

ANGLICAN PARISH OF WOODSTOCK

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH CHRIST CHURCH



Buildings & Property Stewardship Ministry Appreciation Sunday



2nd Sunday of Easter

April 24, 2022

Service of Morning Prayer

Livestreamed Sunday morning and available on
Facebook, YouTube & our Website in the evening.



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We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) and Mi'kmaq Peoples.

Let us be Kind to One Another

Proof of Covid vaccination is no longer required. Some folks may choose to wear a mask and maintain physical distance, and that is okay. The offering plate remains at the back. Hand sanitizer is available.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience. God bless you for your faithfulness.

Order of Service

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Scripture Sentence: Have you believed, Thomas, because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe. John 20:29

Opening Hymn #330 *O Praise Ye The Lord*

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Welcome on this Ministry Appreciation Sunday

As part of a Mission Action Plan, our congregation approved by motion at our Annual General Meeting on Feb. 13, 2022, that once a month we would hold a Ministry Appreciation Sunday to recognize volunteers within our parish who serve, or have served, faithfully, doing it without desire for recognition but out of love for God our heavenly Father. We want to let you know that your service has been appreciated by your church family and we wish to say, "Thank you. We are grateful to you for your faithful contribution and we pray God's blessing upon you." You will see in our bulletin the outline of the groups to be recognized each month. I heartily welcome all of you to this second Ministry Appreciation service.

On this Buildings & Property Stewardship Appreciation Sunday, we gather to say thank you to those who serve in various capacities within the church, in particular as leaders and members of the Building Committee, Cemetery Committee, Caretakers, Snow Clearing and Lawn Mowing operators, and Safe Church Officers. We are glad you are here and we want you to know that you are appreciated! God is using you to further His Kingdom through your service in "Buildings and Property Stewardship Ministry" in the Anglican Parish of Woodstock. Thank you for serving so unselfishly.

The Invitatory

Sentence #10 (Before and After the Easter Anthem)

Leader: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed:

People: O come, let us worship.

Easter Anthem: Christ our Passover

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The Proclamation of the Word

1st Reading: Acts 5: 27-32 *The Apostles Are Persecuted*

Psalm 118: Verses 14-29

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2nd Reading: Revelation 1: 4-8 *Introduction & Salutation*

Hymn #300 *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

Gospel: John 20: 19-31 *Jesus Appears to the Disciples*

Sermon: *Grateful for the Buildings & Property
Stewardship Ministry*

Instrumental: *How Great Thou Art*

Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation

to the Buildings & Property Stewardship Ministry

Prayers of the People:

Led by Larry Graham

Leader: In Paul's letter to the Corinthians, he said, "God has given revelation through the Spirit, for the Spirit explores the depths of everything, even the depths of God...The spirit we

have received is God's own Spirit, so that we may understand the lavish gifts God has given us."

Let us take a moment in silence to value the many talents and gifts that God has given, especially to our past and present workers and volunteers and all who dedicate their time, skills, and resources to Buildings and Property Stewardship, including the Building Committee, Cemetery Committee and Work and Support Crews, Caretakers, Snow Clearing and Lawn Mowing Workers, Safe Church Officers, and wherever God's people serve as faithful followers of Christ. [pause] For all these gifts, given out of your love:

All: We thank you, God of all goodness.

Leader: As the spirit blows gently in our midst, may we move with that wind to choose extraordinary witnesses of Jesus through the faith, life, and work of God's stewards.

All: We thank you, God of all goodness.

Leader: We pray for all those who serve in the Buildings and Property Stewardship Ministry. May their commitment to the body of Christ, serving in fellowship and stewardship work, caring for and maintaining our facilities, lawns, and cemetery grounds, be enhanced by their attention and dedication to the work they do.

All: We thank you, God of all goodness.

Leader: Recreate in us a heart and spirit renewed, a heart and spirit dedicated to a holy life and in support of the ministry of buildings and grounds stewardship in the body of Christ.

All: We thank you, God of all goodness.

Leader: We pray for peace in our world, especially in Ukraine, that this war will end soon, and in the Anglican Church of Canada, especially the Sacred Circle and Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, over the recent news of the resignation of Archbishop Mark MacDonald due to acknowledged sexual misconduct, that there will be healing of all impacted and that lives will be restored. For the work of the church throughout the world and for all who bring a

message of Easter hope through Christ our Saviour. **All: We thank you, God of all goodness.**

Leader: We pray for all on our prayer list, those who are ill at home or in hospital, facing surgery, those in recovery; for the medical profession and the healing ministry.

All: We thank you, God of all goodness.

Leader: Lord, we remember that all we have in this world is first a gift from you that requires the collaboration of human hands. Thank you for all those, past and present, who have offered and continue to offer their gifts, joining in our ministry of bringing hope and loving service within and beyond our parish. We ask this in the name Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord. **Amen.**

Collect together: Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Offertory Hymn #378: *Crown Him With Many Crowns*

Prayer over the Gifts: (Offering plate remains at the back.) God of grace, you have freed us from our sins and made us a kingdom in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Accept all we offer you this day, and strengthen us in the new life you have given us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing

Closing Hymn #525 *The Church's One Foundation*

Dismissal

Officiant: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Special Prayers are requested for: Janet, Kim, Ernest, Mavis, Gordon, Ellen, Karla, Amanda, Jennifer, Randy, Colin,

Liam, Sadie, Emma, Scottie, Kate, Gail, Tanya, Terry, Brad, Billy, Lorne, Kent, Doreen, Dick, Susanne, Jim, Trevor, Lindsay, Lois, David, Carrie, Barry, Freda, Charles, Betty-Jean, Gary, Jennifer, Elsie, Larry, Archbishop David's father John.

Participating in Today's Service

Officiant: Rev. Shirley Noseworthy
Lay Reader: Larry Graham
Organist: Sandra Culberson
Greeters: Marilyn Sherman & Nancy English
Videographer: Tony Richard
Audio: Armin Hackelsperger
Altar Guild: Jean Collicott & Barbara Richard

Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries!

Best wishes to those celebrating April 24 - 31, 2022!

Happy Birthday to Don Niles, Lorne Saunders, Audrey Thornton, Lyla Ryder, and to anyone else celebrating a birthday.

Happy Wedding Anniversary to Larry & Naomi Sharpe, and to anyone else celebrating their special day!

A Prayer based on 1 John 4:7-12

Father, we adore You. Bless those who are celebrating a birthday or an anniversary this week. May Your love continue to flow through them. You gave Your one and only son so that we might live through Him, and we pray that as You have loved us, that we continue to love one another. Thank You for living within us and thank You for Your love being made complete within us. Amen.

Thank You Sara Brown

During the Covid pandemic Sara made masks and has donated the profits from her sales to St. Luke's church. Thank you, Sara. Well done! God bless you for your faithfulness!

Diocesan Intercessions

Each week we pray for those on the Anglican Prayer Cycle, located here. On April 24 we pray for: The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea, the Rt Rev Nathan Ingen, Acting Archbishop. Archbishop Linda Nicholls, Anglican Church of Canada. Bishop Ordinary to the Canadian Armed Forces Nigel Shaw and all military chaplains. Diocese of Ho, Bishop Matthias Meduadues-Badohu. Diocese of Yukon, Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame; Whitehorse: Christ Church Cathedral, the Very Rev. Bert Chestnut, the Rev. Elsa Cheeseman and Don Cheeseman, licensed lay minister David Robertson, lay minister in training Monica Demtster. Archbishop David, retired bishops Claude, William and George, and their families.

St. Luke's ACW has decided to send a donation for aid needed in Ukraine to PWRDF. The wooden bowl on the offering table at the back of the church is for donations from others who wish to take part. If you would like a receipt, please use your PWRDF envelope and mark it clearly for Ukraine. We realize that you may have already donated individually, which is wonderful.

Please pray for peace in Ukraine.



ACW Meeting – Thursday, April 28, 2:00 pm

St. Luke's ACW will hold their monthly meeting on Thursday, April 28, at 2 pm, St. Lukje's Hall. Everyone welcome.

April 24 Buildings & Property Stewardship Ministry Appreciation Sunday

As part of a Mission Action Plan, we will be recognizing different ministry groups within our parish each month. Today we are recognizing Buildings & Property Stewardship ministry and invite current and past members of the Building Committee, Cemetery Committee, Caretakers, Snow Clearing and Lawn Moving Crew, and Safe Church Officers.

"May the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge, reward you fully for what you have done."
Ruth 2:12

Ministry Appreciation Sundays

Month	Ministry	Groups (Invite Present & Past Members)
February	Administrative Team	Wardens, Vestry, Treasurer, Synod Delegates, Counters, Administrative Assistant
March	Women's Ministry	ACW, Guild, Altar Guild
April	Buildings & Property Stewardship	Building Committee, Cemetery Committee, Caretakers, Snow Clearing, Lawn Mowing
May	Adult/Youth/Children's Education & Ministry	Sunday School, Puppet Ministry, Confirmation Program, Bible Study
June	Communication Ministry	Videography, Livestreaming Team, Parish Facebook page, Website, & YouTube Channel Manager, Communications Officer for NB Anglican
September	Music Ministry	Organist, Choir, Soloist, Musicians
October	Pastor Appreciation & Lay Ministry	Rector, Other Clergy, Lay Readers, Acolytes, Greeters
November	Unsung Heroes	Pastoral Care Team and Volunteers who work behind the scenes.

Bulletin Board

Sunday, April 24 – 2nd Sunday of Easter

10:30 am Morning Prayer (BAS)

Ministry Appreciation Buildings/Property/Stewardship

2:00 pm Vestry Meeting

Tuesday, April 26

2:00 pm Bible Study, St. Luke's Hall

6:15-7:45 pm Brownies St. Luke's Hall

Thursday, April 28 – Choir Practice

7:00 pm St. Luke's Hall

2:00 pm ACW Meeting – St. Luke's Hall

Sunday, May 1 - 3rd Sunday of Easter

10:30 am Holy Eucharist BAS

Public Announcement of the Resignation of Archbishop Mark MacDonald

By [General Synod Communications](#) On April 20, 2022

With regret and sorrow, the Church announces receipt of allegations of sexual misconduct concerning Archbishop Mark MacDonald, who has resigned as National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop in the Anglican Church of Canada, and formally relinquished the exercise of the ordained ministry pursuant to Canon XIX, effective April 20, 2022.

In keeping with ***A Call to Human Dignity***, the Council of General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada expressed the Church's commitment to ensure that:

- All our workplaces are free from violence, coercion, discrimination, and sexual harassment.
- No one is subjected to sexual misconduct of any kind.
- We deal promptly, seriously and systematically with all complaints of sexual misconduct.
- Those who hold positions of trust or power in the church do not take advantage of or abuse that trust.

We also remain committed to the Safe Church Charter of the Anglican Communion (adopted by General Synod in 2019) and to the need to continually review and improve our policies, training and practices. At General Synod we are currently reviewing our sexual harassment policy with respect to training and procedures to ensure that our policy is effective and appropriate.

We extend, with sorrow, our prayers for healing to all those involved as we deal with the consequences of this situation. We continue to work for respect and dignity in all our relationships.

**Pastoral Letter to the Anglican Church of Canada
From our Primate, The Most Rev. Linda Nicholls.**

April 20, 2022

Dear friends in Christ,

As you will see in the attached announcement Archbishop Mark MacDonald has resigned as National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop and has relinquished the exercise of ministry due to acknowledged sexual misconduct, effective April 20, 2022.

This is devastating news. The sense of betrayal is deep and profound when leaders fail to live up to the standards we expect and the boundaries we set. Our hearts hold compassion for human frailty and space for repentance while we also ache with the pain that such betrayal causes first to the complainant; then to so many others and to the life of our Church.

First and most importantly our prayers must be for the complainant whose life has been affected by Mark's actions. The betrayal of trust by someone in such a prominent role of leadership will require a long road of healing and our constant prayers.

Also remember Mark and his family in prayer as they face the consequences of his actions that will affect every member.

The ripple effects of this misconduct will be felt throughout the Church both in Canada and internationally, but most especially within the Sacred Circle and Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples. We mourn with them.

I trust that the good work that the Sacred Circle has initiated will continue to deepen and grow. On an interim basis I have asked Bishop Sidney Black to serve as Interim National Indigenous Bishop to give counsel and oversight to the work of Indigenous ministries. Bishop Sidney and the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples will need the prayers of the whole Church as they discern the next steps in confirming the Covenant and Our Way of Life documents

We have just lived another Holy Week in which the pain and brokenness of the world was taken up on the cross. Today we hold the broken lives and wounds of our Church before that cross and wait in longing for the healing and new life that God promises through Jesus Christ by faith. We pray for God's grace for healing and comfort for all.

Yours in Christ,



The Most Rev. Linda Nicholls
Archbishop & Primate,
Anglican Church of Canada