Gathering Table a Faith Community in the Anglican Church of Canada



5th Sunday of Lent

GREETINGS IN THE NAME OF THE RISEN LORD

Been – Sa – gen, Jem na do waky gan ning

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Presider and Preacher: Rev. Ann Camber

Lay Reader: Rose Jardine

Music: Donna and Ted Hamill and Singers **Lector**: Al Chisholm, Sheila Chisholm

Eucharistic Assistants: Richard Pepper, David Reid

Greeters: Connie Bryson, Elaine McKinnon

Altar Guild: Elaine McKinnon

Fifth Sunday of Lent - Holy Eucharist

March 26th, 2023

10:00 a.m.

Welcome to all our visitors and newcomers. We're glad you're here! We invite you to sign our Visitors Book at the back of the church. We encourage "Masks" to be worn in accordance with the most recent COVID-19 Protocols from the Diocese of Algoma.

For thousands of years, First Nations people have walked on this land; their 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 resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. *John 11. 25, 26*

Opening Music: CP 175

Forty Days And Forty Nights (all 5 verses)

Gathering of the Community

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<u>Presider:</u> The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Collect Of The Day for the Fifth Sunday of Lent

<u>Presider:</u> Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us with the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All: Amen

Children's Time: Rev. Ann Camber

Kyrie Eleison Sung

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading is from The Book of Ezekiel Ezekiel 37: 1 – 14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of

Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

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

Psalm 130

Refrain: The Lord shall redeem us from all our sins.

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice; let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

Refrain: The Lord shall redeem us from all our sins.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; in his word is my hope.

Refrain: The Lord shall redeem us from all our sins.

My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

Refrain: The Lord shall redeem us from all our sins.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy;

With him there is plenteous redemption, and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

Refrain: The Lord shall redeem us from all our sins.

Second Reading is from The Letter of Paul to The Romans

Romans 8: 6 - 11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead

will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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

Gradual: Days Of Elijah

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 11: 1 – 45

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend

Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw

Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

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

Sermon: Rev. Ann Camber

A time for reflection

The Apostles' Creed –

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Presider: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

Prayers of the People Litany 14 for Lent.

Lay Reader

(With confidence and trust let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy.")

Heavenly Father, we ask your blessing on The Rev. Ann

Camber and The Rev. Gail Clifton, for strength and wisdom as they serve you. We pray for Archbishop Ann, for wise advisors and constant refreshing in your Spirit. We pray for all ordained and lay ministers during this busy time of celebration and preparation.

Fill us, Lord, with the power of your Holy Spirit and grant that your entire church show your endless mercy to the world.

For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church throughout the world, we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help us to 'preach the gospel without words', to fulfill the mission you have chosen for Gathering Table. Help us to make it obvious to the world, that you are our joy.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

We pray for candidates, their sponsors and families, here and around the world, as we prepare for the day of their Holy Baptism.

For those preparing for baptism and for their teachers and sponsors, we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

We pray for the many nations experiencing internal conflict due to invasion, terrorist insurgency, drug wars and civil wars. Shorten the days of their suffering.

For peace in the world, that a spirit of respect and

reconciliation may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Let us pray for the sick. The names of the ones who have asked for our prayers will be read; please also lift before the Lord, others who need our prayers:

(LIST read by Lay Reader)

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help the Gathering Table family to grow in courage, humility and to seek reconciliation with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

For all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In this Lenten season, guide us to live the example set by Jesus and all the saints.

For grace to amend our lives and to further the reign of God, we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

The Confession and Absolution – BAS Page 191

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites us to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you **And also with you**

Offertory: CP 179 (V 1,2,5 and 6f)
Tree Of Life And Awesome Mystery

Prayer over the Gifts

<u>Presider</u>: Giver of life, your Son has destroyed the power of death for all those who believe in him. Accept all

we offer you this day and strengthen us in faith and hope; through Jesus Christ, the Lord of all the living.

All: Amen

Receiving Holy Communion

This is the table of Christ made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more. So come, whether you have much faith or little, have tried to follow or afraid you have failed. Come because it is Christ's will that those who want to meet him, might meet him here.

Our tradition says that to receive any part of the Eucharist is to receive the full grace of the Sacrament.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer #4

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Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

<u>Presider:</u> Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

<u>Presider</u>: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **All:** It is right to give our thanks and praise

Presider: It is right to give you thanks and praise,

O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe,

you are worthy of glory and praise.

All: Glory to you for ever and ever.

<u>Presider:</u> At your command all things came to be:

the vast expanse of interstellar space,

galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses,

and this fragile earth, our island home;

by your will they were created and have their

being.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

<u>Presider:</u> From the primal elements you brought forth

the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill; you made us the stewards of

creation.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: But we turn against you, and betray your

trust; and we turn against one another.

Again and again you call us to return.

Through the prophets and sages you reveal

your righteous law.

In the fullness of time you sent your Son,

born of a woman, to be our Saviour.

He was wounded for our transgressions,

and bruised for our iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

<u>Presider:</u> Therefore we praise you, joining with the

heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles,

and martyrs, and with those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord
God of power and might
Heaven and earth are
full of Your glory
Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is He who comes
in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna in the highest

Patrick Schlabs

Presider:

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

All: Glory to you for ever and ever.

<u>Presider:</u>

Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming as Lord of all the nations. We who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

All: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider:

Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation.

Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator of all.

All: Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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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.

The Breaking of the Bread #7 BAS Page 213

<u>Presider:</u> We break this bread

All: Communion in Christ's body once broken.

<u>Presider:</u> Let your Church be the wheat

which bears its fruit in dying.

All: If we have died with him,

we shall live with him;

if we hold firm,

we shall reign with him.

<u>Presider:</u> The gifts of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Communion Music:

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God you take away

the sin of the world have mercy on us

Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world have mercy on us

Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world grant - us peace

CP 621 Before The World Began Hosea Melt My Soul To Love

Prayer After Communion

<u>Presider:</u> God of hope, in this eucharist we have tasted the promise of your heavenly banquet and the richness of eternal life. May we who bear witness to the death of your Son, also proclaim the glory of his resurrection, for he is Lord for ever and ever. <u>All:</u> Amen

Doxology: BAS page 214

Presider: Glory to God

All: whose power, working in us,
Can do infinitely more
Than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to
generation,
In the Church and in Christ Jesus,
For ever and ever. . Amen.

The Blessing: Rev. Ann Camber

Go now, and live in the spirit of your baptism, even when you are led into wild and hard places. With repentance and trust, give yourselves to God, and with fasting and prayer, strengthen yourselves against the ways of the tempter.

And may God enfold you in tender and lasting love.

May Christ be beside you in times of struggle.

And may the Spirit guide you back to the path whenever you stray, that you may keep the covenant, and understand and show the grace and love of God in a world that needs Jesus.

All: Amen.

Announcements:

Closing Music: Jesus Is A Rock In A Weary Land

Dismissal: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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 Palm Sunday

Liturgy of the Palms: 297, Matthew 21: 1-11 At the Procession: Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29 At the Eucharist: 299,

Isaiah 50: 4 – 9a ... Psalm 31: 9 - 16

Phil 2: 5 – 11 Matthew 26: 14 – 27:66

Or Matthew 27: 11 - 54

Anglican Cycle of Prayer Please Pray for:

5th Sunday of Lent Prayer for Repentance The Anglican Church of South America

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

ACC The theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada: The Atlantic School of Theology, Montreal Diocesan Theological, College, and Queen's College

ELCIC The congregations of the Northwestern Ontario area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for: St. Brice's, North Bay, The Rev. Dr. Peter Armstrong The Ven. Marie Loewen (Hon.)

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Please pray for our own church members:

Melanie Gottfred, Shannon and Marie MacLeod, 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

<u>Please Pray For:</u> 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.

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

The kingdom of God should reshape our vision of what matters.

Warm Clothing Needed at Mission to Seafarers

We have very little warm clothing on hand! The Mission to Seafarers would appreciate donations of warm, small to large size men's clothing. Many of the sailors on ocean-going vessels come from warmer countries and find our fall weather rather cold. Donations can be put in the drop off box outside the Seafarers' Centre [or given to the MTS Congregation Rep at each Anglican parish].

We Welcome Your Prayer Requests:

If you have any needs or concerns that you would like placed on the Gathering Table prayer chain, please email the request to prayerchain@gatheringtable.ca. If you do not have access to email, please call the office or Sheila Chisholm at 787-0253 and we will get it sent out for you.

Reminder about Visitations:

Rev. Ann has started her Pastoral care visits. If you would like a visit, please call 807-285-9446 or email her at: rector@gatheringtable.ca

2023 Envelopes are now available at the back A note about offerings: all information is on the shelves at the back of the Church.

If you used the numbered offering envelopes in 2022 you will find a personalized box of 2023 envelopes for your use. If you wish to use weekly offering envelopes you may take an unassigned box and add your name to the list beside the box number. If you would like to contribute using the Electronic Offering Program*, which we recommend, these forms are also available at the back of the Church fill in the information and turn it into the office. If you are already using EOP you may amend your offerings using the same form.

E-transfers can also be made to Gathering Table by using: office@gatheringtable.ca and use "church" as your security answer. If you require any assistance, please consult a Warden.

The EOP is administered by the Diocese and is a preauthorized payment plan offering a steady flow of funds to Gathering Table. It takes the worry about "catching up" if you are away or cannot attend for any reason.

Camp Gitchigomee Summer Camp Dates for 2023

July 9 – 15th, - **Senior Camp** (\overline{ages} 13 – 15) July 16 – 22nd, - **Junior Camp** (\overline{ages} 7 – 9) July 23 – 29th, - **Intermediate Camp** (\overline{ages} 10 – 12)

Bursaries are available through each Anglican Church. If you would like to sponsor a camper, please talk to Jim Sutton, or Roberta Wolfe.

EVENTS AT GATHERING TABLE

Groups or individuals wishing to use the Parish Hall, or Kitchen, may do so by filling out 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).

Calendar of Events

| Mar. 26 th | Coffee Hour and Food Cupboard |
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| Mar. 28 th | Parish Advisory Council Meeting 7 p.m. |
| Mar. 31st | Making Palm Crosses-10 a.m noon |
| April 2 nd | Palm Sunday with Congregational Pot Luck |
| | See sign up sheet in hall. |
| April 6 th | Maundy Thurs. 7 p.m. |
| April 7 th | Good Friday & Stations of The Cross 2 p.m. |
| April 8 th | Holy Saturday 7 p.m. |
| April 9 th | Easter Sunday 10 a.m. with Baptism |
| April 9 th | Food Cupboard |
| April 21st | Fund-raising Mission to Seafarers' Dinner |
| April 23 rd | Food Cupboard 11:30 a.m. |
| April 29 th | Scout Yard Sale – if you have anything you |
| | would like to donate – let Roberta know |
| May 1 st | Meat Order Due today - see Marg Boone |
| May 17 th | Meat pick up – see Marg Boone |
| May 24 th | AGM Mission to Seafarers' |
| June 24 th | Blessing of the Fleet |

<u>PWRDF</u> Responds to Syrian/Turkish Earthquake <u>How you can help:</u> Please pray for those affected and those helping. Donate to PWRDF's response <u>online</u>, or by calling 1-866-308-7973 or by mailing to PWRDF, 80 Hayden Street, 3rd Floor, Toronto, ON, Canada, M4Y 3G2, indicating Syrian Earthquake in the memo field.

Linda Rintamaki (rep)

Primates World Relief Development Fund

Thank you on behalf of PWRDF to all who contributed to the Advent deanery challenge to raise money for a water truck for Kingfisher Lake First Nation.

The deanery challenge for Lent is for us to prayerfully give up something: whether it be chocolate, a glass of wine, coffee or get a book from the library instead of buying one, watch a movie at home instead of going out, omit buying a piece of clothing or whatever you can think of. Be creative. Every little bit helps. Then bring that amount saved on Easter Sunday and make your cheque out to Gathering Table with PWRDF Kingfisher Lake First Nation water truck in the memo line. On behalf of PWRDF thank you for your prayers and thoughtfulness.

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Ukrainian Easter Egg class (Psanky)

Space is limited to 12-15 people. Come and join Carol K on Saturday, March 25 in the church hall and learn the story, history and art of doing a traditional Ukrainian egg. 10 am till 2 or later as needed. Bring your lunch (no nuts, fish or bananas pls) Coffee and tea will be on .\$5 charge for congregation members, \$10 for non members. (Covers cost of equipment and material) To participate, please let Carol know ASAP. Kostyniukbc@shaw.ca, phone 475-7770, or text 807-627-1139

Lenten Offerings for 2023

Your Lenten Offerings that you prayerfully set aside during Lenten will go the "Clay" this year. Our beautiful hanging banner in the Parish Hall was part of the "Clay" gathering the last time it was in Thunder Bay. Clay is a gathering of Anglican and Lutheran Youth who meet together from across Canada. Envelopes are available at the back of the church to put your offerings in this Easter.

Participants at CLAY normally will be aged 14-19 as of Dec. 31, 2023. You are part of a Home Team. Home Teams are groups of youth and leaders travelling and staying together during the Gathering. Often youth from the same church or parish, or from several congregations, form a Home Team, and a youth group leader or another adult will act as the leader. There is a cost to attend.

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

Meat Sale Fund-Raiser 2023

Meat supplied by European Meats, a Thunder Bay company. The meat is gluten free and it has no additives or preservatives and European Meats makes the sausage using a mixture of beef and pork. The hamburger patties are gluten-free.

5 lbs - **Mild** Legion Sausages (smokies) or :**Hot** - \$35.00 5 lbs - Cheese Legion Sausages (smokies) \$42.00 Pepperettes 1 lb. - 8 per pkg, \$8.50 2 lbs Garlic Chub (Kielbasa) \$18.00 or Lenkki Ring (Baloney \$14.00 Ham and Garlic Ring (Kielbasa) \$14.00 4 kg Chicken Breast (unseasoned) \$65.00 4 oz Beef Patty – 42 pieces - \$72.00 Strip Loin Steak – 8 pieces - \$125.00

Orders forms available on bulletin board in Parish Hall. A cheque is made payable to 'The Mission to Seafarers'. Or send an e-transfer request through your financial institution to mtstreasurer@tbaytel.net - write Meat Sale in the message. Orders must be placed by **Mon. May** 1st and delivered on Wed. May 17. rep **Marg Boone**

Camp Gitchigomee Two-Bit Auction Fundraiser April 27th 2023 at the West Thunder Comm. Centre

To support camp ministry. This has previously been a very successful fundraiser for our organization, the proceeds from this event will be used to help pay staff salaries, groceries or transportation for the three weeks of kids camping programs, off-setting costs and allowing more campers to attend. We are hoping each parish can donate a basket of items to be auctioned off at this event. We also need of extra baskets to assemble miscellaneous donated items into baskets to auction off. Donations are required by April 2nd and pick-up/delivery can be arranged with:

Georgine 475-0139 Mel 472-7263 Heidi 355-9010 Tanelle 631-3572 Or Talk to Roberta or Jim after church

EASTER FLOWERS

It is exciting to hear all the planning and chatter in the parish for events leading up to Easter.

The Altar Guild is setting in motion the placing of flowers in the church for our Easter services. The flowers richly add to the glorious message of the risen Lord.

Flowers can be given in memory of family or friends, in thanksgiving or in celebration of a special event.

Deadline for your information: TUESDAY MARCH
28 to ensure your dedication is in the Easter bulletins.

If you are at the church: There are envelopes in the red basket on the ledge at the back of the church with a form you can fill in with your name, address, phone number and the dedication wording for the bulletin.

Cheques are made out to **Gathering Table Altar Guild** or you can use cash if you are bringing the Sealed envelope with the form and donation to church to put in the Treasure Chest on the back table.

If you cannot attend before the deadline: Please mail a note with your name, address, phone number and the wording for your flower dedication. Include a cheque/money order made out to **Gathering Table**Altar Guild and mail to the church 228 Pearl St. P7B 1E4. Flag the envelope 'Altar Guild Flowers'
Any questions or assistance contact Erminie Reid, voice mail 807-767- 4566 or email dandereid@shaw.ca.
THANK YOU!

2023 Parishioner Parking Passes are available at the office Tues. – Thurs. 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.: Friday 8 a.m. – 12 noon or on Sun. before church.

LIFEWATER CANADA – Prospector Buns for Easter

The Prospector Steak House has once again generously offered to donate their fabulous buns in support of Lifewater Canada. Buns, including garlic butter, are \$5.00/dozen. Donations, in addition to the bun purchase, will be gratefully accepted Perhaps you'd like to purchase buns to donate to the Dew Drop Inn. We'll happily deliver them on your behalf. Pick up will be 12:00PM – 1:00PM on Saturday April 08, 2023. You will receive an emailed confirmation within 24 hours of placing your order. The confirmation will include payment and pick up details. Please email your order and include your full name shirleyvandyken.lifewatercanada@gmail.com



You are Invited to a PALM CROSS WORK-BEE

Friday March 31st - 10 until noon. The Altar Guild and friends will be making palm crosses. It is a time of fellowship for everyone to enjoy. If you would like to learn how to create a cross from a palm leaf please join us. There are experienced helpers to assist you. You will need a pair of scissors. We look forward to seeing you on the 31st.

Our Daily Bread is available at the back of the church Pick up a copy today.



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Archbishop Anne's Motto for 2023

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." Luke 4: 18 - 19