

Gathering Table

a Faith Community in the Anglican Church of Canada

Last Sunday After Epiphany February 23rd, 2020
The Transfiguration of the Lord

Preacher and Presider: The Rev'd Gail Clifton

10:00 a.m.

B.A.S. 185

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.

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him. *Matthew 17.5*

Opening Praise: CP 388 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Gathering of the Community BAS 185

Worship in Praise: My Worth Is Not In What I Own

Time with Younger People

The Gloria (SAID) BAS Page 186

Collect for the Last Sunday after Epiphany BAS Page 418

The Proclamation of the Word

Exodus 24: 12 - 18

Psalm 99

2 Peter 1: 16 - 21

Gradual: Song Of The Transfiguration

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to:
Matthew 17: 1 - 9**

ALL: GLORY TO YOU LORD JESUS CHRIST

This is The Gospel of Christ

ALL: PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST

Sermon: Rev'd Gail Clifton

A Time of Silent Reflection

The Apostles' Creed – Page 189 BAS

The Prayers of the People –

The Confession and Absolution – Page 191

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you

Offertory: God Our Protector

Prayer Over The Gifts BAS – Page 418

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST
Eucharistic Prayer #3 BAS Page 198**

The Lord's Prayer – BAS Page 211

The Breaking of the Bread # 6 – BAS page 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 Music:

Agnus Dei CP 701 "Lamb Of God"

The Body Of Christ 2x

CP 77 The Son of God Proclaim

CP 166 We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding

CP 572 Let There Be Light

CP 585 Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

Prayer After Communion BAS Page 419

Doxology: BAS Page 214 #1

The Blessing:

Closing Hymn: Afflicted Saint, To Christ Draw Near

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

**Thanks be to God.
Alleluia ! Alleluia ! Alleluia !**

Please join us Today in the Parish Hall for a time of refreshments and fellowship following the service.

Monthly Birthday Cake Sponsors Needed

Please see sheet in the kitchen, if you would like to sponsor one of the monthly Birthday Cakes. Thanks

Ministers Today

Greeter	Bob Tutkaluk, Jim Bolt
Technology Team	Ellie Bennett, Sharon Corston
Lay Reader	Brenda O'Neill
Readers:	1. Jim Sutton 2. Bruce Adderley
Eucharistic Assistant's	Kim Bienvenue, Frances Bennett-Sutton
Prayers of the People	Linda Rintamaki
Acolyte	Darleah Kostyniuk-Coda
Altar Guild:	Erminie Reid, Lois Colpitts
Coffee Hosts:	Carole Kostyniuk, Colleen Speer, Mary Ripley, Erminie Reid
Food Cupboard:	Sharon, Mel, Marie, Connie, Grace, Shirley, Marilyn, Jim, David, Al
Co Music Directors:	Donna Hamill (Pianist) Jamie Philp (Organist)

Scripture Readings for The First Sunday of Lent

Genesis 2: 15 – 17, 3: 1 – 7

Psalm 32

Romans 5: 12 – 19

Matthew 4: 1 – 11

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Please Pray for : The Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America
The Right Revd Julio Murray Thompson - Primate of IARCA & Bishop of
Panama

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer :

Please Pray for:

ACC Bishop David Edwards, the clergy and people of the Diocese of
Fredericton

ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the Grand River and Thames Areas of the Eastern Synod

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer :

Please Pray for: St. George's, Espanola, St. Thomas', French River
The Rev. Beverly Van der Jagt, Deacon Incumbent

Parish Cycle of Prayer:

Please pray for our own church: Adrienne Morris, Alex(Tom) and Dora Morris, and Hailey Morris, Charles and Marion Morris, Rosalie Hardisty Morris, Mark Myers, Dorothy Nesbitt, Len Norris, Garth and Brenda O'Neill, Cindy Papassay, Henry Parise, Marjorie (Midge) Peel, Richard Pepper, Sheila Pepper, Jamie Philp, Nancy and Bob Polhill, George and Nancy Porter, Dr. Michelle Proudfoot, Chris and Laura Pyhtila, David and Erminie Reid, Matthew and Desiree Reilly, and Madison and Owen

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."

A grace note from www.thunderbay-northshoreanglicans.com

Jesus' hope brings sunshine into the darkest closet.

Thunder Bay North Shore Anglican Deanery Regional Gathering

You are invited to a Regional Gathering on Saturday, February 29 at St. Michael's from 1:30 to 4:00 pm. We will be discussing the upcoming

synod on May 8, 2020 in which the synod will give Archbishop Anne direction on whether or not she should allow same sex marriages in Algoma. Part of the afternoon on Feb. 29 will include a power point presentation, developed by Archbishop Anne, about how Anglicans engage with the scriptures.

2020 Parishioner Parking Passes are available at the office
Tues. – Thurs. 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m. – 12 noon or on Sun. before church.

2020 Parish Offering Envelopes and EOP Donors

Are now available at the back of the church. Please be sure to sign that you received your new envelopes. 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. *Gloria McKay, Envelope Secretary.*

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+

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



Choir Practice: To Be Announced
New members always welcome.

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 (\$30) are available for people working downtown which also helps defray costs. Sunday parking is obviously free and, is on a first come basis. 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.”

The Cold Weather is Here

Please make sure that if you are the last to leave, that you shut the doors in the different areas of the church and hall to help save money on heating.
Thanks David Reid

IMPORTANT NOTICE

There is no such thing as 'safe church', only 'safer church'. Even though we try to make Gathering Table as safe as possible, things still go missing from time to time. We encourage you to keep your valuables on you or under observation at all times.

World Day of Prayer 2020

The Women's Inter-church Council of Canada (WICC) will be holding their World Day of Prayer services on various dates in Thunder Bay Churches:

This year's theme "Rise! Take Up Your Mat and Walk" was written by the women of Zimbabwe. All are welcome

Plan to attend at one of these locations:

Friday, March 6th at 7 p.m. – Gathering Table – Lunch will follow

Saturday, March 7th at 11 a.m. - St. Thomas Anglican church.. Lunch will be provided. A planning meeting for this year's service will be held on Wednesday, February 12 at 2 p.m. at St. Thomas, 1400 S. Edward St.

Up Coming Events

- Feb. 23rd Food Cupboard Open
- Feb. 25th Shrove Tuesday – See Poster
- Feb. 26th Man Alive Bible Study 7 p.m. Parish Hall
- Feb. 26th Ash Wednesday Service
- Feb. 27th Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall
- Feb. 28th Craft Group 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Mar. 1st Birthday Cake at Coffee Hour
- Mar. 3rd Glacier Ridge 1:30 p.m. Everyone Welcome
- Mar. 4th Man Alive Bible Study 7 p.m.
- Mar. 5th Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall
- Mar. 6th Craft Group 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Mar. 6th Food Cupboard Prep and Lunch
- Mar. 6th Hall Set for World Day of Prayer in afternoon
- Mar. 6th World Day of Prayer 7 p.m. at Gathering Table
Followed by Refreshments in Parish Hall
- Mar. 7th Weavers & Spinners Guild Workshop
- Mar. 7th World Day of Prayer 11 a.m. St. Thomas Church, followed by lunch
- Mar. 8th Food Cupboard Open
- Mar. 9th Grace Place
- Mar. 11th Man Alive Bible Study 7 p.m.
- Mar. 12th Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall
- Mar. 13th Craft Group 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Parish Hall
- Mar. 17th Parish Advisory Council 7 p.m. Parish Hall
- Mar. 18th Man Alive Bible Study 7 p.m. Parish Hall
- Mar. 18th Thunder Bay Scouting 7 p.m. Kitchen
- Mar. 19th Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall
- Mar. 20th Craft Group 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Parish Hall

- Mar. 20th Food Cupboard prep and Lunch
 Mar. 20th Parish Hall set up for Ukrainian Easter Eggs
 Mar. 21st Ukrainian Easter Egg Workshop
 Mar. 22nd Food Cupboard Open
 Mar. 24th Camp Gitchigomee AGM Meet and Greet 6:30 p.m.
 Meeting 7 p.m.
 Mar. 25th Man Alive Bible Study 7 p.m.
 Mar. 26th Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall
 Mar. 27th Craft Group 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
 Mar. 27th Parish Hall set up for Ukrainian Easter Eggs
 Mar. 28th Ukrainian Easter Egg Workshop
 Apr. 1st Man Alive 7 p.m. Parish Hall
 Apr. 2nd Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall
 Apr 3rd Craft Group 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
 April 4th Palm Crosses in Parish Hall at 10 a.m.
 Apr. 5th Birthday Cake at Coffee Hour
 Apr. 7th Glacier Ridge 1:30 p.m. Everyone Welcome
 Apr. 8th Man Alive 7 p.m. Parish Hall
 Apr. 9th Maundy Thursday
 Apr. 10th Camp Gitchigomee Log Painting 7 p.m.
 April 17th Mission to Seafarers Annual Dinner See - Jonas for more
 information and tickets
 April 24th Camp Gitchigomee Two Bit Auction See Poster
 April 29th AGM Mission to Seafarers' – Begins with Lunch at 12:30 at
 the centre with meeting Beginning at 1 p.m.
 May 26th Opening Eucharist for ACW Annual 7 p.m. at Gathering
 Table
 June 20th Blessing of the Fleet – Watch for details

**WE NEED YOUR
TREASURES!**



Nearly New Sale Coming

Sat., June 6th, 2020

Shrove Tuesday Pancake and Sausage Supper

Enjoy Live Entertainment



**Tuesday,
February 25th
5:00 to 6:30 pm**

**Gathering Table Hall,
228 Pearl Street**

***Accessibility door is off the parking lot—please refrain
from parking in Tony & Adams lot***

Adults \$5.00 - Family of 4 or more \$15.00

Children 3 and under are Free

Proceeds to 2020 CLAY Enroute



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Brule Creek Farms Fundraising Program

As part of the fundraising efforts for CLAY 2020 in Calgary Our Saviour's Lutheran Church is organizing the sale of Brule Creek (pronounced Brool Creek) flour, whole wheat flour, rye flour and prepared baking mixes such as pizza dough, scone mix, chocolate cupcakes as well as ginger molasses cookies. They also sell canola oil.

All grains are grown and ground in Kakabeka Falls, ON. There are no additives to their products. There is also a best before date stamped on the baking mixes as they are good for one year.

Payment and Orders to be in to Sharon Corston by Sunday, March 1. I will pick up the order from Our Saviour's Lutheran Church on March 4 and make arrangements to have your orders to you.

A. Bran Muffin Mix, 560 g	5.50
B. Whole Wheat Pizza Dough, 600 g	5.50
C. Ginger Molasses Cookie Mix, 560 g	5.50
D. Beer Bread Mix, 460 g	5.50
E. Chocolate Cupcake Mix, 280 g	5.50
F. Scone Mix, 570 g	5.50
G. Fish Batter, 380 g	5.50
H. Variety Pack:	19.00
Whole Wheat Pizza Dough, 600 g	
Bran Muffin Mix, 560 g	
Scone Mix, 570 g	
Chocolate Cupcake Mix, 280 g	
I. Partially Sifted Flour, 2 kg	10.00
J. Partially Sifted Flour, 5 kg	18.00
K. Whole Wheat Flour, 2 kg	10.00
L. Whole Wheat Flour, 5 kg	18.00
M. Dark Rye Flour, 1.75 kg	10.00
N. Extra Virgin Canola Oil, 500 ml	10.00
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ACW ANNUAL May 26th – May 28th, 2020

LOCATION: Prince Arthur Waterfront Hotel, Thunder Bay

REGISTRATION: Tuesday, May 26th from 2:00 to 5:00 pm – Prince Arthur lobby Wednesday, May 27th from 8:15 am - 9:00 am – Provincial Room

OPTIONAL GATHERING DINNER: Tuesday, May 26th at Gathering Table Church, 228 Pearl St. at 5:30 pm Menu: Baked ham, variety of Baked Potatoes, peas and carrots mix and kernel corn, coleslaw, buns, apple crisp (Gluten, egg, and lactose free options available) Cost is \$20.00 payable with your registration form.

Transportation – car pool/walk Get together for food, fun, and fellowship

OPENING SERVICE: Tuesday, May 26th at 7:00 pm at Gathering Table Church celebrated by Archbishop Anne. Following the service, refreshments will be served in the church hall.

ELECTRONIC OFFERING PROGRAMME

The Electronic Offering Program is a service that is offered to you and your parish to assist in giving and receiving donations. In this computerized age where many of us pay our bills online this service allows many to donate to their church and other ministries electronically.

Donations are withdrawn from each donor's bank account monthly on the 15th of each month. The donation is then deposited into the bank account for each church. You decide how much to give. You may change your donation at any time.

Ministries supported by Electronic Offering

- Mission to Seafarers
- Anglican Mission Service Committee

- Camp Gitchigomee, Thunder Bay
- Camp Manitou, Whitefish
- Primates World Relief & Development Fund

Please talk to one of the Wardens, or pick up a form at the back of the church in the rack, if you would like to begin the EOP .

Message from PWRDF

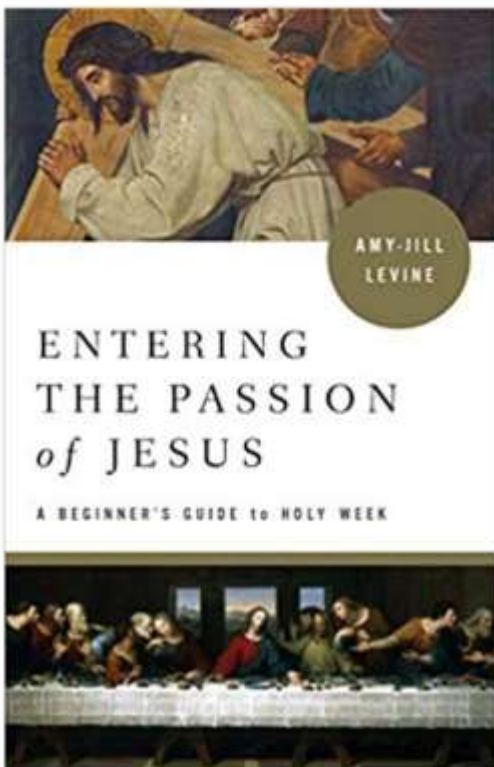
Zimbabwe Cyclone Idai hit eastern Zimbabwe with heavy rains and strong winds on March 15, 2019 causing rivers to rise, flash flooding and subsequent deaths, destruction and loss of livelihoods.

Not only had Idai wiped out crops, but across Chimanimani district, more than half of all seed stocks were lost, leaving farmers unable to replant, feed their families or restore their livelihoods.

In October 2019, PWRDF partnered with the Canadian Foodgrains Bank and TSURO Trust, its partner in Zimbabwe, to provide seeds to approximately 28,900 people. Almost 5,000 families were identified, based on their experience farming, available land and current need.

PWRDF contributed \$26,000 from its Cyclone Idai relief donations, as well as \$59,000 from its Foodgrains Bank equity. A 4:1 match from Global Affairs Canada made up the entire budget of \$404,471. In short order, people received 10 kg of maize seed, 15 kg of bean seed and 2 kg of finger millet seed, just in time for the fall planting seas

There is a blue envelope in with your Church Envelopes for 2020.



Entering the Passion of Jesus A Beginner's Guide to Holy Week

by Dr. Amy-Jill Levine

In *Entering the Passion of Jesus: A Beginner's Guide to Holy Week*, author, professor, and biblical scholar Amy-Jill Levine explores the biblical texts surrounding the Passion story. She shows us how the text raises ethical and spiritual questions for the reader, and how we all face risk in our Christian experience.

The book's six chapters include:

1. Jerusalem: Risking Reputation
2. The Temple: Risking Righteous Anger
3. Teachings: Risking Challenge
4. The First Dinner: Risking Rejection
5. The Last Supper: Risking the Loss of Friends
6. Gethsemane: Risking Temptation

Location:

Gathering Table Parish Hall, 228 Pearl St (*please use the accessibility door off our parking lot and avoid using Tony and Adam's lot*)

Dates:

Tuesdays, March 3, 10 and 17

Time:

2:00 pm

You will Need:

The study requires participants to buy the Study Guide (around \$10:00) on Amazon.

Study is for 6 weeks, but we can do it in 3 depending on how much discussion.

To Register:

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Rector's Warden:

Marg Boone

Deputy Rector's Warden:

Marjorie Tutkaluk

People's Warden:

Jim Sutton

Deputy People's Warden:

Sheila Chisholm

Co-Music Directors - at Gathering Table

Organist: Jamie Philp

Pianist; Donna Hamill,

Archbishop Anne's Motto for 2020

***“In the same way, let your light so shine before others
that they may see your good works
and give glory to your Father in heaven.”***

(Matthew 5.16)