



# St. George's Anglican Church

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## The First Sunday in Lent

February 26, 2023



*Christ in the Wilderness.* (1872). Ivan Kramskoy (1837-1887). Oil on canvas.

## 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 Holy Communion

*Celebrant & Preacher:* Father Nicholas Hatt, *Rector*

The service begins on page 67 of the Book of Common Prayer. The Collects, Epistle, and Gospel are found on pages 140-141. The Introit, Psalm 91:1-8, is found on pages 448-449. The Gradual is printed below.

## 10:30 am Choral Holy Communion

*Celebrant & Preacher:* Father Nicholas Hatt, *Rector*

*Mass setting:* Missa IX *Cum júbilo*

*Creed:* John Merbecke (1510-1585)

### The Litany in Procession

p. 67

### The Kyrie

p. 70

*Kyrie eleison*  
*Christe eleison*  
*Kyrie eleison*

Lord have mercy upon us,  
Christ have mercy upon us,  
Lord have mercy upon us.

### The Collects

pp. 140, 138

*Please sit*

### The Epistle (2 Corinthians 6:1)

p. 140

*Please stand*

### The Gradual Psalm 91:9-16

tone V.1



BE-CAUSE THOU hast said, 'The Lord is my *re-fuge*', /  
and hast made the Most High thy *ha-bi-ta-tion*,

**There shall no evil happen unto thee, /**  
**neither shall any plague come *nigh* thy *dwel-ling*.**

For he shall give his angels charge over thee, / to keep thee in all thy<sup>^</sup>ways.

**They shall bear thee in their *hands*, / that thou hurt not thy *foot a-gainst a^stone*.**

Thou shalt tread upon the lion and *ad-der*: /  
the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample *un-der* thy feet.

**Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I *de-li-ver^him*; /**  
**I will set him up, because *he* hath known my<sup>^</sup>Name.**

He shall call upon me, and I will *hear* him: /  
yea, I am with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and bring *him* to ho-nour.

**With long life will I *sa-tis^fy^him*, / and show him *my sal-va-tion*.**

### The Lent Prose (see insert)

*Attende, Domine*

### The Holy Gospel (St Matthew 4:1)

p. 141

### The Nicene Creed

p. 71

*The children of the Sunday School depart for their lesson, returning to the service at the time of Communion.*

### The Sermon

The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt, *Rector*

**Offertory Hymn 121** CHRISTIAN, dost thou see them? *Gute Bäume Bringen*

*After the biddings, please kneel*

The Prayer of Intercession & Invitation to Confession p. 75

**The Confession** p. 77

The Absolution, Comfortable Words, & Thanksgiving p. 77

The Sanctus and Benedictus p. 81

<i>Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth.</i>	Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts,
<i>Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.</i>	Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
<i>Hosanna in excelsis.</i>	Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
<i>Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.</i>	Blessed is he that cometh in the name
<i>Hosanna in excelsis.</i>	of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

The Prayer of Consecration & Pax p. 82

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

The Agnus Dei p. 84

<i>Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,</i>	O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the
<i>miserere nobis. (bis).</i>	world, have mercy upon us. ( <i>repeat</i> ).
<i>Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,</i>	O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the
<i>dona nobis pacem.</i>	world, grant us thy peace.

**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. If you do not wish to receive communion, you are welcome to come to the altar rail to receive a blessing. To indicate that you wish to receive a blessing, cross your arms across your chest when you come to the altar rail.*

**Communion Hymn 382** As pants the hart *Martyrdom*

**Communion Motet** *Emendemus in melius* – Orlando di Lasso (1532-1594)

<i>Emendemus in melius quae</i>	Let us amend for the better in those things in
<i>ignoranter peccavimus;</i>	which we have sinned through ignorance;
<i>ne subito praeoccupati die mortis,</i>	lest suddenly overtaken by the day of death,
<i>quaeramus spatium poenitentiae,</i>	we seek space for repentance,
<i>et invenire non possimus.</i>	and be not able to find it.
<i>Attende, Domine, et miserere;</i>	Hearken, O Lord, and have mercy:
<i>quia peccavimus tibi.</i>	for we have sinned against thee.

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

The Prayer of Thanksgiving p. 85

## The Lenten Anthem



O KING, ALL glorious amid thy saintly com-*pa-ny* / **who ever shalt be~ prais-éd.**

**Thou, O Lord, art in the midst of us / and we are called by thy~ ho-ly^Name.**

Leave us not, O *our* God, / but grant us that with a pure conscience we may duly *keep*  
the~ Pas-chal^Feast,

**And at the day of judge-ment / be placed in the number of thy Saints and chosen  
ones, King most~ bless-éd.**

## The Blessing

### Closing Hymn 105 FORTY Days and Forty Nights

*Heinlein*

Voluntary      *Concerto in B minor: 1<sup>st</sup> movement, Allegro* – J. G. Walther (1684-748)  
*transcribed from Vivaldi*

*After the 10:30 service, please stay for tea and coffee in the parish hall, just out the door to the right of the pulpit and up the concrete walk. There is a barrier-free ramp off the Maitland Street side of the hall.*

## Upcoming Special Services & Events

### PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TODAY, February 26:

Following the 10:30am service of Choral Holy Communion, a finger food potluck lunch will precede our Annual General Meeting. Parishioners are encouraged to stay for this important meeting.

### The Lenten Ember Days:

**Wednesday, March 1:** 10am Holy Communion

**Friday, March 3:** 12:15pm Holy Communion

**Saturday, March 4:** 10am Holy Communion

## Today's Offices

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

Psalm 38; Gen. 13; Matt. 9:1-17

**5 pm Evening Prayer** begins on page 17 of the Prayer Book

Psalm 32 & 36; Gen. 8; Mark 14:1-26

*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)*

## Financial Update

The budget for 2023 will be presented to the parish at the AGM on February 26 (note date change)

Total received as of the end of  
January:

\$22,946.78



SCAN ME TO GIVE

## Soup Kitchen Update

*Last Week, February 18:* Team 4 led by Alex Bickerton. Food and volunteers came from St. Peter's Birch Cove.

*Yesterday, February 25:* Team 5 led by Jordan Gracie. Food and volunteers came from Bedford Baptist.

*Next Week, March 4:* Team 6 led by Jordan Gracie. Food and volunteers will come from All Saints Bedford.

## Welcome

Our music director is away on sabbatical until Passion Sunday (thank you to everyone who has contributed to the sabbatical fund). During Garth's absence, St George's chorister, Andrew Pickett, directs the choir and Dr. Neil Cockburn, who is Director of Music at King's College Chapel, is our organist. Welcome and thank you to them both for filling in while Garth is away. It is a joy to have such capable and professional musicians in our midst.

## Parish Annual General Meeting – TODAY

Our Annual Meeting will be held in the Parish Hall **TODAY, February 26th** following the 10:30 a.m. service. This is an opportunity for parishioners to hear reports about the past year, elect people to serve in various roles within our parish and for our parish to prayerfully consider our commitment to Jesus Christ and how we might serve our neighbours in the year ahead. **Prior to the meeting, there will be a finger food potluck lunch.** Copies on the Annual Report for 2022 are available today at the back of the church and on the parish website (visit [www.roundchurch.ca/parish-records](http://www.roundchurch.ca/parish-records))



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### Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

**Sun** - The Scottish Episcopal Church  
**Mon** – The Diocese of Qu'Appelle – The Anglican Church of Canada (Rupert's Land Province)  
**Tues** - The Diocese of Quebec – The Anglican Church of Canada (Canada Province)  
**Wed** - The Diocese of North Queensland – The Anglican Church of Australia (Queensland Province)  
**Thurs** - The Diocese of Raiwind – The (united) Church of Pakistan  
**Fri** - The Diocese of Rajasthan – The (united) Church of North India  
**Sat** - The Diocese of Rayalaseema – The (united) Church of South India

### Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Eastern Shore Region

**Shared Ministry of the Anglican Parishes of Musquodoboit & Ship Harbour:** The Rev'd Andrew Mortimer; The Rev'd Marilyn Murphy, *Associate Parish Priest*  
**Port Dufferin:** The Rev'd Michael Foley, *Priest-in-Charge*



## St. George's Anglican Church

Notices & Announcements  
February 26, 2023

## Worship schedule

**Holy Communion (said):** Wed, 10 am; Sun, 8 am

**Choral Holy Communion:** Sun, 10:30 am

### Daily Offices

✠**Morning Prayer:** Mon – Fri, 9 am; Sun, 10 am

✠**Evening Prayer:** Mon – Fri, 5:30 pm; Sun, 5 pm

*The offices of Morning and Evening Prayer are said daily in the Round Church.*

## 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>	Gen. 42	Matt. 26. 1-30	Gen. 43	Phil. 1
<b>Tue</b>	44	26. 31-56	45. 1-15	2
<b>Wed</b>	45. 16-46. 7	26. 57-end	46. 26-47. 12	3
<b>Thu</b>	47. 13-end	27. 1-26	48	4
<b>Fri</b>	49. 1-32	27. 27-56	49. 33-50 end	Col. 1. 1-20
<b>Sat</b>	Exod. 1. 1-14, 22-2. 10	27. 57-28 end	Exod. 2. 11-22	1. 21-2. 7

## 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, Patricia, Noah, Daniel, Ginny, Patricia, Kristian, the Robertson Family, Kevin, Austin, Michael, Marilyn, Stuart, Sandy, Armand, Johana and family, Grace, Karen, Johanna, Pauline, Chris, Denise, Kent, and Judy.  
**For the Faithful Departed:** Nan Robertson ('21), Georgina Loretta Myles ('06), Ian Henderson ('10), Martha Bungay ('06), Heather Anne Smith ('08), Hal Davies ('11), Jackie Harmer ('14), Larry Miles ('19), Gerald Moulton ('11), Christopher Tilley ('21), George MacLennan ('10), and Reuben Cluett ('10).

If you have loved ones you would like added to the prayer list, please let Father Hatt know ([rector@roundchurch.ca](mailto:rector@roundchurch.ca)).

## LENT 2023

Lent begins this Wednesday, February 22nd. Lent is a journey into the love of the Cross. Let us take up our Lenten disciplines and renew our love for God and His world. Below are some ways in which you might do so in our parish.

"I therefore invite you, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance, by prayer, fasting, and self-denial, and by reading and meditation upon God's holy Word." (From the Book of Common Prayer, p. 612)

### Friday Holy Communion during Lent

Father Harris will celebrate the Holy Communion (said) every Friday in Lent at 12:15 p.m., starting this Friday, February 24th. Consider making these services part of your Lenten devotions this year.

### Sunday Evening Lenten Evensongs

Let us gather on Sunday evenings throughout Lent for a sung Evensong in the Round Church. Various parishioners will offer meditations on the readings, focusing on the second lessons which come from Saint Mark's version of the Passion Narrative. All services take place at 5 p.m. Thank you to Father Harris who will accompany us on the organ at these services.

Lent I, February 26th. No meditation this Sunday due to Annual General Meeting

Lent II, March 5th. Meditation by Nicholas Lucciola

Lent III, March 12th. Meditation by Sue Zinck

Lent IV (Mothering Sunday), March 19th. Meditation by Stewart Dunbar

Lent V (Passion Sunday), March 26th. Meditation by Kieva Diamond

## Rule of Life

Lent is a time to examine our relationship with God, with one another, and creation. You can begin this by using the 'Rule of Life' from the Book of Common Prayer (page 555) to examine your life:

Every Christian man or woman should from time to time frame for himself a RULE OF LIFE in accordance with the precepts of the Gospel and the faith and order of the Church; wherein he may consider the following:

The regularity of his attendance at public worship and especially at the holy Communion.

The practice of private prayer, Bible-reading, and self-discipline.

Bringing the teaching and example of Christ into his everyday life.

The boldness of his spoken witness to his faith in Christ.

His personal service to the Church and the community.

The offering of money according to his means for the support of the work of the Church at home and overseas.

## Charitable Tax Receipts for 2022

2022 tax receipts are now available for pickup at the back of the church. Any receipts that are not picked up will be mailed on Monday, February 27.

## Quiet Day – save the date!

Save the date! A parish Quiet Day will be held on the morning of Saturday, March 25th (Passion Sunday). More details to follow soon.

## The First Sunday in Lent

*Excerpt from: Common Prayer: A commentary on the Prayer Book Lectionary, Vol. 2*

The Lenten fast has been fixed at forty days in imitation of a number of scriptural examples, the chief of which is our Lord's own forty days of fasting and temptation in the wilderness. It is quite appropriate, therefore, that St. Matthew's account of our Lord's temptation is today's appointed Gospel. For because he himself has suffered and been tempted, he is able to help those who are tempted (Heb 2:18).

Several lessons very fitting to the season can be learned from this Gospel. First, we must all expect temptation for we are all the adopted sons of God (Rom 8:15). Normally, temptations come upon us subtly, in unexpected forms, and deceitful ways. To often, we have given in before we even realize that we have been tempted. This happens because the devil is the lover of deception, the spreader of all falsehood, the familiar friend of darkness (John 8:44; Eph 6:11; Luke 22:53). He uses our secret longings and hidden weaknesses to corrupt us. He waits for the opportune time (Luke 4:13).

Seldom does the devil emerge from the dark, and he does so only when there is no place to hide, as in the wilderness. The Holy Spirit led Jesus into the wilderness because only there, apart from the business and distractions of human society, would the devil be forced to reveal himself clearly as the principal enemy of the light that enlightens every man, the Truth himself (John 1:9, 14:6).

The forty days of Lent are meant to be our wilderness. This is the third lesson, by withdrawing somewhat from our normal way of life, by self-examination and repentance, by prayer, fasting and self-denial, by reading and meditation upon God's holy Word, we force the devil to reveal himself and attack us openly.

What comes to light is this, and this is the fourth lesson: the temptations of the devil are of three kinds, as Jesus' temptations were of three kinds. All sin arises from three sources, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life (1 John 2:16). Thus, the devil must play upon these, hoping that we shall either devote ourselves to worldly ends or test God idly and presumptuously or even abandon God entirely for the sake of pride.

Still, such temptation is too hard to bear even normally. Which one of us would deliberately go into the wilderness alone to confront Satan? But we do not go alone. This is the last lesson to be learned. We go in Christ, with Christ in us. We can overcome the adversary only by the grace of God given us as his adopted sons. It is a very great comfort to realize that the true Son of God has already overcome darkness with his own marvellous light (compare 1 Peter 2:9). Therefore, led by the Holy Spirit, let us go with Christ into the wilderness to be tempted (Matt 4:1), there by God's grace to overcome our sins and arrive with renewed repentance and faith at the Easter Feast.