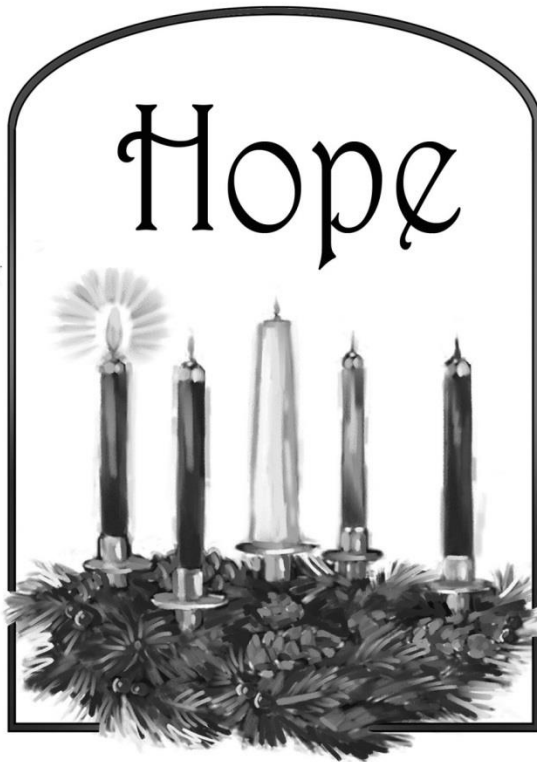


Gathering Table

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GREETINGS IN THE NAME OF THE RISEN LORD

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

First Sunday of Advent

December 2nd, 2018

10:00 a.m.

Welcome To 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.

Look up and raise your heads,
because your redemption is drawing near. *Luke 21.28*

“O Come, O Come Immanuel”

Sacred Dancers: Grace and Anna Dosen, Nancy Porter

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Opening Hymn CP 506 “Lord of All Hopefulness” (*omit verse 2*)

Gathering of the Community

Time with the Younger People

CP 88 “Come, Thou Long-expected Jesus”

Collect Of The Day

The Proclamation of the Word

Jeremiah 33: 14 – 16

Psalm 25: 1 – 9

Thessalonians 3: 9 – 13

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual: “Come To Us”

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Luke 21: 25 - 36

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 – Advent Litany – Page 119

The Confession and Absolution Page 191 BAS

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you

And also with you

Offertory: CP 567 “Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

Prayer Over The Gifts

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer #3

Sanctus

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. 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.

If you desire more personal prayer, please make your way to the chairs behind the choir where prayer team members will pray for you.

Communion:

Agnus Dei

“Come, O Redeemer Come”

“ Ready My Heart “

Prayer After Communion – BAS page 214 #2

The Blessing

Announcements:

Closing Hymn CP 560

“ God, Whose Almighty Word “ *(omit verse 2)*

Dismissal:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Ministers Today

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Greeter
Technology Team

Dale and Sharon Sparkes
Jim Bolt, Samuel Bernardi
Sharon Gilbert, Sharon Corston

Lay Reader
Readers:
Prayers of the People:
Server:
Eucharistic Assistants:

Frances Bennett-Sutton
Erminie Reid and Jim Bolt
Kim Bienvenue
Bruce Adderley
Rose Jardine

Altar Guild:

Frances Bennett-Sutton
Erminie Reid
Karen Ristanen

Coffee Hosts:

Marilyn and Al Chisholm,
Elaine McKinnon

Food Cupboard:

Closed

Co – Music Directors:

Jamie Philp (Organist) and Donna Hamill (Pianist)

Scripture Readings for Second Sunday in Advent

Malachi 3: 1 - 4

Philippians 1: 3 - 11

Luke 3: 1 - 6

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Please Pray for:

The Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain (E-P to the Archbishop of

Canterbury)The Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain - (Spain)
The Rt Revd Carlos López-Lozano

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer :

Please Pray for

ACC Primate, Archbishop Fred Hiltz and staff of the Primate's Office of the Anglican Church of Canada

ELCIC National Bishop Susan Johnson and national staff of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer :

Please Pray for:

Christ Church, Port Sydney

St. John the Baptist, Ravenscliffe (Chapel)

The Rev. Judie Cooper

Parish Cycle of Prayer:

Please pray for our own church

Alan and Marilyn Chisholm, Rev. Gail Clifton and Gail Pell, Bruno Coda and Darleah Kostyniuk-Coda and Cosmo, Lois Colpitts, Maureen and Teresa Colpitts/Andreychuk, Brenda Coopman, Sharon and Hellen Corston, Margaret Cousins, Joe and Nancy Crane and Ivy; Tim, Suzy Crocker, Robert and Sharon Crowe

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)

A grace note from www.thunderbay-northshoreanglicans.com

Every season brings a reason to rejoice.

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/ACTIVITIES

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+

Coming Events

- Dec. 2nd Food Cupboard Closed
- Dec. 4th Glacier Ridge Eucharist at 1:30 p.m.
- Dec. 4th Choir 6 p.m.
- Dec. 5th Men’s Alive Bible Study – 7 p.m. Parish Hall
- Dec. 7th Craft Group 10 a.m.
- Dec. 7th St. Stephen’s 90th Anniversary Dinner \$30.00
At Current River Rec Centre
- Dec. 9th Food Cupboard Open
- Dec. 9th Thunder Bay Community Choir – 4 p.m.
Advent Concert at St. Andrew’s Presbyterian
Church – Free Will Offering – Parkinson’s Disease –
Everyone Welcome
- Dec. 10th Grace Place – 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Dec. 11th Advent Bible Study
- Dec. 11th Choir 6 p.m.
- Dec. 12th Last Men’s Alive Bible Study till Jan. 9th

Dec. 14th Craft Group 10 a.m.
 Dec. 14th Decorating the church beginning at 10 a.m.
 Dec. 16th Food Cupboard Closed
 Dec. 16th Congregational Christmas Lunch
 Dec. 17th Advisory Board Meeting 7 p.m.
 Dec. 18th Advent Bible Study
 Dec. 18th Choir 6 p.m.
 Dec. 23rd Food Cupboard Open
 Jan. 2nd Tia Chi begins again at 1:30 p.m.
 Jan. 8th Glacier Ridge Eucharist 1:30 p.m.
 Jan. 8th Water Colours 1:30 p.m. with Peter
 Jan. 9th Men's Alive Bible Study 7 p.m. Parish Hall
 Jan. 10th Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall
 Jan. 11th Craft Group 10 a.m.
 Jan. 11th Taking down the Christmas Decorations
 Jan. 14th Grace Place – 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
 Jan. 15th Water Colours 1:30 p.m. with Peter
 Jan. 15th Camp Gitchigomee Meeting 7 p.m.
 Jan. 16th Men's Alive Bible Study 7 p.m. Parish Hall
 Jan. 16th Thunder Bay Area Scouting 7 p.m. Kitchen
 Jan. 17th Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall Parish Hall
 Jan. 18th Craft Group 10 a.m.
 Jan. 19th Men's Alive Bible Study 7 p.m.
 Jan. 21st Advisory Board Meeting 7 p.m. Parish Hall
 Jan. 22nd Water Colours 1:30 p.m. with Peter
 Jan. 24th Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall
 Jan. 25th Craft Group 10 a.m.
 Jan. 26th Men's Alive Bible Study 7 p.m. Parish Hall
 Jan. 29th Water Colours 1:30 p.m. with Peter
 Jan. 31st Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall
 Feb. 5th Glacier Ridge 1:30 p.m.
 Feb. 22nd Camp Gitchigomee 2-Bit Auction

You are Invited to help decorate the church

On Friday December 14 the Altar Guild will be opening their many boxes of decoration and will be decorating the church for Christmas. Decorating

will begin at 10:00 A.M. and we welcome others to join us.

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

Gathering Table Internet Mission is looking for volunteers to help with running the equipment. If interested please see Sharon Corston. Our services are now on Gathering Table 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 or if you wish to begin EOP, 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.

GRACE PLACE SCHEDULE FOR 2018 – 2019

Our commitment to the Mondays at Grace Place, together with the Calvary Lutheran people, HAVE begun.. 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.

December 10th January 14th

An Important Message from the Heating Team

Now that the heating system has been turned on in the church and hall. It is important to make sure all doors to the nave should be closed during non service times. This will save heating \$ due to have a 5 Zone System.

99th Birthday Request from Thomson family

On December 7th – Vi Thomson will be celebrating her **99th Birthday**, and the family is requesting that people who would like to send her just a card, no flowers or visits that day would be great. Thanks address is Mrs. Vi Thomson – 102-770 Arundel St., Thunder Bay, P7A 8C8 Elizabeth Thomson

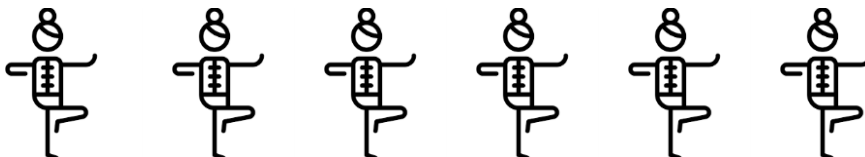
Gathering Table Greeting Cards

We are looking for someone to take on the task of writing cards to the congregation, when someone is ill, sympathy, thinking of you, congratulations etc. Cards and stamps will be provided. Please contact the office tby phone 345-6898 or email at office@gatheringtable.ca to be part of this ministry here at Gathering table.

Save the Date – Congregational Christmas Lunch

Dec. 16th there will be a congregational Christmas Lunch following the service – Everyone Welcome.

Tai Chi Classes taking A Break Till Jan. 2nd. 2019



Tai Chi class are on Christmas Break, and will start up again on Jan. 2nd, 2019.

Friday Morning Craft Group

The Friday Craft Group would like to extend an invitation to anyone that might be interested to please come out starting this Friday

from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please bring a brown bag lunch and join us for some fun and fellowship.

Plastic Containers Needed

Both Shelter House and Grace Place are desperately in need of containers for take outs. If you have any they would surely use them. Note: There will be a box at the back of the church for them. (such as margarine, cottage cheese, yogurt)

TABLE TALK BREAK Till Jan. 10th, 2019

Table Talk will be taking a break and will resume on Thursday, January 10th. . During Advent, you are encouraged to take in the study with the Rev'd Gail Clifton. ***(See next notice for details.)***

Message from Gail+

Advent Study

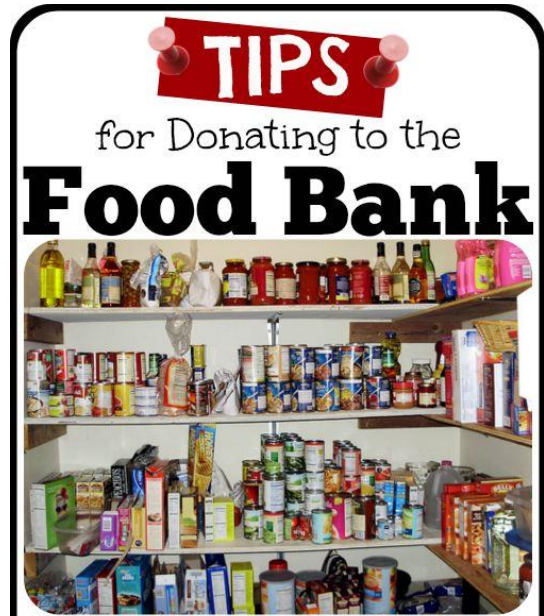
I am leading a book study during Advent this year on a new book, it is a collection of sermons of Fleming Rutledge. We could not possibly make our way through the whole book, but I thought we could take turns picking out sermons we would like to discuss. Fleming Rutledge is an Episcopal priest and is one of the foremost preachers in the US. If you are interested please contact me. The bible study will be from 1-3 . Tues. Dec. 4, 11, 18.

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 | Sharon Corston | 355-1549 | sjcorston@gmail.com |
| Building Maintenance,
Yard and Gardens | Dave and Erminie
Reid | 767-4566 | dandereid@shaw.ca |
| Camp Gitchigomee | Roberta Wolfe | 623-2230 | wolfe428@shaw.ca |
| Care Home Worship | Gail Clifton
George Porter | 768-9865
626-9650 | gailx2@shaw.ca
porter.george@gmail.com |
| Coffee Hour | Sharon Sparkes
Erminie Reid | 767-9348
767-4566 | sparkes@tbaytel.net
dandereid@shaw.ca |
| Craft Group | Brenda Coopman | 345 9324 | b.coopman@shaw.ca |
| Food Cupboard | Sharon and Dale
Sparkes | 767-9348 | sparkes@tbaytel.net |
| Green Team | Jim Sutton | 622-6263 | fsutton@tbaytel.net |
| Grace Place | George Porter | 626-9650 | porter.george@gmail.com |
| Liturgical Ministries
(Acolytes, Eucharistic
Assistants, Greeters,
Lay Readers, Lectors,
Prayers of the People,
Sacred Dance) | Erminie Reid | 767-4566 | dandereid@shaw.ca |
| Men's Breakfast | Jim Sutton / Dave
Reid | 622-6263 /
767-4566 | fsutton@tbaytel.net
dandereid@shaw.ca |
| Music | Jamie Philp
Donna Hamill | 621-0944
577-1794 | jhphilp@gmail.com
donna.hamill@tbaytel.net |
| Parish Nursing | Michelle Proudfoot | 623-8135 | drmproudfoot@gmail.com |
| Offering Counters | Wardens | | |
| Power Point | Sharon Corston | 355-1549 | sjcorston@gmail.com |
| Sunday School | Audrey Love or
Ellen Teahan | 344-4955
473-8599 | alove@tbaytel.net
eteahan@shaw.ca |

Supporting Gathering Table Food Cupboard Mission:

**Food Cupboard
Open the
2nd & 4th Sunday
each \month
11:30 a.m. –
12:15 p.m.**



Gathering Table's Food Cupboard is mandated to provide two days food supplies to its clients. With assistance from RFDA, Lutheran churches, and our parish's support this goal can be met. You can support the Cupboard in the following ways.

EOP or cash donations allow bulk buying of needed goods/produce when on sale.

Donate items commonly needed:

Canned vegetables (peas, green/yellow beans, cream or kernel corn, and carrots)

Soup (mushroom, vegetable, chicken noodle, and tomato)

Canned meat (Holiday, Klilk, flakes of ham, chicken, turkey, tuna, and salmon)

Mac and Cheese KD

Canned meals (Pork & Beans, Stews, and Chef Boyardee)

Dry goods donated can be placed in baskets

Something New Happening at Gathering Table

Sunday, November 4 came with a sponsored birthday cake at coffee hour for all those celebrating a birthday this month. This is a practice that would be nice to continue on the first Sunday of every month (or perhaps skip July and August when everyone is away and catch up the first Sunday of September), but needs monthly sponsors to cover the cost. It can be 1/4 slab cake from Safeway's which is approximately \$30. (No nuts of course!). The cake needs to be ordered, picked up and brought to the church for Sunday morning coffee hour. Do consider picking a month beginning with January. A sign up sheet will be posted in the kitchen for you to chose to sponsor a month in the new year.



Watercolour Painting Classes - with Peter Humeniuk

Tuesday afternoons from 1 to 4, - Dec. 4 and 11

For more information or to register call Ellen Teahan 473 8599

Message from - PWRDF Rep – Linda Rintamaki Christmas is coming.

- See the **World of Gifts Guide**, on the website or the insert in the Anglican Journal. For the hard to buy for person or charitable gift, you can order seeds for farmers, livestock, contribute to projects worldwide, etc.
- You can order **Christmas cards**.
- You can subscribe to a **daily Advent reflection**.

For further information go to: www.pwrdf.org

Reminder about visitations:

There have been some situations where people in hospital or St Joseph's have been missed by the pastoral team simply because we have not known they were there. Please inform a member of the pastoral team if you know of one of our members in care. This also applies to those who are perhaps not specifically in care but are housebound. It is best to make these situations known in a phone call, written note or email. Please do not rely on us remembering requests from a verbal exchange Sunday morning or during a meeting

Newsletter is Ready for Pick Up on the oval table at the back of the church.

Newsletter Calendar Amendment

Please amend your calendars for December and January:

December 4th 1:30pm Holy Eucharist at Glacier Ridge (not December 8th)
January 8th 1:30pm Holy Eucharist at Glacier Ridge

GATHERING TABLE 2018 ** CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**

Our very first Christmas Celebration is coming soon!



Everyone is welcome to participate in the **Floral Presentation**. Donations will be gathered together to create a special Christmas Flower Fund, coordinated by the Altar Guild.

To contribute: telephone or email **Gathering Table office**.

For simple donation: provide your name, contact information, donation amount

For Memorial donation: add to that
the name of your loved one(s). Please confirm spelling of names in writing.

Write cheques to Altar Guild.



**All donations (with names) must be received at Gathering Table office
by Dec 18/18 to ensure publication in bulletin.**

CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2018

Dec. 8th: - 1:30 pm - Holy Eucharist at Glacier Ridge

Dec. 24th - Christmas Eve:

7:00 pm - Holy Eucharist [New Song/Organ & Choir]

9:30 pm - Holy Eucharist [Organ]

Dec. 25th - Christmas Day: - 10 am - Holy Eucharist [?]

Dec. 30th Christmas - 10 am - Lessons and Carols

Jan. 6th The Epiphany of the Lord - 10 am - Holy Eucharist

Jan. 13th -The Baptism of the Lord - 10 am - Holy Eucharist

Indigenous Spiritual Ministry of Mishamikoweesh
Thunder Bay First Nations Christmas Jamboree
Dennis Franklin Cromarty High School, December 7 8 9, 2018

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| Jamboree Gathering: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ December 7th, 7 pm - 12 am○ December 8th, 7 pm - 12 am○ December 9th, 6 pm - 12 am | First Nation Church Service (Sunday):

Location: St Paul's Church, 806 Ridgeway Street.
Date: Sunday December 9, Time: 2 pm
For more information , please contact Nellie Beardy at 807 627-2373 |
| Special Speakers and Musicians: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ National Indigenous Bishop Mark McDonald Toronto, ON○ Howard Jolly and Rising Above Band, Winnipeg MB, (Friday Dec 7), Brenda and Terry Martin, Winnipeg MB (Sat Dec 8)○ Carl and Cathy Crane, Saskatchewan | First Nation Feast (Sunday):

Location: DFC High School, 315 Edward Street
Date: Sunday December 9, Time: 4 pm
For more info, please contact Emily King at 807-356-2311 |
| For more information, please contact: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Tim Mamakwa at 807-633-6614, 532-9979○ Rev. Ananias Winter at 807-633-9129○ Neville Jacob, 807-353-1146, 353-7241○ Doug Semple, 472-3008 | Note: Bus Transportation will be provided after the Church Service to the Feast at the DFC gym

<i>Theme: "Love of God"</i>
<i>For God so loved the world, he gave his only Son, That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16</i> |

Dennis Franklin Cromarty Christmas Backpack Project



Donations must be in by December 9 to ensure Christmas Delivery

Many of the students attending Dennis Franklin Cromarty (DFC Highschool) are arriving from Reserves and their families don't have the extra money to buy them much needed school supplies. St. Paul's Children's Ministries is hosting a Christmas Backpack Project to help out our First Nation brothers and sisters get the school and everyday items they need.

Want to take part?

Start with a good quality backpack, something that will last for a few years. Then add...

- pencils and sharpener, pens, markers, highlighter, pencil crayons
- 12 inch ruler, calculator, single-subject notebooks, weekly planner
- 3 ringed binder, binder paper (blank and lined), tabbed dividers
- glue stick, scissors, clear tape - USB Flash Drive, water bottle
- gum, hard candy - socks, mitts/gloves
- feminine hygiene products (for girl backpack)
- hair brush, elastics, clips, deodorant (light/no scent)
- toothbrush, paste, floss
- perhaps a small Christmas present (gift card to timmies/a&w etc)

Our goal is to make 100 backpacks: half with feminine supplies, half with masculine supplies.

Don't have time to make up your own backpack? We are also accepting supplies or financial donations to use toward making backpacks.

Consider making this a family mission or challenge your coworkers to meet or beat what you do!

Backpacks and supplies can be dropped off at St. Paul's.

Contact Laurie for more details. 707-3048

foodforthesoul@tbaytel.net

Gathering Table is:

- + a gathering place on traditional Anishinabe territory where people come together to share stories and conversation, memories and meals;
- + the place where identity is formed and transformed, community is known, values are shaped and dreams are honoured;
- + the place where Jesus the Risen Lord is revealed in bread breaking, foot washing (mutual service), and hospitality extended and received; the place where the God in whom we hope gathers people from north and south, east and west, setting before them a feast of rich food in the promised Kingdom!

+ a community seeking to discern the living message of the biblical narratives for this place and time.

Who We are and What We Value

Worship...

We are a eucharistic community, not only because we share together in the bread and wine but also that we are the Body of Christ, profoundly connected to one another and offered for the life of the world. Our decisions about, and practices of worship will be guided by this vision.

Hospitality...

We exercise the art of hospitality, making room for all and relationship building that draws people to Christ as a way of sharing the genuine love we know in Jesus in order to serve the people he loves – all people. Our decisions about, and practices of hospitality will be guided by this vision.

Formation as members of Christ's Body...

For us to faithfully and effectively share the Christian story, we must become the church this story calls for. We are a baptismal community, not only because we celebrate baptism, but also because we engage in formation that equips us to live as a sign, foretaste, and instrument of the Kingdom revealed in Jesus. We also introduce, nurture, and incorporate those seeking life in Christ into this same way of living through a flexible but deliberate process involving worship, scripture, reflection, prayer, relationship building, service and hospitality. Our decisions about, and practices of formation will be guided by this vision.

Caring for one another...

An important aspect of our life in Christ concerns how we care for one another – sharing faith, building friendships, providing mutual support, and sharing resources. These are essential elements of meaningful relationships.

When people of our faith community are unable to gather with us due to illness or other serious situations, we extend our fellowship to them through pastoral care, visitation, and other acts of support. The care we offer to one another is the privilege and responsibility of all the baptized and not the clergy alone. Our decisions about, and practices of pastoral care will be guided by this vision.

Sharing in God's mission in the world...

Church implies mission; it makes no sense to think of one without the other. The image of a table, as a place of meeting and sharing, is important to our

understanding of witness and ministry to, in, and with the wider community. We are not concerned only with feeding people; we gather with them to build relationships, personally connecting with those often overlooked or neglected, and seeing them as sisters and brothers through Jesus. Our decisions about, and practices of missional service will be guided by this vision.

Supporting those in the faith community...

The daily life of those in our faith community is important. Therefore, through community events, the provision of devotional resources, and other means, we support the daily lives so that faith may be our life rather than one aspect of a lifestyle. Our decisions about, and practices of supporting the daily rhythms of those involved in our faith community will be guided by this vision.

Hope by which we live...

One of the most compelling images of the Kingdom of God, both as it is present among us now and in its promised fullness, is that of a great feast prepared by our God. We are a community of embodied hope, not only because we watch for the fulfillment of this vision with restless imagination, but because we believe our actions today have meaning and will bear fruit, since God's promises – this promise – can be trusted. Our decisions about our kingdom life, and practices of hope and promise will be guided by this vision.

Diversity we seek for our faith community...

Diversity is God created. It is good. It is our vision that the community reflects God's embrace of all human kind. Through our narratives, worship, and attitude we seek to understand and express our commitment to welcoming and making space for all God's children, regardless of differences, as equally loved and embraced by God through Jesus Christ. We will deliberately live this in all facets of parish life, particularly during worship, hospitality, missions and ministries. Our decisions about, and practices of diversity will be guided by this vision.

Governing our life together...

As Christ served, we are called to servant leadership. We will embody grace, humility, honesty, respect, compassion and inclusion. We will in all governance matters, speak the truth clearly, pursue wisdom and practice consensus in decision-making. Our decisions about, and practices of governance will be guided by this vision



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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:

Vacant

Co-Music Directors - at Gathering Table

Organist: Jamie Philp

Pianist: Donna Hamill,