

St. George Standard

I am the way, the truth, and the life says the Lord;
no one comes to the Father, but by me. John 14.6

Fifth Sunday of Easter May 7, 2023



Alleluia! Christ is risen



Do I have enough?

If you ask the students in a grade one classroom, who can sing, or who can draw and even who can dance, if not all the hands go up, then at least the majority would to each question. Twelve years later and ask those students the same three questions, you will see vastly different results. The question now is: "What's the difference that made that difference." The answer: as each child grew, enough people told them they couldn't sing, draw, or dance, and they came to believe it, so they didn't. (We are not talking stellar performance, but the acknowledgement that I can do it.)

What people believe about themselves, their abilities and/or their career, friendships and even their church makes a tremendous difference. If one believes their career is a "dead end job" then they perform only at the minimal level. If one believes their career makes a difference, then they perform optimally. Years ago, I watched an educational film titled, "What you are is Where you Were When." It was fascinating. The premise is what one experiences in the formative years has a lasting influence for the remainder of their life. For example, those whose formative years were during the great depression of the 1930's, learned the need to save whatever money they had and to make do with meager resources. They probably also came to never trust the bank! It was the age of darning socks, patches on the knees of trousers and the time of hand-me-downs. In affluent and abundant times, the age of use-once plastic grocery bags, the throw away mentality reigned. Who darns socks now? Growing up in a home based on scarcity or abundance influenced your attitudes for the rest of your life.

This is also true within organizations, including the church. We all know the story of Jesus feeding the multitudes. Jesus has a concern for them, and the disciples say, "where will we get enough bread?" They were operating from a scarcity model. Jesus asks about what supplies they had on hand, which turned out to be some loaves of bread and a few fish. Our Lord aware of God's abundance in creation, knew he could risk using the disciples' limited resources, and instructed the crowd to sit down. And you know the rest of the story – there was even leftovers for the disciples' lunch the next day.

People who have vast resources of wealth but operate from a scarcity model feel they never have enough. Those who use the abundance model, readily share what they have. So, the question to ask personally and corporately is what model do you hold as your guiding principle.

Remember though, God will never ask how much money you have, but will ask what you did with the money you have.

Blessings

Fr. Richard

This Week at St. George's

Readings for :

May 7, 2023

Acts 7.55-60
Psalm 31.1-5, 15-16
1 Peter 2.2-10
John 14.1-14

May 14, 2023

Acts 17.22-31
Psalm 66.7-18
1 Peter 3.13-22
John 14.15-21

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

MAY 7, 2023

World

The clergy and people of the Church in
Wales

Diocese

Durham and Northumberland Deanery

Oshawa Deanery

The clergy and people of
Ascension, Port Perry

St. George's Families

Nicholls - Reid

THE MINISTERS OF ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH

The Rt Rev'd Andrew Asbil
Bishop of Toronto

The Rt Rev'd Riscylla Walsh Shaw

The Rt. Rev'd Kevin Robertson
Suffragan Bishops

The Rev'd Richard Newland
Interim Priest-in-Charge ext 101

Ms Barb Wotton - *Rector's Warden*

Mr. Frank McGilvery - *Peoples' Warden*

Mr Kevin Liyanage - *Rector's Deputy Warden*

Ms Shelley Kossatz - *Peoples' Deputy Warden*

Mr Carmine Lappano - *Organist & Choir Director*

Ms. Wendy Bott - *Treasurer*

Ms Barb Callery - *Envelope Secretary*

Mr William Erwin - *Sexton*

Ms Cathy Reynolds - *Chief Office Administrator*

WEEKLY WORSHIP SERVICES

Wednesday: 6.30 pm Evening Prayer

Thursday: 10.00 am Holy Eucharist

**Sunday: 8.15 am Holy Eucharist BCP
10.00 am Choral Eucharist**

The Flowers

The flowers at the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory and thanksgiving for my parents Eleanor and Malcolm Rabb, by Allison.

The flowers in the font are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Ross and Kevin Kossatz from their family.



THOMSON BURSARY

The Rev. Alfred Whidden Thomson, M.A. and
Mrs. Agnes M. Thomson Trust Fund

Mr. James Alfred Thomson, M.A., a parishioner of St. George's Memorial Church, Oshawa, a son of the above named clergyman and his wife, died on May 1, 1988.

As a former teacher and educator, Mr. Thomson had a special interest in young people and in their advancement in higher education. His Will provided for the establishment of a permanent Trust Fund, from which the annual interest would be available to underwrite Bursaries to assist members of the Parish Church to attend the university of their choice.

College students are not eligible for this bursary.

Application forms are now available. Please call 905 723 7875 or email: church@stgeorgesoshawa.org if you wish to receive one and we will send it to you electronically.



Completed applications must be received in the church office by **Thursday June 15, 2023 at 4.00 pm**

This Week at St. George's

Looking ahead...

May 6 Chime Concert 12 noon

May 7 Choral Evensong 4.00 pm

May 13 Durham Youth Orchestra in concert 7.30 pm

May 28 Marion Singers in concert 4.00 pm

Coronation Chime Concert

On Saturday, May 6, 2023 at noon St. George's bells will join bells around the world to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III. I will chime various hymns and peals, ending with "God Save the King" at about 12:40 p.m. Please invite your friends and come to listen from your car or a lawn chair as the bells ring for this joyous occasion.

Deborah Zimmerman

Support for Ukrainians in Durham Region

Those wishing to support Ukrainians in Durham Region may do so by following this link: <https://supportukrainians.ca/durham/>

St. George's has a YouTube channel

As we work toward a strong online presence, Fr. Richard has established a YouTube channel, where we will post a recording of our Sunday service and other services of importance. While this is not a livestream, where you watch the event in real time, our intent is to post the most recent service within 48 hours. We are still refining the means of recording, editing, and uploading, so be patient as we do so.

To see the videos, use your computer and go to YouTube. In their search box type *St. George's Memorial Anglican Church* and this will take you to a page listing all the St. George's Churches. Click on our link to go to our channel. Click videos, select the one you want to watch and enjoy!

You may now visit our website www.stgeorgesmemorial.org and click on the link under Youtube Channel.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Father Richard will bless prayer shawls and blankets at the 10 a.m. service on Sunday, May 7, 2023.

If you have a completed shawl to donate, please bring it to church on or before May 7, or contact me, or leave it with Cathy at the church office.

At the conclusion of the service on May 7, please come forward to our table, should you wish to pick up an unwrapped, blessed shawl as a gift for someone you know. You may also request a gift-wrapped, blessed shawl, if you prefer.

Sincere thanks to all our skilled crafters. Your quiet efforts make this ministry so meaningful.

Thanks also to those who donate yarn to be made into prayer shawls. Crafters who wish to turn this yarn into prayer shawls or blankets appreciate your kindness.

Deborah Zimmerman



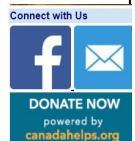
Bookkeeper

Wendy Bott resigned her position as treasurer on April 24, 2023. We are so very thankful to Wendy for her services as treasurer and we will miss her deeply but look forward to seeing her smiling (and much more relaxed) face on Sundays! We welcome our new bookkeeper, Zofia Halmaizs, who officially began last week. Zsofia has experience with churches and other charitable organizations. We look forward to working with Zsofia.

Canada Helps

St. George's is now registered with Canada Helps, an online Registered Charity and Social Enterprise. The **Donate Now** button is located on the website under *Connect with Us*.

Donations made through Canada Helps come directly to St. George's, (a fee of 3.75% is taken by Canada Helps) but receipts will be issued by Canada Helps. Of course, we still accept e-transfers, cheques and cash, but this is a secure and convenient method for those who prefer it.



This Week at St. George's

ST GEORGE'S MEMORIAL ANGLICAN CHURCH
PRESENTS

Choral evening

Celebrating the coronation of King Charles III
Music of Parry, Handel, Wesley and Murrill

*Sung by the ladies and gentlemen of St.
George's Memorial Anglican Church,
Oshawa*

Carmine Lappano, Conductor
Christopher Dawes, Organist

May 7th, 2023 - 4:00 PM

51 Centre Street South, Oshawa - offerings accepted at the service
for more information call 905-723-7875

The Refuge - Job Posting

The Refuge is currently seeking several individuals to fill the position of Evening Program Worker. The Rec. Room evening program runs each week night from 7-9:30 pm. The program creates a safe, fun space for youth to stay positive in the evenings through the use of snacks, pool table, watching sports or other events on TV, playing board games and creating a space where youth feel loved, nurtured, encouraged, safe and feel that they belong. On Friday nights The Refuge offers the Family Night program from 6-8:30 where youth and youth alumni (youth now too old to come to the regular programs of The Refuge) can share a meal together, engage in special events and feel a sense of family belonging. The Refuge is seeking one or several individuals to work one or several evenings per week. The complete job description is available from the church office: 905-723-7875 or by contacting The Refuge: 404-2420

Roofing Project Update

The roof has now been inspected for substances that may need special handling when working on the roof. These reports, along with other information about the roof, are located in a binder at the back of the church. The architect's drawing of our roofing system is also located there. The committee, with input from the architects and engineers, weighed the pros and cons of the various types of metal roofing available and have chosen a standing seam type of metal roof. Cost and safety were the main determining factors for choosing this type of roof. The cost difference between a standing seam and a slate look metal roof is approximately \$75,000. The snow guard system with a standing seam roof is better at preventing snow and ice from falling at our entrances. We encourage you to look at the information in the binder. Please feel free to approach any committee member with questions you might have. The members of the committee are Shannon Bott, Terry Dragomatz, Frank McGilvery, Steve Rowe, Bill Reitsma, Margaret Lapierre and Barb Wotton.

Father, we come before you, as we begin this new project. Consecrate this endeavor through Your hands and to Your glory. We give thanks for the many gifts you give us and the guidance you give to the hands that labor, build and create. Amen.

Attention Lectors Intercessors and Chalice Administrants

We are scheduling for the months of June through September, 2023. Please contact Barb Callery by **May 10th** to let her know of any dates that you will *not be available* for the new schedule.

Barb: 905-576-2561 or callery@rogers.com

Parish Selection Committee

Our Parish Selection Committee submitted our Parish Profile to Bishop Riscyilla in February and she will be reviewing it in the coming weeks. Once the Profile is approved she will begin to accept applications from interested priests and the interview process can begin. We realize that it will maybe some time before we welcome our new incumbent.

We ask for your continued prayers and patience as we put our trust in the Holy Spirit to guide us over the coming months.

This Week at St. George's



Spring *Concert*

St. George's Anglican Church, 51 Centre Street South, Oshawa

John Beaton, Music Director
Paul Otway, Assistant Music Director

Free admittance

First come first served seating

Musicians 21 years of age and under are invited to audition.



Saturday
May 13
7:30 p.m.

Featured works

- Vivaldi's Concerto for Two Cellos and Strings in G minor
- Schubert's String Quartet, No. 13 in A minor, "Rosamunde" (Andante only)
- Beethoven's Symphony No. 5 in C minor (First movement)
- Haydn's Symphony No. 104 "London"
- Bach's Minuet 2
- Handel's Chorus

TMS

The Marion Singers

of Greater Toronto | Christopher Dawes Artistic Director



The Marion Singers' 2023 spring concerts celebrate the world and its people in mostly *a capella* music spanning centuries and genres.

Sunday, May 28, 2023, 4:00 PM
St George's Memorial Anglican Church
51 Centre Street S, Oshawa, ON L1H 3Z9
stgeorgesoshawa.org
(905) 723-7875

Tickets available at **Showpass.com**

All proceeds benefit Organ Restoration at St. George's Oshawa



SCAN ME

The Marion Singers' Spring 2023 "Lives and Worlds" concert celebrates choral beauty, and ideas that matter. The group's signature variety of music invites us to know and love this world better, and to glimpse the incredible power of music to tell its stories.

Join Shelley Kossatz and Steve Powell of our very own St. George's choir and other choristers of the Marion Singers as they present 'Lives and Worlds'! Proceeds from this concert go directly to Organ restoration at St. George's!

Tickets available through Showpass or contact the church office.