Gathering Table a Faith Community in the Anglican Church of Canada





National Indigenous Day of Prayer Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Greetings In The Name Of The Risen Lord ! Been - Osa - gen, Sem na do wake gan ning

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Preacher and Celebrant: Rev. Ann Camber Lay Reader: Kim Bienvenue Music: Donna and Ted Hamill and GT Singers Lectors: David Reid, Erminie Reid Eucharistic Assistants: David and Erminie Reid Greeter: John Kirchen, Elainie McKinnon Altar Guild: Rose Jardine

National Indigenous Day of Prayer Fifth Sunday of Pentecost

June 23rd, 2024

10:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO GATHERING TABLE

Opening Music: CP 427 All Beautiful The March Of Days

<u>*Celebrant:*</u> Christ our true and only Light: receive our prayers and songs and illumine the secrets of our hearts with your healing goodness, that no evil desires may possess us who are made new in the light of your heavenly grace. Amen. *(source: Gelasian Sacramentary)*

Acknowledgement and Thanksgiving for the Land

Creator, you made all people of every land. It is our responsibility to give thanks and respect to those who first

occupied this land we are upon. We give thanks to the treaty people on the traditional territory of the Anishnaabeg of the Fort William First Nation, the first people of this land. We offer our respect to those ancestors who may be interred in this land. We are also thankful for the gifts of the People of the land. Creator let us be of Good Mind to reconcile the mistreatment of this land and to those who have been displaced. With thankful and respectful hearts we pray in Your name, Your son the Peacemaker and the Sacred Spirit. Amen.

The Gathering Prayer

<u>All:</u> Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all you bring to us for our visit within your creation. In Jesus, you place the Gospel in the center of this 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

Collect of the Day

<u>Celebrant:</u> Creator God, from you every family in heaven and earth takes its name. You have rooted and grounded using 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 to grow into the full stature of Christ, who is our light and our life. **All: Amen**

THE WORD

(please be seated)

The First Readings is from The Book of Isaiah Isaiah 40: 25 – 31

- ²⁵ To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One.
- ²⁶ Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.
- ²⁷ Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, 'My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God'?
- ²⁸ Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.
- ²⁹ He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.
- ³⁰ Even youths will faint and be weary and the young will fall exhausted;
- ³¹ but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

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

Psalm 19: 1 - 14

God's Glory in Creation and the Law To the leader. A Psalm of David.

¹The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork. ² Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge. ³There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard; 4 yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun, ⁵ which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy. ⁶ Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hidden from its heat. ⁷The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple; ⁸ the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes; ⁹ the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring for ever; the ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

- ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.
- ¹¹ Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

- ¹² But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.
- Keep back your servant also from the insolent;
 do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.
- ¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

The Second Reading is from Philippians Philippians 4: 4 – 9

- 4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.
- Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near.
- ⁶ Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.
- 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
- 8 Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.
- 9 Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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

Gradual: For The Beauty Of The Earth

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

All: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

John 1: 1 – 18

The Word Became Flesh

- 1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- ² He was in the beginning with God.
- ³ All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being
- 4 in him was life, and the life was the light of all people.
- ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.
- ⁶ There was a man sent from God, whose name was John.
- 7 He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him.
- ⁸ He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light.

- 9 The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.
- ¹⁰ He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him.
- ¹¹ He came to what was his own,^[c] and his own people did not accept him.
- ¹² But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God,
- ¹³ who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.
- ¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.
- John testified to him and cried out, 'This was he of whom I said, "He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me."
- ¹⁶ From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.
- ¹⁷ The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.
- ¹⁸ No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known

The Homily: Rev. Ann Camber

Time for silent reflection

Creed

(A statement of belief)

<u>ALL</u>: We believe in the love of God, embodied in the person of Jesus, spread through the cosmos by the Holy Spirit.

(University Episcopal Community at The Univ. of MN)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(please stand if able)

Lay Reader:

(A Litany for the Healing and Restoration of our Church From the Anglican Diocese of Rupert's Land, 2017)

Holy Creator, in whom all things in heaven and earth have their being,

Have mercy on us.

Risen Christ, through whom the whole creation is reconciled to God,

Have mercy on us.

Life-giving Spirit, whose love and truth fills the world and searches the depths of our lives, *Have*

mercy on us.

Blessed Trinity, source of both unity and diversity,

Have mercy on us.

From our failure to recognize and respect the revelation of your truth and love in the First Peoples of this land,

Saviour, forgive and heal us.

From our participation in the systematic oppression of indigenous sovereignty, language, culture and spirituality,

Saviour, forgive and heal us.

From our role in the Indian Residential Schools designed to eliminate the unique society, wisdom and beauty of the indigenous peoples of this land,

Saviour, forgive and heal us. From our complicit tolerance of the decimation of Indigenous family structures leaving children vulnerable

to abuses of every kind,

Saviour, forgive and heal us. From our continued acceptance of unjust legal, educational, health and social structures that continue to oppress and destroy the lives of many indigenous people,

Saviour, forgive and heal us.

O God, we pray for the gifts of your grace and your love which never gives up on us and is forever faithful. Inspire our minds with a vision of the reconciliation of your kingdom in this time and place.

Hear us, O Christ.

Touch our eyes, that we may see the sacredness in all creation.

Hear us, O Christ.

Touch our ears, that we may hear from every mouth of every peoples the hunger for hope and stories of refreshment.

Hear us, O Christ.

Touch our lips, that we may speak of the beauty of every tongue and dialect proclaiming the wonderful works of God.

Hear us, O Christ.

Touch our hearts, that we may discern your mission in which you call us to be immersed, particularly in partnership with the First Peoples of this land.

Hear us, O Christ.

Touch our minds that we may witness to your Good News in our neighbourhoods, communities, and all parts of the world.

Hear us, O Christ.

Touch our hands, that we may forever shun violence and embrace the work you give us to do.

Hear us, O Christ.

Draw your Church together, O Lord, into one great company of disciples, together following our Lord Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving you in your mission in the world, and together witnessing to your love on every continent and island of your creation. We ask this in the name of the Risen Christ in whom we are one. **Amen.**

Confession I

(Confession lets us set down the heavy things we carry with us, putting us in right relationship with one another & with God.)

<u>Celebrant</u>: For all that separates our hearts from God and from all that closes our eyes to God's love... *Silence*

For what we have done, left undone, and what has been done on our behalf...

silence

For the pride that prevents us from forgiving others, as we have been forgiven...

silence

<u>ALL</u>: Jesus, forgive us. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew rights spirit within us.

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<u>Celebrant</u>: The Lord enrich you with grace, and nourish you with many blessings; the Lord defend you in trouble and keep you from all evil; the Lord accept your prayers, and absolve you from your offences, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

THE PEACE

Celebrant:The peace of Christ be always with youPeople:And also with you.

Offertory Song: All Around The World

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(Please stand if able) After the altar is set for Communion we continue praying,

Prayer over the Gifts

<u>Celebrant</u>: Creator, you bless us with many good gifts returned to you from your creation. Feed us with the Bread of Life, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

<u>Celebrant:</u> Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

<u>People:</u> Blessed be God forever.

<u>Celebrant:</u> Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation.

People: Blessed be God forever. (Offertory Prayer, Didache 3rd Century)

INVITATION TO THE COMMUNION

<u>Celebrant</u>: Come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more. You who have been to this sacrament often, and you who have not been for a long time. You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed. Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

<u>Celebrant:</u>	God the Creator is here.
People:	God's Spirit is with us.
<u>Celebrant:</u>	Lift up your hearts
People:	We lift them to God the Creator
<u>Celebrant:</u> People:	Let us give thanks to God It is right to offer our thanks and praise.

<u>Celebrant:</u> God the Creator, our Great Spirit, from the depths of our hearts we give you thanks. We say thank you, now and forever. From the place of the rising sun in the East, to the South where the warm winds blow, from the West where the soft rain comes, to the coldness of the North. We unite with all creation from the four directions to join in the everlasting thanksgiving and praise for the gift of Jesus Christ. With hearts lifted, we join with the angels, the guardian spirits, the saints, and all our ancestors as we say

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

O Great Spirit, our Creator from whom all holiness comes, we come before you again today. Just as in generations past, like our grandmothers and grandfathers, we come to worship you and acknowledge your greatness. We marvel at your creation.

You sent Jesus into creation because people had turned away from you and no longer loved each other, bringing death and destruction. Sharing our living and dying, Jesus opened our eyes and our hearts to understand that we are all relatives and that you are our Great Spirit the Creator. Stretching out his arms upon the cross, he became a perfect offering for all, uniting in beauty all that is, with all that has been, and with all that ever will be. On the night Jesus was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; gave thanks, gave it to them, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:ALL:Christ has died, Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.

In this ceremony which Jesus gave us, we celebrate our salvation. In our offering of praise and thanks, we stand in the memory, strength, and love of Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension. Remembering, we make our offering.

By your Holy Spirit, make our gifts holy, so that they may be spiritual food and drink. + Make us holy, so that we respectfully receive this feast and serve you in each other. Surrounded now by our ancestor saints, Mary, Enmegahbowh, David Oakerhater, Kateri Tekakwitha, Black Elk, Molly Brant, Henry Budd, James Settee and all saints and all angels, with the heavenly community which gives you worship forever. May we also live in unity and live as relatives to all. *(Eucharistic Prayer revised version from the Liturgy of St. John's, Red Lake, MN)*

United in Christ with all who stand before you on earth and heaven, we worship you, God the Creator, our Great Spirit, in songs and dance of infinite praise. Blessing, honor and glory be yours, here and everywhere, 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 respasses, 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 FRACTION

Celebrant:"I am the bread of Life" says the Lord
Whoever comes to me shall not hunger and
whoever believes in me shall never thirst.All:Taste and See that the Lord is good;

happy are they who trust in him

<u>Celebrant</u>: These are the gifts of God for the people of God. <u>ALL:</u> **Thanks Be to God**

Communion Music:

CP 531 On Eagles' Wings I Will Say CP 414 God Of The Sparrow

Post Communion Prayer

<u>ALL</u>: Great Creator, you have fed us with bread from heaven. Continue to renew us in your truth, to give light to our minds strength to our bodies, and seal us with your Holy Spirit. We ask this in Christ's name. Amen.

Blessing: Rev. Ann Camber

Send us anywhere you would have us go, only go there with us. Place upon us any burden you desire, only stand by us to sustain us. Break any tie that binds us, except the tie that binds us to you. And the blessing of God; the Creator, who made and knows us; the Saviour, who redeems and befriends us; and the Spirit, who enlightens and sustains us, be with you this day and always. *Amen*

DISMISSAL

<u>Celebrant</u> :	In the name of the Light that came into the
People:	world go in peace. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Announcements:

<u>Closing Song:</u> We Are Called

Miigwech, Kinanaskomitin,

Please note that there is a 'treasure chest' at the back of the church where offerings can be left when leaving the

church.

<u>Readings for the Sixth Sunday of Pentecost</u>

2 Samuel 1: 1, 17 - 27Psalm 1302 Corinthians 8: 7 - 15Mark 5: 21 - 43

Anglican Cycle of Prayer Please Pray for: The

Anglican Church of Chile, and the Most Rev. Héctor Zavala, Archbishop, and his wife, Miriam.

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

ACC: The Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land

TOGETHER

The National Indigenous Day of Prayer: for healing and reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Peoples

Diocese of Ontario: Please pray for: In recognition of National Indigenous Peoples' Day (June 21st)

Pray for our National Indigenous Archbishop, The Most Rev. Chris Harper, and all Indigenous People in the Diocese, and for continued reconciliation between indigenous and non-indigenous people in the church and in the wider society.

St. John's, Garden River, Bishop Fauquier Memorial Chapel (Shingwauk Chapel), The Rev. Lana Grawbarger – Deacon Incumbent, The Rev. Canon Rosalie Goos (Hon.)

National Indigenous Peoples' Day – Pray for All Indigenous People in the Diocese

Creator God, from you every family in heaven and earth takes its name. You have rooted and 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 to grow into the full stature of Christ, who is our light and our life. **Amen**

<u>Our Parish Cycle of Prayer</u> 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 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>

Do not be afraid. Jesus brings calm and peace!

<u>**Our Daily Bread</u>** is available at the back of the church Pick up a copy today for <u>**June**</u>, **July August 2024**</u>

Baptism and Confirmation

Adult Confirmation classes June 28th after service. Youth Confirmations not till after youth retreat in August. If you are interested in **Baptism or** Confirmation, please let Rev. Ann know. rector@gatheringtable.ca

Scents, kitchen, allergies



For the well-being of us all, a few reminders: Please do not wear scents (perfume, cologne, hairspray etc.) After using the kitchen, please ensure that all surfaces are cleaned and sanitized and the floor is swept of any mouse-attracting crumbs. Some of us have lifethreatening allergies to nuts, so please do not bring food containing nuts into the building. Sealed items for the Food Cupboard are exempt.

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 <u>prayerchain@gatheringtable.ca</u>. If you do not have access to email, please call the office or Sheila Chisholm at (807) 697-0465 and we will get it sent out for you.

Reminder about - Visitations Communions:

Let Rev. Ann know if someone you know would like a visit. call 807-285-9446 or email at: <u>rector@gatheringtable.ca</u>



2024 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 2023 you will find a personalized box of 2024 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.

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

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. <u>office@gatheringtable.ca</u> Or call 807-345-6898

Calendar of Events

June 23 rd	Food Cupboard and Coffee Hour
	National Aboriginal Day of Prayer
June 25 th	Parish Advisory Council (PAC) 7 p.m. Zoom
June 28 th	Funeral for Robert Corston @ 11 a.m.
$ m July5^{th}$	Funeral for Violet Thomson @ 11 a.m.
$July 7^{th}$	Start of Junior Camp
$July 7^{th}$	Coffee Hour
July 12 th	Food Cupboard Prep
July 14 th	Coffee Hour and Food Cupboard and Sea
-	Sunday
July 14 th	Start of Senior Camp
July 21st	Coffee Hour
July 21st	Start of Intermediate Camp
July 26 th	Food Cupboard Prep
July 28 th	Coffee Hour and Food Cupboard
Aug. 16 – 18	Family Camp Weekend at Camp G.
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Camp Gitchigomee Summer Camp Dates for 2024

July 7 - 13, - **Junior Camp** (ages 7 – 9)

July 14 - 20, - **Senior Camp** (ages 13 – 15)

July 21 - 27, - **Intermediate Camp** (ages 10 – 12) **Bursaries** are available through each *Anglican Church*, and through a generous donation from *The Salvation Army program called "Send a Camper to Camp"*. If you would like to sponsor a camper, or get information on the bursaries please talk to Jim Sutton, or Roberta Wolfe. **Camp Gitchigomee** (on going fundraiser) **Help Kick Start our Generator Fundraiser**

Grab a white sock from one of our Camp Reps and start saving your change. Every nickel, dime, quarter, loonie or twonie (*cash and cheques*) will make us that much closer to replacing our old one.

Looking for Mowers We need volunteers willing to be "mowers" for our lawns during the summer. All are welcome. *If you know a high school teen who needs volunteer hours and you are willing to accompany them and do trimming that would be awesome as well.* We have an easy start mower, a gas powered trimmer which needs coaxing and training is available. Typically, the lawns would need to be cut twice a week during June and then only once a week the rest of the summer. We will make up a schedule as we go. Please contact a Warden or the Property Team.

Save The Date

Aug. 16 – 18 Church Family Camp at Camp Gitchigomee Details Soon!!





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Archbishop Anne's Motto for 2024

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." 2 Corinthians 9:7-8