Next week at 10:00 am we hope to place the original monument of the Rev. William Boyer, first Rector of St. George's, in the Main Entry; and, following the Service, we will visit his gravesite in Elmwood Cemetery to view his new headstone. Also at 10:00 am, a memorial will be dedicated to the glory of God and in loving member of Dawn Nelson.

The Feast of All Saints is next Sunday. For centuries the Church has used this first week in November to remember the faithful departed; and to give thanks that death has been changed through the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, God's only begotten Son. The sheet on which we list **the names of our Christian departed** is in the Main Entry. You are welcome to include as many people as you like. The names will be read at the **Tuesday 5pm** Holy Eucharist and the **Thursday10am** Holy Eucharist.

Our Fall **evening Bible Study** continues **Tuesday** at 7:00 pm. by ZOOM. **If you wish to receive the ZOOM link,** please contact the Office. We will continue to study the Gospel according to St. Luke.

The **Bible Study at the Rectory** is Wednesday mornings at 10am. If you would like to **join by Zoom**, please contact the Office.

Our Sunday **Intercession Book** is at the back of the Church. Please add the names of any you would like us to pray for together. In order to respect people's privacy, **please do not write surnames unless** you have the person's **permission**.

The **Men's Meeting** will be on Monday, November 2nd beginning at **6pm.** Rev. Canon Bruce Glencross will be the guest speaker.

Grief-Share will begin on Wednesday, November 18th at 7pm. If you would like to attend, please contact the Office at 855-5209.

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Twentieth Sunday After Trinity October 25, 2020

FOR MANY ARE CALLED, BUT FEW ARE CHOSEN.

<u>Parish Prayer Chain</u>: To pass a message on to the Parish Prayer Chain, from Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. please the Office. After Office Hours, please contact Cathie @ 855-7969 or cdingwell@gmail.com.

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	Kelly VanBuskirk	
Associate Priest: Rev. Dr. Dan Goodwin (danielcorey.goodwin@gmail.com)		
Deacon:	Rev. Norm Dupuis	386-1324

Twentieth Sunday After Trinity 8:00 A.M. - HOLY EUCHARIST

5.00 A.M HOLT EUCHAMST	
Introit Psalm: 145: 1-13	p. 516
Collect for Purity:	p. 67
Collect	p. 250
The Epistle	p. 251
Gradual Psalm: 145. 14-17	p. 517
The Holy Gospel	p. 251

9:15 A.M. – MORNING PRAYER

Psalm: 107, part 1	p. 471
First Lesson: Proverbs 31:10-end	(Pew Bible page 554)
Second Lesson: St. Luke 12:22-34	(Pew Bible page 837)

10:00 A.M. - HOLY EUCHARIST

Introit Psalm: (sung) Everything that thou hast brought upon us, O Lord God, thou hast done in righteousness and judgement: for we have trespassed against thee, and have not obeyed thy commandments; but give glory and honour to thy Name and deal with us according to the multitude of thy tender mercies. Great is the Lord and highly to be praised in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill. Glory be...

Children's Talk	
Litany	
Collect	p. 250
The Epistle	p. 251
Gradual Psalm: 145.14-17	p. 517
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Hymn before Homily: 427 (Monks Gate)	
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The Intercession	p. 75
Confession, Absolution	p. 77
Thanksgiving	p. 78
Consecration	p. 82
Hymns during Communion: 247 (Eisenach); 222 (Agape)	
235 (St. Osmond); 231 (Adore Te)	
The Lord's Prayer	
Gloria In Excelsis	
Recessional Hymn: 405 (Ein' Feste Burg)	

5:00 P.M. EVENING PRAYER

Psalm 107, part 2, 108	p. 474
First Lesson: Jonah 3 & 4	(Pew Bible page 745)
Second Lesson: Philippians 4	(Pew Bible page 952)

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Ronald & Verna Roberts

"Let us remember before God the faithful departed." Janet Matchett, Joan Mabee, Liz Riel

Amongst the faithful departed, we remember Gunner Lawrence T. Wilkinson who died October 30, 1917. He is buried in Belgium and awaits with us the Lord's return and the Resurrection at the Last Day.

This Week in the Parish

The Daily Offices of **Morning and Evening Prayer** will be prayed at **8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Monday** – **Saturday**, respectively. In addition:

Today	Outbound	1:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Holy Communion	5:00 p.m.
	Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
Thursday	"Imitation of Christ"	7:00 a.m.
-	Holy Communion	10:00 a.m.

Please remember that masks are mandatory as you enter and exit the Church. Please sanitize your hands when arriving and use the side aisles when exiting. Thank you for your cooperation!

Please stay for lunch and join us for our **Outbound** excursion after the 10am Holy Eucharist Service.

"O God whose days are without end, and whose mercies cannot be numbered: Make us, we beseech thee, deeply sensible of the shortness and uncertainty of human life. [BCP pg. 599] Put on the whole armour of God that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." [Ephesians .6.11]

The Rector's Corner

As our Region moves from the Orange Phase back into the Yellow Phase, the conversation surrounding the COVID-19 virus seems to be changing, at one least in one aspect. If I am hearing and understanding the medical world correctly, there is an admission that we need to learn how to live with the corona virus for the long term. That, has opened the door for a more complete conversation that includes not only science but faith; not only physical aspect, but the spiritual too – the whole person.

Initially, when all of this began in New Brunswick on March 17th, our goal was to get everyone home. We all knew the situation was serious when the NHL suspended its season. Snowbirds and other Canadians who were scattered all over the globe, cut their trips short and returned to the motherland; and those who were already here, headed to the store and bought toilet paper and flour by the trunkload, preparing to hunker down for a long Spring. There was disbelief mixed with curiosity, as we made masks out of paper-towel and learned the new lingo of the corona virus.

During the early days, we were asked to stay 'put' so as not to overwhelm the health care system. Interestingly, Canadian Armed Forces Members were ordered to stay home to protect the force, so that it would be healthy and ready if needed.

Following these initial actions, it was not long before money began to flow from Ottawa. Financial aid programs involving billions and billions of dollars were announced in an effort to keep the proverbial wolf away from the door.

During this time, the Church was in the midst of Lent. Livestreaming and 'drive-in' Services fast became the norm, in hopes that it wouldn't be too long before we were all back to the regular routine. We were not alone in that, of course: businesses, hospitals and nursing homes were feeling it too. Then, a conversation began about a vaccine; and, this gave us all some encouragement.

Deep down, however, the infectious disease specialists knew this was wishful-thinking. A vaccine would be eighteen months or more in coming. Nevertheless, the general public remained naively hopeful. Before we knew it, however, Lent had moved into Holy Week, and then to Easter. Gradually, there was a call to prepare for a step forward. Operation Plans had to be developed, including plexiglass, masks, sanitizer and physical distancing. Businesses re-opened and churches were permitted to hold indoor Services according to the new protocols.

The hospitals and some seniors' homes and nursing homes also took some cautious steps forward at this time; still, however, families remained separated from their loved ones, even in their final days. I don't know the answer; but I do believe that we need to rediscover the whole person. We are not just physical beings. We have a body and a soul. We can think and feel; and, it is no secret that the body and soul impact each other.

For us, as Christians, this truth or principle is what makes a sacrament, such as Baptism or the Holy Communion. A sacrament, as you will recall from the Catechism (page 550), "is an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace, given to us by Christ Himself...". In other words, there is a physical part and a spiritual one, too. In the Holy Communion, the physical parts are the bread and the wine. The inward and spiritual part is what these elements become: the Body and Blood of Christ.

Many will wonder about that – how can eating and drinking bread and wine affect the soul's relation to God? Afterall, that is exactly what Jesus said: "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst....Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him." (St. John 6. 35, 53-56)

The answer is "faith"-- it is the means by which the soul is impacted by the physical. But faith does not stand alone. Love and hope flow from it. As we all come to grips with our 'new normal' and people's mental health, there is an opportunity for science and faith to meet and to work together as one, like body and soul.

Birthday Celebration

As you may know, on Monday, November 2nd, Archdeacon Reginald Stockall will be turning 90. Restrictions arising from COVID-19 are making any public celebration of this milestone impossible but we're inviting those who wish to offer their congratulations to call him during a Telephone Open House from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Archdeacon Reginald and & Barbara be visiting Fredericton on that day; so we invite friends to have a chat by calling one of the numbers below. We'll be managing the phones to ensure that everyone who wishes has a chance to speak with him.

Please feel free to share the contact numbers below with anyone who might wish to offer birthday wishes.

Archdeacon Reginald Stockall's 90th Birthday

Telephone Open House

Monday, November 2nd from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Phone numbers: 506.454.0245 | 506.451.5398 | 506.461.7685

Please pray about the **Ministry of Presence** idea, which would involve **walking, listening and talking to those in our neighbourhood** who are living on the street. Currently, a small group of interested people from St. George's are considering this with folks from First Baptist and St. Vincent de Paul. We are **viewing 'The 12 Neighbours' videos** which can be found at this link <u>Watch The Films</u>. These are 12-18 minutes in length and cover five topics, including Spend Yourself; Do Development; Start with Strengths; Create Context for Community; Understanding Systems of Injustice. There is no log-in required – just click and watch! The next meeting is at **2 PM this Tuesday at First Baptist Church**.

Daily Bible Readings

A modified schedule from the Prayer Book's Table of Lessons

Sunday	I Kings 18:17-end	James 3
Monday	I Kings 19	James 4
Tuesday	I Kings 21	James 5
Wednesday	I Kings 22:1-40	I Peter 1:1-21
Thursday	2 Chronicles 20:1-30	I Peter 1:22-2:10
Friday	2 Kings 1	I Peter 2:11-37
Saturday	2 Kings 2:1-21	I Peter 3:8-4:6

From Cathy Rogers:

I wanted to send a THANK YOU to Father Chris & everyone at St. George's for ongoing prayer and support as I served for 6 years as Moncton South's MLA.

I made a difficult but necessary decision not to re-offer in the election of this past month, after giving my all to serve Moncton South residents and New Brunswickers - from 2014 to 2018 as Minister of Social Development, Minister of Healthy & Inclusive Communities, Minister of Finance, & Minister for Literacy, and - from 2018-2020 as MLA in opposition serving also as official advocate for Environment & Service New Brunswick, founding member of NB's Climate Change & Environmental Stewardship Legislative Committee, member of Public Accounts and Economic Policy legislative committees, and continuously & mostly keeping me busy all these years in our own riding, giving support and advocacy for people with housing, health, and senior care needs.

My decision not to re-offer in politics was not a decision to retire. I will remain engaged in my community in some capacity as the Lord sees fit to direct my gifts to be used - and hopefully after a little break/self-care/re-charging between now and Christmas.

This message is intended partly to give my church family the update from me personally, but mostly to extend my heartfelt and sincere thanks for your continuous prayer. Without a doubt, prayer is always the greatest support that you could have given and as God continuously shows, His care is always sustaining.

Blessings to you all. Cathy Rogers