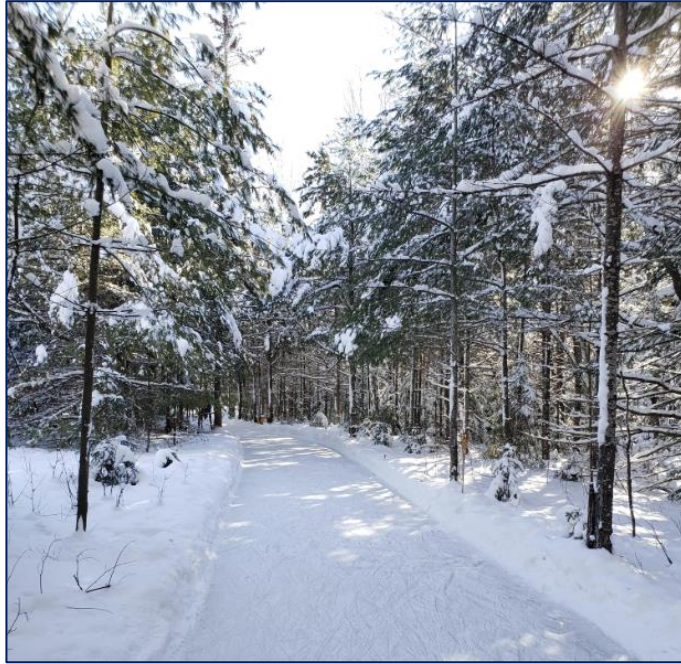


# Christmas Greetings!



## Greetings and Merry Christmas from the Wardens of St. Peter's on-the-Rock!

As the year draws to a close, we are filled with gratitude for another remarkable year at our cherished summer parish on the crystal waters of Ston(e)y and Clear Lake. This letter offers us the chance to reflect on the highlights of 2024 and to extend our thanks to all who contribute to the vibrancy of St. Peter's.

This summer was another wonderful season of community and connection at St. Peter's. While we have not yet returned to our pre-pandemic attendance levels, we are pleased to see consistent numbers in recent years, with familiar faces and new visitors filling our pews. The warmth and welcome extended by our community, from coffee hour conversations to Sunday school activities, have made St. Peter's a haven for spiritual growth and community togetherness.

We are especially grateful to our clergy team this summer. Rev. Kevin Bothwell returned for his second season, offering insightful preaching and a warm presence alongside his family (and their delightful dog, Leah). We also had the pleasure of welcoming Rev. Paige Souter, who joined us in August for her first summer at St. Peter's. Paige and her husband, Dan, quickly embraced the Stoney Lake spirit, and we look forward to seeing them again. Former St. Peter's clergy Rev. Steven Mackison rounded out our summer season with grace and enthusiasm, serving as our priest for the final two weekends of the season.

We owe our thanks to the many volunteers who sustain St. Peter's, from our Sextons and Sunday School leaders to those managing flowers, baptisms, weddings, and liturgy. You do much for our church and we thank you!

We are delighted to announce that we have a Junior Warden for 2024 – David Hubbs! The Hubbs family are active contributors at St. Peter's – with Jackie running the Sunday School and Vanessa as a Sexton – and we are excited to have David as part of the Warden team. David joins the 2025 leadership group of Rachel Corbett as Senior Warden, and Andy Bouffard as Past Warden. Adds David, "I'm delighted to be joining the Warden team next year and grateful that our family can make a small contribution to St. Peter's on-the-Rock. It always amazes me how

many people commit their time, energy and resources into keeping this magical church flourishing. We are already eagerly anticipating another wonderful year together”.

Adds incoming Senior Warden Rachel Corbett, “I am honoured to be your Senior Warden this coming year. St. Peter’s is the only church I attend, and it is a place I dearly love. My father played the organ here, my father-in-law preached here, and I have been a frequent visitor all my life. St Peter’s is a vital part of the Stony Lake community, and I look forward to my next year as Senior Warden”.

The Wardens would like to give a special thank you to Pat Bunting, who has served as the St. Peter’s Treasurer since 2016, and will be stepping down from the role this year. Pat has overseen the finances at St. Peter’s with diligence, care, and an unwavering commitment to the church’s well-being. Pat’s dedication has gone far beyond numbers; his insights and steady presence have been a source of reassurance for the entire community. As he steps down, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for his years of service.

This means that we have a new Treasurer – Phil Hunt – joining us for the 2025 season. We’re grateful to Phil for stepping into this role and looking forward to working with him for years to come.

St. Peter’s remains financially stable, thanks to your generosity. Contributions are in line with last year’s giving, allowing us to meet operating needs, invest in capital improvements, and plan for future outreach.

For those able to donate to St. Peter’s this year or early in the new year, we invite you to consider making a tax-deductible contribution. There are many easy ways to do so, as set out on the Giving page of our website ([www.stpeterontherock.org/giving](http://www.stpeterontherock.org/giving)). Our Endowment Fund also welcomes larger gifts, including stocks and equities.

As we embrace the joy of this holy season, we are especially thankful for the love and fellowship that define our St. Peter’s family. May the peace, hope, and blessings of Christmas fill your hearts and homes.

Wishing you and your loved ones a very Merry Christmas and a joyful holiday season!

Sincerely,

**The Wardens of St. Peter’s on-the-Rock**

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Aaron Thompson

