## **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24 CHRISTMAS EVE**

Family Christmas Eve Service, 4:00

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 11:00 p.m.

#### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25 CHRISTMAS DAY**

A Service of Lessons and Carols Meditation: The Rev. Dr. Kay Diviney

## **SUNDAY, JANUARY 1**

First Sunday after Christmas/New Year's Day Scripture: Isaiah 63: 7–9; Matthew 2:

Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Kay Diviney

## **SUNDAY, JANUARY 8**

Baptism of the Lord Scripture: Isaiah 42: 1–9; Acts 10:

Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 15**

**Celebration Sunday** 

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 1: 1–9; John 1:

Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

# **SUNDAY, JANUARY 22**

Third Sunday after the Epiphany Scripture: 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18; Matthew 4: 12-23 Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 29**

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany Scripture: Micah 6: 1-8; Matthew 5:

Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

#### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5**

Presentation of the Lord

Scripture: Malachi 3: 1-4; Luke2: 22-40 Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

#### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12**

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany Heritage Sunday

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 3: 1-9;

Matthew 5: 21-37

Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Kay Diviney

#### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19**

Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany Matthew 5: 38-48 Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

#### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26**

Scripture: Exodus 24:12-18; Matthew

Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

# Greetings from the Minister

New beginnings



Dear Friends,

t is wonderful to have this opportunity, as your new minister, to write for this edition of *InsideOut*. At the time of writing this letter I am nearly one month 'in' after my induction. It was a wonderful occasion, witnessed not only by those of us who were able to be present but also by friends and family from many places around the globe.

In truth though, I have been in Canada since the end of August. The Presbytery of Montreal requires incoming ministers to participate in a number of weeks of French immersion. In my case the immersion programme was held in Quebec City. I experienced four weeks of French language tuition as well as an immersion into Quebecois culture with my host family. In particular, I recall my first memorable and pleasurable experiences of escargot in garlic and butter as well as boeuf tartar - just two culinary delights this province has to offer! While I was experiencing Quebec City, back here there were members of the congregation thoughtfully welcoming and providing for my family. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the welcome you extended, and continue to extend, to us in these initial few months. Your generosity has been very much appreciated.

As a church, we now find ourselves at a busy time as fall creeps into winter. The hard work and organization of the Fall Fair has passed; we have solemnly remembered the dead from war and the end of this liturgical year is marked with Christ the King Sunday. As one year passes so another begins with Advent. And what a wonderful way to begin with the many and varied activities and worship events that The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul can accommodate.

In the midst of all of this it is important to pause and reflect:

With certainty, winter is coming, but along with it the newness of life in Christ. New beginnings await all of us especially this year at The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul and we have much to look forward to! But may we also be mindful in turning to the Christ Child, the Word of God made flesh for our salvation, and may we gain strength and encouragement from Christ as we continue to travel God's Way together into a new Christian year.

Let us take heart and rejoice!

Your minister and friend, Glenn



Cutting the cake at the Induction Celebration.