

Gathering Table

a Faith Community in the Anglican Church of Canada,



GREETINGS IN THE NAME OF THE RISEN LORD

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Lay Reader: Kimberly Bienvenue

**Feast of the Epiphany
Lessons and Carols**

December 30th, 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.

Introduction - Kim Bienvenue

Opening Carol and Offertory

CP 123 "Once in Royal David's City"

**Once in royal David's city
stood a lowly cattle shed,
where a mother laid her baby
in a manger for his bed.
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little child.**

**He came down to earth from heaven,
who is God and Lord of all,**

**and his shelter was a stable,
and his cradle was a stall.
With the poor and mean and lowly
lived on earth our Saviour holy.**

**Not in that poor lowly stable,
with the oxen standing by,
we shall see him, but in heaven,
set at God's right hand on high,
when, like stars, his children crowned
all in white shall gather round.**

**For He is our childhood's pattern;
Day by day like us He grew;
He was little, weak and helpless,
Tears and smiles like us He knew;
And He feeleth for our sadness,
And He shareth in our gladness.**

**And our eyes at last shall see Him,
Through His own redeeming love;
For that Child so dear and gentle,
Is our Lord in heaven above;
And He leads His children on
To the place where He is gone.**

**Not in that poor lowly stable,
With the oxen standing by,
We shall see Him; but in heaven,
Set at God's right hand on high;
Where like stars His children crown'd
All in white shall wait around.**

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt.

Bidding Prayer

In the name of Christ and his Church I bid you welcome to Gathering Table today.

We have come together as the family of God in our Creator's presence to celebrate during Christmastide . In this service we hear and receive the good news of the birth of Christ, and we offer to God our thanksgiving in the joyful singing of carols.

But first we pray:

For all Christian people, that by this festival they may be renewed to fulfil Christ's work in this world; and especially for Anne our Bishop and the clergy and people of this diocese;

For the world, which is already Christ's, that those who bear responsibility for its future, in politics, in industry, in commerce, and in education and communication, may be inspired by the message of Christmas to work together for the establishment of justice, freedom and peace everywhere;

For all in special need, the addicted, the sick, the anxious, the lonely, the fearful, and the bereaved.

We commend all whom we love, or who have asked for our prayers, to the unfailing mercy of our heavenly Father, and say together, as Christ himself taught us,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Notawinan misiwe e ayayan
Kiwiyowin Ke natenitawan
Weticipaniew kit otenawiwin
Mina tawi oticipaniw
Kakina kewan ka itenitaman
Tapishoic kicikishikok ishi
Mininan oma anoc kakishikak

Our Father, who art in heaven
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth, as it is in heaven.
give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,

Ke oci pimatisiyak min
Ashenamawinan tato kewana
Ita kashi macitotamak
Ninanan e ashenamawakicik
Aniki ka wanitotakoyak

Wiciinan eka tapimoteyak
Kotanimiko winik ninanan
Maka mita kwenamawinan eka
Macatisiwini kekwana
Kina ka tipenitan kakike
Sokatisiwin keshtenitakwak

Reading: Genesis 3:8-19

Reading: Isaiah 9: 2, 6-7

Carol: ARISE, SHINE

Reading: Luke 1: 26 – 35, 38

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Carol: “THE ANGEL GABRIEL”

Reading: Luke 2:8-16

Carol: “DO YOU HEAR WHAT I HEAR”

Reading: John 1:1-14

Blessing - Kim

Collect and Blessing

as we forgive those who trespass
against us.
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,

the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever.

May the humility of the shepherds, the faith of the wise men, the joy of the angels, and the peace of the Christ Child, be God's gift to us and to all people, this Christmas and always. **Amen.**

May he who by his incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, bestow upon us the fullness of inward peace and goodwill; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon us and remain with us always. **Amen.**

Carol: CP 138 “Hark the Herald Angels Sing”

Dismissal - Kim Bienvenue

*The Flowers on the altar are giving
To the Glory of God and in memory of*

Ed and May MacLeay and Jean Styffe

Given by Her daughter

Barbara Campbell and Denny Brault

Ministers Today

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| Greeter | John Kirchen |
| Technology Team | Sharon Gilbert
Sharon Corston |
| Lay Reader | Kim Bienvenue |
| Readers: | #1 – Jim Sutton |
| | #2 – Linda Rintamaki |
| | #3 – Dale Sparkes |
| | #4 – Bruce Adderley |
| | #5 - Frances Bennett-Sutton |
| Altar Guild: | Lois Colpitts, Erminie Reid |
| Coffee Hosts: | Sharon and Dale Sparkes, |
| | Erminie and David Reid |

Food Cupboard: Closed
Co – Music Directors:Jamie Philp (Organist) and
Donna Hamill (Pianist)

Scripture Readings for The Epiphany of The Lord

Isaiah 60: 1 – 6
Ephesians 3: 1 – 12

Psalm 72: 1 – 7, 10 – 14
Matthew 2: 1 - 12

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Please Pray for:

Kyushu - (Japan) **The Rt Revd Luke Ken-ichi Muto**

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer :

Please Pray for

ACC Director Meghan Kilty, and staff of Communications and Information Resources and Director Hannah Goschy, and staff of Financial Management An Anglican – Lutheran Prayer Cycle

ELCIC Assistant to the National Bishop Rev. André Lavergne, Ecumenical and Interfaith and Rev. Lyle McKenzie, Assistant to the National Bishop for Worship

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer :

Please Pray for:

Pray for all Lay Workers within our parishes who play an integral role in the administration of our churches.

Parish Cycle of Prayer:

Please pray for our own church

John (Sandy) and Honor Shaw, Ophelia Shawinimash, Lucy Shewaybick, Sally Shewaybick, Mark Smith, Janet Sofea, Dorothy Sovereign, Dale and Sharon Sparkes, Tom and Colleen Speer, Eric and Ann Strand, Evelyn Strawson, Peter and Marion Strawson, Charles Suganaqueb
Jim and Frances Sutton,

Please pray for

young people in junior high school, high school and university who are struggling academically, social and mentally, as well as with understanding their own identities

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

To know you have enough is to be rich.



Coldest Night of the Year

Saturday, February 23rd, 2019

See ***Kimberly Bienvenue*** to register
with the group walking
from Gathering Table

Gathering Table Parking Lot

“The parking lot beside Gathering Table is a handy stopping place if you are going downtown through the week. Yearly parking passes available at the church office for \$10 that allow you to park there anytime. This money is used for plowing and maintenance on the lot. Monthly passes are 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

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

BOOKING CHURCH FOR MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES

As we continue to shape various aspects of our life together, please note that requests for use of time and space at Gathering Table should be applied for with Roberta so that it can be cleared through Wardens at their meeting. George+

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.

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.

Gathering Table In House Offering Envelopes

If you are using the In House offering envelopes, please note that the line with Hospitality/Coffee has now been made in to two separate ministries. The envelope has been amended; however, being fiscally and environmentally friendly, we are going to use up the current supply of envelopes before printing the new one. In the interim, if you are making a donation to either of these two ministries, please circle or underline either

Hospitality or Coffee so that the distinction can be made. Thank you for supporting our ministries.

GRACE PLACE SCHEDULE FOR 2019

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

January 14th, 2019

Coming Events

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| Jan. 2 nd | Tia Chi begins again with Bruce |
| Jan. 8 th | Glacier Ridge Eucharist 1:30 p.m. |
| Jan. 8 th | Water Colours 1:30 p.m. with Peter |
| Jan. 9 th | Tia Chi 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. |
| Jan. 9 th | Man Alive Bible Study 7 p.m. Parish Hall |
| Jan. 10 th | Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall |
| Jan. 11 th | Craft Group 10 a.m. Bring Lunch |
| Jan. 11 th | Taking down the Christmas Decorations |
| Jan. 13 th | Food Cupboard open 11:30 – 12:15 p.m. |
| Jan. 14 th | Grace Place – 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. |
| Jan. 15 th | Water Colours 1:30 p.m. with Peter |
| Jan. 15 th | Camp Gitchigomee Meeting 7 p.m. |
| Jan. 16 th | Tia Chi 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. |
| Jan. 16 th | Man Alive Bible Study 7 p.m. Parish Hall |
| Jan. 16 th | Thunder Bay Area Scouting 7 p.m. Kitchen |
| Jan. 17 th | Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall Parish Hall |
| Jan. 18 th | Craft Group 10 a.m. Bring Lunch |
| Jan. 19 th | Man Alive Bible Study 7 p.m. |
| Jan. 21 st | Advisory Board Meeting 7 p.m. Parish Hall |
| Jan. 22 nd | Clericus 9 a.m. |
| Jan. 22 nd | Water Colours 1:30 p.m. with Peter |
| Jan. 23 rd | Man Alive Bible Study 7 p.m. Parish Hall |
| Jan. 24 th | Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall |

Jan. 25th Craft Group 10 a.m. Bring Lunch
 Jan. 26th Felting with Frances - Parish Hall
 Jan. 27th Food Cupboard 11:30 – 12:15 p.m.
 Jan. 29th Water Colours 1:30 p.m. with Peter
 Jan. 30th Tia Chi 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
 Jan. 30th Man Alive Bible Study 7 p.m. Parish Hall
 Jan. 31st Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall
 Feb. 1st Craft Group 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Bring Lunch
 Feb. 5th Glacier Ridge 1:30 p.m.
 Feb. 5th Tia Chi 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Parish Hall
 Feb. 5th Man Alive Bible Study 7 p.m. Parish Hall
 Feb. 6th Table Talk – 7 p.m. Parish Hall
 Feb. 7th Craft Group Bring Lunch
 Feb. 22nd Camp Gitchigomee 2-Bit Auction
 Feb. 23rd Coldest Night of the Year – See Kimberly B.

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.

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.

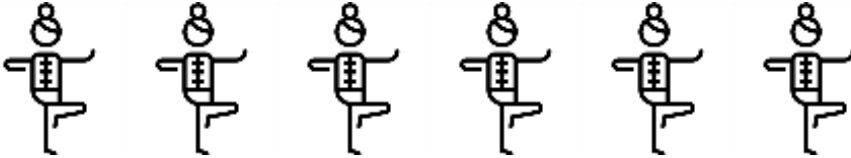
Friday Morning Craft Group

The Friday Craft Group would like to extend an invitation to anyone that might be interested to please come out any Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please bring a brown bag lunch (**no nuts or fish Please**) and join us for some fun and fellowship.

Gathering Table Choir – Please Join Us

Tuesday @ 6 p.m.

Tai Chi Classes Begin on Jan. 2nd. 2019



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 is a box at the back of the church for them. (such as margarine, cottage cheese, yogurt)

TABLE TALK BEGIN ON Jan. 10th, 2019

Available at the back of the church.....

Our Daily Bread – Dec. – Feb. 2019

(cover has 2018, but they are for 2018 – 2019)

Algoma Anglican for January 2019

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.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2019

Jan. 6th The Epiphany of the Lord

10 am - Holy Eucharist

Jan. 13th -The Baptism of the Lord

10 am - Holy Eucharist

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 | | |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Altar/Chancel | Marg Boone | 345-2184 | mboone@tbaytel.net |
| Audio/Video | Sharon Corston | 355-1549 | sjcorston@gmail.com |
| Man Alive Bible Study | Jonas Riauka | 767-4566 | ironman45@yahoo.ca |
| 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, | Erminie Reid | 767-4566 | dandereid@shaw.ca |

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| Sacred Dance) | | | |
| 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 of each month**

Open Jan. 13th and 27th, 2019
From 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



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Service Time: Sunday at 10:00 am
Food Bank Open: 2nd and 4th Sundays starting at
11:30 am Pastor: The Rev. Canon
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Mobile: 355-5454
Email: porter.george@gmail.com

Honorary Assistant: The Rev. Gail M. Clifton, M.Div.
Phone: 768-9865

Honorary Assistant: The Rev. David Knudson, M.Div.
Phone: 473-0994
Mobile: 633-4761

Lay Readers: Kim Bienvenue, Rose Jardine,
Brenda O'Neill, Jim Sutton. Frances B
Rector's Warden: Marg Boone
Deputy Rector's Warden: Marjorie Tutkaluk
People's Warden: Jim Sutton
Deputy People's Warden: Vacant

Music Ministry at Gathering Table

Co – Music Directors: Jamie Philp (Organist)
and Donna Hamill (Pian

