

Gathering Table
A Faith Community in the
Anglican Church of Canada

SEASON OF CREATION 2



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SEASON OF CREATION 2022

The Burning Bush

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GREETINGS IN THE NAME OF THE RISEN LORD

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**Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost
Season of Creation 2**

Presider: Kim Bienvenue
Preacher: Richard
Lector: Al Chisholm
Greeters: Al and Marilyn Chisholm

September 11th, 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: **For The Beauty of The Earth**

**Welcome To Gathering Table
and Opening Remarks**

There is joy before the angels of God over one sinner
who repents. *Luke 15.10*

Opening Music:

How Deep The Father's Love For Us

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, 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 # 3
Song of Thanksgiving**

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Isaiah 12. 2 - 6*

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

O come, let us worship.

Surely, it is God who saves me; *

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defence, *

and he will be my Saviour.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *

from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, *

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

make his deeds known among the peoples; *

see that they remember that his name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *

and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *

for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

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 Jeremiah Jeremiah 4: 11 – 12, 22 - 28

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgement against them. "For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good." I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the Lord, before his fierce anger. For thus says the Lord: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

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

Psalm 14

REFRAIN The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all.

The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.

The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.

The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all.

Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad; there is none who does good; no, not one.

Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?

The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all.

See how they tremble with fear, because God is in the company of the righteous.

Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, but the Lord is their refuge.

The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all.

Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.

The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all.

The Second Reading is found in the First Letter of Paul to Timothy

1 Timothy 12 - 17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners - of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Gradual: **CP 249** *(all 3 verses)*

Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow

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 15: 1 – 10

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to

listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

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

Homily: Richard Pepper

Parochial Lay Reader

A time of silence for reflection:

Litany 18 A Responsive Intercession

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In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

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 bishop, 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.

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

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: **Alas, And Did My Saviour Bleed**

Collect for the 14th Sunday after Pentecost
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Almighty God, you call your Church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to you. Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all

who hear it may turn to you; 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: **Saviour, Like A Shepherd Lead Us**

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 Fifteenth Sunday of Pentecost
Season of Creation 3

Jeremiah 8: 18 – 9:1
1 Timothy 1 - 7

Psalm 79: 1 - 9
Luke 16: 1 – 13

Anglican Cycle of Prayer Please Pray for:

13th Sunday after Trinity
Season of Creation

The Church of Bangladesh

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer :

Please Pray for:

ACC: The The Most Rev. Lynne McNaughton,
Metropolitan, and the clergy and people of
the Ecclesiastical Province of British
Columbia and Yukon

ELCIC The staff of the British Columbia Synod

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for:

**Christian vocations and for candidates for
ordained ministry.**

Pastoral Chaplains: The Rev. Canon Bob Elkin,
Algoma, The Rev. Heather Manuel, Muskoka, The Ven.
Linda White, Temiskaming, The Rev. Diane Hilpert-
McIlroy, Diocesan

Our Parish Cycle of Prayer

Please pray for our own church members:

Tom and Colleen Speer, Eric and Ann Strand, Evelyn Strawson, Charles Suganaqueb, Jim and Frances Sutton, Ellen Teahan, Violet Thomson, Bob and Marjorie Tutkaluk, Duncan Twance, Elroy Ulmer, Terry Wade, Dan and Val Walter, Barbara Warwick, Elizabeth Whalley, and Jim, Carl and Roberta Wolfe, Michael Wolfe and Heidi Dreher-Wolfe, Makayla and Riley, Anne Zale

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.

Season of Creation Prayer:

Creator of All,

From your communion of love your Word went forth to create a symphony of life that sings your praise. By your Holy Wisdom you made the Earth to bring forth a diversity of creatures who praise you in their being. You called human beings to till and keep your garden. But we turn in on ourselves and away from our co-creatures. We fail to listen to the cries of the poor and the needs of the most vulnerable. We silence the voices of those who hold the traditions that teach us to care for the Earth. We close our ears to your creative, reconciling and sustaining Word that calls to us through the Scriptures. Creation cries out as forests crackle, and animals alike flee the fires of injustice that we have lit by our unwillingness to listen. In this Season of Creation, we pray that you would call to us, as from the burning bush, with the sustaining fire of your

Spirit. Turn us from our inward gaze. Teach us to contemplate your creation, and listen for the voice of each creature declaring your glory. Give us hearts to listen, enlighten us with your grace, and fill us with the hope to quench the fires of injustice with the light of your healing love that sustains our common home. In the name of the One who came to proclaim good news to all creation, Jesus Christ. Amen.

A grace note from www.thunderbay-northshoreanglicans.com

Turn your expectations upside down!
Do you know your one?
Search and Rejoice when one is found.

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

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.

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 Oct. 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 usually finish by 11:30.



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 Sept. – Nov. 2022

Available at the back of the church



Calendar of Events

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| Sept. 11 th | Food Cupboard at 11:30 p.m. |
| Sept. 18 th | First service with The Rev. Ann Camber |
| 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. Stephen's Turkey Dinner – 6 p.m.
See Poster in Parish Hall for details |
| Sun. Sept. 25 th | Holy Communion at 10 a.m.
Food Cupboard at 11:30 p.m. |
| Sun. Sept 25 th | Mission to Seafarer's Open House
1:30 p.m. – 4 p.m.- a light lunch will be provided. |
| 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 Pearl Street. Photos also being done
Octoberr 28 th	Mission to Seafarer's Fund Raising Dinner – Current River C.C 450 Dewe Ave. Symposium 6:15 p.m.
Sun. Oct. 30 th	Photo directory pictures in Parish Hall
Nov. 22 nd	Christmas Gift Bags due at Centre

Archbishop Anne Germond is pleased to announce
**The Rev. Ann Camber as Incumbent of the parish
of Gathering Table - Thunder Bay**



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.



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{Begins Sept. 15th, 2022}

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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) “