

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



**Accession Day of HM Queen Elizabeth 11**

GREETINGS IN THE NAME OF THE RISEN LORD

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**The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany**

**Accession Day of HM Queen Elizabeth 11**

**Presider: Jim Sutton  
Preaching: Brenda O'Neill**

February 6<sup>th</sup> , 2022

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.**

**Welcome and Opening Remarks**

I am the light of the world, says the Lord.  
Those who follow me will not walk in darkness,  
but will have the light of life. *John 8.12*

**Music Before the Liturgy:**

Jesus Shall Reign Where're the Sun

**Gathering of the Community**

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*Please stand, as you are able, for the Gathering of the Community*

*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 glorious in his saints:

**O come, let us worship.**

**Canticle 22b**

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All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine,  
didst yield the glory that of right was thine,  
that in our darkened hearts thy grace might shine:  
alleluia!

Thou cam'st to us in lowliness of thought;  
by thee the outcast and the poor were sought,  
and by thy death was God's salvation wrought:  
alleluia!

Let this mind be in us which was in thee,  
who wast a servant that we might be free,  
humbling thyself to death on Calvary:  
alleluia!

Wherefore, by God's eternal purpose, thou  
art high exalted o'er all creatures now,  
and given the name to which all knees shall bow:  
alleluia!

Let every tongue confess with one accord  
in heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord;  
and God the Father and God the Spirit be by all adored:  
alleluia!

The Lord is glorious in his saints:  
**O come, let us worship.**

**The Proclamation of the Word**  
*(Please be seated for the readings.)*

**First Reading is found in The Book of  
1 Kings 3: 6 – 14**

<sup>6</sup> And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today.

<sup>7</sup> And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in.

<sup>8</sup> And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted.

<sup>9</sup> Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?”

<sup>10</sup> It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this.

<sup>11</sup> God said to him, “Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right,

<sup>12</sup> I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.

<sup>13</sup> I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you.

<sup>14</sup> If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life.”

This is the Word of The Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 72: 1 – 7**

- <sup>1</sup> Give the king your justice, O God,  
and your righteousness to a king's son.
- <sup>2</sup> May he judge your people with righteousness,  
and your poor with justice.
- <sup>3</sup> May the mountains yield prosperity for the people,  
and the hills, in righteousness.
- <sup>4</sup> May he defend the cause of the poor of the people,  
give deliverance to the needy, and crush the oppressor.
- <sup>5</sup> May he live while the sun endures,  
and as long as the moon, throughout all generations.
- <sup>6</sup> May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass,  
like showers that water the earth.
- <sup>7</sup> In his days may righteousness flourish  
and peace abound, until the moon is no more.

**The Second Reading is found in  
Matthew 22: 15 – 22**

- <sup>15</sup> Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said.
- <sup>16</sup> So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and

show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality.

<sup>17</sup> Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?”

<sup>18</sup> But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites?

<sup>19</sup> Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius.

<sup>20</sup> Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?”

<sup>21</sup> They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.”

<sup>22</sup> When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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**Thanks be to God.**

**A Gradual:**        Wind Upon the Waters –  
   *Ted & Donna Hamill*

*Please stand, as you are able, for the reading of the Gospel.*

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Luke 5: 1 - 11**

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**A Sermon / Message: Brenda O'Neill**

**A time of silence for reflection:**

**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.**

**This is the first and the great commandment.**

**The second is like it:**

**Love your neighbour as yourself.**

**There is no commandment greater than these.**

**Music:**

The Lorica

*Steve Bell*

**Intercessions and Thanksgivings**

**Collect for**

**Accession Day of HM Queen Elizabeth 11**

**Almighty God, fountain of all goodness, bless our**

**Sovereign Lady, Queen Elizabeth, and all who are**

**in authority under her; that they may order all**



**things in wisdom and equity, righteousness and peace, to the honour of your name, and the good of your Church and people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**A Prayer for our Parish**

**Gracious God, during this vacancy, guard and grow our Parish of Gathering Table as we serve you together in this period without an incumbent.**

**Lord Jesus, we know that you have plans for us and that these plans are always good. We ask now that you will help us to share responsibility, grow in faith, love one another, care for those in need, reach out to others, and welcome newcomers and visitors.**

**Holy Spirit, please guide those who are seeking the right person for us, and those who are seeking the right place for their ministry, that together we may discover your way for the future and see your kingdom grow. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People**

**Litany 5**

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**Let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, hear our prayer.”  
Lord, hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for the peace of the world, remembering today the tensions in Ukraine and the generations of conflict in the Middle East: the Lord grant that we may live together in justice and faith.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for this country, and especially for Queen Elizabeth on the commemoration of her 70 years as queen, Governor General Mary Simon, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, and all in authority: the Lord help them to serve this people according to his holy will.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for children and young people: the Lord guide their growth and development. And let us pray for parents and caregivers, that the Lord grant them wisdom, patience and a deep love for their families.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for the sick: the Lord deliver them and keep them in his love (.....add your own names silently or aloud).

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for all who are condemned to exile, prison, harsh treatment, or hard labour, for the sake of justice and truth: the Lord support them and keep them steadfast.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We remember the prophets, apostles, martyrs, and all who

have borne witness to the gospel: the Lord direct our lives in the same spirit of service and sacrifice.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

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.**

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.**

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**

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** (adapted from John O'Donohue)

Like the joy of the sea coming home to shore,  
May the relief of laughter rinse through our souls.

As the wind loves to call things to dance,  
May our gravity be lightened by grace.

Like the dignity of moonlight restoring the earth,  
May our thoughts incline with reverence and respect.

As water takes whatever shape it is in,  
So free may we be about who we become.

As silence smiles on the other side of what's said,

May our sense of irony bring perspective.

As time remains free of all that it frames,  
May our minds stay clear of all its names.

May our prayer of listening deepen enough  
to hear in the depths the laughter of God.”

## **Announcements**

**Closing Music:** Will You Come and Follow Me

### **Dismissal**

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

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

Please note that there is a 'treasure chest' at the back of the church where offerings can be left when leaving the church.

*At the conclusion of the service, please remain seated until an usher dismisses you. If you are helping with post-service cleaning or counting, please remain seated until ushers indicate it is safe to move about.*

### **Readings for The 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany**

Jeremiah 17: 5 - 10

Psalm 1

1 Corinthians 15: 12 – 20

Luke 6: 17 - 26

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer Please Pray for:**

4th Sunday before Lent  
**The Church of Ireland**

**Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer :**

**Please Pray for:**

**ACC:** The Rt. Rev. John Watton, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Central Newfoundland

**ELCIC** The dean, council, and congregations of the Two Rivers, Nith Valley and Niagara Areas of the Eastern Synod

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

St. Saviour's, Blind River, Church of the Redeemer, Thessalon, The Ven. Roberta Wilson-Garrett, The Rev. Canon Bob Elkin (Hon.)

**Parish Cycle of Prayer**

**Please pray for our own church members:**

Bruce and Georgina Adderley, Roberta Adderley, Angela Alberta and Ava, Katelin Anderson, Ryan Thrasher, Brooke-Lynn, Scarlett, and Olivia, Margaret Aris, Darlene Armstrong, Errol Atkinson, Wilson Barton, Sabata Baya, Brandon and Ellen Beaudry and Clint, Richard and Lesley BeauParlant, Wendy Bell, Ellie Bennett , Kerri and Shane Bernardi, Sydney and Samuel, Kim Bienvenue, Adrian Boissoneau, Jim Bolt, Margaret Boone,

**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.

### **Prayer during Vacancy of Our Parish**

Heavenly Father,

During this vacancy, guard and grow our Parish as we serve you together in this period without an incumbent.

Lord Jesus, we know that you have plans for us and that these plans are always good. We ask now that you will help us to share responsibility, grow in faith, love one another, care for those in need, reach out to others, and welcome newcomers and visitors.

Holy Spirit, please guide those who are seeking the right person for us, and those who are seeking the right place for their ministry, that together we may discover your way for the future of Gathering Table and see your kingdom grow.

Amen.

A grace note from [www.thunderbay-northshoreanglicans.com](http://www.thunderbay-northshoreanglicans.com)

Follow and go deep with Jesus.

### **Reminder about Visitations:**

Pastoral care visits will continue to be restricted to emergency situations – please call the office 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](mailto:chisholmsheilak@gmail.com)  
or text /phone 306-240-0771.

**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

**Gathering Table Annual Vestry Meeting  
Sunday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022 @ 1:30 p.m.  
Via Zoom**



**2022 Envelopes**  
are now available at the back of the church.  
**Or Ask About Electronic Offering Program**

**World Day of Prayer March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 - Pray Now**  
The World Day of Prayer (WDP) 2022 program was written by the women of England, Wales and Northern Ireland with the theme, "*I Know the Plans I have for You*"

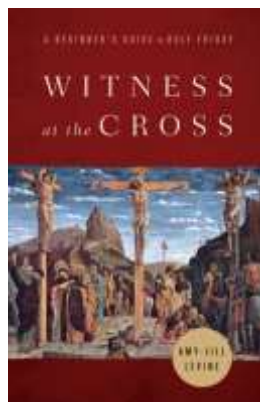


based on Jeremiah 29:1-14. The traditional WDP time is the first Friday in March. Its international committee is calling women and men to join in prayer for *Pray NOW*. *Pray NOW 2022* is a 4-part series of informed prayer together. Each will be a video or podcast link for you to join anytime. The 30-minute video will consist of a panel conversation with information related to WDP followed by prayer. You will learn more about WDP and will also experience different styles of prayer. <https://wicc.org/get-involved/events/>

**CAMP GITCHIGOMEЕ 2022**  
**MEMBERSHIPS NOW AVAILABLE for \$5.00**

Support the work of Camp Gitchigomee by purchasing a \$5.00 Yearly Membership. See David Reid or call Roberta Wolfe at the church office or contact the camp at [campgitchigomee@gmail.com](mailto:campgitchigomee@gmail.com) Thank You

**Lenten Book Study with Rev. Gail Clifton**  
Called Witness at the Cross: A Beginner's Guide to Holy Friday. It will start Tuesday Mar. 8<sup>th</sup> and continue Mar. 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> all 2-4. If necessary we will include Apr. 5<sup>th</sup>. For more information contact Rev. Gail @ 768-9865



## NEWS FROM PWRDF

- PWRDF allocates \$80K to Indigenous communities coping with COVID
- Response slows spread of COVID in India
- Sabbath Rest Learning Module draws a crowd
- Zoom panel brings together East Africa partners

PPE for Kingfisher Lake First Nation went up north by an Air Bravo charter this morning, January 28, 2022,” wrote Archdeacon Deborah after watching the supplies get loaded on to the plane. “I am very grateful to PWRDF for providing \$5,000 for the purchase of PPE and for paying for the Air Bravo Charter, and to Titus Semple of Semple Enterprises for donating \$6,000 worth of additional PPE.”

By noon Friday, Semple had confirmation from the Chief of Kingfisher Lake that the plane had landed. Bishop Lydia Mamakwa, unable to travel to the airport because she was self-isolating, shared photos of the PPE being unloaded.

January 20, a huge truck carrying \$10,000 worth of food and sundries was being loaded at Westfort Foods in Thunder Bay. Archdeacon Deborah consulted with Sharon Angeconeb, a band member of Bearskin Lake First Nation who lives in Thunder Bay. Angeconeb arranged a list of needed supplies and helped coordinate the response with Westfort Foods. The truck set out on the ice roads to Bearskin Lake and arrived 16 hours later at the Michikan Lake School, where it was unloaded into the gym and distributed to those in need.

This \$15,000 is part of a larger response to support

Indigenous communities in Northern Ontario and Manitoba coping with the pandemic. [PWRDF has allocated \\$50,000 to Indigenous People's Alliance of Manitoba-North \(IPAM-N\)](#) to provide cleaning supplies to 12 communities in Northern Manitoba: Sherridon, Pikwitonei, Thicket Portage, Grand Rapids, Wabowden, Cormorant, Easterville, Leaf Rapids, Lynn Lake, Moose Lake, Brochet and Thompson. Another \$15,000 has been allocated to the Diocese of Rupert's Land to provide supplies to Tataskweyak First Nation in Northern Manitoba, also part of the Spiritual Ministry of Mishamikoweesh.



**Old Palm Crosses.** You may return any old palm crosses that you no longer want to the church before the end of February. We use them to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday which is on March 2nd 2022. They can be put in the basket at the back of the church.

Thank you from the Altar Guild.

The ashes for Ash Wednesday come from [burning the palms](#) from the preceding year's Palm Sunday. On Palm Sunday, the Sunday before Easter, parishioners are given palm fronds to represent the fronds that worshippers waved as Christ returned to Jerusalem for the final time before his death. The churches then usually keep the palm fronds throughout the following year, burning them the day before Ash Wednesday.

So while the ashes certainly do represent death, their use provides last year's old palms with something of a second life



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Brenda O’Neill and Jim Sutton, **On Leave:** Kim Bienvenue,

**Lay Reader in Training:** Richard Pepper

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| Rector’s Warden:        | Marg Boone                                |
| Deputy Rector’s Warden: | Dr. Michelle Proudfoot                    |
| People’s Warden:        | Jim Sutton                                |
| Deputy People’s Warden: | Sheila Chisholm                           |
| Co-Music Directors -    | Pianist Donna Hamill<br>Organist (Vacant) |

**Archbishop Anne's Motto for 2022**

“So, if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:  
everything old has passed away;  
see, everything has become new.”

(2. Cor. 5.17) “