

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



Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

GREETINGS IN THE NAME OF THE RISEN LORD

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Music: Ted and Donna Hamill and GT Singers
Lectors: Frances Bennett-Sutton, Jim Sutton
Greeter: Audrey Love
Altar Guild: Audrey Love

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
Service of the Word - Morning Prayer

July 7th, 2024

10:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO GATHERING TABLE

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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 To Gathering Table
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, and please join after the service for coffee hour.

The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor and release to the captives. *Luke 4.18*

Opening Music: **CP 527 How Firm A Foundation**
(V4 omitted)

A Service of the Word 1 (SW1)

Please stand if able.

Presider: 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.

Presider: Let us pray.

We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together on the Lord's Day to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past, and your purpose in the week to come; through Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Presider: Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins.

People: 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.

Presider: Merciful God, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: **Amen.**

The Peace is exchanged in the name of Christ.

Collect for the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

All: Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has taught us that what we do for the least of your children we do also for him. Give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, who gave up his life and died for us, but lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **All: Amen**

The Proclamation of the Word

**First Reading is from The Second Book of Samuel
2 Samuel 5: 1 – 5, 9 – 10**

Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and

said, "Look, we are your bone and flesh. For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in. The Lord said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel." So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord, and they anointed David king over Israel. David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years. At Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah thirty-three years. David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inward. And David became greater and greater, for the Lord, the God of hosts, was with him.

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

PSALM 48

Refrain: God shall be our guide for evermore.

Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised; in the city of our God is his holy hill.

Beautiful and lofty, the joy of all the earth, is the hill of Zion, the very centre of the world and the city of the great king.

God is in her citadels; he is known to be her sure refuge.

Refrain: God shall be our guide for evermore.

Behold, the kings of the earth assembled and marched forward together.

They looked and were astounded; they retreated and fled in terror.

Trembling seized them there; they writhed like a woman in childbirth, like ships of the sea when the east wind shatters them.

Refrain: God shall be our guide for evermore.

As we have heard, so have we seen, in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God; God has established her for ever.

We have waited in silence on your loving-kindness, O God, in the midst of your temple.

Your praise, like your Name, O God, reaches to the world's end; your right hand is full of justice.

Refrain: God shall be our guide for evermore.

Let Mount Zion be glad and the cities of Judah rejoice, because of your judgements.

Make the circuit of Zion; walk round about her; count the number of her towers.

Refrain: God shall be our guide for evermore.

Consider well her bulwarks; examine her strongholds; that

you may tell those who come after.

This God is our God for ever and ever; he shall be our guide for evermore.

Refrain: God shall be our guide for evermore.

Psalm Prayer:

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Gracious God, you have made us fellow citizens with the saints in the city of your eternal light. In the time of storm, when the foundations shake, teach us to wait in silence on your steadfast and transforming love, made known to us in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Second Reading is from the Second Letter to Paul to the Corinthians

2 Corinthians 12: 2 – 10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven - whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person - whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated.

Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

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

Gradual: **You Are My Hiding Place** (*sung 2X*)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Mark 6: 1 - 13

Reader: Brenda O'Neill

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honour, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few

sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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

Offertory: **We Will Feast In The House Of Zion**

Homily: **Brenda O'Neill** *Lay Reader*
 A time for silent reflection

The Apostles' Creed

Presider: Let us confess our faith 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.

ALL: Amen.

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

Prayers of the People:

Let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, hear our prayer.”

Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for the peace of the world, praying especially for those places suffering from war and violence, praying particularly for the Middle East, and Ukraine: the Lord grant that we may live together in justice and faith.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for this country, and especially for King Charles, the Governor General, the Prime Minister, and all in authority: the Lord help them to serve this people according to his holy will.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for children and young people: the Lord guide their growth and development. We pray also for all those who work with children and young people as help them to find their way in a complicated world. The Lord give them all wisdom and strength.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for the sick, remembering today those in on our hearts (either silently or aloud): the Lord deliver them and keep them in his love.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for all who are condemned to exile, prison, harsh treatment, or hard labour, for the sake of justice and truth: the Lord support them and keep them steadfast.

Lord, hear our prayer.

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, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for those who are aging: Lord, look with mercy on all whose increasing years bring them isolation, distress, or weakness. Provide for them homes of dignity and peace; give them understanding helpers and the willingness to accept help; and, as their strength diminishes, increase their faith and their assurance of your love.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We remember the prophets, apostles, martyrs, and all who have borne witness to the gospel: the Lord direct our lives in the same spirit of service and sacrifice.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Presider: **Prayer of St. John Chrysostom**

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. Fulfill 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.

Presider: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: 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.

Doxology:

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.**

Presider: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

A Blessing:

May you walk with God this summer; whatever you do, wherever you go. Walking with honesty and with courage, Walking with love and respect, and concern for the

feelings of others. May you talk to God this summer; every day and in every situation. Praying words of praise for the beauty of creation. Saying prayers of thanks for friends and good times. Asking God's help in all your decisions. Expressing sorrow when you have failed. May you talk and walk with God every day. Amen.

Announcements:

Closing Music: **I've Got Peace Like A River**

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 The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 6: 1 – 5, 12b - 19

Psalm 24

Ephesians 1: 3 – 14

Mark 6: 14 - 29

Anglican Cycle of Prayer Please Pray for the Province of South Sudan and The Most Rev. Justin Arama, Archbishop, and his wife, Joyce.

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer :

Please Pray for:

ACC The Bishop clergy and people of the Diocese of Brandon

ELCIC Bishop Larry Kochendorfer, the people and

rostered ministers of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories

Diocese Of Ontario Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for: Our Diocesan Chancellor, Canon Garth O'Neill, and Vice-Chancellor, Mrs. Amy Bottos, who provide invaluable advice to the Diocese and our Archbishop.

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Please pray for our own church members:

Joe and Nancy, Ivy and Tim Crane, Suzy and Leigh Crocker Scot and Kerri Dawson, Cole and Nathan, Sheila Douglas, Emil and Margot Engler, Steven and Abby, Ann Flatt, Larry and Vicky Fletcher/Kosny-Fletcher, Elisabeth Gesch, Allan and Sharon Gilbert, Joyce Gill, 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.

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

Be pleasers of God rather than pleasers of people.

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

Baptism and Confirmation

Adult Confirmation classes date to be announced.
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 life-threatening 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 prayerchain@gatheringtable.ca. 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 to you.

Reminder about - Visitations Communion:

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



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. office@gatheringtable.ca
Or call 807-345-6898

Calendar of Events

July 7 th	Start of Junior Camp / Coffee Hour
July 12 th	Food Cupboard Prep
July 14 th	Coffee Hour and Food Cupboard and Sea Sunday / Start of Senior Camp
July 21 st	Coffee Hour
July 21 st	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.
Oct. 19 th	Save the date: Deanery Afternoon at St. Thomas Church from 1–4:30 p.m.

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)

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

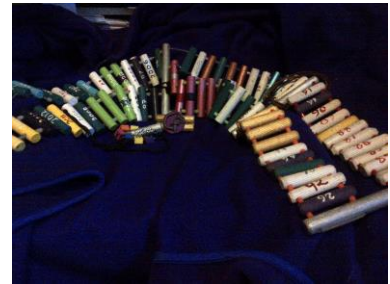
Grab a white sock from one of our Camp Reps and start saving your change. Every nickel, dime, quarter, loonie or twonie (*cash and cheques*) will make us that much closer to replacing our old one.

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!!





Come out for the Family Camp weekend

LIFE GUARDS NEEDED

For July 15 – 19 and July 22 – 26

If you know anyone that might like to spend a week or both of those weeks, please let us know. We will even do individual days during those weeks if necessary.

campgitchigomee@gmail.com

or talk to Roberta Wolfe, Jim Sutton, Melanie Gottfred



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Lay Readers:

Frances Bennett-Sutton, Rose Jardine, Brenda O’Neill,
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People’s Warden: Brenda O’Neill

Deputy People’s Warden: Sheila Chisholm

Music Director: Pianist Donna Hamill

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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