

November 2026 Spotlight - Richard Simpson

Our November spotlight is shining on Richard Simpson.

Born in the United Kingdom, Richard came to Canada as the baby of a war bride. He grew up in Windsor, Ontario, lived for many years in Ottawa, as well as Vancouver, Calgary and Vernon, B.C., eventually moving to Regina in April 2018.

Before his retirement, Richard had a long professional career in the field of telecommunications and information technology, working mainly with the federal government. He was responsible for policy development at both the national and international levels, leading the establishment of Canada's Anti-Spam legislation (CASL) and representing Canada within international agencies, including the United Nations, the Organization for Economic Development and Cooperation (OECD) and the Commonwealth. For his contribution to public service, Richard was awarded the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal in 2002.



In Regina, Richard attended All Saints Anglican and became a Warden of All Saints in 2019. He worked on the proposals to bring together five Anglican parishes in Regina, a process that resulted in the establishment of Immanuel Anglican Regina in 2020. He worked on the Transition Team led by the Rev. Diane Guilford in 2022 and 2023 and was elected as one of the first wardens of Immanuel. He has remained as an integral part of vestry since then.

Since serving as Warden, Richard has acted as a Synod Delegate and as a member of the Diocesan Council and continues to participate on Church committees at Immanuel, notably Compensation and Human Resources. Most recently, he worked on Immanuel's stewardship campaign in 2025-2026.

He and his wife Ellen enjoy travel and have taken trips to many places in Europe and elsewhere. Next summer they are looking forward to a trip to Alaska.

We are grateful to Richard for his continued contribution on several committees at Immanuel.