

# The Wardens' Wire

## ISSUE 52      APRIL 6 – APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup>

### Sunday April 6    **LENT 5    PASSION SUNDAY**

8.30 am      St Mary's the Virgin Independent service  
 10.30 am    HOLY COMMUNION    ST GEORGES  
 2.00 pm      Hoi Thanh Tin Lanh service  
 5 pm          ESL Café - Conversation group

### Mon. Apr 7

12.30 – 2.30 pm    Friendship Circle  
 7 pm              On line Prayer meeting +  
 7.30-9 pm        Hamilton Schola Cantorum practice

### Tues Apr 8

7 pm              Reformation History on zoom

### Wed. Apr 9

1.30-3 pm        Bible Study

### Thurs Apr 10

2-4 pm            Vestry Meeting  
 5.30 -7.30 pm    Soup followed by Compline Service

### Fri. Apr 11

6 pm              Park Group AA

### Sat. Apr 12

3-4.30 pm        Book Launch \*\*

### Sun. Apr 13      **LENT 6 PALM SUNDAY**

8.30- 9.30 am    St Mary the Virgin Independent service  
 10.30 am        St George's MORNING PRAYER & BAPTISM  
 2 pm              Hoi Thanh Tin Lanh service

### Mon. Apr 14

12.30-2.30 pm    Friendship Circle  
 7 pm              On line Prayer meeting  
 7.30-9 pm        Hamilton Schola Cantorum practice

### Tues. Apr 15

1.30-3 pm        BiblioMpower book club  
 7-8 pm            Reformation History with Tom on Zoom

### Wed. Apr 16

1.30-3 pm        Bible Study

### Thurs. Apr 17    **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

5.30-7.30 pm    POT LUCK SUPPER followed by  
 COMPLINE SERVICE

### Fri Apr. 18      **GOOD FRIDAY**

10.30 AM        Morning Prayer  
 1 pm              St Mary's service \*  
 6 pm – 9 pm      Park Group AA

### Sat. Apr 19

7 pm              St Mary's Holy Communion Service \*

### Sun April 20    **EASTER SUNDAY**

+ If you would like to join the Online prayer meeting on Monday evenings at 7 pm, please talk to Tom P or Christiana for details.

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## EASTER SERVICES AT ST GEORGE'S

MAUNDY THURSDAY COMPLINE SERVICE 7 PM preceded by POT LUCK SUPPER. Please sign up on the Bulletin board if you are participating in the supper.

GOOD FRIDAY – MORNING PRAYER  
 10.30 AM light refreshments after

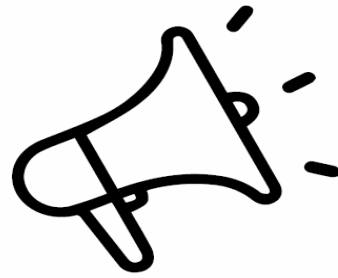
EASTER SUNDAY HOLY COMMUNION 10.30 AM

\*\* ST MARY THE VIRGIN INDEPENDENT ANGLICAN CHURCH at St George's .....

Good Friday 1 pm  
 Passion According to St John .Sarum chant  
 Solemn Intercessions  
 Adoration of the Cross

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Saturday April 19<sup>th</sup> 7 pm  
 Solemn Easter Vigil  
 Belling of New Fire  
 Easter Proclamation  
 Holy Communion



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## **\*\*Book Launch St. George's Church**

**134 Emerson St.  
Hamilton**

**Saturday 12 April, 3-4.30 pm**

**Join us in the fellowship hall for the launch of the book by Roy J. Adams, Westdale in Ten Thousand Steps: The Story of Hamilton's Western Plateau.**

**The reason we are launching the book at St. George's is that Roy Adams interviewed some members of our church including Judy Smith, Marg (Jackson) Boehm, Bev Dring, Sandra Bentley, Linda Morout and Dora Eickholt and included their information.**

**Copies of the book will be available for sale. Refreshments will be served.**

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Pam has arranged the bulletin board at the back of the Parish Hall by the coat rack with some of the Sunday School children's 'fine art.'

They draw something to illustrate the lesson. Uriel's artwork always features the airplane on which he arrived to Canada no matter what the lesson! What a big impression that flight left on him. Last week he even included Esther and me in the windows of the airplane.

Thank you Sobrina for reading the children a Bible Story after the lesson. You do a great job of it. You are patient and kind.

And thank you to Jane Vansickle for volunteering to teach this week. Jane was a stellar kindergarten teacher but don't tell her I said that.

If you know anyone who might like their children to be in our cosy little Sunday School we'd love to welcome them. - Judy

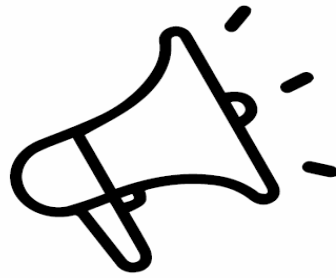
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St. George's Friendship Circle this past week was interesting and fun and full of new learning.

We discussed the article from the Saturday, March 29th edition of The Globe And Mail about Dr. Karim Qayumi, professor of surgery at The University of British Columbia. Dr. Qayumi has developed an online training course to allow Afghan women to graduate as full doctors. It is a long complex article but since we are all interested in our Afghan friends it was welcomed new knowledge for us. Lectures are given by professors from UBC, Harvard and McGill. The program is in English. Professors at Arizona State University and the American University in Afghanistan volunteer their time to give the students extra help. The Taliban has agreed to cooperate if the pilot project is successful.

We had our regular hymn sing and a birthday cake for Bev Dring. We wish you a happy year ahead Bev.

Linda had suggested the idea of an art discussion which I hope we can repeat because it was informative and fun. We talked about our favourite pieces of art and some brought samples. We heard from Sandra about a local artist named Bowman, ergo Bowman Street, and Linda showed us her copy of a painting by Manet. We discussed the venue, the background, the expressions on faces, the colours and the impressionist style. Dora brought us a calendar with the work of Maud Lewis, the Nova Scotian folk artist whose delightful, bright, naif scenes brought her fame. Alison told us the trials of trying to hang up Nelson's large painting of a moose in their new home, we took a look at the floral Spring pictures that James had brought and we saw a blown-up poster sized reproduction of Gabriel Max's oil on canvas of 'The Raising of Jairus' Daughter' from 1878 that hangs in The Montreal Museum of Fine Art. We remarked on the tenderness of Jesus' face and the love with which He holds the little girl's hand, the rich symbolism and the play of shadow and light. Arpine added her usual uplifting comments and Bev told us that she has her grandfather's top hat, still in the original box, that made its way here by ship from England many years ago. We hope she'll bring it next week.



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This coming Monday is games.  
Scrabble, anyone?  
Come! Bring a friend.  
12:30-2:30 in the Parish Hall. -Judy

REMINDER.... HOPING YOU ARE FILLING UP YOUR BUNNY BAG FOR THE EASTER FOODSHARE. Yellow bags can be brought to the church until Easter Sunday...  
Thank you

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FYI ..... 134 Emerson will be a polling station on Monday April 28<sup>th</sup>, our usual schedule will be altered as the church will not be available between 9 am – 9 pm for our regular activities.

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## Saturday May 3 1 – 3 pm

A SPRING THING....  
JOIN THE FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE FOR TEA, LUNCH, POEMS, STORIES AND SONGS ..... BRING A FRIEND, A RELATIVE, OR ANYONE WHO YOU THINK WOULD ENJOY IT.

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I have been looking over the book I read last year at Lent by Malcolm Guite. It is called *The Word in the Wilderness*. He is a Chaplain at Girton College Cambridge and an Anglican priest. He is a poet and a musician. He has a Hamilton connection too, through McMaster University.

Sometimes (always) I mark things in books that appeal to me in some way. Tonight I found this: "The Lord of life and love calls us out of nothingness into being, calls us out of darkness into light..." ( page 42)

It's lovely imagery. Why would we choose to stay in nothingness when we could do significant work for Him? Why would we choose darkness when we could live in light? For the Christian it is more than imagery. The light is our comfort zone.

I was tired and up too late when I read that line but it gave me a jolt of joy. I thought how fortunate we are when we work within the plan He has laid out ahead for us.

It was a soft and reaffirming way in which to end the day. - Judy

## MEMORIAL FLOWERS

If you would like to have flowers in the sanctuary for Easter in memory of a dear one, talk to Alison. The church will be decorated for Easter Sunday and the following two weeks.

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Here are more jokes from Thomas L ....

A golfer is thrashing through the bushes looking for a lost ball.

Alady watches him as she sits on a nearby bench knitting.

After half an hour the golfer is just about to give up when the little lady says "Excuse me. But is it against the rules if I tell you where it is?"

A couple were vacationing in Jasper. The wife expressed her concern about camping because of bears and said she would feel more comfortable in a motel. The huband said that he'd like to camp and to calm her concerns they'd talk to the park ranger to see the likelihood of a bear encounter.

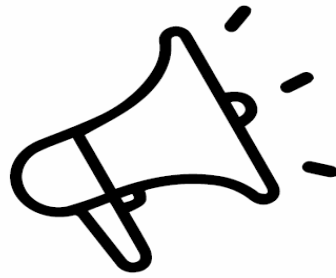
The ranger told them: "Well, we haven't seen any grizzlies in this area so far this year, or black bears, for that matter.

The wife shrieked , "There are TWO TYPES OF BEARS OUT HERE? How can you tell the difference Which one is more dangerous?"

The ranger relied, "Well, that's easy see if the bear chases you up a tree and it comes up after you, it's a black bear. If it shakes the tree until you fall out, it's a grizzly!. The motel room was quite nice!

SENIOR CITIZEN TEXTING CODE. Now, I expect many of you know that BTW means 'by the way', and LOL means 'laughing out loud' (*I always thought it meant 'lots of love'!* in short-text ...but bet you can't get these ones!

LOL – little old lady  
BFF – best friend fell



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ATD – at the doctor's  
BTW – bring the wheelchair  
FWIT – forgot where I was  
OMSG – Oh my, sorry, - gas !  
BYOT – bring your own teeth

.....*now you know!!* Alison  
**THINKING YOU MIGHT NEED A REMINDER OF THE HISTORY OF THE REC.**  
When others ask you 'what's it all about' ...here's the scoop. Alison

**THE REFORMED EPISCOPAL CHURCH** Founded December 2, 1873  
in what would become the geographical Diocese of Northeast & Mid-Atlantic by low-church Protestant Episcopalians. Eight clergymen and 20 laymen established the Church in New York City in 1873. The founding Bishop was George David Cummins who had resigned as the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky.

Bishop Cummins expressed his vision for the church's founding in his letter of resignation,

*I have an earnest hope and confidence that a basis for the union of all Evangelical Christendom can be found in a communion which shall retain or restore a primitive Episcopacy and a pure scriptural liturgy, with a fidelity to the doctrine of justification by faith only...*

The goal was to establish a church that would restore the old paths of evangelical and catholic Anglicanism.

This Church holds the faith as once delivered to the saints and as transmitted through the Church of England; especially as articulated in her Reformation heritage, the range of her Anglican divines, and as deposited in the founding principles of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

Furthermore, this Church receives Holy Scripture as the inspired Word of God. We affirm the three ancient creeds, commonly known as the Nicene, Apostles' and Creed of Athanasius, the dogmatic definitions of the first four ecumenical councils of the undivided church and the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion in their 1801 form. From its humble beginnings, the church has grown within the United States and Canada and is divided into four geographical regions with each region governed by

a Bishop Ordinary and a Standing Committee. These geographical regions (called Dioceses) are:

- The Diocese of the Northeast & Mid Atlantic with the Convocation of Eastern Canada
- The Diocese of the Southeast
- The Diocese of the Central States
- The Diocese of Mid-America with the Convocation of the West & Western Canada

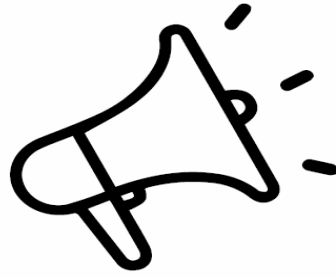
In addition, the Reformed Episcopal Church has three oversees Dioceses located in Croatia, Cuba, and Germany.

The Reformed Episcopal Church takes seriously her call and responsibility to train succeeding generations for ministry within the church. Almost since her founding in 1873, the Church has had at least one theological seminary to fulfill this responsibility. Currently, there are three theological institutions of the Church within the United States and two in Europe:

- Reformed Episcopal Seminary (Philadelphia, PA)
- Cummins Theological Seminary (Summerville, SC)
- Cranmer Theological House (Houston/Dallas, TX)
- Michael Starin Theological Seminary (Croatia)
- St. Benedict Theological Seminary (Germany)

The Reformed Episcopal Church is a sub-jurisdiction and founding member of the Anglican Church in North America (ACNA). The ACNA unites Anglicans in more than 1000 congregations across the United States, Canada, and Mexico. On April 16, 2009 it was recognized as a province of the global Anglican Communion, by the Primates of the Global Fellowship of Confessing Anglicans (GAFCON). In addition, the Church shares a common Episcopate with the Free Church of England, otherwise known as the Reformed Episcopal Church in England.

The Reformed Episcopal Church has remained faithful to the revealed Word of God, powerfully proclaiming the unchanging Gospel of Jesus Christ, and worshiping Him in Spirit and in Truth using the time-honored Book of Common Prayer. The REC100



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**initiative to plant 100 churches in the next 10 years  
will bring others into the fold of this worshipping  
community.**

.....from the REC website

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