

# ANNUAL MEETING

**Reports of Church Officers,  
Standing Committees and  
Parish Organizations, with  
Financial Statements for 2017**

**Sunday, February 11, 2018**



**ST. GEORGE'S**

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**PARISH CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE, CRESCENTWOOD  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FEBRUARY 11, 2018**

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# The Diocese of Rupert's Land

The Right Reverend Donald  
Phillips, Bishop of  
Rupert's Land

January/February 2018

Dear fellow-disciples,

“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice ... Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4: 4, 6, 7) If I had to discern a brief “word from the Lord” for the people and congregations of our Diocese as we begin 2018, this is it. It is not that St. Paul is suggesting that the Christians in Philippi pretend they don't have challenges. Rather, he is showing the way forward precisely in the midst of those challenges. And challenges always represent opportunities as well! Here are some of the challenging opportunities we're being invited to embrace.

## **1. Episcopal transition**

During this year, we will discern new episcopal leadership – initially, for a brief period, as a Coadjutor Bishop to work alongside myself, and then to become the new Bishop of Rupert's Land. This is an important piece of work in which we all need to become involved. The Search Committee is the body that oversees and guides this work. They have been formed and Archdeacon James Dugan has been named as the Chair. They will be inviting all of you to become involved in this work – a work that must begin, be sustained by, and completed with prayer! It can become an unsettling time – leaving us wondering what will change, how the new episcopal leadership will affect our common life; clergy wondering how it will impact their ministries, and more immediately, some clergy struggling to discern if they are being called to be considered for episcopal ministry in our Diocese. How pertinent are St. Paul's words to us. We need to remember that it is ultimately God who is working in and through us. And by entrusting ourselves and the discernment we do together with “prayer and thanksgiving” to God, we effectively “guard our hearts and minds” from falling into anxiety and fear. The Search Committee will be circulating prayer resources – please use them or ones that you prepare yourself. Over the next couple of months the Search Committee will be engaging the diocese in several ways and the material you provide will be woven together into a Diocesan Profile. Potential candidates as well as our Synod delegates will be using that Profile in the next stage of discernment. On Saturday June 16, God-willing, we will gather with our Provincial Metropolitan, and the members of Synod will seek God's will in the choice of a new bishop.

## **2. Generosity – stewardship of God’s grace**

The Bible is full of references about the generosity of God’s grace – how abundantly God continually gifts and empowers us in our lives. At our 2016 Synod, we focused on the third thrust of God’s activity in our midst – our calling to be stewards of God’s grace. That calling can be summed up in one word – *generosity*. Generosity with our time, our gifts and skills, and our financial resources does not mean recklessly throwing around our valuables. What it does mean is trusting that the God who has blessed us with those attributes will continue to do so – not an attitude of scarcity but of abundance. As Jesus’ disciples, it is generosity that must characterize everything we do in our lives. Obviously this must apply to our lives and ministries in our Church, but it applies equally to our engagement with God’s world – locally and globally.

## **3. ALIGN (Anglicans, Lutherans and others aligning with God’s activity in their neighbourhoods.)**

This missional work has been running for about 18 months and has birthed 4 active groups from several different congregations – 1 in Selkirk and 3 in Winnipeg. These groups meet at least monthly and are honing their reflective skills at recognizing God’s activity in their own lives and the lives of those around them. Plans are underway to expand the number of groups and to focus on the impact of this work on the spiritual vitality of those involved and their congregations.

## **4. Participation in the ministry of The Anglican Foundation**

The Anglican Foundation helps us to have a huge impact on the ministry and mission potential of our Church across Canada. Congregations and projects in Rupert’s Land have benefited from hundreds of thousands of dollars of grants and loans over the last several years. The effective generosity of this ministry is completely dependent on parishes and individuals faithfully taking out annual membership for a minimum donation of \$50 per year. In 2017, as a result of a concerted effort by many of you, we jumped from 10 to 38 parishes having active membership. Some of those parishes have not yet renewed for 2018. Please do not wait for an “invoice reminder.” Some parishes have passed resolutions at their AGM so that they automatically renew their annual membership. I want to also encourage individuals in our congregations to become members through a \$50 charitable donation. This generosity will bear much fruit – in Rupert’s Land and across our Church!

## **5. Gifts from the Indigenous Peoples of the Land**

At our 2016 Diocesan Synod, we committed ourselves to engage in much work around learning the fullness of our Canadian history with Indigenous Peoples as well as exploring what we might learn from the cultural and spiritual lives of

Indigenous Canadians. Some of this is intended to help us move beyond uninformed attitudes of racism, but more positively, it is also a great opportunity to experience the generosity of our Indigenous Peoples as we open ourselves to their wisdom and experience of living for many centuries in this land we call Canada. I encourage every member of our congregations to embrace this opportunity and expect to ultimately be blessed by the new relationship we're being invited to form with the First Peoples of this Land.

### **Being nourished in generous community**

Sometimes we view gatherings of members in the Diocese as "one more thing we're supposed to attend." Instead, we need to view these invitations as an opportunity for giving and receiving the gift of generous community. On **Sun. Mar. 11** all of the members of our Diocese who are able, are being invited to come at **7 pm at St. John's Cathedral** for our annual gathering on Mothering Sunday – when we will recommit ourselves to God and each other through re-affirming baptismal and ordination vows and blessing the sacred oils. This year we will also be installing the Venerable Dave Labdon as the new Archdeacon of Portage-St. James as well as installing new Canons for our Diocese. Looking further afield, we will gather (God-willing) for our Electoral Synod on Sat. Jun. 16 and for our biennial Diocesan Synod from Thurs. Oct. 11 to Sat. Oct. 13. All of these are occasions to experience the generosity of God in the midst of our community life.

All of this, of course, comes alongside the primary ministry and mission that you immerse yourselves into in the life of your congregation. The work and relationships in your local church also need to be characterized by living out God's abundance in lives of generosity – being faithful disciples of Jesus Christ in our stewardship of God's grace.

I wish all of you much grace and love in our partnership in the Gospel! Thank you for the abundant grace you have shown over many years to Nancy and me.

*+Donald*

Donald Phillips, Bishop

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**PARISH CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE, CRESCENTWOOD**

**ANNUAL MEETING OF ST. GEORGE'S MEMORIAL FUND, INC.**

Sunday, February 11, 2018 following the 10:30 am Worship Service

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION OF THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE.**

Sunday, February 11, 2018 following the Annual Meeting of the Memorial Fund Inc.

**AGENDA**

Call to Order

Opening Prayer – Prayers for the Faithful Departed

Introduction by The Venerable Simon Blaikie

Appointment of Chair

Announcement re: the number present who have signed the Declaration of Church Membership

Appointment of Secretary

Draft Minutes of the Annual Meeting of 2017

**Motion:** That the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of 2017 be adopted.

The Incumbent Priest's Report

The Report of the Wardens

**Motion:** That the report of the Corporation be received

Approval, Acts of Parish Council, 2017

**Motion:** That the Acts of Parish Council, 2017, be approved

Other Reports

**Motion:** That the reports contained in the printed document ANNUAL MEETING: Reports of Church Officers, Standing Committees and Parish Organizations, with Financial Statements for 2017, Sunday, February 11, 2018 be received

Financial Statement of 2017

**Motion:** that the preliminary statements be received

Budget 2018

**Motion:** That the budget presented at this meeting be received and approved

Report of Nominating Committee

**Motion:** that the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted as circulated

Appointment of Auditors

New Business

Courtesies

Adjournment

**St. George's Memorial Fund Inc.  
Notice of Annual Meeting**

**Please note the annual meeting of St. George's Memorial Fund Inc. will take place on Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018, at St. George's Anglican Church immediately preceding the Annual General Meeting of the Parish. Please join us as you are able.**

The members of the parish shall:

Receive a report from the Directors of the Corporation.

Receive and approve the Financial Statements of the Corporation.

Appoint auditors of the corporation.

Conduct such election(s) of Directors as are required by the by-laws of the Corporation.

Other business.

Ratification of actions of the Directors.

Dated: January 29, 2018

Brian Kirk,  
President

**REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE – St. George's Memorial Fund Inc.**

The Directors of the Memorial Fund are:

The Rector

The Two Wardens of the Church

Four other Directors (who are not members of Parish Council), to be elected by the Parishioners at a meeting of all the Members of the Memorial Fund.

Listed below are last year's elected members:

Mr. Brian Kirk	Term to expire	Annual General Meeting 2019
Ms. Allison Dennis	Term to expire	Annual General Meeting 2020
Mr. Matthew Hudson	Term to expire	Annual General Meeting 2021

Those returning to fulfill their terms are:

Mr. Brian Kirk

Ms. Allison Dennis

Mr. Matthew Hudson

Nominated for a four (4) year term is: Mr. James Kirk

Any other nominations must be submitted in writing and delivered to the Wardens of the Church one full week prior to the Annual Meeting date of February 11, 2018. Each nomination, in writing, should contain the name of the candidate, a proposer, a seconder, and acknowledgement by the candidate that he or she will serve, if elected.  
Thank you.

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING  
OF  
THE PARISH OF ST.GEORGE, CRESCENTWOOD  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH, 2017**

**2017 ANN 01 Call to Order**

David Punter called the meeting to order.

**2017 ANN 02 Opening Prayer and Prayers for the Faithful Departed**

Incumbent Priest Venerable Simon Blaikie led the opening prayer and the prayers for the faithful departed during 2016.

**2017 ANN 03 Introduction by the Venerable Simon Blaikie**

Simon welcomed the congregation to the meeting and thanked everyone for their support throughout the year.

**2017 ANN 04 Appointment of Chair**

David Punter was appointed Chair by consensus.

**2017 ANN 05 Present**

Colleen Silk confirmed that 55 parishioners signed the Declaration of Church Membership in the Record of Attendance book that is kept in the Church Office.

**2017 ANN 06 Appointment of Secretary**

It was:

Moved by: Christopher Thomson

Seconded by: David Cooke

"That Kristin Anderson be appointed Secretary of this meeting"

**CARRIED**

**2017 ANN 07 Draft Minutes of the Annual Meeting of 2016**

The Draft Minutes of the Annual Meeting held February 14, 2016 were circulated to parishioners in advance of the meeting.

**2017 ANN 08 Motion**

It was:

Moved by: Peter Flynn

Seconded by: Matthew Thomson

That the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of February 14, 2016 be adopted as amended"

**CARRIED**

### **2017 ANN 09 The Incumbent Priest's Report**

The report of the Incumbent Priest, Simon Blaikie, is on page 13 of the Annual Meeting Report for Sunday, February 26, 2017.

### **2017 ANN 10 The Report of the Wardens**

Ted Cotton and Colleen Silk, Wardens, referred to their Report on page 15 of the Annual Meeting Report for Sunday, February 26, 2017. It was noted that only one Wardens report was prepared as the role is similar as documented in the Canon 21 of the Diocese of Rupert's Land. The only difference is how they are appointed into the role, by the Rector or the people. This Canon can be posted on the bulletin board for information.

### **2017 ANN 11 Motion**

It was:

Moved by: Sarah Pratt

Seconded by: Rick Morgan

"That the reports of the Corporation be received."

**CARRIED**

### **2017 ANN 12 Approval, Acts of Parish Council, 2016**

No comments or concerns were raised.

### **2017 ANN 13 Motion**

It was:

Moved by: Christopher Thomson

Seconded by: Venice Fairclough

"That the Acts of Parish Council, 2016, be approved."

**CARRIED**

### **2017 ANN 14 Other Reports**

It was noted that the Altar Guild report on page 20 of the Annual Meeting Report for Sunday, February 26, 2017 referred to investigating surplus **of the flower funds**. As these funds are held in designated accounts, use of the surplus funds needs to be related to flowers, such as replacement of flower stands of vases. It has been determined that landscaping the front of the church would not be appropriate use of these funds. It was noted that the Sunday School children play an integral role within the service and it is appreciated by the congregation. A new website is under development and will be up within the next few weeks.

### **2017 ANN 15 Motion**

It was:

Moved by: Christy Little

Seconded by: Venice Fairclough

"That the reports in the document ANNUAL MEETING: Reports of Church Officers, Standing Committees and Parish Organizations for 2017, Sunday, February 26 be received."

**CARRIED**

### **2017 ANN 16 Financial Statements of 2016**

Ted Cotton reviewed the Finance Report 2016 and Preliminary Statements on pages 49-50 and 51-53 of the Annual Meeting Report for Sunday, February 26, 2017.

The statements have not yet been reviewed by the Auditors. The Final 2016 Financial Report can be expected in the May 2017 issue of "by George!".

Revenue and Expenses show a preliminary Net Income of \$2 620. Regular Offerings is \$5,005 unfavourable to the 2016 Budget; there is higher Open Plate and Special and Designated. Preliminary Expense is \$10,400 favourable to the 2016 Budget. Property is \$4,597 favourable; this is largely lower utility costs.

### **2017 ANN 17 Motion**

It was:

Moved by: Rick Morgan

Seconded by: Dean Melnychuk

"That the preliminary financial statement for 2016 be received."

**CARRIED**

### **2017 ANN 18 Budget 2017**

Ted Cotton reviewed the 2017 Budget on pages 50-53 of the Annual Meeting Report for 2016. He advised that Parish Council approved a Budget with a net loss of \$46 952 for submission to the Annual General Meeting. The most significant 2017 budget items are: \$36 000 less in identified giving than the 2016 budget, a small decrease in interest earned on investments based on advice from the financial institution, higher overall staffing and related costs to recognize the higher cost of living, higher natural gas and electricity costs to recognize the potential for higher energy rates.

It was noted that a \$46 952 deficit is large and that a plan is required to address this situation, including fund raising, identified giving and membership expansion. The status of the Parish Plan is being updated and will be shared with the parish in March. In addition, there is a need for everyone to participate in the plan – it's not just Corporation's or Parish Council's role. It was noted that St. George's is a wonderful place with many programs and that there is much to build on. Corporation has asked for parishioners to bring ideas forward and to volunteer for committees to help implement the plan.

**2017 ANN 19 Motion**

It was:

Moved by: Ted Cotton

Seconded by: Marion Groce

"That the budget presented at this meeting be received and approved."

**CARRIED with one abstention**

**2017 ANN 20 Report of the Nominating Committee**

Kristin Anderson referred to the Report of the Nominating Committee provided and referenced one addition, Gwyneth Jones will be taking a one year position with Parish Council. Shauna Mallory was appointed as a Deputy Warden by the Rector.

**2017 ANN 21 Motion**

It was:

Moved by: Kristin Anderson

Seconded by: Margo Foxford

"That the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted as circulated and presented."

**CARRIED**

**2017 ANN 22 Appointment of Auditors**

It was:

Moved by: Ted Cotton

Seconded by: Andrew Thomson

"That the Exchange Group Chartered Accountants LLP be appointed as auditors for 2017."

**CARRIED**

**2017 ANN 23 New Business**

None

### **2017 ANN 24 Courtesies**

Appreciation was expressed:  
to Ted Cotton for his service as Warden and as Treasurer  
Gwyneth and Keith Jones for all the work they do here, especially coffee, tea and flowers.  
to Kristin Anderson for her service as Past Warden,  
to Sarah Pratt for being a microphone jockey today ,  
to Geri Morgan and volunteers for the tremendous amount of work that goes on to  
coordinate the Garage Sale and Tea & Closet Sale,  
Meeting today is on Treaty 1 Land, the traditional land of the Anishinaabe, Cree and Dakota  
people and the homeland of the Metis Nation. We are grateful for their stewardship of this  
and the hospitality which allows us to live, work and serve God the Creator here,  
to Cheryl and Darryl Ferguson for their leadership in the Sunday School Program,  
to Darren Klein for his custodial services and being very welcoming to people who visit St.  
George's.

### **2017 ANN 25 Adjournment**

It was:  
Moved by: Brian Kirk  
"That the Meeting be adjourned".

The Meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

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David Punter, Chair

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Kristin Anderson, Secretary

**WELCOMED INTO THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY**

During 2017 the following were entered in the Baptismal Register:

**Skyler Jass Quiaoit Josol**

**CONFIRMED**

During 2017, the following were entered in the Confirmation Register

**Kaytlin Faith Johnston Nichols  
Dominic Rychard Johnston Nichols  
Matthew Hermann  
Terry Hidichukl**

**MATRIMONY**

During 2017 the following were united in marriage and entered in the Marriage Register:

**Nil**

**THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

During 2017 the following were entered in the Burial Register:

**Winifred Hay  
William Owen  
Calvin James Alward  
William H. Remnant  
Karen Marie Kochan  
Desta Bartlett  
Laura Ethel Gardner  
Charles Morkill Elliot  
Shirley Vera Nixon  
Alfred Edward Godwin Stanton**

**+ Grant unto them, O Lord, eternal rest  
and let light perpetual shine upon them +**

**COMMUNITY STATISTICS FOR 2016**

Households	129
# (identified givers)	113
Baptisms	1
Confirmations	4
Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows	0
Marriages	0
Funerals	10

**SUNDAY ATTENDANCE AVERAGES**

Year's Average	76
Between October and May	89
July and August	39

**Personal Care Home services**

Tuxedo Villa (8)	45
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**FESTIVAL ATTENDANCE**

Ash Wednesday 12 Noon & 7:30 pm	42
Maundy Thursday	67
Good Friday Stations	52
Good Friday Meditation	73
Easter Sunday	185
Ascension Day	36

Nine Lessons & Carols	319
Christmas Eve pageant	97
Christmas Eve Late service	108
Christmas Day service	26

**AVERAGE ATTENDANCE 2017**

Service	Number of Services	Av Attendance
12:00 Noon	51	6
10:30 am	52	76
Evensong	5	44

**OCCASIONAL SERVICES**

Home Communion to Shut-Ins	Visits	# People
	65	195

**TEN YEARS OF STATISTICS - Community Statistics**

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
a. Households	258	230	224	233	221	202	184	182	164	146	129
b. Envelope #s	235	181	209	200	191	191	144	154	134	130	113
c. Baptisms	0	3	0	2	0	2	5	4	5	7	1
d. Confirmations	0	9	0	6	0	5	0	1	0	0	4
e. Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows						4	0	0	0	0	0
f. Marriages	0	0	1	3	1	2	1	3	2	1	0
g. Funerals	12	20	12	5	6	9	9	6	12	8	10

**Sunday Attendance**

a. Year Average	115	114	95	98	106	102	101	100	101	88	76
b. Oct to May	132	132	97	113	110	119	105	107	106	100	89
c. July/August	60	54	49	48	58	46	57	50	45	53	39

**Personal Care Home Services**

Tuxedo Villa	60	62	67	56	56	58	38	38	45	45	45
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**Festival Attendance**

Easter Sunday	247	253	237	220	243	214	212	165	206	192	185
Christmas Pageant				137	136	126	143	140	152	161	118
121	165	97									
Eve late service	129	144	128	133	137	119	128	96	94	94	108
Christmas Day	24	56	36	27	50	30	53	36	33	42	26

**Pastoral Offices**

Weddings	0	0	1	3	1	2	1	3	2	1	0
Funerals	12	20	12	5	5	9	9	6	12	8	10

## **Incumbent's Reflection for AGM 2018**

My report to the 2011 AGM begins with my gratitude for a generous and merciful Lord who has called me to serve Him in the parish church of St. George. I consider it a great honour and privilege to work among you and celebrate a year during which we have overcome the challenges laid before us and look forward to another year of further opportunities and growth. God wishes that we all share in His mission and ministry and I am deeply grateful for all of you that have heard that call and have responded. I am particularly grateful for those who have taken on the mantle of leadership within each of our ministries.

As I reflect upon the past 12 months I celebrate the relationship between the Wardens and myself. This relationship is essential to the health of our parish and forms the basis upon which we are able to lead our Congregation generally and our Vestry specifically. I have greatly appreciated the wisdom and counsel of Colleen Silk, Andrew Thomson, Ted Cotton, Shauna Mallory and Geoff Owen. Together we have the responsibility of making difficult decisions which are, by their nature, sometimes painful but necessary. The guidance and wisdom of the Parish Council has been invaluable. Thankfully the vast majority of our work is filled with joy and celebration. I am also very thankful for the ministry of our Honourary Assistant Rev. Canon Dr. Peter Flynn. Peter's calm and wise presence in our midst is a true gift.

I have been so very thankful for the faith, generosity, and commitment of people within St. George's. People pursue many "good works" and continue to give glory to God who sustains us and blesses our efforts. I would like to thank all the people who serve on the various ministries within St. George. In particular this year I would like to thank Gwyneth Jones for her pastoral care ministry. Gwyneth's energy seems to have no bounds as she visits and brings communion to our shut-ins throughout the year. I greatly enjoy our times together when we bring communion to shut-ins at Christmas and Easter.

In the years to come we will continue to encounter the challenges and opportunities that contemporary culture presents. We will be best prepared to meet God in these challenges and opportunities when we begin with Sunday worship and then continue to worship as we move into the week. I encourage you to consider Sunday worship as the beginning of your week and not the end of the week. From worship life flows and we are nourished for the week ahead. American theologian Marva Dawn challenges us all, "can the Church be a place of meaningful talking, attentive listening and profound thinking?". I believe that we best serve God when our congregation lives in such a way. May God continue to bless us all.

Yours in Christ,  
The Ven. Simon Blaikie  
Rector  
The Parish Church of St. George

## **REPORT FROM THE WARDENS**

2017 was another busy year for our parish. Details of the many events will be found in the various reports contained in this booklet.

A few highlights include:

The wonderful combination of fellowship and fundraising generated at the parish's Garage Sale, Tea & Closet Sale, Christmas Dinner, and Wine Raffle. Many thanks to Geri Morgan, Sandra Hartt, Hollie Andrew, John Peterer, and Christopher Thomson for their leadership of these events.

The completion of the formal year-long commitment to our Syrian refugee family, the Alzayyats. A number of our parishioners continue to remain in close contact with them, offering help and support in a variety of ways.

The tremendous support our parishioners give to Mission and Ministry projects, including West Broadway Community Ministries, the Christmas Cheer Board, and King Edward and Norquay Schools.

Work continues with the parish planning process, begun two years ago. In the Spring and Fall, all parishioners were invited to a series of "ideas meetings" facilitated by members of Parish Council. The incoming members of Parish Council, together with committee chairs, will be attending a one-day retreat in early March to consider four priorities that came out of these meetings.

We would like to extend our thanks to many people, including:

Simon, whose ministry helps us to be the light of Christ in our day to day lives and whose pastoral care brings comfort to those unable to worship with us regularly;

Ted Cotton, Past Warden, for his guidance and tireless energies this year, and for his continued leadership in our parish planning process;

Shauna Mallory-Hill, for her thoughtful participation on Corporation and Parish Council as Deputy Warden. Shauna's family and work commitments, unfortunately, necessitated her stepping down from this role in October;

Geoffrey Owen, who joined Corporation as Deputy Warden in December;

Peter Flynn for his generous support in ministry, worship and education in our Parish;

Rick Morgan, and the members of the choir, whose musical ministry enriches our worship, and lifts our hearts, minds, and souls in praising our Creator;

Cheryl and Darryl Ferguson, for the care and love they provide our children and to their Christian education each week in the Church School;

Marian Groce, whose knowledge, talent and skill somehow keeps us all moving in the right direction; Darren Klein, whose care-filled work, ensures our building always looks its best; Allan Silk, and the members of the Property Committee, who are working to ensure our building receives the needed care and maintenance for a building now 60 years old; And lastly, but most important of all, the many parishioners (and their families and friends) who volunteer on committees and support St. George's various parish activities throughout the year.

The Wardens, together with our Rector, Simon, constitute the Corporation, the legal body responsible for St. George's parish. In November, Corporation chose to begin meeting twice monthly, in a desire more effectively provide for the care and oversight of parish affairs.

The Corporation also participates as members of St. George's Memorial Fund who, with those elected annually at the Parish AGM, steward this most important Fund established for the care and maintenance of our beautiful building. We would be remiss if we did not thank Brian Kirk for his leadership and long service as Memorial Fund chair.

We sincerely appreciate the support, prayers and wisdom offered us by parishioners throughout the year. We look to 2018 with optimism and joy, knowing that all things are possible through our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Colleen Silk, Warden*  
*Andrew Thomson, Warden*

## **The Acts of Parish Council, 2017**

The following are motions dealt with by Parish Council in 2017

Routine motions (such as accepting a meeting agenda, passing minutes and statements, motions to adjourn, and procedural motions) have been excluded from this list.

### **January, 2017**

nil

### **February, 2017**

Motion: Revisions to 2017 budget has identified a proposed loss of approximately \$47,000

**Carried.**

### **March, 2017**

nil

### **April 2017**

Nil

### **May 2017**

No meeting/no quorum

### **June, 2017**

Nil

**July and August, 2016** – The Parish Council is in recess for the summer.

### **September, 2017**

Motion: “Be it resolved that Parish Council approves the disbursements of the 2017 Garage Sale proceeds, as submitted by the Garage Sale Committee in the letter to Parish Council, dated August 14, 2017” **Carried**

### **October, 2017**

Motion: “Be it resolved that Parish Council approves the Property Committee recommendation, to proceed with replacement of the West End Doors and that Corporation request funds in the amount of \$37,000 from Memorial Fund for the project. This amount shall cover the cost of the project plus an additional \$2000 for painting of said doors” **Carried**

Motion: “To pause payment of deposit to Allmar until certification can be issued in writing by the Manitoba Plan Examination Branch (authority having jurisdiction for Building Code) that the current proposed design is in compliance with all building regulations. **Carried**

### **November, 2017**

nil

### **December, 2017**

Motion: from Garage Sale Committee; it was moved by Geri Morgan that proceeds from the Garage Sale be disbursed as follows - \$375 go to Mission and Ministry and \$7,000 go to church operating. **Carried**

# ***WORSHIP***

## **REPORT OF THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

The Worship Committee is structured to support the incumbent priest in an advisory capacity with respect to the order of worship within the parish. It is composed of the Incumbent, the Music Director, and one representative from each of: the Choir; the Altar Guild; the Servers; the Lectors, Intercessors, and Administrants; the Sidespersons; and the Liturgical Coordinators. In addition, there are to be 4 members of the congregation at large, 2 of whom are to be between the ages of 18 and 30.

The committee held regular monthly meetings in 2017, from January to May and from September to December. The scheduling and order of all services for the year was discussed by the committee, with particular emphasis placed on:

The inclusion of an early Eucharist in the chapel on Morning Prayer Sundays

the planning of services during the Lenten season and Easter, including participation by parishioners and by the children of the choir and Sunday School

planning of the Remembrance Day Service, also involving the children of the choir and Sunday School

planning of the service of Nine Lessons and Carols, including selection and preparation of readers

initial planning for the introduction of an Easter service of Lessons and Carols starting in 2018

The Committee works sincerely to ensure that services are planned so that the spiritual needs of the congregation may be met, and worship is conducted, in an ordered and reverent fashion. This includes concerns with respect to logistics during the service, the functioning of the sound system, and the comfort of parishioners and guests. We are open to comment and suggestions from members of the congregation on all matters related to worship services, and encourage you to share your thoughts by contacting any of the committee members.

Respectfully submitted,  
Roger Dennis, Chair

## **REPORT OF THE ALTAR GUILD**

The Altar Guild is responsible for the care of the Vessels for the Eucharist, Chancel, Side Chapel, Prince of Peace Chapel and Fair Linens. Each week requires regular housekeeping duties and preparation for the services as directed by the clergy.

In 2017 there were 29 active members divided into three teams led by team captains Donna Dawson, Elizabeth Punter and Sandra Hartt. These teams rotate duties monthly over ten months of the year. Christy Little, now an Honorary Associate, has generously offered to continue organizing the duty roster for July and August, which consists of all regular Altar Guild duties as well as "Greeters" and "Sidespeople". Sally Corby organized the Christmas and Easter Services' schedules. There are currently 12 Honorary Associates (retired members) from whom we have lost Laura Gardner this past year. Cathy Dewar, Supplies Convener, managed the inventory and ordering of candles, wafers, wine and housekeeping supplies. Elizabeth Punter, Linen Convener, is responsible for the care of Fair Linens and has a team of volunteers scheduled by Sandra Hartt to help with these duties. Brenda Cotton decorated the church for the Harvest Festival. Kristin Anderson acted as secretary for the 2017 Altar Guild Annual General Meeting. We welcome Andrew Thomson who organized and led the volunteers in decorating the church for the Christmas season. Additional cedar boughs adorned the church, and Andrew has a vision for further enhancements for Christmas 2018. Many thanks to Andrew for keeping the brass clean throughout the year.

Brenda Cotton, Flower Convenor, ordered flowers and organized a team of volunteers to arrange the Sunday flowers. Brenda also arranged the lilies at Easter and the poinsettias at Christmas. Gwyneth Jones continued in the position of coordinator for the delivery of the Sunday flowers to the sick, shut-ins, bereaved, and those celebrating special occasions. Various members of the congregation undertook delivery of the flowers as required. Please speak with Gwyneth Jones if you would like to assist with the delivery of the flowers, as more volunteers are required for this worthwhile ministry. The delivery of the flowers is most welcome, and they act as a reminder throughout the week that the parish family keeps them in their thoughts and prayers.

Margo Foxford, Coordinator of the Designated Fund for Memorial Flowers, maintained a list of donors to the fund and arranged for the names of the deceased to be included in the weekly service leaflet. Thank you to members of the congregation who made memorial donations toward the Sunday flowers, the Easter Lilies and the Christmas Poinsettias.

Donna Dawson and Sandra Hartt, as Past Presidents, chaired the Nominating Committee for 2017, and Barbara Rempel, as Past President will chair for 2018. The members of the Altar Guild met together on two occasions in 2017: for the making of palm crosses on Saturday, April 8 and for the Annual General Meeting on Sunday, November 19, 2017. The Honorary Associates continue to be invited and are welcome to attend both these events.

We give thanks to Simon for his guidance and support, and to Barbara Rempel in her role as President over the past two years. Thank you to Brenda, Gwyneth, Cathy, Christy, Donna, Sally, Kristin, Margo, Sandra, Elizabeth, and all the members of the Altar Guild, flower arrangers and flower deliverers for their hard work and support in 2017.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Sheryl Thomson*  
President

### **REPORT OF ST. GEORGE'S CHOIR 2017**

Our group of about 31 singers works very hard to provide music on Sundays and other occasions during the church year at St. George's. It's a big commitment for everyone.

We are happy to have six children in the trebles section. It would be great to have more, but we are certainly the only parish in the city where children are learning and singing the great choral repertoire of the Anglican Church on a weekly basis. Because of the many commitments of the trebles, we eliminated the Tuesday practice for the treble section in September, but the trebles now come earlier and stay longer on Thursdays.

In addition to singing at our regular Sunday morning services, we had Choral Evensong several times during the year. The congregation is never large, but the services usually attract a few visitors as well.

Evensongs during Epiphany on January 8 and February 19

Evensong during Lent on March 26

Evensong during Pentecost on September 17

Evensong for Harvest Thanksgiving on October 15

We also sang at a number of other services:

March 1 - Ash Wednesday

April 13 and 14 for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday

May 25- Ascension Day – *Mass in C* by John Ireland

June 25 – a service which featured Canadian hymns, anthems and organ music for Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday.

October 4 – ordination of Terry Hidichuk at St. George's

in December, the annual Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols was presented on the Third Sunday of Advent

We started the year by singing at the funeral of long-time choir member, Bill Owen. We also sang at the funeral of Winnifred Hay, Jim Alward, Karen Kochan, Ethel Gardner, Charles Elliot, and Ed Stanton. The commitment of choir members to sing at funerals is an important ministry.

A choir “welcome back” barbeque was held at Rick & Geri Morgan’s home in September. The trebles had a bowling and pizza afternoon in November.

Thanks to everyone for your continued support of the musical traditions of St. George’s and we look forward to continuing our ministry in 2018 and beyond.

*G.F. (Rick) Morgan*

Organist and Director of Music

## **LITURGICAL COORDINATOR AND ITS ROLE IN WORSHIP AT ST. GEORGE’S**

The purpose of the Liturgical Coordinator Committee is to ensure an individual, knowledgeable in all facets of the worship service, is present to coordinate the many activities which take place and to complete the necessary preparations, thereby maintaining a smooth and orderly flow during each service.

A Liturgical Coordinator is scheduled for each Sunday service (10:30am) throughout the calendar year. Liturgical Coordinators are also present for Evensong and all other special services including the Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols, Ash Wednesday, during Holy Week and Ascension Day. Often, a Coordinator is present for weddings and funerals.

In 2017, the Committee began with the same members as in the previous year and included David Cooke, Roger Dennis, Margaret Owen, Andrew Thomson and myself; each serving as a Coordinator on a rotational basis. We also welcomed Geoffrey Owen as a new addition to the team, and bid farewell to Margaret Owen – an original member of the Committee– as she concluded her many years of faithful service. To each of them, I would again like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation for their support. Their dedication, commitment to excellence attention to detail, and willingness to fill in when another member is unexpected away, is much appreciated.

As the year progressed, there were issues identified with one of the microphones used during the service. As well, and as recommended by Worship Committee, a microphone was rented on a trial basis to assist parishioners in hearing the responses of members of the Sunday School during the Children’s Homily. Thank you to Matthew Thomson for making arrangements to have the unit expertly repaired at minimal cost and for researching, and subsequently making arrangements for the rental of a special-purpose microphone for the Children’s service in December. Trials of this special microphone will continue in early 2018 at which time a decision will be made whether to purchase a unit.

The Liturgical Coordinator Committee continues to be strong in spirit albeit small in numbers. The Committee is always eager to have additional parishioners join. As such, I encourage anyone who may be interested, to speak with myself or Simon about joining this important ministry. It requires only a small commitment of time, and a desire to attend to details to ensure the service proceeds smoothly.

Respectfully submitted  
Christopher Thomson  
Chair, Liturgical Coordinator Committee

### **LECTORS, ADMINISTRANTS, INTERCESSORS 2017**

As usual, our St. George's lectors, intercessors, and administrants have done their duties with a diligence and competence that is much appreciated by the congregation in general, and me in particular. Not having to worry about whether there will be a reader coming forward at the correct time, or if an intercessor will turn up unprepared is a great relief. We could always use more participants, especially, this year, administrants, since both Margaret Owen and Shirlee Anne Smith have decided that they should retire from that particular ministry. I'm very sorry; they have been stalwart members of the team, but we all realize eventually that the chance of our dumping the communion wine down someone's neck has increased to an unacceptable level and they have decided to stop before that happened. They both continue to do other very valuable things at St. George's and we are more than grateful for their help. If anyone feels able to take on this ministry, please speak to Simon. For the rest of you, thank you for getting your own substitutes when you can't be present for some reason. Marion hasn't time to go searching and usually people are happy to do a swap. And then, of course, tell the office that the change has been made.

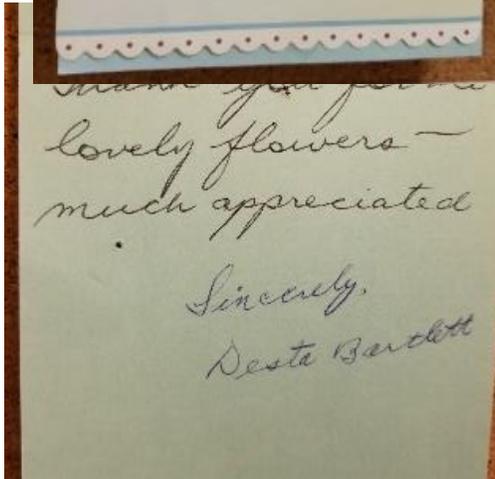
Christopher Thomson continues to co-ordinate the lists of participants in the services, and it has been working very well. We are grateful for his efforts, and for his tactful prodding to get us organized sooner than we might otherwise manage.

Respectively submitted  
Mary Thomas  
Head Lector

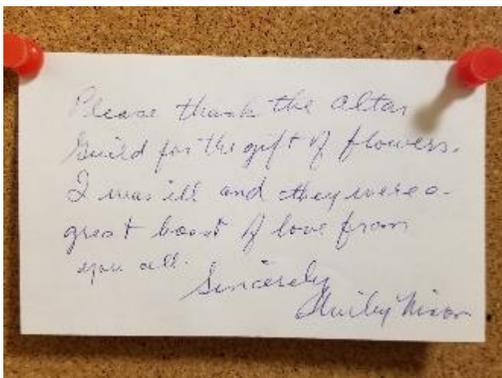
## REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL FLOWERS



The flowers that beautify the sanctuary of St. George's Church each week are to the glory of God. These arrangements also have other benefits. Flowers with special colours reflect the theme of the liturgy on special services such as Harvest, Remembrance Day, Easter, and Pentecost. The absence of flowers has an impact on the services of Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday. Flowers are in memoriam of loved ones. Flowers provide comfort and contact with the church family when delivered after the service.



Appreciative thoughts are expressed in the many thank you cards from parishioners who have received flowers from the Altar at St. George's. Recipients of the flowers frequently express their thanks, feeling a connection to the church family. The flowers may provide comfort to the grieving, best wishes for recovery, congratulations, an expression of thanks, or a reminder that a shut-in is missed.



On behalf of the Flower Arranging Committee, I'd like to express thanks to those parishioners who contribute to the Memorial Flower Fund, as well as to the lilies and poinsettias. Thanks to Floral Fixx for providing the flowers each week, as well as the Easter lilies. In addition, thanks to Co-op Grant Park for supplying the poinsettias this past year.

After the service, members of the Altar Guild wrap the flowers weekly. Volunteers, on a yearly roster, coordinated by Gwyneth Jones, deliver the flowers to the sick, shut-ins, and others identified by the Rector. Margo Foxford facilitates the receipt of Memorial Flower contributions and forwards the names in memoriam for print in the bulletin. Thank you to all these volunteers! Thank you to Darren Klein, our custodian, for his help in facilitating the flower delivery each week. Thank you to Marion Groce, our administrative assistant, for processing the payment of our flower delivery invoices. Above all, I'd like to thank the other members of the flower arranging committee. Parishioners wishing to offer their time and talents in flower arranging may contact the Coordinator (at 204 488 3606). The current members are Brenda Cotton, Donna Dawson, Barb Kirk, Christy Little, and Margo Foxford. As we continue to serve on this committee, we do important work that matters. The hour that one spends can be a meditative and inspiring opportunity to use one's time and creative talent.

Arranging the flowers that beautify the Sanctuary, that enhance the worship, and that provide enjoyment to those who receive them, is a pleasure and a privilege.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Brenda Cotton*  
Coordinator, Flower Arranging

## **REPORT OF THE SERVERS' GUILD**

We have had another busy year with lots of services. We do enjoy being part of the team at the "front". We have a wonderful group of dedicated servers who are always willing to help out when needed.

New servers are always welcome. If you are interested in being part of this group, please contact Simon or me.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Geri Morgan*

## **REPORT OF THE SIDESPERSONS' and GREETERS**

Sidespeople perform an important role in each of the church services. They arrive a half hour early to hand out our weekly service leaflet which helps worshippers follow the order of the service. They guide new people to seating, washrooms, parish hall or with seeking out a friend. Sidespeople can often be the first point of contact and a smiling, welcoming face, ready to offer assistance, is always appreciated. During the Offertory the sidespeople collect the financial offerings from the congregation, they gather up the baskets of donated food with the help of the Sunday school for presentation at the altar. They also usher the congregation for communion and pick up any leaflets or other articles left or forgotten in the pews following the service.

Part of their duties is to count the number of people in attendance which includes clergy, servers, choir, Sunday School, nursery and congregation. This number is then recorded in the vestry book in the sacristy. The numbers are used for statistical purposes at the end of the year for the Annual General Meeting report.

Two people are typically assigned to cover a calendar month of Sunday and special services. A team of around 20 people is needed to cover the year, including providing backup and supplementary support. As with many roles supporting our church and its services, we continue to seek new (and returning) volunteers and so we can spread the duties around. Being a Sidesperson is a wonderful role for getting to know the congregation better!

Respectfully submitted,  
*Dean Melnychuk*

## **REPORT OF NURSERY/CHILD CARE**

The nursery at St. George's continues to be staffed by a group of wonderful volunteers Erica Silk, Marlene Ramsay, Lynne Unger, Barbara Rempel, Rebecca Kirk, Sheryl Thomson, Savellia Love, Sandra Hartt and Stephanie Melnychuk. The efforts of these volunteers are greatly appreciated by our tiniest parishioners and their parents.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Sarah Pratt, Coordinator*

# ***PASTORAL CARE***

## **REPORT OF THE PRAYER QUADS**

After five years coordinating the Prayer Quad ministry, Margaret Owen resigned in May, 2017. Thank you to Margaret for her long period of dedication.

Having left a shining example for her successor(s), two people are needed to replace her!

Both Ruth Dean and John Kehler work together to coordinate distribution of requests from the prayer box each week; and from the members of the congregation.

Thirteen faithful parishioners pray for the persons on the list daily. The lists are updated and distributed weekly.

Members of the Quads met for a coffee morning of discussion and support in November. There was an excellent turnout and a lively discussion at that time. The plan is that sessions such as this will be held every few months throughout the year where mutual support and discussion of issues such as the significance of the ministry, forms of prayer, confidentiality, and others could be raised.

Many thanks, to those who participate in this ministry.

Parishioners are encouraged to submit requests for those who are in need of prayer, whether parishioners or those known to them.

Yours in Christ,

*Ruth Dean and John Kehler*

# **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

## **2017 Report of the Church School**

### **Leadership**

The St. George's Sunday School Program was once again led by Cheryl and Darryl Ferguson as Coordinators of the program. Every Sunday School class this fall has been taught by the Coordinators.

### **Curriculum**

The St. George's Sunday School has been loosely following the curriculum of the Virtual Church School since September 2014, a program largely designed to service more remote communities. There are modifications made to each week's lessons to suit the needs of the specific children in the St. George's Church School community. Activities are chosen based on age of students, relevance to the readings of the week and practicality.

### **Christmas Eve Service**

Once again this year, the Christmas Eve Children's Service included a pageant which is an age-appropriate telling of the Gospel story of the birth of Christ. There were several children from the Sunday School with roles in the pageant, as well as some additional children who attended the Christmas Eve service who joined the pageant. The congregation was invited to join the children on Christmas Carols throughout. The service was a great way to make the story of the Birth of Christ come alive for the children, and they were highly engaged in the process of preparing for the service, and in learning as much about their role as possible.

### **Sunday School Attendance**

Attendance at Sunday School continues to be varied, with there being 6-15 children in attendance. Families have expressed regret surrounding various scheduling conflicts which prevent their children from attending regularly.

### **Children's Sunday Services**

Children's Sunday has traditionally been on the first Sunday of every month. The involvement of the children in the service on these weeks includes the children reading scripture for the congregation, being in attendance for the children's sermon and singing a hymn with the congregation. This year, there has been attempt to choose Children's Sundays based on stories which might be more accessible to children, both for the reading of the scripture, and for the sermon. However, there have been some scheduling conflicts that have arisen in attempting to make this change. Due to these conflicts, we have returned to a "first Sunday of the month" schedule once again for Children's Sundays. Finding readers for Children's Sunday continues to be a challenge. Factors which lead to this challenge include: age of the students, their comfort level with reading in public, the difficulty of the readings, and scheduling conflicts with church.

### **Involvement of Children in the Congregation**

It is the desire of the Coordinators of Sunday School for the children of St. George's Parish to continue to look for ways to become more actively involved in the activities of the Sunday service, and in the church community. To that end, children have been invited to bring forth some of the gifts at the Offering (food donations), assembled children's activity bags for hospitals, and the children have distributed gifts (handmade crafts) to members of the congregation during the service. The Sunday School has also been providing a weekly prayer that is shared at the end of the Offering. Children continue to join the congregation for Communion; it has been helpful to have a member of the congregation come to the Sunday School room at the beginning of Communion; this way we do not miss Communion due to not being aware of the timing of the service. We welcome ideas from the congregation about how the children may become more involved in Sunday Services.

Respectfully submitted by:  
*Cheryl and Darryl Ferguson*  
Sunday School Coordinators

### **ADULT EDUCATION**

#### **Adult Education Discussion Group**

No report.

# **MISSION AND MINISTRY**

## **Annual Report 2017**

The parishioners of St. St. George have once again been very generous in their support of mission activities in Winnipeg and elsewhere. About \$9000 in new funds were raised during the 2017 year, in addition to many donations of food and time which are not included in this figure.

The M&M committee could use some new members. Consider the possibility of joining the group. Current members are Rick Morgan (Chair), Sandra Hartt, Margo Foxford, Sandra Hartt, Johanna de Bakker, Lily Conway, Marlene Ramsay, Darby Spafford and Gail Walker.

The Syrian Refugee sub-committee has now disbanded as our formal commitment to the family has ended, although we are maintaining contact with them. Thanks to the people who worked so hard to get the Alzayyats well established in Winnipeg: Sally Corby, Paul Corby, Roger Dennis, Hollie Andrew, Lily Conway, Rick Morgan, Geri Morgan, Peter Flynn, Elizabeth Punter, Erla Wankling, and George Bush.

We have highlighted the diverse activities of the committee during 2017.

## **West Broadway Community Ministry**

St. George's parishioners have, as usual, been very generous in their support of WBCM. Equivalent of 270 bags of groceries have been donated to supply the emergency food cupboard and lunch program. This is likely close to \$10,000 worth of food. Other donations include 8 bags of personal care items, a two drawer filing cabinet, a 12 cup and a 30 cup coffee maker, various kitchen utensils and a stove.

To fill a request for stocking stuffers, many disposable razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorants and miscellaneous items were donated.

This year, again a cheque in the amount of \$685.00 was sent to pay the WBCM cook's salary for one month.

A total of \$688.00 has been given in support of the Alabaster Jar Project – which supports small, specific projects at WBCM, which WBCM cannot normally budget for or anticipate.

In June several parishioners attended the High Tea at WBCM. The tea was a fundraiser and one of our members, Marlene Ramsay, was recognized for her outstanding volunteer work over many years.

Six Mission and Ministry members participated in the *Walk a Mile in My Shoes* event that was held in September. In addition to learning about the West Broadway area we enjoyed a fun filled day and assisted in raising \$15,000 for the community ministry.

In November M&M hosted a “Threenie” lunch after a Sunday service and we were fortunate to have Lynda Trono, the community minister at West Broadway Community Ministry, and three of her colleagues come and share their insights and the needs of their community.

### **Inner City Schools – Norquay School and King Edward School**

Norquay School teachers are still endeavoring to provide school transportation to students in grade seven. The monthly bus pass per student is \$70. This year St. George’s contributed \$1,570.00 to this project. The annual appeal for school supplies in September was very successful. Each school also received a cheque for \$300.00 to purchase further supplies. The schools are always delighted to receive the mittens and this year was no exception. In addition there was a very large donation of gently used snow pants, jackets and snow boots. Also the request from King Edward School for socks and underpants for Kindergarten to Grade Three was met.

The Campbell Soup Company has cancelled its *Labels for Education Project* so we discontinued our request for soup labels.

Thank you to all who continue to support our commitment to these inner city schools.

### **Christmas Cheer Board**

We had hoped to raise \$1500 for the Christmas Cheer Board, but actually raised \$2042 – 36% more than expected. Thanks to everyone who donated.

### **Prayer Shawls**

Since 2006, 176 prayer shawls have been knitted. Shawls are blessed and gifted to members of the parish and to their relatives and friends. At the moment we have 6 blessed and 6 unblessed shawls in our inventory. Each shawl is gifted with a card which is inscribed:

*May this prayer shawl bring you comfort, warmth, healing and peace!  
From the Parishioners of St. George’s Anglican Church, Crescentwood*

Generally, a member of the Pastoral Care team gives the recipient the shawl personally. Thanks to those who knit regularly for this ministry and special thanks to the knitters of the five shawls with sleeves. These will be given along with scarves to those needing warmth this winter.

### **Thelma Wynne Project**

Once again the Thelma Wynne Project enjoyed a very successful year. With the help of our 8 volunteers and many volunteer hours, we were able to shop, launder, sort and prepare 406 layettes for distribution to social agencies in Winnipeg, Selkirk, Gimli and Stonewall, including a Northern Community.

This program could not exist without the continued support of many parishes like St. George's who host their Annual Thelma Wynne Showers and independent groups such as quilters, prayer quads, sewing & knitting circle, not to mention the many individuals who continue to be involved in the program.

This is an important ministry which has existed for many years and the need in the community continues. With the continued enthusiastic support we currently receive we will continue to fill the requests to assist new moms and their babies and offer encouragement for a healthy and loving relationship.

In addition to the donations of clothing, diapers, etc., the parish also remitted \$600 in cash to the Thelma Wynne Project in 2017.

### **Lion's Eye Bank**

We continue to collect used glasses for this Lion's Club project.

### **Lenten Project**

This year's Lenten study/reading project raised \$310 – which further supported to the Norquay School Bus Program.

### **Pancake Supper**

Each year M&M organized the Pancake Supper on Shrove Tuesday – with proceeds going to the M&M budget and this year, the receipts were used for Habitat for Humanity.

### **Health Sciences Centre Activity Bags**

One hundred bags were prepared (stuffed by the Sunday School children with various supplies) and delivered to the HSC for children who are hospitalized. This is another very important ministry.

### **Ndoddo**

This year, we have not provided any financial support to Ndoddo parish in the Diocese of Central Buganda in Uganda. However, we are again in frequent contact with a parishioner and we may be considering some small project during the 2018 year. The needs are great. Stay tuned for further discussion on this.

### **Syrian Family**

The Alzayyat family is now very well established in Winnipeg, thanks to the incredible generosity of this parish. During 2017, we spent about \$12,000 supporting the family, and in 2016, we spent about \$10,000. Our formal support ended in August 2018. The parents are still studying English, but within a year or so, should be able to get work. The older of the two children is in school, doing well, and is bilingual in Arabic and English. A wonderful

accomplishment for a 5 year old! His younger sister is still at home. The only thing they do not love about Winnipeg is the cold in winter! They are forever thankful for their changed and much improved lives.

### **Habitat for Humanity**

The \$700 in receipts from the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper were sent to Habitat to provide some meals for the volunteers building homes in Winnipeg in the summer of 2017.

### **Primate's World Relief and Development Fund**

We have not done any specific PWRDF events in 2017, but we know that individual parishioners make donations to PWRDF for various causes.

### **Turkey Pies**

Turkey pies are kept in stock for shut-ins who may need some assistance with meals. During 2017, approximately 12 turkey pies were distributed.

### **Speakers**

During the year, M&M organized for three speakers at Sunday morning services – Tessa Blaikie Whitecloud from One Just City, Linda Trono from West Broadway Community Ministry, and Mel Duncan from the Non-Violent Peace Force.

Overall, a busy year for M&M! And again, thanks for your generosity and strong support.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rick Morgan*

Chair

# ***HOSPITALITY***

## **REPORT OF SPECIAL EVENTS**

The Hospitality Committee was established in March 2016, in response to Priority #1 of the Parish Plan presented to the 2016 AGM of Parishioners: "Maintain a healthy congregation with opportunities to connect, serve and be engaged in our faith and community" and specifically Priority #1. 1A.: "Create a committee whose focus is Hospitality within our Parish and in our community".

The Hospitality Committee was active during the first part of 2017.

Highlights were:

**Quiz Night:** A Quiz Night was held on Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Hall. The quiz masters were Maria and Robin Allan. 55 people attended the evening event, with several more purchasing tickets, but unable to attend. The Hospitality Committee members were fantastic in ensuring this was an entertaining and fun event for all. In addition to the Committee, I would like to thank Kristin Anderson, who provided planning assistance; Brenda Cotton, who designed the posters, Marian Groce, who produced the tickets; and Sandra Hart, who assisted behind the scenes.

**Doors Open Winnipeg:** The doors of St George's were opened wide to the community on the last weekend of May, as part of Heritage Winnipeg's *Doors Open Winnipeg* event. Over two days, May 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, almost 100 people toured the building, ranging from students to architects, the curious to members of other faith communities. One of the most interesting visitors was a stone mason who helped cut limestone at the Garson Quarries for the walls of the church. For the event, a booklet on the church, originally prepared by the late Joan Harland, was revised and reprinted. Shirlee Anne Smith, parish archivist, was most helpful in providing the documents and images of the church, before, during and after its construction. These were mounted in several chronological displays located in the Parish Hall. Geri Morgan and Sandra Hart graciously provided tea and refreshments for all our visitors. Greeters included Shirlee Anne Smith and Brenda Cotton. Tours were led by Brent Cotton and Andrew Thomson. An added bonus, during each tour, was a mini organ recital provided by Rick Morgan. When asked, Rick enthusiastically welcomed visitors up to the Gallery for a fuller demonstration of the organ. We plan to participate in the Doors Open event again this May.

**Wine Raffle:** Following the success of our first Wine Raffle, it was agreed to hold another in 2017. Ticket sales began at the Garage Sale in April and concluded at the Christmas Dinner in December. Raffle sales totaled \$4,305.00 (861 tickets). Expenses totaled \$1,133.82 for the wine, gift cards and ticket printing. Net profit for the parish was \$3,171.18.

The Hospitality Committee also considered a variety of further ideas and activities, but these require fuller consideration before any recommendations can be made to Parish Council. They included:

A Parish Directory accessible to all. Perhaps an online photo contact directory that would have password protection for those who use it;

Effectively engaging a Younger Demographic. We need to question how we are reaching them – listening to what is being said. There is a lot of resistance to change which makes implementing new ideas difficult;

Linking Evensongs to Parish Events. Inviting guest preachers or musicians to our services that might also attract newcomers to the church that come in support or through personal interest;

Utilizing our outside Sign Board to full advantage. Clever sayings; coloured letters; changing the style or pattern of the messages to make people take notice. Use "community" in front of events to show neighbours that they are most welcome;

Sunday School Spring Wind-Up Party that involves the entire parish;

Banners on Street Lights surrounding the church; Advertising on the radio (this was tried for the Carol Service in December, with some success);

Establishing a Parish and Pastoral Plan for New (and existing) Members. A plan for being placed on the parish list. Follow-up after Baptisms, etc. Engagement and care of current and new members is important.

Perhaps one or more of these ideas prompts you to have further thoughts on ways our parish can help nurture community within and without the doors of St. George's. Any and all comments are encouraged. Please speak to one of the committee members to help us continue the conversation.

I regret that, as more of my time was taken up with my responsibilities as a Warden, the Committee became relatively inactive during the fall. As this is not likely to change in the foreseeable future, I would welcome someone to assume the chair of this committee. I would continue to be a most supportive committee member.

In closing, I would like to thank the members of the Hospitality Committee: Sarah Pratt, Elizabeth and David Punter, Jacqueline Thomson, and Tawny Brown for their continued engagement, ideas and support.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Andrew Thomson,*  
Hospitality Chair and Warden

## **REPORT OF THE COFFEE HOUR**

Coffee, tea and juice are served after the 10.30 Service throughout the year. It is a time to meet friends and welcome new members. Many thanks, to Keith and Gwyneth Jones for making coffee and washing up afterwards. The coffee fund is part of the budget, so every small contribution helps to support church operations.

Again, thank you to those who participate in the social exchange which helps to bind our congregation together.

Respectfully submitted  
*Marian Groce*

## **FUND RAISING**

### **ERNIE'S BOOKS 2017**

As I said last year, I wish I knew who was keeping the books tidy when I'm not in Winnipeg, (a) so that I could thank them properly, and (b) so that I could hand over the writing of this minimal annual report! However, since I don't, all I can do is say that I have had little to do with the books this year, but that they seem to be carrying on splendidly without me. David and Elizabeth Punter, with their helpers, tidied things up very nicely after the garage and closet sales, getting rid of things that they noticed had been hanging around unsold since the previous sale, and generally keeping total numbers of books down to our shelf capacity. As every librarian knows, weeding is a very important function of any collection! My heart-felt thanks to them. Puzzles have ceased to be the large part of the collection that they were a couple of years ago, but they are still very acceptable items and people do appreciate having them available.

Thanks also to all of you who donate things to go on Ernie's Shelves, and all of you who buy them. I think he would be very pleased. The bookshelves began mostly as a service to parishioners who love books and reading, but they do make a small profit each year. This year it was \$72.00.

Respectively submitted,  
Mary Thomas

## **REPORT OF GARAGE SALE AND TEA & CLOSET SALE 2017**

We have had two very successful events this year. Our garage sale was held in April 28 & 29, 2017 with proceeds of approximately \$14,000 and our Tea and Closet Sale was held in October 22, 2017 with proceeds of approximately \$6,600. \$21,000 has been transferred to the St. George's general account, \$375 was given to Mission and Ministry and \$700 to the Archives for a portable air conditioner for their space.

Thank you to everyone who donated, baked, sorted, worked, cleaned up and helped with both these events. Your help is very much appreciated and these events couldn't take place without the help of volunteers. It is very rewarding to realize that almost everyone in the Parish of St. George who is able, helps in some way with these events.

Geri Morgan  
Chair – Garage Sale Committee

## ***PROPERTY/BUILDING***

### **REPORT OF THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

The following are the highlights of the Property Committee.

The roof underwent major maintenance last year. This is periodic work that is funded by the Memorial Fund. The roof is inspected each spring and maintenance is scheduled following that investigation. No major maintenance is expected for the coming year

West Door (Grosvenor door) – The west door, set of three doors, will be replaced with two doors. One of the doors (the door closest to Wilton) will open automatically when triggered by a button that will be located by the wheelchair ramp. Once inside the building the fire doors between the west doors and the nave will also be equipped to have automatic openings. We are presently in the permitting stage. The Memorial Fund has agreed to pay for the project costs.

Bell Tower – The clapper fell off the bell last fall. At this time the Property Committee is not in a position to recommend a course of action. The clapper is presently in the Church Office. As the clapper appeared to fail due to rust, there is a concern about the bell itself and how secure it is in the bell tower. A subgroup of the Property committee met to discuss this item and it is our recommendation that we seek out a Structural Engineer to give us their opinion.

During that evaluation, we would also evaluate the possibility of repairing the clapper and returning the bell to service. The clapper did damage the roof and the roof has been repaired.

Heating System – The heating system was successfully started for the winter season. It will likely continue to be in-service until mid-May. A couple of maintenance issues were resolved at that time, the major being the replacement of a pump. The heating system is in generally good condition however there are some small maintenance issues with some traps and a compressor. There are three initiatives that the property committee is investigating: Investigate entering into a service contract. This will include looking at a few service providers. This is not a statement that we are dissatisfied with Lowe Mechanical Services Ltd. We are just doing some due diligence to ensure we are not overpaying for our mechanical services.

Mapping out the heating system. The result of this will lead to a maintenance schedule that will hopefully reduce our maintenance costs. For example the Property Committee could end up servicing all the traps between May and September which would hopefully reduce the number that fail during the heating season.

Review the daily inspection. Presently we pay \$682.50/month for a daily boiler inspection for 8 months of the year (mid-September to mid-May).

The Property Committee is in the midst of documenting items around the building that need repair. Pictures have been taken of items that need attention. These items will be prioritized. The Property Committee meets on the second Sunday following the service. The next meeting is March 11<sup>th</sup>. New members are always welcome.

The Property Committee will have a breakfast work meeting on every third Saturday of the month. The goal is to have some breakfast and do some small jobs. We will start this effort on February 17<sup>th</sup>. The assignment that day will be pew repair. This is open to everyone.

submitted by  
*Allan Silk*, Property Chair

## **REPORT OF THE ARCHIVES COMMITTEE**

The classification of the Parish Archives continued apace in 2017. The first Archives Catalogue, printed in 2006, contained the records classified up to that date, and this year many of the series have been entered up to 2016. This work will be continued in 2018.

I thank Christopher Thomson for the donation of his file 'Make We Joy'. The CD contained 18 selections of Hymns & Carols performed by the Men & Boys Choir of St George's in 2000, and sold throughout outlets in the City.

Donna Macaw is also thanked for her 1954 list of St George's Births, Marriages and Deaths.

Elizabeth Sellors, a student at the University of Manitoba, visited the Archives a number of times in connection with her term paper on the contribution to Architectural Modernism by the late Joan Harland, a long time Parishioner at St George's. The Archives contributed photographs and historical details on the Church.

In May, St George's, for the first time, was on the list of facilities to be visited by 'Doors Open'. The Archives provided photographs and other visuals for the displays in the Parish Hall. Along with other Parishioners I worked as a Guide on Saturday and Sunday. Andrew Thomson was almost solely responsible for St George's participation in Doors Open. You can read more about this event in his report on the work of the Hospitality Committee.

I am grateful to Paul Corby and his crew for their installing a new ceiling in the Archives Room-with the addition of moulding, and to George Bush, who cleaned the rug. I now know its colour - pink.

Parishioner George Bush has been working in the Archives since the Spring. His contribution is greatly appreciated as the photographs are now being classified. I recommend that you read his Report.

My thanks are also extended to the Rector, Simon Blaikie, and to staff members Marion Groce and Darren Klein. Without their assistance I could not perform my work.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirlee Anne Smith,  
Parish Archivist

## **ANNUAL REPORT Parish Archives - Assistant Archivist 2017**

I have been working closely under the supervision of the Parish Archivist Shirlee Anne Smith since the Spring of 2017. It was mutually decided that my assistance would be best used in the arrangement and description of photographs.

To that end, I was able to procure two legal-sized filing cabinets in which to store the records.

Shirlee Anne and I estimated that in 2017, 15% of the photographs were processed.

The most challenging issue with which I have been continually confronted is that the subject, date, and name of the photographer are often not known.

I thank the numerous parishioners who have helped in the identification and dating of the photographs, especially Roger Dennis.

In addition, after talking to Cathy Purchase, it was decided that until such time that Karl was able to continue his photographic work, I would take photographs of Parish events for the Archives. I look forward to receiving any additional parish photographs for Archival use.

Respectfully submitted,  
*George Bush*

## ***GUIDING/SCOUTING***

13<sup>th</sup> Guides is a Girl Guide unit made up of 28 grade 4-6 girls. The leaders are Natalie Rentz, Charity Scantlebury, Kathryn Biddulph, Kerry Spears and a junior leader (a high-school aged girl in the Ranger program of Girl Guides of Canada) Julia C. We can be reached at [13thguides@gmail.com](mailto:13thguides@gmail.com). Throughout the year the girls participate in a wide variety of activities:

**Camping:** Fall-We participated in a Provincial Camp at Birds Hill Park to celebrate Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Winter- We will be having a sleepover at the Aviation Museum. Spring- We will participate in the Area (GGC units in west and south Winnipeg) camp at Camp Amisk. At these camps the girls earn their camping, outdoor cooking and various interest badges.

**Field Trips:** The Winnipeg Police Museum, the Millennium library, Assiniboine Forest with City of Winnipeg naturalists, skating and sledding at the Assiniboine Park duck pond.

**Badge Work:** Our evenings at the church and field trips often involve badge work. Badges earned or to be earned this year include Feeling Good, Singing, Travel, Aviation, Astronomy.

**Routine Meetings:** Active games, crafts, skits. Special activities include participating in the GGC national service project regarding poverty awareness; meetings run by our third year girls, visitors like Art City.

**Service Projects:** A part of Girl Guides is community service. This year, our service project will involve spreading wood chips on the paths at the Assiniboine Forest as well as cleaning up around the Wildwood Community Centre. Our third-year girls will also do a service project to earn their Lady Baden Powell Award; often they bake breakfast items for families staying at Ronald McDonald house, or volunteer at Winnipeg Harvest.

The Girl Guide Promise is:

I Promise to do my best,  
To be true to myself, my beliefs and Canada  
I will take action for a better world  
And respect the Guiding Law

## **13<sup>th</sup> Brownies 2017 Report**

The 13<sup>th</sup> Brownies started off the guiding year with the Key to Brownies – so new girls could learn what being a brownie is all about and returning Brownies could get a refresher on their Brownie promise, motto and law. The girls worked hard to learn about the origin of Brownies and the new girls worked on becoming a Brownie.

Our annual enrolment ceremony was held on October 11, 2017. The girls invited their families to see the enrolment. The older girls did a great job at the ceremony, playing an instrumental role in ensuring each new Brownie felt welcome and could show they had become a Brownie.

After the enrolment, we went into the Key to Me so the girls could better get to know one another. We did crafts and each girl presented their own Key to Me poster to the rest of the group. Next, the girls continued program work on the Key to My Community. They learned about their community, and visited Fire Hall Station #11 to learn about those who work in the community.

To finish off 2017, the girls donated to a hamper for a young person in need and we had an end of the year bowling party. Starting in January, we will be working on the Key to Active Living where the girls will learn about a healthy lifestyle.

Morgan Vespa  
Brownie Leader

## **13<sup>th</sup> Sparks 2017 Report**

The 13<sup>th</sup> Sparks worked on different badges (Keepers) throughout the year. They went for a family skate at the duck pond and enjoyed a Super Hero Camp in the Whiteshell. The girls went door-to-door cookie selling in March and were very successful. They worked on the 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday challenge and celebrated Earth Day, Cinco de Mayo and Mother's day. The Unit went bowling for their wind-up.

In September we started up with 18 girls and a Pathfinder helper. Two girls attended an Area camp at Bird's Hill. A little wet but lots of fun. Some attended the Remembrance Day service at the RBC Convention Centre. The girls made jars for the jar bar at the Snow Flake Tea which was in support of Caddy Lake. They also made some placemats, cards and rockin' Snowmen for the Tuxedo Manor. The District collected for hampers to go to Adult youth who need help.

Leslie Buell

## 2017 Year in Review - 67th Winnipeg Cub Scout Pack

The Pack holds weekly meetings on Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. from mid-September to late June. Most meetings are held at St. George's Anglican Church in Crescentwood; however there are a number of occasions where the "Pack" meetings are at other locations, including outdoor ones.

We also participate in other Scouting events at other times of the week, sometimes in conjunction with other sections of our Group, or with other Groups in Manitoba.

In the spring of 2017, a large cohort of Cub Scouts and a few Scouters moved from the Cubs section to the Scouts section, resulting in a smaller Pack. As other youth moved up from Beavers and other Scouters joined the section, the population has now settled at 22 Cubs and four Scouters.

We have participated in many weekend activities over the past year:

Operation Ice Cap winter camp held each January, at Camp Arnes

The Manitoba Klondike Derby at Camp Amisk

A spring camp with a "myths and legends" theme at Birds Hill Park

Wilderness Challenge camp at Camp Amisk, in late September

Camp at Oak Hammock Marsh in early November that coincided with our first big snowfall of the year.

We have also continued to be involved in our community, participating in planting trees with Scoutrees as well as taking part in Remembrance Day ceremonies and doing neighborhood cleanup. A very special event for us was joining a group of seniors at their home to have a campfire and sing songs. It was touching to see the cubs put a smile on their faces.

Being a youth-led program, we encourage our youth to decide on the adventures they want to engage in, while looking to cover our eight program areas: Outdoors, Environment, Beliefs & Values, Leadership, Active and Healthy Living, Citizenship, Creative Expression, and Linking.

Some of the additional activities that have been highlights over the past year include Kub Kar building; visits to the Royal Aviation Museum of Western Canada, Winnipeg Police Museum, Manitoba's Legislative Building, Winnipeg Humane Society and A Maze In Corn; learning to sew; and science night.

As you can see we have been quite busy and are working on lots of more fun in the coming year. I expect our membership to be fairly stable into the new year, if not grow slightly.

Prepared by  
*Douglas Murphy*

# ADMINISTRATION

## ANNUAL REPORT – ST. GEORGE’S WEBSITE 2017

The St. George’s website continues to be a very important communication tool for the church. We are also on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram - please “like”, “follow” and share these accounts. You are encouraged to share the events that we post on Facebook with your friends and family.

<http://www.stgeorges.mb.ca/>

<https://www.facebook.com/StGeorgesCrescentwood>

<https://twitter.com/stgeorgewpg>

<https://www.instagram.com/stgeorgewpg/>

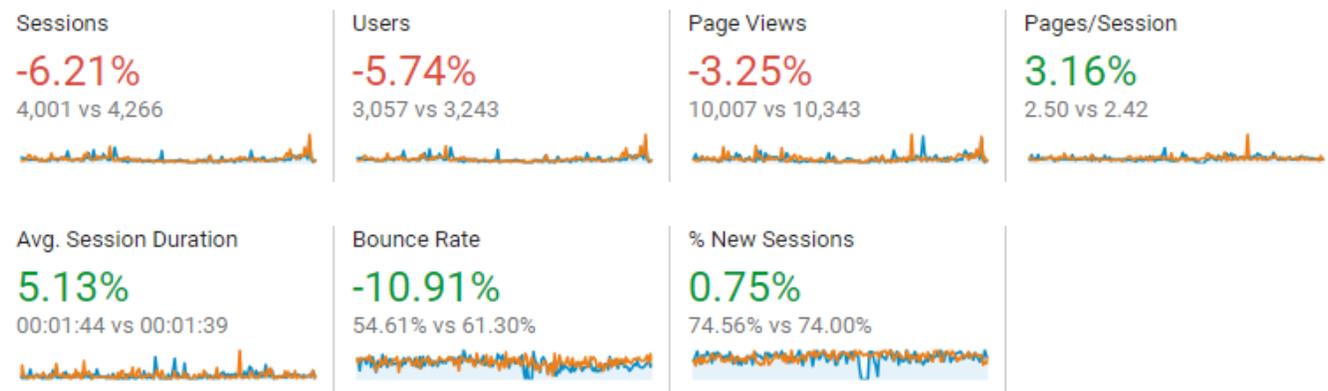
In 2017, led by Matthew Thomson, we engaged a web developer to refresh our website with a new modern, mobile friendly layout and updated site navigation. The website was also moved onto a new server to increase performance.

Special thanks to Rick Morgan for keeping our web presence up to date with timely news and event information.

### Statistics:

In 2017, 3,057 people visited our site – a decrease of 5.74% from 2016.

### 2017 vs. 2016



*Note: Due to the site navigation changes, it is not possible to provide an accurate Top 10 pages viewed list for 2017.*

Your feedback on the website and suggestions for improvement are always welcome.

Jonathan Morgan  
webmaster@stgeorges.mb.ca

## **REPORT OF THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE 2017**

Your Stewardship Committee worked throughout the year to plan both non-financial (Time and Talent) and financial (Treasure) Stewardship activities.

During the October Stewardship season, the Stewardship Committee again emphasized how important returning Estimate of Giving Cards is to our budgeting and planning. Many parishioners understood and returned their Cards. We hope to increase the number returned as well as decrease the number of parishioners who do not financially support the parish.

The financial Stewardship activities identified expected giving of \$210,000 for 2018. This is higher than 2017 but similar to 2016. The majority of giving continues to come from older parishioners; this is greatly appreciated. However, the Stewardship Committee remains concerned about the trend of identified giving and our long term sustainability. We welcome your suggestions.

Your Stewardship Committee held Time and Talent displays (including the Thelma Wynne shower) on January 15, 2017 but not in the fall. Time and Talent Inventory Cards weren't distributed so more emphasis could be placed on the most immediate needs for volunteer positions.

The Stewardship Committee thanks parishioners for their support in 2017. I would like to thank the Committee for their continuing dedication to and interest in parish Stewardship and the future of St. George's. Members of the 2017 Stewardship Committee were Roger Dennis, Allan Silk, Tawny Brown, and the Venerable Simon Blaikie. The support of Marion Groce and Christy Little is also appreciated.

Ted Cotton  
Chair

## FINANCE REPORT

### 2017 Preliminary Statements

Here are the preliminary 2017 financial results. Preliminary means without all year end adjustments (such as Unrealized Gains or Losses on Investments held at year end, late interest or invoices) or the auditors' review. The Final 2017 Financial Report including the auditors' review should be in the May 2018 "by George!".

Our Revenue and Expenses show a preliminary **Net Loss** for January to December 2017 of **\$3,009**. This is favourable to the budgeted Net Loss of \$46,953 but unfavourable to last year's actual Net Income of \$2,366 from operations.

Preliminary Revenue is \$40,524 favourable to the 2017 Budget. Festival Offerings are \$3,300 unfavourable due to lower festival envelope giving. Fundraising is \$8,605 favourable; this is higher Garage Sales. Regular Offerings are \$31,600 favourable; this is higher Identified Giving and Special & Designated. Identified Giving is \$29,365 favourable to Budget and \$1,687 favourable to last year. Rentals are \$1,470 favourable; this is more unplanned bookings.

Preliminary Expense is \$3,419 favourable to the 2017 Budget. Program is \$890 favourable; this is most costs being slightly less than budgeted. Property is \$1,395 unfavourable; this is largely higher General Maintenance (unplanned repairs) and Water (taps left on) offsetting lower Gas (lower rates and warmer weather). While the Revenue minus Expenses equals Net Income (Loss) shows how we are did in 2017, the Balance Sheet shows what we have accumulated over the life of the church.

Although the Preliminary 2017 Net Income is included, the Summary Preliminary Balance Sheet does not include all year end adjustments (such as Unrealized Gains or Losses on Investments held at year end) or the auditors' review. The Final Balance Sheet should be in the May 2018 "by George!". Our Balance Sheet includes over 30 Designated Funds. These Funds range in size from less than \$100 to over \$100 000. The key aspect of each Fund is the money can only be spent on what the money was donated or raised for e.g. a Sabbatical Provision.

**Summary Preliminary Balance Sheet  
As at December 31**

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	change
	Actual	Actual	
Current Assets (chequing, cash)	\$ 23 859.99	45 481.92	(21 621.93)
Fixed Assets (building at cost)	785 030.20	785 030.20	0
Other Assets (investments)	519 599.31	516 351.84	3 247.47
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 1 328 489.50</b>	<b>1 346 863.96</b>	<b>(18 374.46)</b>
Current Liabilities (designated)	\$ 263 437.26	278 863.88	(15 426.62)
Long Term Liabilities (trusts)	7 260.26	7 260.26	0
Equity	1 057 791.98	1 060 739.82	(2 947.84)
<b>Total Liabilities and Equity</b>	<b>\$ 1 328 489.50</b>	<b>1 346 863.96</b>	<b>(18 374.46)</b>

**2018 Budget**

Parish Council approved a Budget with a **Net Loss of \$39 793** for submission to the Annual General Meeting. Total Expenses are budgeted to be \$14 221 more than the preliminary 2017 actual Expenses, and total Revenues \$27 563 less than the preliminary 2017 actual Revenue. The most significant Budget items are:

a \$39 793 budgeted Net Loss

Envelopes (identified givers) and Via United Way ... being \$14 174 less than 2017 Preliminary but \$15 000 more than budgeted in 2017. This is based on the Stewardship results as well as estimates for those who give but don't pledge, and those who attend but don't give.

Special Events (Fundraising) including three events (two plus the Christmas Dinner); one less event and a \$1 500 decrease from the 2017 Budget

\$15 000 from the Garage Sale. This is \$5 000 more than the 2017 Budget but conservative in relation to 2017 Actuals

a slight increase in Interest Earned on investments based on advice from the financial institutions

a 5% increase in Rental rates starting in September

higher overall staffing and related costs based on the Diocesan guideline to recognize the higher cost of living

the continuation of \$1 500 for Administration Relief to cover office duties  
\$3 200 for the auditor's review. With increasing costs, the review will no longer be provided  
without fees. The auditors will be charging a discounted fee for the 2018 review.  
higher Natural Gas and Electricity costs recognizing normal weather and the potential for  
higher energy rates

I would like to thank:

Marion Groce, Ludmila Gopfert, Christy Little, and the money counting team for their  
contributions to our 2017 financial activities.

to parishioners who supported St. George's through Regular and Festival Offerings, Special  
Events, and the Garage Sales.

the Corporation, Parish Council, and Stewardship Committee for their financial guidance  
our financial advisors for their recommendations

The Exchange Group for their review services.

Ted Cotton

Finance Chair

**The Parish Church of St. George, Crescentwood  
Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual and 2018 Budget**

Accrual Basis	2017 Actual	2017 Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget	2018 Budget
<b>Income</b>					
<b>Festival Offerings</b>					
4203 · Christmas	1,295.00	3,200.00	-1,905.00	40.47%	1500.00
4206 · Easter	1,260.00	1,800.00	-540.00	70.0%	1300.00
4209 · Harvest	945.00	1,800.00	-855.00	52.5%	1000.00
<b>Total Festival Offerings</b>	3,500.00	6,800.00	-3,300.00	51.47%	3800.00
<b>Fundraising</b>					
4302 · Special Events	5,912.52	8,000.00	-2,087.48	73.91%	6500.00
4303 · Book mart	72.60	200.00	-127.40	36.3%	80.00
4305 · Threenie Lunch	320.25	500.00	-179.75	64.05%	350.00
4318 · Rummage Sales	21,000.00	10,000.00	11,000.00	210.0%	15000.00
<b>Total Fundraising</b>	27,305.37	18,700.00	8,605.37	146.02%	21930.00
<b>Interest Earned</b>					
Carlson Altar Guild	0.00	75.00	-75.00	0.0%	75.00
4405 · Dividend Income-TD Waterhouse	6,687.62	6,735.00	-47.38	99.3%	6300
4408 · Dividend Income-RBC	9,254.86	8,065.00	1,189.86	114.75%	10300
4410 · Dividend Income RBC US \$ a/c	999.38	1,050.00	-50.62	95.18%	1000
4412 · Trusts - Woods Estate	1,548.80	1,200.00	348.80	129.07%	1500
4413 · RBC Distribution Account	1,861.42	1,340.00	521.42	138.91%	1400
<b>Total Interest Earned</b>	20,352.08	18,465.00	1,887.08	110.22%	20,575.00
<b>Outreach Offerings</b>					
4524 · P.W.R.D.F.	660.00	800.00	-140.00	82.5%	700.00
<b>Total Outreach Offerings</b>	660.00	800.00	-140.00	82.5%	700.00
<b>Regular Offerings</b>					
Special & Designated	3,456.19	1,100.00	2,356.19	314.2%	1850.00
4103 · Envelopes	103,707.19	176,000.00	-72,292.81	58.93%	206000.00
4104 · Electronic Offerings	101,657.69	0.00	101,657.69	100.0%	0.00
4105 · via United Way & Chimp	15,290.92				480.00
4106 · Open Plate	3,088.03	18,500.00	-15,411.97	16.69%	2500.00
<b>Total Regular Offerings</b>	227,200.02	195,600.00	31,600.02	116.16%	210,830.00
<b>Rentals</b>					
4603 · Danceaerobics	2,665.00	2,700.00	-35.00	98.7%	2754.00
4615 · Sundry	2,245.00	1,000.00	1,245.00	224.5%	1200.00
4618 · KinderSchule	5,510.00	5,500.00	10.00	100.18%	5610.00
4624 · Winnipeg Girls Choir	1,100.00	850.00	250.00	129.41%	867.00
4625 · The Welsh Society of MB	220.00	220.00	0.00	100.0%	220.00
<b>Total Rentals</b>	11,740.00	10,270.00	1,470.00	114.31%	10651.00

**The Parish Church of St. George, Crescentwood  
Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual and 2018 Budget**

	2017 Actual	2017 Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget	2018 Budget
<b>4700 · Miscellaneous Income</b>					
4701 · Altar Guild	75.00	80.00	-5.00	93.75%	75.00
4705 · Coffee	881.02	750.00	131.02	117.47%	775.00
4708 · Envelopes Cost	45.00	55.00	-10.00	81.82%	50.00
4710 · Photocopying	484.80	305.00	179.80	158.95%	400.00
4714 · Church Literature	177.00	90.00	87.00	196.67%	100.00
4715 · Sundry	15.00	0.00	15.00	100.0%	0.00
4716 · Calendars	214.00	210.00	4.00	101.91%	200.00
<b>Total 4700 · Miscellaneous Income</b>	<b>1,891.82</b>	<b>1,490.00</b>	<b>401.82</b>	<b>126.97%</b>	<b>1,600.00</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>292,649.29</b>	<b>252,125.00</b>	<b>40,524.29</b>	<b>116.07%</b>	<b>270,086.00</b>
<b>Expense</b>					
<b>Administration</b>					
Admin Assistant Stipend	33,007.92	33,008.00	-0.08	100.0%	33470.00
Admin Relief	2,421.80	1,500.00	921.80	161.45%	2160.00
Advertising	458.36	500.00	-41.64	91.67%	500.00
Archival Supplies	407.15	300.00	107.15	135.72%	500.00
Auditor's Review	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	3200.00
Bank Charges	576.84	950.00	-373.16	60.72%	900.00
EOP Service Charges	799.60	875.00	-75.40	91.38%	825.00
Equipment - Purchase	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%	0.00
Equipment Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00
Equipment Rental	2,414.57	2,700.00	-285.43	89.43%	2406.00
Honoraria/Rental Duties	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00
Non Resident Tax - RBC US \$ a/c	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00
Payroll Benefits	5,177.99	5,473.00	-295.01	94.61%	5250.00
PC/Printer Provision	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00
Photocopier - Copies	1,461.68	1,350.00	111.68	108.27%	1500.00
Postage	860.57	900.00	-39.43	95.62%	900.00
Software	0.00	450.00	-450.00	0.0%	0.00
Sound System Provision	500.00	500.00	0.00	100.0%	2000.00
Stationery	2,498.32	2,400.00	98.32	104.1%	2530.00
Sundry Expenses	579.71	450.00	129.71	128.82%	400.00
Workers' Compensation	525.35	525.00	0.35	100.07%	520.00
<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>51,689.86</b>	<b>52,181.00</b>	<b>-491.14</b>	<b>99.06%</b>	<b>57,061.00</b>

**The Parish Church of St. George, Crescentwood  
Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual and 2018 Budget**

	2017 Actual	2017 Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget	2018 Budget
<b>Ministry</b>					
Altar Guild	1,524.68	1,800.00	-275.32	84.7%	2000.00
Assistant's Honoraria	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00
Assistant's Salary	692.48	2,100.00	-1,407.52	32.98%	1500.00
Church Literature	52.40	175.00	-122.60	29.94%	200.00
Conferences & Travel	496.45	450.00	46.45	110.32%	500.00
Continuing Education	450.00	475.00	-25.00	94.74%	450.00
Discretionary Fund	279.72	500.00	-220.28	55.94%	500.00
Living Allowance Rector's	15,225.12	15,225.00	0.12	100.0%	15225.00
Payroll Benefits	16,671.57	16,820.00	-148.43	99.12%	16905.00
Rector's Mileage Allowance	893.07	800.00	93.07	111.63%	900.00
Rector's Stipend	45,126.00	45,126.00	0.00	100.0%	45758.00
Sabbatical Provision	2,207.00	2,207.00	0.00	100.0%	2264.00
Servers Robes	0.00	275.00	-275.00	0.0%	275.00
Synod	180.00	600.00	-420.00	30.0%	780.00
<b>Total Ministry</b>	<b>83,798.49</b>	<b>86,553.00</b>	<b>-2,754.51</b>	<b>96.82%</b>	<b>87,257.00</b>
<b>Music</b>					
2.5 GST	517.82	587.00	-69.18	88.22%	604.00
Allowances-Boys & Girls	1,678.32	1,500.00	178.32	111.89%	1600.00
Choir Robes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00
Contemporary Music Purchases	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00
Honorarium	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00
Intern Salary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00
Maintenance - Organ	940.74	1,500.00	-559.26	62.72%	1400.00
Maintenance - Piano	1,049.75	1,250.00	-200.25	83.98%	1200.00
Music Director	23,557.58	23,465.00	92.58	100.4%	24170.00
Relief Organists&Musicians	525.00	500.00	25.00	105.0%	525.00
Royal School of Church Music _	95.00	100.00	-5.00	95.0%	100.00
<b>Total Music</b>	<b>28,364.21</b>	<b>28,902.00</b>	<b>-537.79</b>	<b>98.14%</b>	<b>29,599.00</b>
<b>Outreach Remittances</b>					
Apportionment	33,248.00	33,248.00	0.00	100.0%	33248.00
P.W.R.D.F.	660.00	800.00	-140.00	82.5%	700.00
Sundry	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00
<b>Total Outreach Remittances</b>	<b>33,908.00</b>	<b>34,048.00</b>	<b>-140.00</b>	<b>99.59%</b>	<b>33,948.00</b>

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Program	2017 Actual	2017 Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget	2018 Budget
Christian Ed - Youth	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%	300.00
Christian Education- Adult	103.84	225.00	-121.16	46.15%	175.00
Christian Education - Children	433.97	800.00	-366.03	54.25%	600.00

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Coffee	326.52	350.00	-23.48	93.29%	350.00
Decorations	89.36	240.00	-150.64	37.23%	250.00
Food Supplies	364.73	500.00	-135.27	72.95%	500.00
Mission and Ministry	207.30	300.00	-92.70	69.1%	300.00
Pastoral Care Exp	20.00	300.00	-280.00	6.67%	200.00
Stewardship	100.00	200.00	-100.00	50.0%	125.00
Strategy Implementation	1,101.57	800.00	301.57	137.7%	2500.00
Sunday School Superintendent	5,879.74	5,603.00	276.74	104.94%	5913.00
<b>Total Program</b>	<b>8,627.03</b>	<b>9,518.00</b>	<b>-890.97</b>	<b>90.64%</b>	<b>11,213.00</b>
<b>Property</b>					
Boiler Contract-daily checks	5,330.00	5,400.00	-70.00	98.7%	5400.00
Boiler Inspection	0.00	180.00	-180.00	0.0%	180.00
Church Kitchen Supplies	76.13	100.00	-23.87	76.13%	100.00
Cleaning Supplies	238.24	410.00	-171.76	58.11%	350.00
General Maintenance	22,054.77	16,399.00	5,655.77	134.49%	21000.00
Honoraria	65.00	0.00	65.00	100.0%	0.00
Insurance - Property	9,533.16	9,534.00	-0.84	99.99%	10119.00
Payroll Benefits Verger	3,578.88	3,470.00	108.88	103.14%	3606.00
Pest Control	1,541.46	1,500.00	41.46	102.76%	1550.00
Relief Stipend	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%	500.00
Security	608.89	800.00	-191.11	76.11%	625.00
Taxes - Realty	872.00	875.00	-3.00	99.66%	875.00
Telephones	4,533.26	4,350.00	183.26	104.21%	4550.00
Utilities - Electricity	6,138.28	6,550.00	-411.72	93.71%	6445.00
Utilities - Gas	14,341.47	19,000.00	-4,658.53	75.48%	16000.00
Utilities - Water	2,942.57	1,500.00	1,442.57	196.17%	1950.00
Verger's Stipend	17,417.14	17,308.00	109.14	100.63%	17551.00
<b>Total Property</b>	<b>89,271.25</b>	<b>87,876.00</b>	<b>1,395.25</b>	<b>101.59%</b>	<b>90,801.00</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>295,658.84</b>	<b>299,078.00</b>	<b>-3,419.16</b>	<b>98.86%</b>	<b>309,879.00</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-3,009.55</b>	<b>-46,953.00</b>	<b>43,943.45</b>	<b>6.41%</b>	<b>-39,793.00</b>