



# RECTOR'S REPORT 2021 Annual Meeting

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# By the Rivers of Babylon....

## Psalm 137

- <sup>1</sup> By the rivers of Babylon—  
there we sat down and there we wept  
when we remembered Zion.
- <sup>2</sup> On the willows there  
we hung up our harps.
- <sup>3</sup> For there our captors  
asked us for songs,  
and our tormentors asked for mirth, saying,  
“Sing us one of the songs of Zion!”
- <sup>4</sup> How could we sing the LORD’s song  
in a foreign land?

# My Reflection for The Year...

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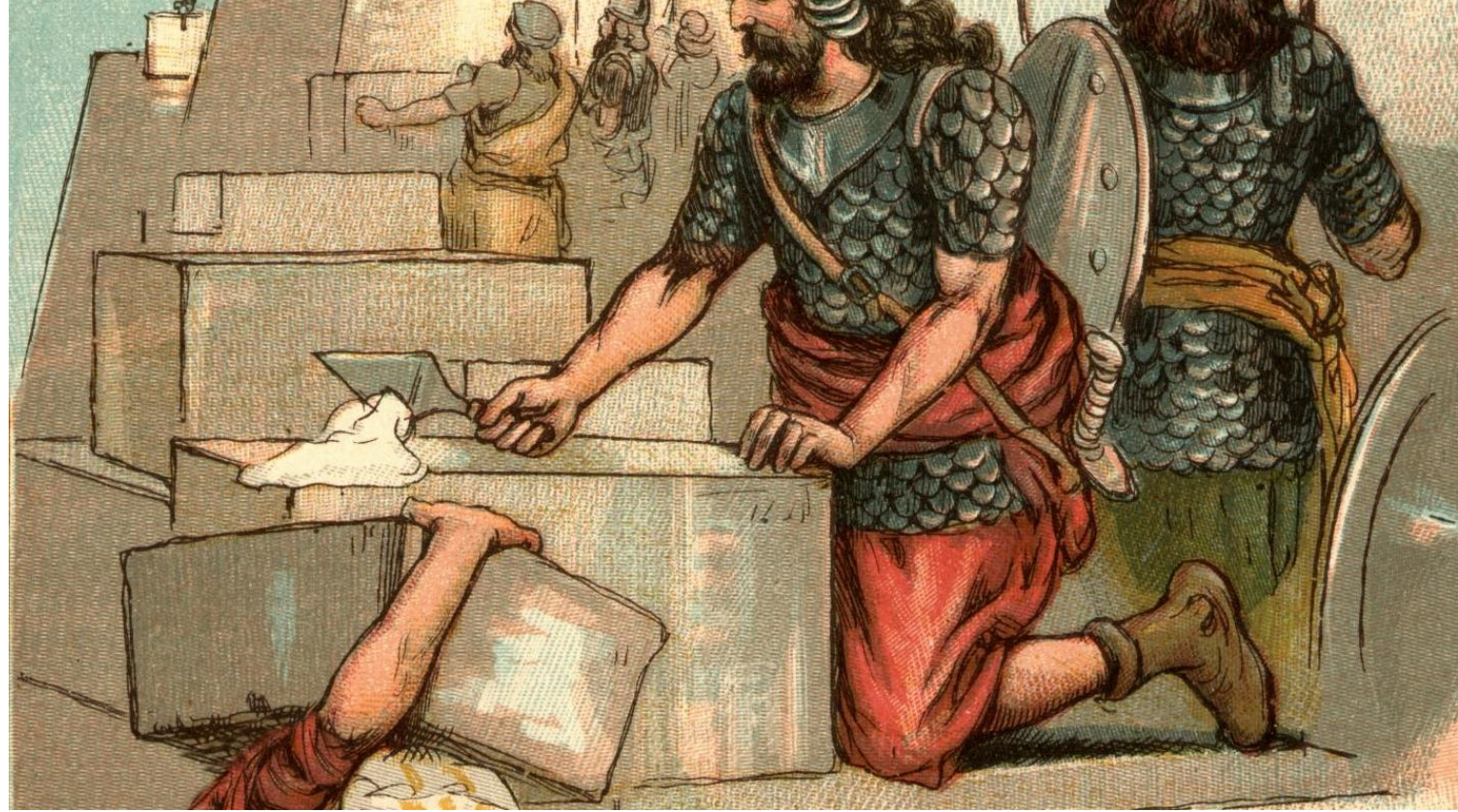
We are in an ice-age and are facing exilic realities; yet, we are a people called to bear witness to the resurrection and point towards the New Heaven and New Earth!







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Rebuilding during  
this ice-age: An  
exilic and post-exilic  
experience...

### Characters in the Narrative Arc

- Zerubbabel
- Ezra
- Nehemiah





# Pray...Discern...Act

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COVID 19 as a “little ice age” (Couch, et.al.)

- Praying with Vision
- Discerning with Direction
- Acting with Compassion

## *Some take-aways...*

- We are in exile or an ice-age... Take time to re-envision and be creative living into the Anglican ethos of working toward the common good.
  - We will rebuild.... We are looking forward to re-building out 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am, and 5:30 congregations and programmatic aspects.
  - The re-vitalized Church should point to our ultimate hope in the sign and symbol of the resurrection.