*Gathering Table a Faith Community in the Anglican Church of Canada* 



# **The Great Vigil of Easter**

'Greetings In The Name Of The Risen Lord !'

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**Presider and Preacher:** Rev. Ann Camber **Lay Reader**: Jim Sutton / Kim Bienvenue

#### **Lighting New Fire**

March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024

*BAS page 322* 6:30 pm.

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. Land Acknowledgement- Doug Semple

#### Welcome and Opening Remarks

Welcome to all our visitors and newcomers we're glad you're here! We invite you to sign our Visitor's Book at the back of the church.

Christ became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name. *Philippians 2.8–9* 

# The Lighting of the New Fire (we start outside for the lighting of the new fire)

Dear friends in Christ, on this most holy night, when our Lord Jesus Christ passed from death to life, the Church invites her children throughout the world to come together in vigil and prayer. This is the Passover of the Lord. We remember his death and resurrection by hearing his word and celebrating his mysteries; we are confident that we shall share his victory over death and live with him for ever in God.

Let us pray.

Father, we share in the light of your glory through your Son, the light of the world Sanctify this new fire, and inflame us with new hope. Purify our minds by this Easter celebration and bring us one day to the feast of eternal light. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### (The torch is now lit from the new fire others may light their candles now to carry in the procession)

Those walking will now begin the processional to St. Michael and All Angels church via Red River Road. The rest will meet either at Pine and Red River for a 2 block walk at or at St. Michael's outdoors at 7:30pm)

As those walking proceed they may choose to periodically say:

The Light of Christ

# Thanks be to God



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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