

Gathering Table

a Faith Community

in the Anglican Church of Canada



10th Sunday of Pentecost

'.Greetings In The Name Of The Risen Lord /

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10th Sunday of Pentecost

August 6th, 2023

10:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO GATHERING TABLE

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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. Mask are no longer required but we are mask friendly, if you are more comfortable wearing it.

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

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!”

2 Corinthians 5:17

Opening Music: CP # 249 *all 3 verses*
Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow

Gathering of the Community *BAS page 185*

All stand. The presiding celebrant greets the community

Celebrant: 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

Celebrant: Creator God, from you every family in heaven
and on earth takes its name. You have grounded us in your
covenant love, and empowered us by your Spirit to speak
the truth in love, and to walk in your way towards justice

and wholeness. Mercifully grant that your people, journeying together in partnership, may be strengthened and guided to help one another grow into the full stature of Christ, who is our light and our life. **All: Amen**

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading from the Book of Joshua

Joshua 1: 1 - 9

God's Commission to Joshua

1 After the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, the LORD spoke to Joshua son of Nun, Moses' assistant, saying, **2** 'My servant Moses is dead. Now proceed to cross the Jordan, you and all this people, into the land that I am giving to them, to the Israelites. **3** Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, as I promised to Moses. **4** From the wilderness and the Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, to the Great Sea in the west shall be your territory. **5** No one shall be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will not fail you or forsake you. **6** Be strong and courageous; for you shall put this people in possession of the land that I swore to their ancestors to give them. **7** Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to act in accordance with all the law that my servant Moses commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, so that you may be successful wherever you go. **8** This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth; you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to act in accordance with all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and

then you shall be successful. ⁹ I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.'

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 107: 1 - 16

Thanksgiving for Deliverance from Many Troubles

- ¹ O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures for ever.
- ² Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,
those he redeemed from trouble
- ³ and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.
- ⁴ Some wandered in desert wastes,
finding no way to an inhabited town;
- ⁵ hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.
- ⁶ Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble,
and he delivered them from their distress;
- ⁷ he led them by a straight way, until they reached an
inhabited town.
- ⁸ Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,
for his wonderful works to humankind.
- ⁹ For he satisfies the thirsty,
and the hungry he fills with good things.
- ¹⁰ Some sat in darkness and in gloom,
prisoners in misery and in irons,
- ¹¹ for they had rebelled against the words of God,
and spurned the counsel of the Most High.

¹² Their hearts were bowed down with hard labour;
they fell down, with no one to help.

¹³ Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble,
and he saved them from their distress;

¹⁴ he brought them out of darkness and gloom,
and broke their bonds asunder.

¹⁵ Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,
for his wonderful works to humankind.

¹⁶ For he shatters the doors of bronze,
and cuts in two the bars of iron

Psalm Prayer:

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**O God, the divine seeker, you are light to the lost,
bread to the hungry, deliverance to the captive,
healing to the sick, eternal vision to the dying, and
harbour to every soul in peril. Gather the
wanderers from every corner of the world into the
community of your mercy and grace, that we may
eternally praise you for our salvation in Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Second Reading is from the Second Book of
Corinthians**

2 Corinthians 4: 5 – 9

⁵ For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus
Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake.

⁶ For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of
darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of
the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus
Christ.

⁷ But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. ⁸ We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹ persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gradual: **CP #414**

God Of The Sparrow

all 6 verses

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
John

ALL: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

John 16: 7 – 9

⁷ Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

⁸ And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement:

⁹ about sin, because they do not believe in me;

This is The Gospel of Christ
Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon:

Rev. Ann Camber

Time of Silent Reflection

The Apostles Creed

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

**All: 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

Lay Reader

Let us pray with confidence to the Lord, saying,

“Lord hear our prayer.”

O Lord, guard and direct your Church in the way of unity, service, and praise.

We lift before you the ministry of Camp Gitchigomee as we transition from kids’ camps to group rentals, and to planning for the next camping season. May all who linger at the Camp and all who minister there be blessed with your presence and peace.

We ask for your blessing on the Gathering Table Food Cupboard, all who minister there and all who seek aid here. Let the seeds of reconciliation and restoration and healing be planted through that work.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Give to all nations an awareness of the unity of the human family. Help all nations of the world keep the peace and work together to draw us back from the dangers of aggressive nationalism, rampant consumption, overpopulation and climate change.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Cleanse our hearts of prejudice and selfishness, and inspire us to hunger and thirst for what is right.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach us to look after your creation for your greater praise, that all may share the good things you provide without damaging your creation.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Strengthen all who give their energy or skill for the healing of those who are sick in body or in mind. Give them restoration and rest, and the supports that they need both personally and professionally to continue their good work among those who are suffering.

We pray also for those in our church family who are in need of prayer, and any others on your heart and mind. (*Please speak those names aloud or in the quiet of your heart.*)

Lord, hear our prayer.

Set free all who are bound by fear and despair. We lift before your throne of grace especially the homeless or addicted here in Thunder Bay. Make a way for them, Lord, out of the Pit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Grant a peaceful end and eternal rest to all who are dying, strength and courage to those who have or are caring for them, and your comfort to those who mourn.

Lord, hear our prayer.

O God, it is your will to hold both heaven and earth in a single peace. Let the design of your great love shine on the waste of our wraths and sorrows, and give peace to your Church, peace among nations, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. ***AMEN.***

Confession and Absolution

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

Silence is kept.

Celebrant: Most merciful God,
**All 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.**

Celebrant: 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. **All: Amen.**

The Peace

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

Offertory: **Look Up And See Jesus Come**

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: Creator God, accept all we offer you this day as you accepted us and brought us from darkness into light. May we, who receive these holy things be found living in the light and come to maturity in you through our brother Jesus Christ our Lord. **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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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise

Celebrant: 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.**

Celebrant: 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.

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

Celebrant: 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.

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

Celebrant: 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.

All: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant:: 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

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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 #1

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Celebrant: “I am the bread of life,” says the Lord.

“Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me will never thirst.”

**All: Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him!**

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

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

Communion Music: I Asked The Lord

Prayer After Communion

Celebrant: Reconciling and loving Creator, you bring us from the darkness of sin and confusion into light and life. May we who receive these holy things respond to your call by bringing others to the light of your life. This we ask in the name of our brother, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Doxology

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Celebrant: Glory to God,

**All: whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,**

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer :

Please Pray for:

ACC: The Rt. Rev. Helen Kennedy, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Qu'Appelle

ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the Northern Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for:

Retreat Houses

Maison Dieu, Bracebridge; Villa Loyola, Sudbury; Anishinabe Spiritual Centre, Espanola; The Sisterhood of St. John the Divine (Toronto)

Our Parish Cycle of Prayer

Please pray for our own church members

Bob and Carol Lee Kostyniuk, Richard and Adrienne Lambert, and Kaylee, Doris Loon, Neil and Audrey Love, Paul Love. Julia MacDougall, Monica MacKay, Jessica and Murray MacRae, Gabriel, Ellie, Gavin and Isobel, David Marler Jean McAlpine-Marler, Brock and Gail Marshall, Ian and Virginia McEwen, and Rory and Toby, Gloria McKay, Donald and Elaine McKinnon

Please Pray For: 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 www.thunderbay-northshoreanglicans.com

In God's eyes, true greatness is serving others.

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 is continuing 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 pre-authorized 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.

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

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| Aug. 13 th | Parish retreat at Camp Gitchigomee |
| Aug. 13 th | Food Cupboard |
| Aug. 27 th | Food Cupboard |

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

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.

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

Gathering Table 1st Annual Family Camp

At Camp Gitchigomee August 11 – 13, 2023

Fun, Fellowship, Worship All in God's beautiful creation.

Come out for an evening a day or the whole weekend.

Cost is by donation.

Cabin Accommodation available,
or bring your own tent or RV.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch

Bring your own for yourself or family.

Supper – Community Supper

Car Pooling on request.

(talk to Rev. Ann or Jim Sutton for more information.)

Registration forms available at the back of the church.







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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