

2022 Annual Report

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My primary ministry in 2022 has been as a convener of our Racial Justice Ministry team and participant in the implementation of this year's Sacred Ground Dialogue Circle. As in 2021, I continued to participate in webinars on racial justice, facilitating Sacred Ground sessions, and other related subjects.

2022 marked completion of the transition period for the St. John's community from one Rector to another. Since 2018, I contributed to the various ministries and activities of the congregation, especially during the years of the pandemic. I assisted the interim Rector wherever I was needed and afterward the newly hired Rector. This period of transition made use of my administrative skills, especially in the Communications ministry.

During the latter part of this year, I have slowly decreased my participation in various administrative and other activities that are not considered to be diaconal ministry. The Rector and I have submitted a Ministry Agreement that reflects a semi-retirement status which the Bishop has approved. My ministry at St. John's will consist of participation in Sunday services and a focus on the Racial and Social Justice ministry. The Ministry Agreement also identifies various ways that I will take time off.