

Gathering Table

a Faith Community in the Anglican Church of Canada,
Present Church Built 1884

If we could look into
each other's hearts
and understand the
unique challenges
each of us faces,
I think we would treat
each other much more
gently, with more love,
patience, tolerance,
and care.

~Marvin J. Ashton

GREETINGS IN THE NAME OF THE RISEN LORD

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**Presider & Preacher:
The Rev'd George Porter, D. Phil.**

16th , Sunday after Pentecost
September 9th, 2018 10:00 a.m.

Welcome To the First Gathering Table

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For thousands of years, First Nations people have walked on this land; their relationship with the land is at the centre of life and spirituality. We are gathered as treaty people on the traditional territory of the Anishnaabeg of the Fort William First Nation and acknowledge this people's stewardship of this land through the ages.

Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed every infirmity among the people. *Matthew 4.23*

Opening Hymn CP 299

"In the Name of Christ We Gather" (verses 1,3,5)

Gathering of the Community

Glory to God (spoken)

Time with the Younger People

Praise:

Leaning on The Everlasting Arms

O Healing River

Collect Of The Day

The Proclamation of the Word

Isaiah 35: 4 – 7a)

Psalm 146

James 2: 1 - 17

**THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD
Thanks be to God**

Preparation for the Gospel: “For The Beauty of The Earth”

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

ALL: GLORY TO YOU LORD JESUS CHRIST

This is The Gospel of Christ

ALL: PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST

Sermon: George

A Time of Silent Reflection

The Apostles’ Creed – Page 189 BAS

The Prayers of the People

The Confession and Absolution Page 191 BAS

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you

And also with you

Offertory: “Wind Upon The Waters”

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Eucharistic Prayer

THE LORD’S PRAYER

The Breaking of the Bread – page 212-213.

Receiving Holy Communion

This is the table of Christ made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more. So come, whether you have much faith or little, have tried to follow or afraid you have failed. Come because it is Christ’s will that those who want to meet him, might meet him here. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please indicate this by placing your arms across your chest. If you desire prayer, please go to the pews beside the organ where prayer team members will pray for you. We ask that you not dip the bread into the chalice. If you are not comfortable with the common cup, please receive only the bread. Our tradition says that to receive any part of the Eucharist is to receive the full grace of the Sacrament.

Communion: Agnus Dei CP 701 “Lamb of God”

CP 63 “Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup”

CP 73 “One Bread, One Body, One Lord of All”

Doxology - page 214 BAS

THE BLESSING

Announcements:

Closing Hymn CP 381 “Praise My Soul”

Dismissal: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Ministers Today

Greeter Marjorie and Bob Tutkaluk
Lay Reader Jim Sutton
Readers: Frances Bennett-Sutton,
..... Dale Sparkes
Prayers of the People: Linda Rintamaki
Server: Darleah Kostyniuk-Coda
Eucharistic Assistants: Elizabeth Mickelson
..... Dale Sparkes
Altar Guild:..... Marg Boone, Karen Ristanen
Coffee Hosts: Connie Bryson, Dorothy Nesbitt,
Mary Ripley, Grace Dawson
Food Cupboard: Connie, Grace, Shirley, Jim
Colleen, Carole, Sharon, Linda,
..... Wayne E., David
Co – Music Directors: Jamie Philp (Organist) and Donna Hamill (Pianist)

Scripture Readings for 17th Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 50: 4 – 9a
James 3: 1 - 12

Psalm 19
Mark 8: 27 - 38

Anglican Cycle of Prayer Please Pray for:
St. Simon's, Temagami
Holy Trinity, Temiscaming

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer : Please Pray for

ACC The theological colleges and training programs within the
Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land: Arthur Turner
Training School, the Centre for Christian Studies, the College
of Emmanuel and St. Chad, Henry Budd College for
Ministry, Saint John's College, Dr. William Winter School for
Ministry, James Settee College for Ministry,
ELCIC The staff of the British Columbia Synod

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer : Please Pray for:
Christ Church and St. Peter's, Sault Ste. Marie**

The Rev. Richard Reed

The Rev. Canon Earl Burke (Hon.)

Parish Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for our own church members;

Violet Aber, Bruce and Georgina Adderley, Roberta Adderley, Joanna Aegard
Angela-Jean Alberta and Ava and Elizabeth, Katelin Anderson and Brooke-Lynn
Bruce and Margaret Aris, Darlene Armstrong, Adam and Lindsay Arthur and
Addie; Liam Steve and Rita Ash, Audrey and Errol Atkinson

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A grace note from www.thunderbay-northshoreanglicans.com

Need home improvements? Bring your family to church.

Bishop Anne Germond's motto for 2018

"As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience...Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony."(Colossians 2 3:12, 14)

Gathering Table Parking Lot

"The parking lot beside Gathering Table is a handy stopping place if you are going downtown through the week. There are yearly parking passes available at the church office for \$10 that allow you to park there anytime. This money is used to do plowing and maintenance on the lot. There are also monthly passes available for people working downtown which also helps defray costs. Sunday parking is obviously free and encouraged, but if you'd like to use the lot through the week please pick up a handy pass. You

would also be very welcome to make a donation to the parking fund even if you don't come downtown very often. Every pass helps pay to maintain our parking lot." Thanks Brenda O

BOOKING THE CHURCH FOR MEETINGS

As we continue to shape various aspects of our life together, please note that requests for use time and space at Gathering Table should be cleared through Roberta, the Office Administrator. George+

Gathering Table News

Coming Events

- Sept. 11th - Choir Practice Begins at 7 p.m. – Everyone Welcome to join us
- Sept. 12th - Man Alive – Men's Bible Study Group. 7 p.m. in the Hall
- Sept. 14th - Craft Group 9 a.m. – noon
- Sept. 17th - Advisory Board Meeting – 7 p.m.
- Sept. 19th - Anglican/Lutheran Group Meeting – 1 p.m. at St. Michael's Church
- Oct. 5th - Anglican/Lutheran Two Bit Auction at 7 p.m. Hilldale Lutheran Church 7 p.m.
- Nov. 17th 2nd Annual Christmas Village Sale – see Nancy Porter for more information

Email office@gatheringtable.ca

Website <http://gatheringtable.ca>

Office Hours- 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, Tues., to Thursday

Services Sundays starting at 10 a.m.

Parish News Anglican Journal, Algoma Anglican - there are few copies of the most recent editions of these publications at the back of the church. **If you would like to receive a copy mailed to you, please put \$2.00 in an envelope and mark it Algoma Anglican and place it on the offertory plate with your name & mailing address.**

Gathering Table Internet Mission is looking for volunteers to help with running the equipment. If interested please see Jim Green or Sharon Corston. Our services are now on the St John's website and can be viewed there.

Sunday Sermons can be heard on the Gathering Table website <http://gatheringtable.ca> and on the Gathering Table Facebook page. The whole service can be watched on our website. Please Note You may be visible on the online stream.

EOP Donors

Any changes that need to be made to your giving and/or donations, please complete the form which is available at the back of the church and forward it to the church office, give to a warden, or place on the offering plate.

ALPHA COURSE

St. Stephen's will be offering an Alpha course this fall, Join us for **Alpha!** 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. **Wed., Sept. 12 to Nov. 28** (*except Oct. 31*). We will meet at St. Stephen's to **explore life, faith, meaning**. For more information or to register for this free series call 683-6051 or email office@ststephenanglican.com. With Diane Swayze and Sarah Smart will be the leaders. More information can be found at www.ststephenanglican.com or www.facebook.com/ststephentbay

GRACE PLACE STARTING UP SOON

Our commitment to the Mondays at Grace Place, together with the Calvary Lutheran people, will be starting up again soon. Our dates are listed below. Time frame is usually 10:00 am to 4:00 pm (though some people can only do partial 'shifts'.) Please consider joining this important ministry team.

September 10th October 29th November 12th
December 10th January 14th

Primates World Development Fund (PWRDF)

Is sending emergency relief funds to Telegraph Creek, B.C., (Yukon Diocese). Wildfires have torn through the northern part of B.C., forcing the residents of Telegraph Creek to evacuate. Please keep the people of Telegraph Creek in your prayers. To donate to this emergency response, there are envelopes for PWRDF or go to pwrdf.org/donate and indicate Telegraph Creek in the message box. (from Linda Rintamaki)

New Testament BOOT CAMP *The Book of Revelation*

~ The Four Horsemen of The Apocalypse ~ 7 trumpets and 7 seals ~ judgement of the dead ~ Second Coming of Jesus ~ end of the world ~ You don't have to look far to find references to the Book of Revelation in mainstream pop culture. Figures and images can be found in movies, books and music and even people that are not "religious" are able to recognize them. But how much of what you see on the big screen or read in a story is accurate? This book is often misunderstood and misinterpreted —even the title is commonly misquoted as “Revelations.” The Book of Revelation is an exciting book to read but it can be confusing.

Reading Revelation Faithfully and Responsibly

"Revelation is perhaps both the most ignored and most abused book of the Bible. While there are many reasons for this, as Christians, we should be modelling a different approach to this often mistreated and overlooked ancient holy text. This workshop will explore ways that we can read Revelation in a responsible, faithful, approachable, understandable, and meaningful way." - The Rev. Dr. Robert Derrenbacker

BACK BY VERY POPULAR DEMAND The Rev. Dr. Robert Derrenbacker is hosting a one-day workshop and will help you sort fact from fiction so you can better understand what God is trying to teach us. *~last chance to attend one of The Rev. Dr. Robert Derrenbacker's New Testament Boot Camp workshops - don't miss out~*

Bring your Bible...

Led by: The Rev. Dr. Robert Derrenbacker, President Thorneloe University
Date: Saturday, September 15, 2018 **Time:** 9:30 am - 3:00 pm **Where:** St. Paul's Anglican Church 808 Ridgeway Street (across from the former McKellar hospital)
Cost: \$35 includes lunch, snacks and all course materials
Registration is a must! Contact Laurie at 707-3048 email foodforthesoul@tbaytel.net for more details.

Here at Gathering Table, there are many emerging opportunities to serve. Please contact the person below if you would like to know more, get some training, or roll up your sleeves and jump right in! If you have other gifts you wish to offer, please speak to George or one of the Wardens. Thanks!

| Gathering Table
Ministry
Opportunities | Contact | | |
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| Altar/Chancel | Marg Boone | 345-2184 | mboone@tbaytel.net |
| Audio/Video | Jim Green | 767-5267 | jim@gatheringtable.ca |
| Building Maintenance,
Yard and Gardens | Dave and Erminie
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| Care Home Worship | Gail Clifton
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| Food Cupboard | Sharon and Dale
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| Grace Place | George Porter | 626-9650 | porter.george@gmail.com |
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Assistants, Greeters,
Lay Readers, Lectors,
Prayers of the People,
Sacred Dance) | Erminie Reid | 767-4566 | dandereid@shaw.ca |
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| Power Point | Sharon Corston | 355-1549 | sjcorston@gmail.com |
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Harvest Sunday, September 23, 2017

The Altar Guild will be decorating the church on Saturday September 22, in preparation for Harvest Sunday. We welcome donations of fresh fruit and vegetables as well as other nonperishable items. All items donated will go directly to St. John's Food Cupboard following the service. Please bring your produce to the church Friday, September 22 in the morning or Saturday September 23 at 9:30 am. Also, join us to decorate beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday Sept. 22.



SAVE THE DATE

**The Bishop will be with us on
Sunday, September 30th at 10 a.m.**



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Honorary Assistant: The Rev. David Knudson, M.Div.

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Lay Readers:

Frances Bennett-Sutton,
Kim Bienvenue, Rose Jardine,
Brenda O'Neill and Jim Sutton

Rector's Warden:

Marg Boone

Deputy Rector's Warden:

Marjorie Tutkaluk

People's Warden:

Jim Sutton

Deputy People's Warden:

Jim Green

Co-Music Directors - at Gathering Table

Organist: Jamie Philp

Pianist; Donna Hamill,