



# St. George's Anglican Church

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**The Octave Day of Christmas**  
*and the Circumcision of Christ*

**January 1, 2023**



*The Circumcision* (16<sup>th</sup> century). Luca Signorelli (1450-1523). Oil on panel.

## **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 115-117. The Introit and Gradual are printed in this bulletin.

## 10:30 am Sung Holy Communion

*Celebrant & Preacher:* The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt, *Rector*

*Mass setting:* John Merbecke (1510-1585)

*Please stand as the clergy enter in procession*

**Opening Hymn** 77 HARK! the herald angels sing

*Mendelssohn*

**The Introit** Psalm 8

tone VIII.2



O LORD OUR Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the *world*, /  
**thou that hast set thy glory a-bove the heav-ens!**

**Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength,**  
**because of thine e-ne^mies, /**  
**that thou mightest still the enemy and *the a-ven-ger.***

When I consider thy heavens, even the work of thy *fin-gers*; /  
the moon and the stars, which *thou* hast or-dained;

**What is man, that thou art *mind-ful*^of^him, /**  
**and the son of man, that thou *vis-it-est* him?**

Thou hast made him but little lower than the *an-gels*, /  
and dost crown him with glo-ry and wor-ship.

**Thou makest him to have dominion over the works of thy *hands*; /**  
**and thou hast put all things in subjection *un-der* his feet;**

All sheep and *ox-en*; / yea, and the *beasts* of the field;

**The birds of the air, and the fishes of the *sea*; /**  
**and whatsoever moveth through the *paths* of the seas.**

O Lord our *Gov-er*^nor, / how excellent is thy *Name* in all the^world!

**Glory be to the Father, and to the *Son*, / and to the Ho-ly^Ghost;**

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever *shall* be, /  
**world with-out end. A-men.**

*Please kneel*

The Lord's Prayer and Collect for Purity

p. 67

The Summary of the Law

pp. 69-70

**The Kyrie**

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

The Collect

p. 115

*Please sit*

The Lesson (Isaiah 9:2)

p. 116

*Please stand*

**The Gradual** Psalm 145:18-22

tone III.2



THE LORD IS righteous in all *his* ways, / and gracious *in* all his<sup>^</sup>works~~.

**The Lord is nigh unto all them that call up-on him, /  
yea, all such as call up-on him faith<sup>^</sup>ful<sup>^</sup>ly~~.**

He will fulfill the desire of them that *fear* him: /  
and he will hear their cry, *and* will help<sup>^</sup>them~~.

**The Lord preserveth all them that love him; /  
but scattereth abroad all *the* un-god<sup>^</sup>ly~~.**

My mouth shall speak the praise of *the* Lord: /  
and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for e-*ver* and e<sup>^</sup>ver~~.

The Holy Gospel (St Luke 2:15)

p. 116

**The Nicene Creed**

pp. 71-72

The Sermon

The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt, *Rector*

**Offertory Hymn 750** THE first Nowell

*The first nowell*

*After the biddings, please kneel*

The Prayer of Intercession & Invitation to Confession

pp. 75-76

**The Confession**

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The Absolution, Comfortable Words, & Thanksgiving

pp. 77-78

**The Sanctus and Benedictus**

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Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

The Prayer of Consecration & Pax

pp. 82-83

**The Prayer of Humble Access**

pp. 83-84

**The Agnus Dei**

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O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. (*repeat*).

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the 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 82** O LITTLE town of Bethlehem

*Forest Green*

**The Gloria in Excelsis**

p. 86

The Blessing

**Closing Hymn 741** GOOD Christian men, rejoice

*In dulci jubilo*

Postlude

*In dir ist freude*, BWV 615 – J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

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

## **Carol Sing in the hall today**

*Today after the 10:30am service, we will gather in the church hall to sing Christmas Carols. Our thanks to Garth for leading us in the lusty singing of favourite carols.*

## **Upcoming Special Services & Events**

**The Epiphany of our Lord, Friday, January 6:**

7pm Choral Holy Communion

*followed by a potluck supper in Trinity House*

**Epiphany Lessons and Carols, Sunday, January 8:**

4:30pm Special Music

5pm Service of Lessons and Carols

*A freewill offering will be taken for the Friends of Saint George's Society in support of the parish music programme.*

## **Today's Offices**

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

Psalm 85 & 113; Gen. 17:1-13; Rom. 2:17-end

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

Psalm 125, 126, & 127; Deut. 30; Col. 2:8-15

*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

Total Budgeted Undesignated Offering for 2022:	\$288,676.61
Budgeted undesignated offering as of the end of November:	\$262,631.98
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Total received as of the end of November:	\$229,563.51

## Update on the Deficit

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the reduction of our operating deficit during December and the Christmas season. We will provide an end-of-year update as soon as we can, but the offerings received over the past few weeks have been a great encouragement. We thank God for his generosity of the past year which has enabled so many to give sacrificially to support the church.



SCAN ME TO GIVE

## Soup Kitchen Update

*Last Week, December 24:* an *ad hoc* Christmas Eve team led by Jordan Gracie. Food came from St. George's. 80 were served.

*Yesterday, December 31:* Team 3 led by Jordan Gracie. Food and volunteers came from St. Francis by the Lakes.

*Next Week, January 7:* Team 4 led by Alex Bickerton. Food and volunteers will come from the St. George's Soup Kitchen Men's Group



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### Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

- Sun** - The Anglican Church of Melanesia
- Mon** - The Diocese of Oklahoma - The Episcopal Church (VII (7) Province)
- Tues** - The Diocese of Okrika - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Niger Delta Province)
- Wed** - The Diocese of Oleh - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Bendel Province)
- Thurs** - The Diocese of Olo - The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Western Equatoria Province)
- Fri** - The Diocese of Olympia - The Episcopal Church (VIII (8) Province)
- Sat** - The Diocese of Omu-Aran - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Kwara Province)

### Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

As we come to the first Sunday of the New Year, we say special prayers for our Bishops and their families of our Diocese:

*For Bishop Sandra, and Jim*

*For Retired Archbishop Ron, and Marianne*

*For Retired Archbishop Arthur, and Elizabeth*

*For Retired Bishop Sue, and Bruce*



## St. George's Anglican Church

Notices & Announcements  
January 1, 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 daily 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>	Isa. 63. 1-6	Matt. 1. 18-end	Isa. 63. 7-end	1 Thess. 1
<b>Tue</b>	64	2. 19-end	65. 1-16	2. 1-16
<b>Wed</b>	65. 17-end	3. 1-4. 11	66. 1-9	2. 17-3 end
<b>Thu</b>	66. 10-end	4. 12-5. 16	60. 1-7	Rom. 15. 8-21
<b>Fri</b>	Isa. 63. 1-6	Matt. 1. 18-end	Isa. 63. 7-end	1 Thess. 1
<b>Sat</b>	Mic. 2	8. 18-end	Mic. 3	2 Thess. 3

## 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, Robert, Johana and family, Grace, and Karen.  
**For the Faithful Departed:** Nan Robertson ('21), Gordon Smith ('06), Katherine Pye ('12), Gerald Smith ('07), Mollie Ingram ('08), The Rev'd Bill Fairlie ('19), Brian Start ('10), and Amielie Taylor ('08).

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)).

## **Nominations for 2023 and Parish Annual General Meeting**

Nominations are now open for parish officials to serve during 2023. We are especially looking for nominations for warden, treasurer, and members-at-large on parish council. You can volunteer yourself or pass along a nomination to members of the Nominations Committee which consists of the Rector, wardens, and parishioner Susan Harris. Elections for these positions will be held at the Parish Annual General Meeting to be held on Sunday, February 19th following the 10:30 a.m. service.

## **Parish Annual Report for 2022**

The deadline for submissions to the Parish Annual Report for 2022 is January 16th. Heads of committees and groups are asked to start putting their report together as soon as possible so we are not so rushed in preparing the report. Thank you.

## **Feast of the Epiphany & Parish Potluck – this Friday!**

This Friday, January 6th we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany with Choral Holy Communion at 7 p.m. Father Hatt will preach. This will be followed by a parish open house and potluck at Trinity House (giving a great chance to check out their new kitchen!). All are welcome and please consider bringing a dish to share.

## **Epiphany Lessons and Carols – next Sunday!**

On Sunday, January 9th at 5 p.m. the Parish Choir will offer a service of Epiphany Lessons and Carols. An offering will be taken for the Friends of Saint George, in support of the Parish music program.

**Thank you to our Sunday school children** who made the mural of the Holy Family which hangs over the window at the back of the nave while this window is undergoing restoration. The work on the windows should finish in early January. Thank you to Jacquie de Mestral and Jordan Gracie who have led this project.

## **Hall Music Room Update**

The ongoing renovation of the new music room in the parish hall stalled for a number of weeks while we searched for carpenters who could do the work needed to reinforce the ceiling before the finish work in the room could begin. We finally secured a carpenter and additional labourers through Edmonds Landscaping and work resumed two weeks ago. It has involved extensive (and very messy) demolition of an old sound barrier between the ceiling and the floor of upstairs hall, along with the removal of old abandoned gas lines buried under the floor boards from the days when the Halifax Gas, Light and Water Company supplied much of the area from the coal gas plant. The building has a lot of history! Thank you to Terry, Willie, Eric, Justin and other labourers from Edmonds who have been carrying out this work and to Steve Bezanson who has spent many long hours labouring over architectural drawings, coordinating with the engineer, sourcing materials, and supervising the work on a daily basis. Hopefully this work will be completed in early January after which the initial finishing work (e.g. new walls, doors, sound proofing) on the room can begin.

## **Christmas - Thank you!**

Thank you to everyone who helped us celebrate our Lord's Nativity this Christmastide. Craig Savoury and his family and friends and other volunteers had the Garland up in record time. Tracy Lenfesty and members of the altar guild made the church sparkle. Meghan Jamieson and the Sunday school spent weeks preparing for the children's pageant — a wonderful event after a two year hiatus due to COVID! Anne Tilley spent months collecting items for the Shoeboxes for Seafarers and made sure they were delivered to the Mission. Jordan Gracie and Tim Chipman and others made sure the Soup Kitchen carried on and served a hot meal on the afternoon of December 24th. We are blessed with a multitude of riches.

## **Christmas Family Outreach Update**

This year we delivered gifts and food for Christmas to 26 families and individuals (including 52 children) in need in our neighbourhood and beyond. Thank you to Kim Lickers for her leadership again this year, and to the wonderful team of volunteers who showed up to wrap and deliver. It was also a wonderful opportunity to welcome and enjoy fellowship with many of the new families and individuals who have joined our congregation in the past few months and for others to reconnect after the isolation brought about by COVID. Praise God for these mercies.

## **2023 Offering Envelopes are now available!**

Unless they've been squirreled away under a table to make way for Christmas decorations, 2023 Church Envelopes are now available at the back of the church. Thank you to our Envelope Secretary, Judith Fisher for her work in preparing the envelopes and tracking donations all through the year.

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