

Session 3 of 'How Shall We Forgive?' a webinar with Archbishops Edwards and MacDonald is **Monday at 7:00pm**. You may also ZOOM-in from home. Please register to receive the ZOOM link on the website, or plan to come in person to the Church!

**Ascension Day falls on Thursday, May 13th**. It is the day Jesus went up into Heaven. In keeping with our custom, we will once again **climb the bell tower at 7:00pm** to offer our praise and prayers. Coffee and muffins will be available in the Hall afterwards. As Jesus ascended into the heavens, let us also in heart and mind ascend there!

Planning for **St. George's Green Space is moving forward**: lumber has been purchased for six raised planting beds; rain collection containers have been sourced; bird houses have been pledged; plastic lining for the beds has been sourced; some soil has been donated, and more is being sourced; and a logo is in the works! Thanks be to God! A **work day has been planned for Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**. If you have pointed shovel or a wheel barrow that could be loaned for the day, or if you would like to help, please let us know.

**Operation Live Stream** involves live-streaming Morning and Evening Prayer from Monday to Friday, each week, at 8:30 am and 5:00 pm. If **you might be interested in assisting** occasionally as a reader, please speak to the Rector. An **orientation** for those who are interested has been scheduled for **Tuesday evening, May 18th, at 6:30pm at St. George's**.

**The Day of Pentecost**, on which the Holy Spirit descended on the Church, is on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Following it are three special days of prayer for the ministry of the Church (Ember Days). On the first of these, Wednesday, **May 26<sup>th</sup>**, we will, with God's help, **read through the Book of Psalms** (all 150 of them!), beginning at 12:30pm. God willing, this will be live-streamed. If you are available to help, people are needed as members in the Congregation, and as readers. In the past we have taken turns reading for 30 minutes.



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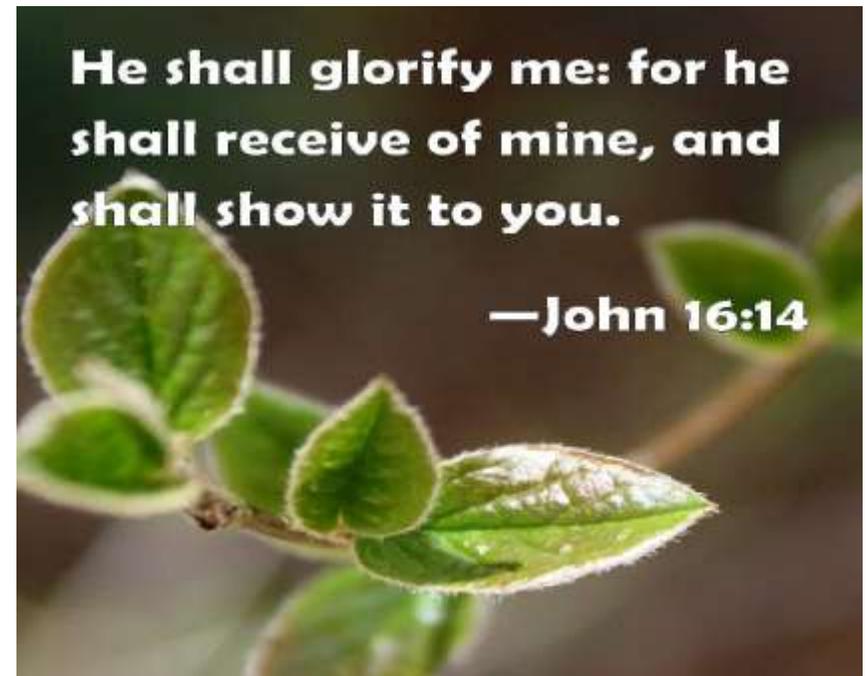


# St. George's Anglican Church

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*Jesus Christ the same, Yesterday, Today and Forever*

## Fourth Sunday After Easter May 2, 2021



**Parish Prayer Chain:** To pass a message on to the Parish Prayer Chain, from Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. please the Office. After Office Hours, please contact Cathie @ 855-7969 or cdingwell@gmail.com

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### 8:00 A.M. - HOLY EUCHARIST

Introit Psalm: 98. 1-4	p. 455
Collect for Purity	p. 67
Kyrie	p. 70
The Collect and The Epistle	p. 194
Gradual Psalm: 118. 15-18	p. 483
The Holy Gospel	p. 195

### 9:15 A.M. – MORNING PRAYER

Psalm: 126, 127, 128	pgs.500, 501
First Lesson: Exodus 34. 1-10	(Pew Bible page 84)
Second Lesson: 1 Peter 3. 8-end	(Pew Bible page 983)

### 10:00 A.M. –HOLY EUCHARIST

**Introit Psalm – sung** *O sing unto the Lord a new song, alleluia; for the Lord hath done marvelous things alleluia; in the sight of the nations hath he shewed his righteous judgments, alleluia, alleluia. With his own right hand, and with his holy arm: hath he gotten himself the victory. Glory be...*

Hymn <b>353</b> (Praise My Soul)	
Children’s Talk	
Collect for Purity	p. 67
Kyrie	p. 70
The Collect and The Epistle	p. 194
Gradual Psalm: 118. 15-18	p. 483
The Holy Gospel	p. 195
The Nicene Creed	p. 71
Hymn before the Homily: <b>555</b> (Dennis)	
Homily	
Offertory Hymn: <b>167</b> (Hyfrydol- 397)	
The Intercession	
Confession, Absolution	p. 77
Thanksgiving	p. 78
Consecration	p. 82
Hymns during Communion: <b>227</b> (Eisenach); <b>224</b> (Rockingham); <b>221</b> (Undes et Memores)	
The Lord’s Prayer	p. 85
The Gloria in Excelsis	p. 86
Recessional Hymn: <b>803</b> (Gwalchmal)	

### 5:00- P.M. EVENING PRAYER

Psalms: 136	p. 506
First Lesson: Exodus 35. 30 – 36. 7	(Pew Bible page 86)
Second Lesson: Luke 16. 19-end	(Pew Bible page 842)

*The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Annie L. Carson, Charles Hamlyn, Doreen Robinson*

*“Let us remember before God the faithful departed.”  
Bryon Vickers, Maude Neptune Mondesir, Clifford Thacker,  
Brigid Carey, Kevin Hutchinson, Annette Calaway*

*The flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Phyllis Mann from her family.*

*Today, we remember Flight Sergeant Ernest Nixon Moore of this Parish who died May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1943. He is buried in Holland and awaits with us the Lord’s return and the Resurrection at the Last Day.*

### This Week in the Parish

The Daily Offices of **Morning and Evening Prayer** will be prayed at **8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Monday – Saturday**

<b>Sunday</b>	Drive-In Service	3:30 p.m.
<b>Monday</b>	“How Shall We Forgive”	7:00 p.m.
<b>Tuesday</b>	Scouts	7:00 p.m.
<b>Wednesday</b>	Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
	Beavers/Cubs	6:30 p.m.
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>	10:00 a.m.

A **Drive-in Service** (Celebration of the Holy Eucharist) is scheduled for **today at 3:30 PM**. In order to make room for some other Sunday afternoon activities, this will be **the last one** for the foreseeable future. Please note that the 5:00 PM Service will continue at St. George’s; with an attendance of two people, on average.

*“Now he that hath wrought us for the selfsame thing is God, who also hath given unto us the earnest of the Spirit. Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: [For we walk by faith, not by sight;]*

II Corinthians 5: 6,7

## The Rector's Corner

Last Monday night Archbishops Edwards and MacDonald delivered the second talk in the series, 'How Shall We Forgive?'. They focused on the concept of Atonement – a strange word which can be broken down as 'at-one-ment'. Human beings have asked: "How can a sinner enter into a relationship with God?" "How can we be made 'at-one' with Him?"

Archbishop Edwards approached the answer by reflecting on what St. Paul said to the Church in Ephesus. He told them, "By grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God." (Ephesians 2.8) In the Western world, the grace of God – His gift of salvation – has been understood in terms of sacrifice. Specifically, the Sacrifice of God's Son. By His Death on the Cross, Jesus paid the price for our sins so that we might have forgiveness and reconciliation with God.

As Archbishop Edwards explained, there are many ways of thinking about the Atonement which Christ has provided; however, "no explanation of Atonement is as relevant as *the fact of Atonement*" (C.S. Lewis). In the end, our relationship with God is restored through God's work in Christ, a work undeserved by us.

Archbishop MacDonald went on to tell how 'sacrifice' is built into the Indigenous world view. There is an interdependency within the creation – a relationship of balance or harmony amongst the creatures which includes human beings. This harmony may be understood in this way: if we do not care for the poor; if we are greedy; if we are wasteful, things will not go well. Things will not go well because God will know, and so will the rest of the creatures.

To unpack the repercussions, Archbishop MacDonald explained that within the Indigenous world view, life is very precious – even animal life. Every living thing has a part in maintaining the harmony of creation. This extends to the offering of life. For example, it is not the prowess of the hunter only, that provides the community with food, but also the offering of the animal itself, in sacrifice. The animals give their lives for the greater good; and with this, there is a need to recognize their sacrifices with thanksgiving.

At the heart of this understanding of the universe is sacrificial love. Therefore the Indigenous world view and the Biblical Christian perspective are complementary in this way: the indigenous cosmology anticipates the work of the Lord Jesus Christ and is fulfilled in Him. As with any world view, the Indigenous world view needs the Lord Jesus Christ. Without Him, and without His Self-Offering on the Cross, there can be no reconciliation – no Atonement.

As a closing thought, thinking about the Atonement made for us by Christ will lead us this coming Monday to a discussion about extending forgiveness, and the possibility of reconciliation, to one another. ... "Then Peter came up and said to him, 'Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.'" (St. Matthew 18.21-22)

### Daily Bible Readings

*A modified schedule from the Prayer Book's Table of Lessons*

Sunday	Daniel 7: 9-end	Romans 10
Monday	Daniel 9	Romans 11
Tuesday	Daniel 10	Romans 12
Wednesday	Daniel 12	Romans 13
Thursday	Esther 1	Romans 14
Friday	Esther 2	Romans 15
Saturday	Esther 3	Romans 16

The first adventure of 2021 for **St. George's Outbound** is set for Sunday afternoon, **May 30<sup>th</sup>**. We have a couple of destinations in mind, please stay tuned! If you plan to come, please contact the Office.

We had a telephone **call from Velma Scott** this past week. Approximately two and half years ago, she moved to Peterborough to be with her daughter and grandchildren. She is **keeping well and wanted to be remembered** to everyone at St. George's, especially the Wednesday morning Bible Study group and her friends from Willing Workers. Thanks be to God for the fellowship we have in Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.

We are planning to recognize our **High School, University and College graduates** on Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup>. If you know of a graduate connected to St. George's, please call the Office at 855-5209 by **Friday June 4<sup>th</sup>**.