

## **REPRESENTATIVE OF GENERAL COUNCIL**

### **Erik Mathiesen Chief Financial Officer – The United Church of Canada**

Erik Mathiesen is the Chief Financial Officer for the General Council Office, the national arm of The United Church of Canada. In this capacity, Erik supports the work of over 3000 congregations across Canada and works with many volunteers to maintain a large pension plan, national operating and grant budgets and significant investment holdings. Prior to assuming this role two years ago, Erik served in a Mission through Finance role with oversight of all forms of mission support including national grant and loan programs, CRA compliance, treasurer and trustee advice and so on. Before his move to the nonprofit sector in 2008, he worked in the financial services industry for over 25 years specializing in operations management and business reengineering. Erik has been active in the nonprofit sector for over 30 years, particularly in the area of affordable housing. He plays leadership roles with the Atkinson Community Foundation, the Rosedale-Moore Park Community Association (Mooredale), Woodgreen Community Services, and the Toronto Christian Resource Centre. He is a member of Rosedale United Church in Toronto. Erik and Laurie have just become empty nesters. They are the proud parents of one Dalhousie grad and one current attendee.