



# News and Views

St. James Anglican Church

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## St. James Anglican History Continued

(With excerpts from "Settling the Hills")

**I**n 1915, following the consecration of the church an oyster supper was held in Hanton's Hall on Airport Road, and the *Brampton Conservator* reported that the crowd was so large that Canon Walsh, who was going to preside over the feast, had to climb in through a window.

In 1912, gas lighting had been installed and the old oil lamps retired. However, on January 11, 1914, an explosion and fire at W.C. Burrell's gas plant, behind the store, killed Mr. Burrell and wiped out the supply of gas. The oil lamps were put back into operation until 1914 when electricity was installed. A 1979 article on mechanical lamps that was passed on to me states in part, "Russell Cooper passed along an account of St. James Anglican Church, Caledon East, in which it was stated that 'One of the distractions for parishioners and clergy was an oil lamp (the gift of the honorable Thomas White) which had a clockwork mechanism for regulating the production of light – when it was *in good voice* both congregation and preacher had a hard time to concentrate.'" (*I wonder where this lamp is now??*)

The first rectory of St. James was on the north side of Emma Street and was home to the rectors of St. James until 1926, when it was sold. (*Ed. Note: My husband and I are happily ensconced in this house now with only a few ghosts to remind us of its past.*) A new rectory was built beside the church, which was dedicated on November 27, 1927. The Rev. T.H. Floyd and his family were its first occupants.



In 1911, the Masonic Hall was built beside the church and when the Masons moved into their new lodge in 1955, the old one was offered to the congregation. The members decided against the purchase, but a year later the Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto bought the hall as "protection for the church." It was not until 1960 that the hall was purchased from Synod, by which time space to house the Sunday School was needed. The building was dedicated in November, 1961, and was cleared of debt by 1963.

Purchases of property around the church from John Hutterer provided extra parking space and room for expansion. A new section of the parish hall was built between 1969 and 1971. In the 1990s, a beautiful new hall was built on the south side of the church.

(To be continued)

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# A Word From Wendy

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ at St. James,

As I write this note, I am sitting in a very quiet spot by the Trent River on a glorious sunny afternoon. As I sit here I am praying, talking to God about our upcoming ministry together. In my prayers, I find myself reading your comments in response to "Lyndon's Questions" and trying to get to know you a little bit through your responses. I believe that in these responses you are expressing very strong core values around fellowship, community and worship, all of which are vital for a strong, vibrant Body of Christ.

Having been inspired by "Lyndon's Questions," I would like you to please allow me to ask you two questions as we begin our ministry together. These two questions are very closely related, so you may wish to answer them as one. They have to do with your vision for St. James, that is your vision that knows no restrictions or impossibilities. I will ask Ruth to collect your responses, which may be email, note... signed, unsigned... whatever is easiest and most comfortable for you.

So here they are...



Putting aside finances and physical facility -

**What would you like to see St. James accomplishing in the name of the Lord in 10 years?**

**And -**

**What is your Kingdom vision for St. James in 10 years?**

I am not sure when this newsletter is to be published; perhaps I will have already met some or many of you, perhaps not. Either way, I ask you to pray with me that God will bless our ministry together, lead us and guide us on his path, enabling each one of us to be the hands and the feet of our Lord wherever he takes us.

I look forward to meeting you and to getting to know each one of you.

Faithfully, your sister in Christ  
Wendy+

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## Chancel Guild

By Christina Wiggins

I hope everyone had a safe and happy summer.

Thank you to the women of the chancel guild, and to Ruth, for making the church so bright and welcoming each week. We are all relieved that Dee is recovering nicely from her operation. Margaret Forbes, also, had an operation and we are so glad that both women are doing well.

Once our new minister is installed, I will arrange a meeting, as we will have lots to do in the coming months.



## The Anglican Church of Canada

The Anglican Church of Canada has chosen Bishop Fred Hiltz of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island as its 13th Primate or national leader.

Bishop Hiltz was elected by the church's General Synod meeting in Winnipeg, on the 5th ballot, from among four bishops nominated last April by a gathering of all Canadian bishops.

Bishop Hiltz, 53, will succeed Archbishop Andrew Hutchison, elected three years ago, who announced earlier that he would retire at the end of the General Synod gathering.



Bishop Hiltz was elected assistant bishop of the diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island in 1995 and elected diocesan bishop in 2002. He was a member of the Council of General Synod from 2001 to 2004 and, since 2006, has served as the Anglican Co-Chair of the Anglican-Lutheran International Commission.

In a statement after his nomination for the primacy, Bishop Hiltz described the Primate as "a servant of the people of God (whose) ministry is to gather the Church, to unite its members in a holy fellowship of truth and love, and to inspire them in the service of Christ's mission in the world."

He is married to Lynne Samways and they have one son.

In many ways, both at home and abroad, the Primate symbolizes and represents the Anglican Church of Canada. The Primate is the only bishop in the country without a cathedral.

The Primate's ministry is supported by the work of a principal secretary and an executive assistant. (From the official web site of The Anglican Church of Canada)

### Angels - As Explained by Children



I only know the names of two angels. Hark and Harold. - Gregory, 5

Everybody's got it all wrong. Angels don't wear Halos anymore. I forget why, but scientists are working on it. - Olive, 9

It's not easy to become an angel! First, you die. Then you go to heaven, then there's still the flight training to go through. And then you got to agree to wear those angel clothes. -- Matthew, 9

Angels work for God and watch over kids when God has to go do something else. - Mitchell, 7

My guardian angel helps me with Math, but he's not much good for Science. - Henry, 8

Angels don't eat, but they drink milk from Holy Cows!!! - Jack, 6

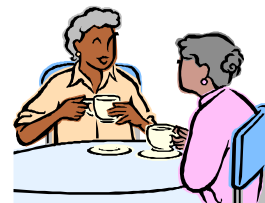
Angels talk all the way while they're flying you up to heaven. The main subject is where you went wrong before you got dead. -- Daniel, 9 (More to come...)

**“JUST FRIENDS”**  
**By Anne Allengame**

Our non-denominational group for older women is still going strong. We are now into our 18<sup>th</sup> year. We are looking forward to another year of fellowship and fun – our average attendance is 14.

We meet in the Parish Hall on the last Thursday of the month at noon. Just bring along a ‘brown bag’ lunch; tea and coffee are provided.

Anyone interested in joining us for an hour of fellowship or perhaps just for a shoulder to lean on, please come along; you can be sure of a warm welcome.



Our next meeting is Thursday, **September 27, 2007.**

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**Words from the Wardens**

By Diane Allengame

**Rectory**

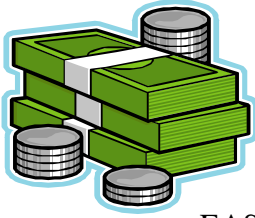
During the summer our main focus was on preparing the Rectory for rental, getting permission from the diocese to do so, and finding a tenant.

Shortly after the Stephensons moved out, the Rectory was inspected by the Regional Dean. He found no major deficiencies, but did indicate there were several areas that should be freshened up. Work was already underway when we learned that Rev. Wendy Moore would be buying a home in the area and would not require the Rectory. This shifted the focus of the work somewhat as we now had to get the house ready to rent as soon as possible.

As all of you know, a list of home improvements seems to take on a life of its own! From routine things like replacing smoke detectors and cleaning chimneys, to replacing bathroom fixtures and installing a tub surround, to outdoor work such as tree removal and cleanup...all jobs were tackled with legendary St. James good humour and enthusiasm!

After our special Vestry meeting in August (necessary to show the Diocese the congregation supported the decision to rent the building) the Rectory was leased for one year to a young family who will eventually be building in the area. They were very impressed with the cleanliness and good repair of the house. We hope they enjoy their time on Walker’s Road and in the village.

So from the Wardens – a heartfelt “thank you” to everyone who volunteered at the Rectory this summer. You’re the best!



### Finances

Straight talk here – income is *far* below budget. Given the expenses at the Rectory...you can figure out the bottom line. If you've been away during the spring and summer and are not on Pre-Authorized Remittance (the FAST and EASY way to support your church), please catch up on your givings soon! If you can't make it up all at once, please add something to the amount you would normally give for as many weeks as it takes.

*Thank you to those of you already using PAR* – you kept the 'boat afloat' this summer. And for those of you who haven't bothered to sign up...come on! Sign the form; bring along a void cheque...and you will never have to scramble around for collection on a Sunday again. It's not just for the well to do – we have single parents and pensioners using it. In fact, people on a tight budget appreciate the fact that they know exactly how much they are giving and when it is going to come out of their account.

## WELCOME

### Welcome to Wendy and Norbert

We are thrilled to welcome the Rev. Wendy Moore and her husband Norbert to St. James. Wendy will be working hard to get to know everyone over the next few months. If you haven't been out for a while, now's the perfect time to get back in the swing of things and make yourself known to Wendy. Wendy will be re-establishing the 9:30 Contemporary Worship service, so if that is of interest, watch the web site for details.

### Meetings and More Meetings

All our committees and teams took a much deserved breather over the summer, but it's time to recommit to the work we are called to do at St. James. Rev. Moore will want to get to know all of our hard working volunteers as soon as she can. If you are on a committee, please be ready to get together when asked. If you don't currently sit on a committee, please think about what areas of life at St. James could benefit from your particular skills and experience. There's a place for everyone!

### Finally ...

Times of change can be exciting – and stressful. If you have any questions, concerns or comments to pass 'up the line' – please start by telling a warden. You can speak to us personally after church, by telephone or by email.

Bruce Neville: [nevillenexus@aol.com](mailto:nevillenexus@aol.com)

Diane Allengame: [dallengame@rogers.com](mailto:dallengame@rogers.com)

Robin Holder: pending!

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My young grandson called the other day to wish me Happy Birthday. He asked me how old I was, and I told him, "62." He was quiet for a moment, and then he asked, "Did you start at 1?"

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### In and Around the Church

*Thank you to Robert and Laverne Bell* for completing the first part of the porch makeover by painting the old church doors in an historic yellow from the Farrow and Ball line of paints. Once the trim inside the porch is painted the entrance way will have a welcoming and mellow appeal. And speaking of appeal – the flower beds around the church certainly added colour and life to the property.

Unfortunately the lack of rain was hard on the annuals. Next year we hope to have a garden group (the Belladonnas?) to share the load. In the meantime, *hats (and garden gloves) off to Cathy Wells* and her small team of dedicated gardeners.

Thank you to the wonderful parishioner who anonymously donated two high efficiency furnaces and air conditioning units to the church. This very generous gift will ensure our worship space is useable all year round.



**And a couple of updates** – The Rev. Lyndon Hutchison-Hounsell is being inducted at St. Georges, Winnipeg on September 18 at 7:30 p.m. He assures us that he is being treated almost as well there as he was at St. James.

Jonathan Massimi is taking up the position of Youth Minister at St. Peter's, Cobourg. We wish Erika and him blessings in their new life there.

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### Caledon Fall Fair

The weather wasn't the greatest for the Caledon Fall Fair, but thanks to the efforts of Marjorie Wilkinson, John and Rhoda Cochrane, Mary Judge, George Judge and the other St. James volunteers we made over \$1,000 from the lunch booth. Thank you for so willingly giving up your Sunday or part of it anyway! The money raised is most appreciated.

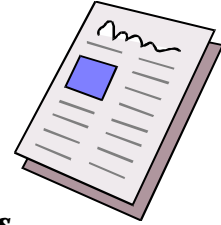


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**Editor's Corner****By Donna Davies**

***On September 16, Rev. Wendy Moore performed her first service as our new Rector.***

***Wendy comes to us from the Parish of Lakefield and Apsley, where she has been Priest in Charge. Her previous placements include the Parish of Ida and Omeme; All Saints, Collingwood and Christ Church, Brampton.***



***We welcome Wendy to this Parish and assure her that together we will work towards accomplishing the vision that we see for the future of St. James.***

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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Sept. 30 – Harvest Thanksgiving

Oct. 7 - National Thanksgiving

Oct. 21 – Induction of the Rev. Wendy Moore at 4 p.m.

Nov. 4 – All Saints Day

Nov. 11 – Remembrance Day

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**MILESTONES**

We said goodbye to Jonathan Massimi on June 24 and to Lyndon Hutchison-Hounsell on July 8. We welcomed the Rev. Mary Ranger as Interim on August 12, and said farewell to her on September 9.

**Baptism** – Ella Laird Ptacek on May 27, 2007

**Marriage** – Mary Masih to Christopher Tocher on Sunday, September 9, 2007

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**For submissions in the newsletter:**

Any member of the Parish of St. James Caledon East may submit an article for the newsletter. To do so, email to [newsletter@stjamescaledoneast.ca](mailto:newsletter@stjamescaledoneast.ca) or leave your articles in writing or on a cd in the newsletter box at the church office. Articles are considered based upon space availability and relevance.

Thank you for your submission.

Donna Davies, Editor

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