

Gathering Table

a Faith Community in the Anglican Church of Canada

Feast of the Epiphany

January 5th, 2020

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

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.

We have seen his star in the East,
and have come to worship him. *Matthew 2.2*

Processional: CP 5 Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

The Gathering of The Community BAS – Page 185

**Worship in Praise: O Love That Will Not Let Me Go
Of The Father's Love Begotten**

Time with Younger People

Gloria Sung

Collect of The Day for Epiphany – BAS Page 280

The Proclamation of The Lord

Jeremiah 31: 7 - 14

Psalms 147: 13 - 21

Ephesians 1: 3 - 14

Gradual: For The Beauty Of The Earth

The Holy Gospel: John 1: 10 - 18

The Sermon: George

A Time of Silent Reflection

The Confession and Absolution – BAS Page 191

The Peace

Offertory: Come To Us

Prayer Over The Gifts – BAS – Page 280

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 # 6- BAS- Page 207

The Lord's Prayer – BAS - Page 211

The Breaking of the Bread BAS - Page 212 - 213

Communion Music:

Agnus Dei

CP 589 Come, O God of All the Earth
CP 130 Born in the Night, Mary's Child
CP 160 As with Gladness Men of Old
CP 137 What Child Is This

The Prayer After Communion – BAS – Page 214 #1

The Blessing:

Announcements:

Closing Hymn: CP 606 There's A Wideness in God's Mercy
(Verses 1, 2, 5)

Dismissal:

Go in peace to love and serve our the Lord.

Thanks be to God!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

BIRTHDAY CAKE TODAY

Join us Today in the Parish Hall to celebrate the January Birthdays, and a time of refreshments and fellowship. Thanks to Marg Boone, Lois Colpitts, Elizabeth Whalley for providing the January birthday cake.

Ministers Today

Greeter	Marjorie and Bob Tutkaluk
Technology Team	Sharon Gilbert, Jim Bolt
Lay Reader	Rose Jardine
Readers:	1. Eleanor Bennett
.....	2. Erminie Reid
Eucharistic Assistant's	David and Erminie Reid
Prayers of the People	Linda Rintamaki
Acolyte.....	Bruce Adderley

Altar Guild: Audrey Love, Cyndi Roy
Coffee Hosts: Sharon and Dale Sparkes,
..... Sylvia and Alex Kostecki
Food Cupboard: Closed
Co – Music Directors: Donna Hamill (Pianist)
..... Jamie Philp (Organist)

Scripture Readings for The Baptism Of The Lord

Isaiah 42: 1- 9
Acts 10: 34 – 43

Psalm 29
Matthew 3:13 –17

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Please Pray for: Pray for the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia, The Most Revd Philip Richardson - Bishop of Taranaki and Primate The Most Revd Don Tamihere - Pihopa o Aotearora and Primate The Most Revd Fereimi Cama - Bishop of Polynesia and Primate

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer :

Please Pray for:

ACC Archbishop Mark MacDonald, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop, and the staff of Indigenous Ministries; the Anglican Council of Indigenous People
ELCIC Bishop Michael Pryse, the people and rostered ministers of the Eastern Synod

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer :

Please Pray for: Church of the Epiphany, Sudbury, The Rt. Rev. Tom Corston (Interim), The Rev. Sarah Armstrong (Curate), The Rev. Rhonda Hirst (Hon.), The Rev. Canon Michael Hankinson (Hon. Emeritus)

Parish Cycle of Prayer:

Please pray for our own church: John (Sandy) and Honor Shaw, Ophelia Shawinimash, Lucy Shewaybick, Sally Shewaybick, Shirley Siipola, Mark Smith, Dale and Sharon Sparkes, Colleen Speer, Eric and

Ann Strand, Evelyn Strawson, Peter and Marion Strawson, Charles Suganaqueb, Jim and Frances Sutton, Ellen Teahan, Violet Thomson, Paula Timmins, Bob and Marjorie Tutkaluk, Duncan Twance, Elroy and Eugene Ulmer

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
God doesn't require that we succeed, only that we try.

Anglican and Lutheran Group

Our next meeting is at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church at the corner of Farrand and River Streets starting at 1:30 pm **on Thursday, January 16th.** Pastor Matthew will be conducting a bible study in preparation for us to apply for a grant for Street Reach. All are welcome. We will be doing **lunch at Shelter House** on February 3rd. If you are interested in helping out, please email Joyce Primmer at hprimmer@shaw.ca. Thank you.

The **2020 Variety Showcase** presented by the Anglican and Lutheran Group (ALG) will be on Friday, February 7th at Hilldale Lutheran Church, 321 Hilldale Road, starting at 7:00 pm. This year's lineup includes: Bruce Hansen Music, Jessica Krasnichuk, the Kam Valley Fiddlers, Dan Campbell's new group Thunder Grass and more. Tickets are \$10.00 and can be purchased at the door or by calling Sharon at 355-1549.ALG

Community Liaison

Annual Vestry Meeting

Our 2nd annual vestry meeting for Gathering Table will be held on Sunday, February 17, 2019

Vestry Reports are Due In

To the office by Sunday, **January 26th, 2020** in order to be included in the Vestry Booklet. Please email your reports to office@gatheringtable.ca
Thank You.

TABLE TALK Begins on Jan. 9th, 2020

At 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall with George

Church Calendars are available from Elizabeth Whalley at coffee hour each Sunday for \$5.00. or call 345-5995

**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

2020 Parish Offering Envelopes 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

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



**Choir Practice: Tues., 6:00 - 7:00 pm.
New members always welcome.**

Up Coming Events

- Jan. 5th Birthday Cake Sunday
- Jan. 7th Concurrence Mtg. 7 p.m.
- Jan. 7th Glacier Ridge Holy Communion 1:30 p.m.
- Jan. 8th Man Alive Bible Study 7 p.m.
- Jan. 9th Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall
- Jan. 9th Altar Guild take down of all the decorations
10 a.m. All are Welcome to help.
- Jan. 10th Food Cupboard Prep in Kitchen A.M.
- Jan. 12th Food Cupboard
- Jan. 15th Man Alive Bible Study 7 p.m. Parish Hall
- Jan. 15th Thunder Bay Area Meeting 7 p.m. Kitchen
- Jan. 16th ALG Mtg. 1:30 p.m. Our Saviour's Lutheran
- Jan. 16th Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall
- Jan. 17th Craft Group 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Jan. 21st Camp Gitchigomee – St. Thomas Church 7
- Jan. 22nd Concurrence Committee 7 p.m. Kitchen
- Jan. 22nd Man Alive Bible Study – 7 p.m. Parish Hall
- Jan. 23rd Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall
- Jan. 24th Craft Group Parish Hall 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Jan. 24th Food Cupboard – Kitchen A. M.
- Jan. 25th Felting with Frances – Parish Hall
- Jan. 25th Camp Gitchigomee Appreciation Supper
Meal prep begins 2 p.m. Supper at 5 p.m.
- Jan. 26th Food Cupboard Today
- Jan. 29th Man Alive – Parish Hall 7 p.m.
- Jan. 30th Table Talk 7 p.m. Parish Hall
- Jan. 31st Craft Group – Parish Hall 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Feb. 2nd Birthday Cake Sunday
- Feb. 4th Glacier Ridge 1:30 p.m.
- Feb. 16th Annual Vestry, Reports Due Jan. 26th, 2020
- Feb. 22nd Altar Guild Meeting 10 a.m. Parish Hall
- Mar. 21st and Mar. 28th - Ukranian Eggs Workshop
Watch bulletin board for sign up sheets
- April 4th Palm Crosses in Parish Hall at 10 a.m.

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 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.”

St. Thomas Family Giving Centre is looking for donations of clothing, men, women, and children's, blankets, towels, dishes, small housewares, toys, and pet supplies for our clients. Open twice a month on a Friday Call 623-3608 to make arrangements to drop off stuff for our Giving Centre. See Poster in Parish Hall.

Camp Gitchigomee 75th Anniversary Weekend – July 31 – Aug. 3rd, 2020

The Camp will be open for visitors beginning on July 29th, and until August 4th, 2020. Come out for the day, or make arrangements to stay overnight. Contact Dave Shaw 708-4556 if you would like to help out, or talk to Jim Sutton, Roberta Wolfe. Email address is gitchigomee@shaw.ca or check out our website at www.campgitchigomee.ca

Do you have pictures you would like to share? Do you have a story about camp in its' early years, then we want to hear from you.

campg75@shaw.ca

Camp Gitchigomee Memberships Now Available

Please consider purchasing a \$5.00 Camp Gitchigomee Membership for 2020, which helps to support the camp, and each year we have an Appreciation Supper which you will be invited to. It allows you to attend meetings, and the Annual General Meeting. But most importantly you are supporting the mission of the camp – our youth. See Roberta, Melanie, Jim S., Darlene, Heidi, Ellen, Michael



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**Cheers to a new
year and another
chance for us
to get it right.**

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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 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)