

Gathering Table

a Faith Community in the Anglican Church of Canada,



GREETINGS IN THE NAME OF THE RISEN LORD

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Presider: The Rev'd Gail Clifton
Preacher: The Rev'd George Porter , D. Phil.

10:00 a.m.

BAS 185

CHRISTMAS MORNING

December 25th , 2019

WELCOME TO GATHERING TABLE

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.

I bring you good news of great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day a Saviour, Christ the Lord.. *Luke 2.10 - 11*

Opening Carol: CP 138 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

The Gathering of The Community – BAS – Page 185

Collect for The Day – BAS Page 274

The Proclamation of The Lord

Isaiah 52: 7 - 10

Psalm 98

Hebrews 1: 1 - 14

Gradual: CP 125 Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

The Holy Gospel: John 1: 1 - 14

The Sermon: George

Time of Silent Reflection

The Nicene Creed – BAS page 188

The Prayers of the People

The Confession and Absolution – BAS Page 191

The Peace:

Offertory: CP 137 What Child Is This

Prayer Over The Gifts – BAS – Page 274

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.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Eucharistic Prayer #3 - BAS- Page 198

The Lord's Prayer – BAS - Page 211

The Breaking of the Bread –#6 BAS - Page 213

Communion Music:

Agnus Dei

CP 120 O Little Town of Bethlehem

CP 126 Away in a Manger

CP 139 The First Nowell

Prayer after Communion – BAS – Page 214 #1

The Blessing:

Announcements:

Closing Carol: CP 154 Joy To the World (verses 1, 2, and 4)

Dismissal:

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Ministers Today

Greeter Marg Boone

Technology Team Ellie Bennett, Jim Bolt

Lay Reader

Readers:

Acolyte:..... Bruce Adderley

Eucharistic Assistants: Frances Bennett-Sutton

Altar Guild: Marg Boone

Co – Music Directors: Jamie Philp (Organist)

..... Donna Hamill (Pianist)

A grace note from www.thunderbay-northshoreanglicans.com

O come, let us adore him!

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Please Pray for: Ezo (South Sudan) The Rt Revd John Kereboro Zawo
Faisalabad (Pakistan) The Rt Revd John Samuel

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer :

Please Pray for:

ACC Director the Rev. Dr. Eileen Scully and the staff of Faith, Worship, and Ministry; Sheilagh McGlynn, Youth Ministries Animator; the Rev. Canon Dr. Scott Sharman, Animator for Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations

ELCIC Rev. Paul Gehrs, Assistant to the National Bishop, Justice and Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations; Gretchen Peterson, Assistant to the National Bishop, Youth and Leadership

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Please pray for: Church of the Holy Manger, Barkway, The Rev. Heather Manuel

Parish Cycle of Prayer:

Please pray for our own church members:

Monica MacKay, Jessica and Murray MacRae, and Gabriel, Ellie, Gavin and Isobel, Brock and Gail Marshall, Doris Marshall
Douglas and Susan Mason, and Dennis, Quinne and Grant
Ian and Virginia McEwen, and Rory and Toby, Gloria McKay
Donald and Elaine McKinnon, Joanne McMahon, Dan McQueen
Geoff and Katariina Medwid, Robert , Peter, and Lillianna, Janis Medwid,
Arlene Meservier, Samuel Metteer, Carl and Elizabeth Mickelson, Dawn Mills, Adrienne Morris, Alex(Tom) and Dora Morris, and Hailey Morris,
Charles and Marion Morris, Rosalie Hardisty Morris, Judy Mostow, Mark Myers

Please Pray For: Our young people in Junior High School, High School, College and University who are struggling academically, social and mentally, as well as with understanding their own identities.

"Your prayers are asked for the Concurrence Committee of Gathering Table, that they may hear Your voice, heed Your call, and follow Your intentions for this parish and congregation. We ask for patience and perseverance as we move through this process, and ask that you fill us all with hope and faith for the many good things that you intend

for us during this time of transition and growth."



CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2019

Dec. 29th Christmas

10 am - Lessons and Carols

Jan. 5th The Epiphany of the Lord

10 am - Holy Eucharist

Jan. 12th -The Baptism of the Lord

10 am - Holy Eucharist

CHRISTMAS FLOWER TRIBUTES

IN MEMORY OF:

In memory of Eileen & Frederick Stevens

Given by Daughters: Anne Stevens, Janet Stevens and Elizabeth
Mickleston

Georg Humby,
and Sister-and Brother-in-Law Sam & Joyce Langila:
From Irene Humby

A dear friend and colleague:
From Marg Boone

Jack & Edith Shaw, Don Whalley, Dennis Bevington,
Alice, Mary & Bob Shaw:
From Elizabeth Whalley

In loving memory and thanksgiving for family and friends:
From Marilyn and Al Chisholm

In loving memory of Robert Johnson, Helen & John Wolfe
*From Carl and Roberta Wolfe,
Paul, Michael, Heidi, Makayla, and Riley*

IN HONOUR OF:

In Thanksgiving for our parents, and those who have faithfully gone before us. As we have freely been given love from our Creator, so we continue only by His Grace:

From Len and Diane Hartley & families.

The people who have influenced my Christian walk through their unconditional loving-kindness, past and present. They have showed me what love is:

From Rose Jardine

Up Coming Events

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| Dec. 22 nd | Food Cupboard Today |
| Jan. 1 st | Sleepy G. 2 p.m. – 6 p.m. |
| Jan. 5 th | Birthday Cake Sunday |
| Jan. 7 th | Concurrence Mtg. 7 p.m. |
| Jan. 7 th | Glacier Ridge Holy Communion 1:30 p.m. |
| Jan. 8 th | Man Alive Bible Study 7 p.m. |
| Jan. 9 th | Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall |
| Jan. 9 th | Altar Guild take down of all the decorations
10 a.m. All are Welcome to help. |
| Jan. 10 th | Food Cupboard Prep in Kitchen A.M. |
| Jan. 12 th | Food Cupboard |
| Jan. 15 th | Man Alive Bible Study 7 p.m. Parish Hall |
| Jan. 15 th | Thunder Bay Area Meeting 7 p.m. Kitchen |
| Jan. 16 th | Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall |
| Jan. 17 th | Craft Group 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. |
| Jan. 21 st | Camp Gitchigomee – St. Thomas Church 7 |



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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:

Rose Jardine

Co-Music Directors - at Gathering Table

Organist: Jamie Philp

Pianist: Donna Hamill,

Archbishop Anne's Motto for 2019

"Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, The people I formed for myself, that they might declare my praise."
(Isaiah 43:19, 20b, 21)