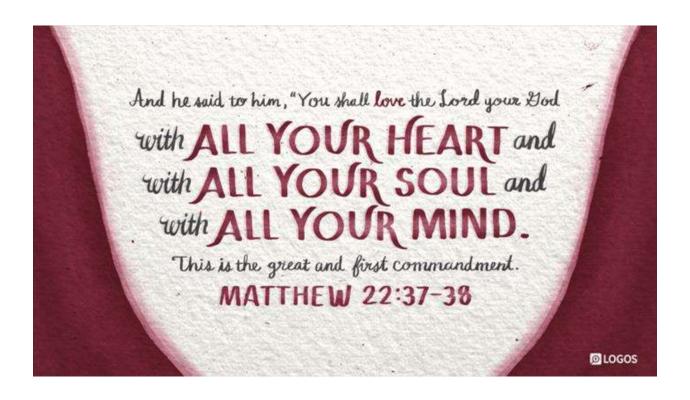
Gathering Table

a Faith Community in the Anglican Church of Canada



22nd Sunday of Pentecost

'.Greetings In The Name Of The Risen Lord!

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Officiant and Preacher: Rev. Ann Camber Honorary Assistant: Rev. Gail Clifton
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Lay Reader: Brenda O'Neill

Music: Donna and Ted Hamill and GT Singers & Djembe Eucharistic Assistants: David and Erminie Reid Lectors: Carol Kostyniuk, Frances Bennett-Sutton

Greeters: Audrey and Neil Love **Altar Guild:** Elaine McKinnon

22nd Sunday of Pentecost

October 29th, 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.

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

If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we will come to you. *John 14.23*

Opening Music: CP 177

A Spendthrift Lover Is The Lord

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

<u>Celebrant:</u> Lord God our redeemer, who heard the cry of your people and sent your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery, free us from the tyranny of sin and death, and by the leading of your Spirit bring us to our promised land; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with

you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen

Children's Time - Rev Ann Camber

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy Deuteronomy 34: 1 – 12

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees as far as Zoar. The Lord said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Bethpeor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigour had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended. Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses. Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Psalm 90: 1 - 6, 13 - 17

REFRAIN From age to age you are God.

Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to another.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born, from age to age you are God.

REFRAIN From age to age you are God.

You turn us back to the dust and say, "Go back, O child of earth."

For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past and like a watch in the night.

REFRAIN From age to age you are God.

You sweep us away like a dream; we fade away suddenly like the grass.

In the morning it is green and flourishes; in the evening it is dried up and withered.

REFRAIN From age to age you are God.

Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? be gracious to your servants.

Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us and the years in which we suffered adversity.

REFRAIN From age to age you are God.

Show your servants your works and your splendour to their children.

May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

REFRAIN From age to age you are God.

Psalm Prayer:

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Eternal Father of our mortal race, in Jesus Christ your grace has come upon us. For his sake, prosper the work of our hands until he returns to gladden our hearts forever. All: Amen.

Second Reading is from The First Letter of Paul to The Thessalonians

1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Gradual: CP 347 The God Of Abraham Praise

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

ALL: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ This is The Gospel of Christ Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ

Matthew 22: 34 - 46

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Sermon: Rev. Ann Camber
Time of Silent Reflection

The Apostles Creed

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

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**The Apostle

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

In peace let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

Lord, have mercy

For peace from on high and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, praying especially for those places suffering from war and violence, particularly Israel, Palestine, Ukraine. For the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our bishops, and for all the clergy, praying especially for Archbishop Anne, Reverend Ann, and Reverend Gail. For the members of Gathering Table, and for all people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Charles our King, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city of Thunder Bay, for every city and community, and for those who live, work, and learn here, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For good weather, and for abundant harvests for all to share, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel by land, water, or air, for the sick and the suffering (praying silently or aloud for those we wish to lift up to you....), for prisoners and captives, and for their safety, health, and salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deep and lasting reconciliation from the residential school legacy, and for justice and peace for families of missing and murdered indigenous women and girls.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Remembering all the saints, we commit ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord.

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together you will hear their requests. Fulfil now our desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life; for you, Father, are good and loving, and we glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

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<u>Celebrant:</u> 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.

<u>Celebrant:</u> Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, and confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. <u>All:</u> Amen.

The Peace

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

Offertory: Afflicted Saint To Those Draw Near

Prayer over the Gifts

<u>Celebrant:</u> God of constant love, you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of 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 5 BAS Page 204

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: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe. **All: Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant: You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do.

In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we sing (say), 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: We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected.

Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

All: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it:

this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven.

Do this in memory of me."

All: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him. Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread, and share in the life of the family of your children.

All: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom.

We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

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 #3 BAS Page 212

Celebrant: Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of

wheat, whose many grains we have gathered

and made into this one bread.

All: So may your Church be gathered

from the ends of the earth into your

kingdom.

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:

CP 612 Healer Of Our Every ill Dear Refuge Of My Weary Soul

Prayer After Communion

<u>Celebrant:</u> God our guide, you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. <u>All:</u> 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing:

Keep in mind our giving and forgiving God, He created the good earth and blessed it. He gives us glad and generous hearts, that we may rejoice and give thanks for the abundance of His creation, the depths of His mercy, and His care for all and the blessing of God Almighty the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Announcements:

Closing Music: God Our Protector

Dismissal:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. 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 All Saints Sunday

Revelation 7: 9 – 17 Psalm 34: 1 – 10, 22 1 John 3: 1 – 3...... Matthew 5: 1 – 12

Anglican Cycle of Prayer Please Pray for:

Last Sunday after Trinity **The Anglican Church of Melanesia**

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

ACC The Rt. Rev. Leslie Wheeler-Dame, Bishop,

and the clergy and people of the Diocese of

Yukon

ELCIC The president, faculty, students, and staff of

Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for: All Diocesan Committees and Social Service Projects

Pray for all those who work for peace and justice Wednesday, November 1st – All Saints' Day, **All Saints**, **Huntsville**, The Ven. Kelly Baetz

All Saints, Coniston, The Rev. Canon Genny Rollins Thursday, November 2nd– All Souls' Day

Pray for those who have died – loved ones, friends, and also those we do not know – through the mercy of God, that they will rest in peace.

Our Parish Cycle of Prayer

Please pray for our own church members

Bruce and Georgina Adderley, Roberta Adderley, Angela Alberta and Ava, Katelin Anderson, Ryan Thrasher, Brooke, Scarlett, Olivia, and Arya, Margaret Aris, Darlene Armstrong, Errol Atkinson, Sabata Baya, Ellen Beaudry and Clint, Richard and Lesley BeauParlant, Wendy Bell, Ellie Bennett, Kerri and Shane Bernardi, and Samuel, Sydney Bernardi, Kim Bienvenue, Adrian Boissoneau, Jim Bolt, Margaret Boone

<u>Please Pray For:</u> Our young people who are just starting, or going back to 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>

Love is the greatest of everything.

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 787-0465 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

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

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.

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

EVENTS AT GATHERING TABLE

Each September groups wishing to book the use of the hall, kitchen has to fill in the "Booking Request Form" each year for your groups' activities. Please contact the office to request the form. office@gatheringtable.ca Or call 807-345-6898

Calendar of Events

Oct. 31st	Rector's Book Study via Zoom Cancelled
Nov. 4 th	For All Lay Readers and Eucharistic
	Assistants – Pot Luck Breakfast begins at
	8:30 – 10 a.m.
Nov. 5 th	Time Change – FALL BACK 1 HOUR

Nov. 10 th	Food Cupboard Prep
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Nov. 12 th	Food Cupboard
Nov. 15 th	Sleep G Farm Pick Up
Nov. 19 th	Coffee Hour
Nov. 19 th	Last day for "Christmas Bags" for Seafarers
Nov. 21 st	Camp Gitchigomee Meeting 7 p.m.
Nov. 24 th	Food Cupboard Prep
Nov. 26 th	Food Cupboard
Nov. 28 th	PAC (Parish Advisory Council)
Nov. 29 th	Sleep G Farm Pick Up
Dec. 8 th	Food Cupboard Prep
Dec. 10 th	Food Cupboard
Dec 13 th	Sleep G. Farm Pick Up

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.

Christmas Bags: Preparations are now underway for the Christmas Bags which are distributed to the Seafarers. A box for donations will be at the back of church. As before items such as razors, toothbrushes, tooth paste, candies, coca packets etc. are always welcome. We have already received some toques and some neck warmers but more is always appreciated and needed so please if you are a

knitter use your talents to help fill the Christmas bags. The donations need to be at the Seafarer's Centre by Monday, November 20 so if you plan to bring items to the church please have them in the box by **Sunday**, **November 19**. Volunteers to help packing the bags are always welcome. If you have questions about either item please ask Marg Boone (rep.) 807-345-2184 or mboone@tbaytel.net

Church Calendars Available Soon

Please let the office know, if you would like a 2024 Church Calendar, 807-345-6898 or office@gatheringtable.ca



The Undercover Project Helping Children Cover Bare Necessities

PLEASE DONATE

This Christmas Season, please help provide children with New socks and Underwear.

There is a big box decorated to put socks and underwear in that will assist Community Clothing Assistance provide these basic items to children in need. Cash/Cheques are also appreciated, and can be put in The Treasure Chest at the back of the church and should be made out to Community Clothing Assistance.



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Music Director: Pianist Donna Hamill

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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