

*Gathering Table
a Faith Community
in the Anglican Church of Canada*



GREETINGS IN THE NAME OF THE RISEN LORD

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Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

**Officiating & Preaching
The Rev'd George M Porter, DPhil**

August 1, 2021

10:00 a.m.

Welcome To Gathering Table

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For thousands of years, First Nations people have walked on this land; 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.

Music Before the Liturgy: Panis Angelicus

We do not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.
Matthew 4.4

Opening Music: Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Gathering of the Community

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Presider: Lord, open our lips,

All: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Presider: O God, make speed to save us.

All: **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

All: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

The Lord is our refuge and strength:
O come, let us worship.

Canticle 12

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Wisdom 16.20-21, 26

You gave your people angels' food
and sent them bread from heaven,
ready to eat, though they did no work,
rich in delights, and suiting every taste.

The food which you gave
showed your sweetness toward your children.
It served the desire of those who ate,
was changed to the flavour each one wished;

That the children you love might learn, O God,
that not by various crops are they fed,
but it is your word which sustains
all those who trust in you.

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The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading is from The Book of Exodus 16: 2 – 4, 9 – 15

² The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness.

³ The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

⁴ Then the LORD said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.

⁹ Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.’”

¹⁰ And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud.

¹¹ The LORD spoke to Moses and said,

¹² “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

¹³ In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp.

¹⁴ When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground.

¹⁵ When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.

This is The Word of The Lord
Thanks Be To God

Psalm 78: 23 - 29

²³ Yet he commanded the skies above, and opened the doors of heaven;

²⁴ he rained down on them manna to eat, and gave them the grain of heaven.

²⁵ Mortals ate of the bread of angels; he sent them food in abundance.

²⁶ He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens, and by his power he led out the south wind;

²⁷ he rained flesh upon them like dust, winged birds like the sand of the seas;

²⁸ he let them fall within their camp, all around their dwellings.

²⁹ And they ate and were well filled, for he gave them what they craved.

Second Reading is from The Book of John John 6: 24– 35

²⁴ So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?”

²⁶ Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves.

²⁷ Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.”

²⁸ Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?”

²⁹ Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you

believe in him whom he has sent.”

³⁰ So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?”

³¹ Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’”

³² Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven.

³³ For the bread of God is that which^[a] comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.”

³⁴ They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

³⁵ Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty

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Thanks be to God.

A Gradual: I Am the Bread of Life

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John 6: 24-35**

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

A Sermon: **George**

A time of silence for reflection: Embrace the Mystery

Affirmation of Faith:

Let us confess the faith in these words:

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.

**Love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, with all your mind,
and with all your strength.**

his is the first and the great commandment.

The second is like it:

Love your neighbour as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these.

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

Collect of The Day

**Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ fed the
hungry with the bread of his life and the word of
his kingdom. Renew your people with your
heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us
by your true and living bread, who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and
for ever. Amen**

Prayers of the People

Let us continue in prayer together, saying:

Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all you bring to us for our time within your creation. In Jesus, you place the Gospel in the centre of the sacred circle through which all of creation is related. You show us the way to live a generous and compassionate life. Give us your strength to live together with respect and commitment as we grow in your Spirit, for you are God, now and forever. Amen

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbours, and for all those who are alone.

For this community, our country, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the truth.

For Anne our Archbishop, and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For our own needs and those of others.
Silence. The people may add their own petitions.

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.
Silence. The people may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our king;
And praise your name for ever and ever.

We pray for all those who have died in the peace of Christ, and for those whose faith is known to you alone, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
Silence. The people may add their own petitions.
Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.
Silence may be kept.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;

in your compassion, forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honour and glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep us in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gracious God,
you have heard the prayers of your faithful people; you know our needs before we ask, and our ignorance in asking. Grant our requests as may be best for us. This we ask in the name of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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

A Blessing

May Almighty God, who enlightened the minds of the disciples by pouring out upon them the Holy Spirit, make us rich with his blessing, that we may abound more and more in that Spirit for ever – the blessing of God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – be with us now and forever more.

Amen.

Announcements

Closing Music: I Will Arise and Go to Jesus

Dismissal

Alleluia! Let us go forth to be Christ's Body here on earth.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Readings for Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

1 Kings 19: 4 - 8

Psalm 130

Ephesians 4: 25 – 5:2

John 6: 35, 41 - 51

Anglican Cycle of Prayer Please Pray for:

Church of the Province of South East Asia

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer :

Please Pray for:

ACC The Rt. Rev's Lydia Mamakwa, Larry Beardy, and Morris Fidler; Bishops, and the clergy and people of the Spiritual Ministry of Mishamikoweesh

ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the
Southern Area of the Synod of Alberta and the
Territories

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for:
Retreat Houses**

Maison Dieu, Bracebridge; Villa Loyola, Sudbury;
Anishinabe Spiritual Centre, Espanola

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Please pray for our own church members: Janis
Medwid, Arlene Meservier, Carl and Elizabeth Mickelson,
Adrienne Morris, Tom and Dora 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, Nancy and Bob Polhill,
George and Nancy Porter, Dr. Michelle Proudfoot, Alex,
Sarah, Evelyn and Emerson Pyne,

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.

A grace note from www.thunderbay-northshoreanglicans.com

God will feed you what you need for the season you are in.

Reminder about Visitations:

Pastoral care visits will be continue to be restricted to emergency situations – please call the office or the Rectory if such a situation arises.

Gathering Table Prayer Chain

During this time of social isolation and uncertainty, it is more important than ever to pray for one another. If you would like to be a part of the Gathering Table prayer chain or you have any needs or concerns that you would like placed on the prayer chain please contact

Sheila Chisholm at chisholmsheilak@gmail.com
or text /phone 306-240-0771.



Prayer requests from Arch Bishop Anne:

“Please join the bishops of our province in holding our province and our whole world in prayer during this time of crisis, especially those who are afflicted with this coronavirus. Pray especially for researchers, policymakers, frontline workers, and for all those who are caring for those who are sick, as well as for those who have died and those who mourn.”

“Continue to pray for those who are most deeply affected by COVID-19 - frontline workers, hospital staff, those who are stranded and unable to return to their homes from abroad, those who are isolated further because of the new restrictive measures in place, and those who have been

diagnosed with COVID -19 and their families and loved ones.”

Dear Parishioners:

At this time as we look forward to a time when we can meet safely in person, here are some things to remember

The building will remain essentially closed until further notice, though phone calls will be answered during office hours. All gatherings, events or meetings must either be postponed or conducted by means of various internet tools.

The Food Cupboard will operate every second and fourth Sunday of the month in its present modified format. No emergency food parcels will be distributed during this time.

Pastoral visitation is still limited. In emergency situations please call the office or the Rectory. We realize that, despite the focus on this crisis and the cutting back on medical and social services, other things still go on – and some things get worse. Isolation is hard for many people for different reasons, not only physically, but relationally, emotionally and spiritually. We want to do what we can to help.

Remember to pray especially for leaders and for those who must engage in heroic forms of ‘risky behaviours’: medical personnel, emergency responders, those who deal with the dead and their families, those who keep vital services operating, and those mostly unseen people who enable

these others to keep going.

Sunday Sermons: Sunday service can be viewed on the Gathering Table website <http://gatheringtable.ca> and on the Gathering Table Facebook page. The whole service will be live streamed at 10 a.m. Sunday at the link <http://gatheringtable.ca> **Please Note** You may be visible on the online stream

PWRDF announces matching funding for Light for Every Birth project

The future looks even brighter for moms and babies at rural health clinics in Mozambique awaiting installation of a “solar suitcase.” A generous donor has offered to match all donations to the Light for Every Birth project, dollar for dollar, up to \$100,000. Funds must be donated by September 30, 2021.

A solar suitcase is a wall-mounted device that attaches to a solar panel on the roof of the clinic. The “suitcase” opens to reveal phone charging ports, a head lamp and a fetal Doppler. In 2016, PWRDF installed 30 solar suitcases which have made a significant impact on safe labour, delivery and post-natal care. PWRDF is now preparing to bring light to 50 more clinics.

You can help!

- make a donation
- watch and share our video
- organize a fundraiser as an individual, group, parish, deanery or diocese

- Invite PWRDF to join a virtual (live or recorded) service
- pray for the project and the people it will support
- participate in this year's Ride for Refuge
- join our webinar on June 22 to meet our partner in Mozambique and learn more

Visit our Light for Every Birth page on our website at pwrdf.org/solarsuitcases2021.



Do you miss being at **Camp Gitchigomee** again this year? Then check out www.campgitchigomee.ca for some exciting events happening for you to join in and have some fun at home. **Camp Logs** are also available for a small donation, to add to your collection.

**2022 Canadian Church Calendars
have arrived in the office. Just \$5.00 each**





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Jim Sutton

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Sheila Chisholm

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Pianist Donna Hamill

Organist (Vacant)

Archbishop Anne's Motto for 2021

“He has shown you, O mortal, what is good.
And what does the Lord require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy
and to walk humbly with your God.” *Micah 6:8*