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

Presider and Preacher: Kimberly Bienvenue **Lector:** Al Chisholm

August 14th, 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.

<u>Pre Service Song:</u> Your Beloved

Welcome To Gathering Table and Opening Remarks

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me. *John 10.27*

Opening Music: CP #318

Rejoice Today with One Accord

Gathering of the Community BAS Page 47

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.

(Please sit or kneel as you are able)

We pray to you 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.

Canticle 2 Song of Peace

BAS page 75 Isaiah 2.2–5 Alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord renews the face of the earth:

O come, let us worship.

In the days to come the mountain of the house of the Lord shall tower as the highest of mountains and be raised above the hills.

There shall all the nations flow;
many peoples shall come and say,
"Let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob,
that he may teach us his ways
that we may walk in his paths."

For the law shall go out from Zion, from Jerusalem the word of the Lord. He shall judge between the nations and decide for many peoples.

They shall beat their swords into ploughshares, their spears into pruning-knives; nation shall not lift sword against nation; they shall never train for war again.

O people of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord. **Amen.**

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

O come, let us worship.

The Proclamation of the Word

(Please be seated for the readings.)

First Reading is found in Isaiah 5: 1 – 7

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briers and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

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

Psalm 80: 1-2, 8-18

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, stir up your strength and come to help us.

You have brought a vine out of Egypt; you cast out the nations and planted it.

You prepared the ground for it; it took root and filled the land.

The mountains were covered by its shadow and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.

You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea and its branches to the River.

Why have you broken down its wall, so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?

The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven; behold and tend this vine; preserve what your right hand has planted.

They burn it with fire like rubbish; at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish.

Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.

And so will we never turn away from you; give us life, that we may call upon your Name.

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

The Second Reading is from The Book of Hebrews

Hebrews 11: 29 – 12:2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets - who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented - of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

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

Gradual: Ancient Words

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Luke 12: 49 - 56

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and

daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in law." He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

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

Homily: Kimberly Bienvenue

Parochial Lay Reader

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 435 Take My Life and Let it be

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

Prayers of the People

Litany 5

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(Let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer.")

Let us pray for the peace of the world: 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, the Governor General, the Prime Minister, 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.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for the sick: the Lord deliver them and keep them in his love.

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.

Please stand as you are able as we pray together

Collect for the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin
and sent into our hearts the Spirit of your Son.
Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your
service, that all people may know the glorious
liberty of the children of God; through Jesus
Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

The Lord's Prayer:

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: Presider

Announcements

Closing Music: Great is Thy Faithfulness

(Fernando Ortega)

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 the Eleventh Sunday of Pentecost

Job 4: 1, 5: 1 – 11.... Psalm 146 Revelation 4: 1 – 11 Luke 13: 10 – 17

Anglican Cycle of Prayer Please Pray for:

9th Sunday after Trinity and 10th after Pentecost The Extra-Provincial Churches

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer: Please Pray for:

ACC: The Rt. Rev. Geoff Woodcroft, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of

Rupert's Land

ELCIC

The dean, council, and congregations of the West Central Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for:

St. Mary's, Nipigon, St. John's, Schreiber

Our Parish Cycle of Prayer

Please pray for our own church members:

Mary Ellen Gouliquer, Ted and Donna Hamill, Glen and Sally Hamilton, Wayne Hargrave, Diane Hartley, Mary Louise Hill, Irene Humby, Isaiah and Rosalie Jacob, and Raymond Greg, Rose Jardine, Derek and Denise Jetten, Hazel Johnson, Daniel and Amelia Joseph, Amanda Kase, John Kirchen, Alex and Sylvia Kostecki, Bob and Carol Lee Kostyniuk, Richard and Adrianne Lambert, and Kaylee,

<u>Please Pray For:</u> 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

Caution! Reality checks ahead.

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

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 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

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 weekly assistants.

For Sale By Donation - 2 black compost bins at the church. Please leave a message at the church office - 345 - 6898 or contact a warden if you or a friend are interested in obtaining one.

This message was received from the Canadian House of Bishops during the 2022 Lambeth Conference.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. 1 Peter 2:10



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Rector's Warden: David Reid

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People's Warden: Jim Sutton

Deputy People's Warden: Sheila Chisholm

Co-Music Directors - Pianist Donna Hamill

Organist (Vacant)

Archbishop Ann

"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) "