



# St. George's Anglican Church

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## The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 6, 2022



*The Sower.* (1888). Vincent van Gogh (1853 – 1890). Pencil and ink on paper.

## Welcome!

Who are we? In response to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Parish of Saint George offers a unique combination of traditional Anglican worship and a commitment to Inner-City Ministry. Open to the community that surrounds it, Saint George's dares to be shaped by the Inner City, yet seeks to transform our neighbourhood by preaching, in Word and action, the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Come join us in worship, fellowship and outreach ministry.

# 8 am & 10:30am Holy Communion

*Celebrant & Preacher: Fr. Nicholas Hatt, Rector*

*Last Wednesday was the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple. It is customary on that day to bless candles at the service to recall the Blessed Simeon's declaration that Jesus is the Light of the World, "a light to lighten the Gentiles." Today we bless the candles which were not received in time for Wednesday's worship. Please take some candles home with you at the end of the service for your personal devotions.*

## The Blessing of the Candles

℣. The Lord be with you.

**℟. And with thy spirit**

℣. Let us pray

Almighty and everlasting God, who as on this day didst present thine only-begotten Son in thy holy temple to be received in the arms of blessed Simeon: we humbly entreat thy mercy, that thou wouldst vouchsafe to bless, hallow, and kindle with the light of thy heavenly benediction these candles which we thy servants desire to receive and to carry, lighted in honour of thy holy Name. By offering them to thee our Lord and God, may we be inflamed with the fire of thy love, and made worthy to be presented in the holy temple of thy glory. Through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end.

**Amen.**

*The candles are sprinkled with holy water*

## The Nunc Dimittis (St Luke 2:29-32)

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, / according to thy word.

**For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, / which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;**

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, / and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

GLORY be to the FATHER, and to the SON, / and to the HOLY GHOST;

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, / world without end.**

**Amen.**

℣. Let us pray

We beseech thee, O Lord, mercifully to hear the prayers of thy people; and grant that by this service which year by year we offer unto thee, we may attain in the light of thy grace to the hidden things of thy glory. Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*Candles will be available at the door for you to take home with you at the end of the service*

**The Introit** Psalm 97:1-6

THE LORD is King, the earth may be glad thereof: / **yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof.**

**Clouds and darkness are round about him: / righteousness and judgement are the foundation of his throne.**

**There goeth a fire before him, / and burneth up his enemies on every side.**

**HIS lightnings gave shine unto the world: / the earth saw it, and was afraid.**

**The hills melted like wax at the presence of the LORD, / at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.**

**The heavens have declared his righteousness, / and all the peoples have seen his glory.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost;

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, / world without end.**

**Amen.**

*Please kneel*

The Lord's Prayer and Collect for Purity p. 67

The Summary of the Law p. 69

The Kyrie p. 70

The Collect p. 129

*Please sit*

The Epistle (Colossians 3:12) p. 129

*Please stand*

**The Gradual** Psalm 126:5-7

RESTORE our fortunes, O LORD, / **as the rivers in the South.**

**They that sow in tears / shall reap in joy.**

**He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth his seed, / shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.**

The Holy Gospel (St Matthew 13:24) p. 130

**The Nicene Creed** pp. 71-72

The Sermon The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt, *Rector*

*After the biddings, please kneel*

The Prayer of Intercession p. 75

The Lord's Prayer p. 85

**The Confession** p. 77

The Absolution, Comfortable Words, & Thanksgiving p. 77

The Sanctus and Benedictus p. 79

The Prayer of Consecration & Pax p. 82

**The Prayer of Humble Access** p. 83

The Agnus Dei p. 84

### **The Holy Communion**

*The Anglican Church of Canada welcomes communicant members of all Churches who have been baptized with water in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, to receive Holy Communion in faith, hope and charity. At the 10:30 am service, please remain in your pew until the greeter or sidesperson has indicated that it is time to go forward*

**The Lord's Prayer** p. 85

The Prayer of Thanksgiving p. 85

**The Gloria in Excelsis** p. 86

The Blessing p. 86

## **Upcoming Special Services and Events in the Round Church**

**Sunday, February 27:** God willing, the Parish Annual General Meeting is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, February 27th immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Choral Holy Communion. Of course, whether we can meet will depend upon COVID restrictions in place at the time, but please mark your calendar and plan to bring a snack! Submissions for the Annual Report need to be received by the Parish Office by Sunday, February 13 at the latest.

## **Today's Daily Offices**

**10 am Morning Prayer** begins on page 6 of the Prayer Book.

Psalms 148 & 149; Amos 8:4-end; John 7:14-36

**5pm Evening Prayer** begins on page 18 of the Prayer Book.

Psalms 119 pts. 5 & 6; Mic. 6:1-8; John 5:19-29 (30-40)

*To learn more about worship, outreach, Sunday School, music, and events at St George's, visit our website: **[www.roundchurch.ca](http://www.roundchurch.ca)***



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Notices & Announcements

February 6, 2022

## Worship during the Pandemic

During this time of pandemic, please ...

- Sanitize your hands upon entering the building.
- Wear a mask at all times. Unfortunately congregational singing is not permitted at this time.
- Do not sit in the pews which are closed off.
- Follow the arrows on the floor when moving about the church.
- At the end of the service, drop your books in the crates located at the exits

At the time of Communion, please follow the directional arrows on the floor to direct you forward to the altar. At the 10:30 a.m. Sunday service, please remain in your pew until a greeter has signalled that it is time for you to go. As per Provincial and Diocesan guidelines, proof of vaccination is not required to attend worship services. The clergy of Saint George's are happy to share with you that they are both fully vaccinated.

We ask that you please refrain from coming to church if you are feeling unwell, have tested positive for COVID, or are required to self-isolate.

Visit <https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/restrictions-and-guidance> for more information.

**Attendance at all of our services is currently limited to a maximum of fifty people. Those planning to attend the 10:30 a.m. service on Sundays are asked to register with Fr Hatt each Sunday (email [rector@roundchurch.ca](mailto:rector@roundchurch.ca)) to make sure we do not exceed the limit. Registration is not required at other services.**

## Prayer List

**Let us pray for those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially:** Barbara, the Almasalma Family, Evelyn, Lowell, Wendy, Noah, Daniel, Donald, Ferghal, Sister Vicky, Leroy, Bruce, Jacquie and Arie, Patricia, Ginny, Bonita, Steven, Patricia, Kristian, Louise, Ernest, Eric, the Beardon Family, William, Elizabeth, Rosanne, The Robertson family, Bev, Adalene, and Alan.

**For the Faithful Departed:** Nan Robertson ('21), Alice Britton ('21), Fr. Glen Burgomaster ('21), Fr. Michael Boyd ('13), Cyril Eric Matthews ('07), Rita Hill ('17), Georgina Loretta Myles ('06), and Bernice Logan ('22)

If you have names to add to the list, please email Father Hatt ([rector@roundchurch.ca](mailto:rector@roundchurch.ca)) or speak with him in person.

## Financial Update for Year End 2021

The parish finished the year 2021 with a modest \$35,400 surplus. The CEWS (Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy, a Federal COVID wages program) provided around \$40k, without which the parish income was \$4.6k below expenditures. The parish spent \$47k less than the budget of about \$400k, \$40k of that being stipend covered by CEWS. Total offerings were \$14k less than 2020. It is difficult to draw many conclusions on all these numbers due to COVID, but they do look a little soft despite the surplus.

The parish increased its cash balance by nearly \$90k in 2021, with \$35k of that being the accumulation of unrestricted cash, and the rest being mostly additions to the Rector's Discretionary Short-Term fund (\$13.5k), new donations to the Curacy Short-Term fund (\$31.5k), and disbursements from the Preservation Endowment that weren't spent in 2021 (\$2.5k).

Overall, the Lord provided and the parish did well with those provisions. There are a number of challenges coming up for 2022 – COVID continues and we have a major capital project in rebuilding the LDC graveyard wall on Gerrish Street, to name two. We need the loaves and fishes that the Lord may multiply. I encourage us all to continue to examine our ability to give and to do as we are able.

Al Wilson  
*Treasurer*

## Scripture Readings for the Week

The Scripture readings below can be read on their own, or with the daily offices of Morning and Evening Prayer (see pp. 1-24 in the Book of Common Prayer), or the shortened Family Prayers in the back of the Book of Common Prayer (see pages 728-736).

	Morning Prayer		Evening Prayer	
<b>Mon</b>	Jer. 17. 1-18	Acts 15. 1-29	Jer. 17. 19-end	Acts 15. 30-16. 5
<b>Tue</b>	18. 1-17	16. 6-end	20	17. 1-15
<b>Wed</b>	23. 9-32	17. 16-end	30. 1-22	18. 1-23
<b>Thu</b>	31. 1-20	18. 24-19. 7	31. 23-end	19. 8-20
<b>Fri</b>	33. 1-13	19. 21-end	33. 14-end	20. 1-16
<b>Sat</b>	35. 1-11	20. 17-end	35. 12-end	21. 1-16

## 2022 Prayer Book Calendars still available

Exactly five church calendars for 2022 following the Church Year according to the Book of Common Prayer are still available. You may call the parish office (902 423 1059) to reserve your calendar. The cost is \$8.00.

## **Soup Kitchen Update**

*Our Saturday Soup Kitchen has been operating as a take-out only service since the start of the pandemic. We thank all those who have continued to volunteer, and the parishes and organizations who partner with us to offer hot meals on Saturdays for residents of the inner-city.*

*Last Week, January 29:* Team 3 led by Jordan Gracie. Food came from the Halifax Kin Club. Many thanks to Matthew, Amy, Cameron, and Fr. Hatt for serving the meal in a storm! 45 were served.

*Yesterday, February 5:* Team 4 led by Alex Bickerton. Many thanks to Team 4 for cooking their - by now famous - cabbage roll soup (again!).

*Next week, February 12:* Team 5 led by Jordan Gracie. Food and volunteers will come from Bedford Baptist.

## **Online Sunday School**

Until we are able to gather in larger groups, we are offering Sunday school online via Zoom for the children at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays. If your children are not already attending and would like to be on the list, please email our Superintendent, Meghan Jamieson at [meghan\\_j\\_ca@yahoo.ca](mailto:meghan_j_ca@yahoo.ca).

## **Nominations for the Parish Officers**

Nominations are now open for parish officials, to be elected at the Annual General Meeting. We are especially looking for nominations for warden and parish council members-at-large. Please speak with the Nominations Committee which consists of the Rector, Wardens, and Jacquie de Mestral if you have a nomination to pass along.

## **Refugee Sponsorship Update**

Achol and her family of seven arrived in Canada nearly two weeks ago and are slowly settling in to life in Canada. We give thanks for these new friends! We are now looking for donations of single bed frames, dressers, a sofa and chairs, and a television. If you can help, please let Susan Dodd know ([susan.dodd@ukings.ca](mailto:susan.dodd@ukings.ca)). We are also in need of monetary donations to help with additional housing and living costs. Visit our Canada Helps page (<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/11171>) and choose Refugee Sponsorship from the drop down menu.

## **Annual General Meeting and Annual Report**

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## Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

**Sun** – The Church of Ireland

**Mon** – The Diocese of Karachi – The (united) Church of Pakistan

**Tue** – The Diocese of Karamoja – The Church of the Province of Uganda

**Wed** – The Diocese of North Karamoja – The Church of the Province of Uganda

**Thu** – The Diocese of Karimnagar – The (united) Church of South India

**Fri** – The Diocese of Karnataka Central – The (united) Church of South India

**Sat** – The Diocese of Karnataka North – The (united) Church of South India

## Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Prince Edward Island Region

**St. Peter's Cathedral, Charlottetown with Holy Trinity, Georgetown; St. George's, Montague; and St. Alban's, Souris:** The Rev'd Canon David Garrett; The Rev'd Ralph Moore  
**St. Mary's, Summerside and St. John's, St. Eleanor's:** The Rev'd Colin Nicolle