the responsibility of the entire congregation and should not be a reason to decline this gift. Others might fear that we will see significant changes to the form our morning service. Rev. Davidson has reassured both Session and Board that this is not his intention.

The Session and the Board are grateful for this gift, see it as a wonderful addition to our worship and as recognition of the vitality of the congregation in its fiftieth year. It is hoped that the new system will be ready for September.

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Clerk of Session

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