



# St. George's Anglican Church Stewardship & Narrative Budget

## Holding Our Own in Unexpected Times

Faithfully navigating through stormy seas

Let's be honest, none of us expected a year like this one. COVID has had a huge impact on our life as a church community. At first it felt we were caught in a huge squall storm that came up seemingly out of nowhere, much like the disciples must have felt when their boat was caught in stormy seas. Oh, but wait! Jesus was with them, wasn't he ... just asleep in the stern, and he woke and calmed the storm. Well Jesus has been with us too. At first, we might have felt that God wasn't watching; that Jesus was asleep. But it isn't true. The remarkable way we were able to adjust on the fly and offer ministry in new ways and on new technological platforms is a testimony to the presence of the Spirit, of Jesus, of God the Holy Three being with us. Lifting us, restoring us, giving us courage, keeping us faithful, and leading us forward.

The seas are still stormy, but with the guidance of our Holy Navigator we are staying "Together Apart" and realizing effective ministry in new and varied ways. Much thanks go to all of you who have kept up your faith and support for our mission, albeit necessarily transformed. Huge kudos go to the staff and leadership team (Council, Wardens and Corporation) for their commitment, imagination, and faithful energy as we respond and grow into our new way of being the church.

This document, which is a narrative presentation of our budget for 2021, is full of the good news of how we have accomplished as we faithfully navigate these stormy seas. One of our great goals for 2021 is to make sure we are strong, ready, and able to welcome back the community groups we have long partnered with over the years. Many of these have been hit hard by present restrictions. Think of all the concerts, community events and gatherings that we have been hosts to each year. Such a silence rings out in our buildings this year as we cannot host them and they cannot gather. We also cannot count on their financial partnership any longer. So please, now is the time for us to step up and say yes to the challenge to keep our parish alive, well, and funded. Our mission is the same, "To know Christ and make Christ known." But the vehicle of how we do this is being transformed by the pandemic reality. But God is not asleep! Quite the opposite. God is calling us, the faithful, to greater action and commitment for transformed times.

Blessings Always!  
Ralph+

2020

None of what we planned to do before  
March could we do, but what we have  
accomplished is incredible!

# Worship & Music

FACEBOOK LIVE - SUNDAY SERVICES - DRIVE-BY BLESSINGS - CHORAL SCHOLARS - RECORDED CHOIR - CARILLON

## Worship by the numbers:

Since March, we have held over 35 weeks of services, totaling over 50 hours Live on Facebook and recorded to YouTube.

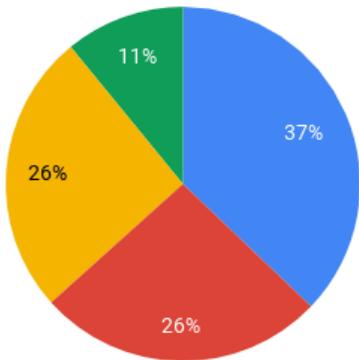


What is the cost of diverse & inspired ministry?

**\$317,585.58 per year**

### 2020 Salaries

- Clergy
- Administrative staff
- Sextons
- Music



Clergy \$117,920.00 (37%)

Administrative staff \$83,248.00 (26%)

Sextons \$81,751.00 (26%)

Music \$34,666.58 (14%)

Children's Program \$0.00 (0%)

## Pastoral Care by the numbers:

We have been able to provide support to the friends and families of the 12 parishioners who have passed away during the pandemic.



## Facebook Live Worship

**NOW every Sunday,  
8:30 am and 11:00am**



Subscribe to our YouTube channel (St. George's Anglican Church Guelph). Services posted by 2:00pm Sunday.

## TECH SUPPORTS:

- Dedicated HD Camera, Tripod, Microphone, & screen
- Highspeed internet
- Facebook Live, YouTube
- Zoom for coffee hour
- Playback equipment for choir recordings



Kay Verdone

Thank you for the work done to build this connection.

28w Like Reply



Bishop Susan Bell

Wonderful service!

2w Like Reply



## DID YOU KNOW....

We have an archive of over **20 years of recorded services**. This means we have access to **tens of thousands of recordings** of our choir, choral scholars and musicians, past and present, which can be played.



# Partnerships

SATURDAY NIGHT SUPPERS - WORKSIDE EARLY CHILDCARE - BUILDINGS & GROUNDS - PWRDF

Our building is one of the biggest ways St. George's supports the wider community. When you support the operating budget, you enable us to keep these connections strong. In 2020, we chose to proceed with significant maintenance projects, including the replacement of the Mitchell Hall Roof and significant work on the Lightning Rod system to ensure our building is ready now and into the future.

## Stormy seas STAYING THE COURSE

### 2019 vs 2020:

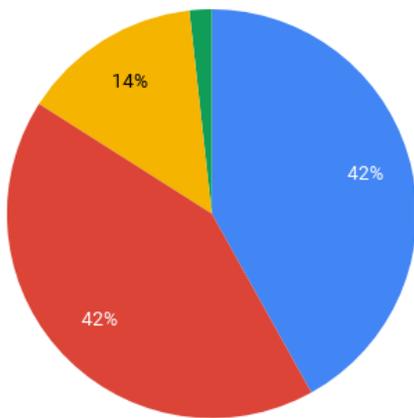
- Regular giving has been maintained!
- We lost almost \$50,000 from user groups
- Our Christmas, Lent, and Easter giving decreased by over 40%

What does it take to open our doors?

**\$234,258.79 per year**

#### 2020 Annual Cost of Operations

- Building Maintenance
- Diocesan Support
- Program Support, Communication, Children's program
- Worship/Music



Building Maintenance \$98,214.45 (42%)

Diocesan support \$98,620.50 (42%)

Program support \$33,323.93 (14%)

Worship/Music \$4,099.91 (2%)



#### Coffee Hour with Will Postma

Executive Director of The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund

with a special focus on work in Tanzania



### STAFF SUPPORT:

- Tech Coordination
- Volunteer coordination
- Liturgical preparations
- Administrative Support
- Counting & Finance
- Sermon writing
- Prayer list
- Music planning
- Choir & Soloists
- Organists
- Guest Musicians
- Maintenance & Custodial duties



Top Fan

Heather Forsythe

What a lovely service, thank you for continuing this option 😊

2d Like Reply Message



Anne Hewat Vaughan

Good morning from Halifax

29w Like Reply



Laura McDonald

Watching from Paris. The world is small with social media. Blessings and peace. 🙏

32w Like Reply

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Michael Morris

And every blessing from across the Atlantic in Liverpool

28w Like Reply



### DID YOU KNOW....

We have raised over \$60,000 over the past 12 years for PWRDF?



# Connections

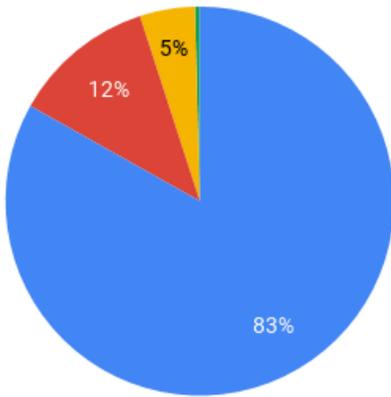
SATURDAY NIGHT SUPPERS - PHONE TREE - CONFIRMATION CLASS - SOUP & BUNS - COUNCIL RETREAT - ZOOM COFFEE HOUR - CHILDREN'S PACKS

Where does the money come from?

**\$434,703.50 per year**

## 2020 Sources of Income

- Weekly Donations
- User Groups (Rentals)
- Christmas, Lent, Easter
- Other



Weekly Donations \$361,400.00 (83%)  
 User Groups \$51,600.00 (12%)  
 Christmas, Lent, Easter \$19,979.00 (5%)  
 Other \$1,724.50 (0.4%)



**Elizabeth Adams**

Much gratitude to each of you for this treasure of worship that we can share as a community. I feel the presence of the people with me and give thanks for such a blessing in these times of solitude. Such beauty, kindness and depth to share.

28w Like Reply

In 2020, we found new ways to connect:

Our Facebook and Instagram following have almost doubled. During lockdown, we had between 50 and 60 people watch the Sunday service live on Facebook.



**Heidi Bates**

Peace to all from Appleton Wisconsin. We miss this church (moved in 2011)

29w Like Reply

## WELCOME - SEEK - BELONG - SERVE - SUPPORT

For the first time:

- Council gathered for a full day together planning for our future.
- We called each and every member of our parish to listen and support our community.
- We connected socially through our Zoom coffee hours
- We invited guest speakers
- We greeted the community from our new sign
- We sought new and exciting ways to connect with children, youth and families
- The youth involved in Confirmation connected regularly online
- Youth connected through the "Table" and the "Gathering"
- We embarked on a "Together Apart" fundraising campaign for PWRDF.



## DID YOU KNOW....

We have 600 families on our parish list, each of whom received two phone calls from one of 20 callers this year? That's about 60 calls per caller.

