

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

The Day of Pentecost

Presider: Kim Bienvenue

June 5th, 2022

10:00 a.m.

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.

Pre Service Song

Spirit Of the Living God

**Welcome To Gathering Table
and Opening Remarks**

**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful;
And kindle in us the fire of your love.**

Opening Music: Come, O God Of All The Earth

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.

Alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord renews the face of the earth:

O come, let us worship.

Canticle 11 A Song of Wisdom -

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**Wisdom freed from a nation of oppressors
a holy people and blameless race.**

**She entered the soul of a servant of the Lord,
withstood dread kings with wonders and
signs.**

**To the saints she gave the reward of their labours,
and led them by a marvellous way;
she was their shelter by day**

and their starlight through the night.

**She brought them across the Red Sea,
led them through mighty waters,
but their enemies she swallowed in the waves
and spat them out from the depths of the
abyss.**

**Lord, the righteous sang hymns to your name,
and praised with one voice your protecting
hand,
for Wisdom opened the mouths of the dumb,
and gave speech to the tongues of babes.**

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

**First Reading is found in The Book of Acts
Acts 2: 1 - 21**

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave

them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs - in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and

glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Or
Genesis 11: 1 – 9

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

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

PSALM 104: 25 – 35, 37b

O Lord, how manifold are your works! in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, creatures both small and great.

There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, which you have made for the sport of it.

All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.

You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

You hide your face, and they are terrified; you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; may the Lord rejoice in all his works. He looks at the earth and it trembles; he touches the mountains and they smoke.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

May these words of mine please him; I will rejoice in the Lord.

The Second Reading is from The Letter of Paul to the Romans

Romans 8: 14 – 17

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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Gradual: CP 254

O God, the Holy Ghost

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 14: 8 – 17, (25 – 27)

Philip said to Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

[I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind

you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

The Gospel of Christ.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Message: Reading from Steve Bell

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: CP 645 Come Down, O Love Divine

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

Collect for the Day of Pentecost

Almighty and everliving God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal, keep us in the unity of your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Prayers of the People

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.

PENTECOST Litany 16

Let us pray to God the Holy Spirit, saying, 'come, Holy Spirit, come'.

Inspire us to be bold in our mission so that we may not rest 'comfortably', but to seek renewal each day. Breathe new life into our fellowship so that all social and racial distinctions are extinguished. Build in us a true understanding and tolerance which recognizes that there are as many ways to seek your face, as there are faces who are seeking.

Come, Holy Spirit, creator, and renew the face of the earth.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

We ask your blessing on Rev Gail, Rev. Nancy, Rev. Gordon and on all in the church who minister to your people. Give them health, strength, wisdom and the discernment they covet, to serve others in Your Name. We ask also for your favour on Archbishop Anne and her family.

Come, Holy Spirit, counsellor, and touch our lips that we may proclaim your word...

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

We pray for the leaders of all nations, open their ears. Just as You miraculously spoke to the many peoples assembled in Jerusalem, may your sons and daughters continue to bring your message of LOVE to the leaders.

Lord, we come before you also as the citizens of this land. We ask you to take away from us all that makes us less than humane. Strengthen us with the power of your Spirit, that our attitude and outlook may become more like yours. Help us to remain positive - encouraging and appreciating one another, looking upon people in the same way that You do.

Come, Holy Spirit, power from on high: make us agents of peace and ministers of wholeness....

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

May the fire of the Holy Spirit burn up the dross in our hearts, warm them with love, and set them on fire with zeal for your service.

Come, Holy Spirit, breath of God, give life to the dry bones of this exiled age, and make us a living people, holy and free....

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Create in us a burning desire for a true spiritual unity in which all barriers are broken down, in which all people can worship in freedom, and in which the body of Christ will be truly one.

Come, Holy Spirit, wisdom and truth: strengthen us in the risk of faith...

Come, Holy Spirit, come. Amen.

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

Announcements

Closing Music: Spirit Of God

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.

Readings for Trinity Sunday

Proverbs 8: 1 – 4, 22 – 31

Psalm 8

Romans 5: 1 – 5

John 16: 12 – 15

Anglican Cycle of Prayer Please Pray for:

Pentecost

Thy Kingdom Come

The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer :

Please Pray for:

ACC: The theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario: Canterbury College, Huron College, Renison College, the Anglican Studies Program at Saint Paul University, Thorneloe University, Trinity College, Wycliffe College

ELCIC Luther College at the University of Regina and Luther College – High School.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for: Retired Clergy

Pray for the retired clergy in your deanery, many of whom continue to assist in parishes. We thank God for their dedicated service to Christ and the Church.

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Please pray for our own church members:

Adrian Boissoneau, Jim Bolt, Margaret Boone, Mary Browne and Jaclynn Marttunen, Connie Bryson, Murray Butler, Laura Byce, Anna and Grace Dosen, David L Bythell, Alan and Marilyn Chisholm, Doug and Sheila Chisholm, Rev. Gail Clifton and Gail Pell, Bruno Coda, Darleah Kostyniuk-Coda, and Cosmo Coda, Lois Colpitts, Maureen and Teresa Colpitts/Andreychuk, Brenda Coopman,

Please Pray For: Our young people in Junior High School, High School, College and University who are struggling academically, socially and mentally, especially

during the uncertainty of Covid-19 times, as well as with understanding their own identities.

Prayer during Vacancy in 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

Be empowered by the Holy Spirit.

Reminder about Visitations:

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



2022 Envelopes

are now available at the back of the church.

Or Ask About Electronic Offering Program

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Gathering Table Prayer Chain

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 phone 787-0253 or text 1-306-240-0771

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



Summer Camp 2022

Camper Bursary Opportunities

Would you be interested in sponsoring a youth at camp this summer? Please talk to Roberta Wolfe, or Jim Sutton for more details.

Registration is now open for our 3 Summer camp weeks. www.campgitchigomee.ca Part Bursaries are available, and applications are available at any Anglican Church, or on the website.

Camp Gitchigomee is Looking For Camp Staff

We are looking for **both paid and volunteer staff** for the weeks of July 3 – 9, July 10 – 16 and July 17 – 23. (Both male and female Cabin Leaders ages 18+ years)

Life Guards (ages 16 +) and **Waterfront Director** age 18+ both must have National Lifesaving .

Cooks, Assistant Cook, Cooks' Helper

Contact campgitchigomee@gmail.ca for more information



PWRDF NEWS

Archbishop Anne encourages us to get our COVID-19 vaccinations and in thanksgiving for this, to **PAY IT FORWARD** by making a donation to PWRDF's Vaccine Equity Fund.

PWRDF UPDATE RE: UKRAINE

As of April 4/22 there have been donations \$400,000 for relief work in Ukraine since the war started Feb.24/22. As well as funding work with Ukrainian refugees fleeing to Hungary and Moldova. Please pray for an end to this terrible war and give as you are able.

How To Give: To make a donation to this response, go to pwrdf.org/give-today and click on **Response in Ukraine**. You may also donate by phone at 416-822-9083 or leave a voicemail toll-free at 1-866-308-7973 and we will return your call, or mail your cheque to PWRDF, 80 Hayden, 3rd floor, Toronto, Ontario, M4Y 3G2. Please mark **Ukraine** in the memo field. For more information contact:Linda Rintamaki (rep) linjrin@tbaytel.net

Sunday School Restarting – September 18th Needs Some Volunteers

We plan to restart our Sunday Church School Sept. 18th 2022. Ideally, the children would be divided into 3 age groups.....3 to 5, 6 to 8 and 9 to 11/12. Thus we are asking for your prayers for 2 Volunteers who would joyfully assist with this endeavor. Contact Ellen Teahan at eteahan@shaw.ca who is looking forward to being able to offer this teaching/learning opportunity to our children with the help of 2 additional weekly assistants.



GT's faithful, slightly soggy crew helping out with our
Spring up to Clean up at Field Street



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Brenda O’Neill and Jim Sutton, Kim Bienvenue,

Lay Reader in Training: Richard Pepper

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People’s Warden:	Jim Sutton
Deputy People’s Warden:	Sheila Chisholm
Co-Music Directors -	Pianist Donna Hamill 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) “