Gathering Table a Faith Community in the Anglican Church of Canada

SEASON OF CREATION 1



GREETINGS IN THE NAME OF THE RISEN LORD

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Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost Season of Creation 1

Presider and Preacher: Rose Jardine Lector: Richard Pepper Greeters: Audrey and Neil Love

September 4th, 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> The Steadfast Love of the Lord:

Welcome To Gathering Table and Opening Remarks

Let your countenance shine upon your servant and teach me your statutes. *Psalm 119.135*

Opening Music: Wind Upon the Waters

Introductory Response 7

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Please stand, as you are able.

Presider: God's love has been poured into our hearts.

ALL: We dwell in him and he in us.

Presider: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name; ALL: Make known his deeds among the peoples.

Presider: Sing to him, sing praises to him,

ALL: And speak of all his marvellous works.

Presider: Holy, holy, is the Lord God almighty,

ALL: Who was and is and is to come!

Penitential Rite: (Please remain standing.)

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

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Isaiah 2.2–5

Responsively, by verse:

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

ALL: 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.

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 the Book of Job

Job 25: 1-6, 27: 1-6

- 1 Then Bildad the Shuhite answered:
- ² 'Dominion and fear are with God; he makes peace in his high heaven.
- ³ Is there any number to his armies? Upon whom does his light not arise?
- 4 How then can a mortal be righteous before God? How can one born of woman be pure?
- ⁵ If even the moon is not bright and the stars are not pure in his sight, ⁶ how much less a mortal, who is a maggot, and a human being, who is a worm!'

Job Maintains His Integrity

1 Job again took up his discourse and said:

- ² 'As God lives, who has taken away my right, and the Almighty, [a] who has made my soul bitter, ³ as long as my breath is in me and the spirit of God is in my nostrils
- 4 my lips will not speak falsehood, and my tongue will not utter deceit.
- ⁵ Far be it from me to say that you are right; until I die I will not put away my integrity from me.
- ⁶ I hold fast my righteousness, and will not let it go; my heart does not reproach me for any of my days.

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

Psalm 98

Praise the Judge of the World

- ¹O sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvellous things. His right hand and his holy arm have gained him victory.
- ² The LORD has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.
- ³ He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen

the victory of our God.

- ⁴ Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.
- ⁵ Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.
- ⁶ With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.
- ⁷ Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.
- ⁸ Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy

⁹ at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

The Second Reading is found in the book of Revelation 14: 1-7, 13

The Lamb and the 144,000

14 Then I looked, and there was the Lamb, standing on Mount Zion! And with him were one hundred and forty-four thousand who had his name and his Father's name written on their foreheads.

² And I heard a voice from heaven like the sound of many waters and like the sound of loud thunder; the voice I heard was like the sound of harpists playing on their harps,

³ and they sing a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and before the elders. No one could learn that song except the one hundred forty-four thousand who have been redeemed from the earth.

4 It is these who have not defiled themselves with women, for they are virgins; these follow the Lamb wherever he goes. They have been redeemed from humankind as first fruits for God and the Lamb,

⁵ and in their mouth no lie was found; they are blameless.

The Messages of the Three Angels

⁶Then I saw another angel flying in mid-heaven, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth—to every nation and tribe and language and people.

⁷ He said in a loud voice, 'Fear God and give him glory, for the hour of his judgement has come; and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.'

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

Gradual: O Jesus I have promised

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 14: 25 - 33

Now large crowds were travelling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

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

Homily: Rose Jardine Parochial Lay Reader

Music: Come, O God of all the earth

Litany #5 BAS page 114

(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, for Queen Elizabeth, Governor General Mary Simon, Prime Minister Trudeau, and all in authority.

Let us also pray for this region: Lord, please guide the people in their decisions for future Municipal Leaders. And for the Anishnaabeg Peoples, on whose traditional lands we are privileged to gather today.

We ask the Lord help our leaders to serve the 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.

(The Presider will read a list of names of those who have

asked for prayer. Please add the names of those who are on your heart today.)

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 give thanks today, for Your steadfast faithfulness to this Parish. You have given wisdom, patience and discernment to the Concurrence Committee, you have heard our prayers. We pray for your continued blessing on the future of our mission, under the leadership of The Rev. Ann Camber. Holy Spirit, renew the fire.

Lord, hear our prayer. 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

(Please stand, as able.)

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.

Collect for the 13th Sunday after Pentecost Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive 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

(Please be seated.)

Announcements

Closing Music: Ten Thousand Reasons

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 Fourteenth Sunday of Pentecost Season of Creation 2

Jeremiah 4: 11 – 12, 22 - 28 Psalm 14
1 Timothy 12 - 17 Luke 15: 1 – 10

Anglican Cycle of Prayer Please Pray for:

12th Sunday after Trinity, 13th Sunday after Pentecost Season of Creation *1*

The Anglican Church of Australia

<u>Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer:</u> Please Pray for:

ACC:

The theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land: Arthur Turner Training School, the Centre for Christian Studies, the College of Emmanuel and St. Chad, Henry Budd College for Ministry, Saint John's College, Dr. William Winter School for Ministry, James Settee College for Ministry

ACC/ELCIC

The Season of Creation and a renewed commitment to a healthy relationship with the Earth

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for:

Christian Education Leaders, Teachers, and Students in the Theological Colleges: Thorneloe University and St. Mark's Chapel

The Rev. Canon Dr. John Gibaut, President and Provost (Thorneloe)/Chaplain of St. Mark'

Our Parish Cycle of Prayer

Please pray for our own church members:

Matthew and Desiree Reilly, Madison and Owen, Jonas Riauka, William and Lillian Richmond, Linda Rintamaki and Wayne Edmunds, Mary Ripley, and Grace Dawson, Muriel Rowan, Alan and Cynthia Roy, Graham and Michael, Kenneth and Irene Roy, Marlene Salmonson, David Semples, Ophelia Shawinimash, Lucy Shewaybick, Shirley Siipola, Mark Smith, Jay Smith, Laura-Lee Smith,

Dale and Sharon Sparkes,

<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.

A grace note from <u>www.thunderbay-northshoreanglicans.com</u>

Leave all obstacles behind and love God with your whole heart.

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

FALL HARVEST CELEBRATION – Sept. 25th

The time of harvesting crops is upon us and the Altar Guild is calling on you to help with the Harvest Sunday celebration - Sunday September 25th.

With the relaxation of restrictions, we will once again enjoy a fully decorated church this year using your donations of fruits and vegetables, given in thanksgiving, for what has been grown and provided by farmers near and far.

Donated items may be dropped off at the church Friday 23rd before 11:30 or brought on Saturday 24th morning at 10:00 while members of the Guild are decorating. The produce will be given to our food clients following the service.

The Altar Guild has only 4 members at this time. We invite you to come and assist us with the filling of the wicker baskets. It would be a tremendous help. We are usually finished by 11:30.

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.

FALL EVENTS AT GATHERING TABLE

Groups or individuals wishing to use the Parish Hall, or Kitchen, must fill in the Gathering Table Booking Request Form that is available by calling the office at 345-6898 or by emailing the office at (office@gatheringtable.ca). They have to be approved by the Wardens.

Flowers Please contact the Altar Guild if you or your family would like to place flowers on the altar on a Sunday.

Our Daily Bread for September, October, November 2022

Available at the back of the church

PWRDF WILD RIDE/PUT YOUR STAMP ON IT



The UN High Commission for Refugees announced that there are now over 100 million refugees and displaced persons, 1% of the world's population. We can join the PWRDF Wild Ride campaign to support PWRDF's partners who serve refugees and displaced people.

Archbishop Linda Nicholls, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, will present 2 Hymn Sings on Facebook Live on Sept.22/22 and Sept.24/22 at 7 pm ET. Request your favourite hymn when you make your donation to her campaign. Go to pwrdf.org/wild-ride and look for her fund raising page. (Look for the search bar

and click on Hymn Sing)

Linda Rintamaki PWRDF Rep (linjrin@tbaytel.net

Archbishop Anne Germond is pleased to announce the following appointment in the Diocese of Algoma:

Gathering Table - Thunder Bay

The Rev. Ann Camber as Incumbent of the parish commencing September 15, 2022. Rev. Ann is well-known in Thunder Bay Deanery as she has been involved in St. Paul's Church for a number of years in many capacities, and has been serving most recently in diaconal ministry with the Churches of St. Thomas, St. James, and St. Mark's. We uphold Rev. Ann and the people of Gathering Table in prayer as they prepare to begin ministry together.



Calendar of Events

Sept. 7 th ,	Altar Guild Meeting in Parish Hall 7 p.m
Sept. 11 th	Food Cupboard at 11:30 p.m
Sept. 18 th	First service at 10 a.m. for
-	The Rev. Ann Cambers
Sept. 20 th	Camp Gitchigomee Meeting in Parish
•	Hall at 7 p.m.
Sat. Sept. 24	Decorating the Church for Harvest
	Thanksgiving – 9:30 a.m.
Sat. Sept. 24	St. Stephens's Turkey Dinner – 6 p.m.
•	Advance Tickets Janet 621-7410
	Current River Rec. Centre
Sun. Sept. 25 th	Holy Communion at 10 a.m.
•	Food Cupboard at 11:30 p.m.
Fri. Sept. 30 th	National Day for Truth and
-	Reconciliation
Sun. Oct. 2 nd	National Day - Truth and Reconciliation
	Photo Directory pictures in the Parish
	Hall after the service
Sun. Oct. 2 nd	Sunday School begins
Sun. Oct. 16 th	Celebrating 150 years of Services at 228
	228 Pearl Street.
	Photos also being done
Sun. Oct. 30 th	Photo directory pictures in Parish Hall





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Office Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Friday from 8 a.m. to noon

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Honorary Assistant: The Rev. Gail M. Clifton, M.Div.

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Lay Readers: Frances Bennett-Sutton, Rose Jardine, Brenda O'Neill and Jim Sutton, Kim Bienvenue,

Lay Reader in Training: Richard Pepper

Rector's Warden: David Reid

Deputy Rector's Warden: Vacant

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) "