Gathering Table

a Faith Community in the Anglican Church of Canada



Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

'.Greetings In The Name Of The Risen Lord!

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Preacher and Celebrant: Rev. Ann Camber

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Music: Donna and Ted Hamill; GT Singers & Djembe

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Eucharistic Assistant: Kim Bienvenue

Greeter: Neill Love **Altar Guild:** Audrey Love

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July 28th, 2024

10:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO GATHERING TABLE +++++++++

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.

A great prophet has arisen among us! God has visited his people! *Luke 7.16*

Opening Music: **CP 482** (Omit V 4)

Come And Journey With A Saviour

Gathering of the Community

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All please stand, if able.

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> O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ

our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen

Children's Time: Rev. Ann Camber

The Proclamation of the Word First Reading from the Second Book of Samuel 2 Samuel 11: 1 – 15

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, "This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite." So David sent messengers to get her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, "I am pregnant." So David sent word to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house, and wash your feet." Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, "Uriah did not go down to his

house," David said to Uriah, "You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?" Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing." Then David said to Uriah, "Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house. In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, "Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die."

This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Psalm 14

Refrain: The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all.

The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.

The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all.

The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.

The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all.

Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad; there is none who does good; no, not one.

The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all.

Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord? *The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all.*

See how they tremble with fear, because God is in the company of the righteous. Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, but the Lord is their refuge. *The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all.*

Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.

The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all.

Psalm Prayer:

God of wisdom and love, without you neither truth nor holiness can survive. Show your mighty presence among us, and make us glad in proclaiming your deliverance in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Second Reading is from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians
Ephesians 3: 14 – 21

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Gradual: Give Me Jesus

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **John**

ALL: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ John 6: 1 – 21

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw

a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they

were going.

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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<u>Celebrant:</u> Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

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 to the Lord saying, "Lord, hear our prayer"

Lord, hear our prayer

For the Church, especially Archbishop Anne, Rev. Ann and

all clergy as they lead, teach and shepherd us. By your Spirit, fill them with your wisdom, compassion and love.

Lord, hear our prayer

For leaders and all those in authority throughout the world; that they would be stirred to serve all people and be motivated by truth, justice and compassion.

Lord, hear our prayer

For the safety and protection of medical, hospital and first responder staff, for city police, OPP, RCMP, NAPS and our armed forces especially the Lake Superior Scottish Regiment.

Lord, hear our prayer

For a blessing upon farmers, who produce our food. Grant them favourable weather, good health, strength and keep them safe from all dangers in their work.

Lord, hear our prayer

For justice and lasting peace in countries ravaged by wars, especially Ukraine, Palestine and Sudan. For relief and safety for people and lands affected by drought, wildfires, flood, famine, and other disasters.

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

For those in need of your healing touch and grieving the loss of a loved one – (please say aloud or silently the names of persons); in your mercy,

Lord, hear our prayer

For all people, as we confront the urgency and reality of the human-caused climate crisis; grant us great courage to address this challenge in a timely manner.

Lord, hear our prayer

For Grace Place, Dew Drop Inn, Shelter House, Salvation Army, and our own Food Cupboard; whose staff and volunteers serve the hungry, lonely, and hurting people of our city. Grant them strength of purpose, resources and compassion to do this vital work.

Lord, hear our prayer

For our parish of Gathering Table; as living testimony to the miracle of the resurrection: may we be resurrected to the way of humility, curiosity, mercy, service, wholeness, justice and love.

Lord, hear our prayer

Confession and Absolution

<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.

<u>Celebrant:</u> 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, 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: CP 401 (Omit V 3,4)

My Life Flows On In Endless Song

Prayer over the Gifts

<u>Celebrant:</u> God of grace, accept all we offer you this day, as we look toward the glory you have promised. This we ask 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.**

<u>Celebrant:</u> Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

<u>Celebrant:</u> 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.**

<u>Celebrant:</u> 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

<u>Celebrant:</u> 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.

<u>Celebrant:</u> 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.

<u>Celebrant:</u> 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.

<u>Celebrant:</u> 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 #2

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Celebrant: We break this bread

to share in the body of Christ.

All: We, being many, are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

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 533 Jesus, Lover Of My Soul I Will Praise Him Still

Prayer After Communion

<u>Celebrant:</u> God of grace, we have received the memorial of the death and resurrection of your Son. May your love, poured into us, bring us to your promises. We ask this in the name of our Redeemer Jesus Christ. **All: Amen.**

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<u>Celebrant:</u> Glory to God,

<u>All</u>: 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.

The Blessing: Rev. Ann Camber

Go out into the world. Seek God, and the wisdom of God. Entrust whatever you have to Christ for with him, there will always be more than enough.

And may God strengthen you in your inner beings. May Christ Jesus dwell in your hearts through faith. and may the Holy Spirit plant your roots deeply in the abundant richness of God's love. **Amen.**

Announcements:

Closing Music: CP 82

Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises

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 the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 11: 26 – 12:13a Psalm 51: 1 - 13 Ephesians 4: 1 – 16 John 6: 24 - 35

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Please Pray for: The Diocese of Cascadia and Bishop Jake Worley and his wife, Kelly; Bishop Kevin Bond Allen and his wife, Stefanie.

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer : Please Pray for:

ACC: The Rt. Rev. Lydia Mamakwa, The Rt. Rev.

Larry Beardy, and the Rt. Rev. Morris

Fidler, Bishops, and the clergy and people of

the Spiritual Ministry of Mishamikoweesh

ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the

Southern Area of the Synod of Alberta and

the Territories

Diocese of Ontario Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for: St. James, Kingston The Rev Canon Andrew Chisholm, The Rev Canon Sharon Dunlop, Deacon The Rev Lisa Chisholm-Smith Deacon.

Our Parish Cycle of Prayer Please pray for our own church members:

Cindy Papassay, Marjorie (Midge) Peel, Richard Pepper, Sheila Pepper, Donna Phoenix, Dr. Michelle Proudfoot, Alex and Sarah, Evelyn, Emerson, and Elliott Pyne, David and Erminie Reid, William and Lillian Richmond, Linda Rintamaki and Wayne Edmunds, Mary Ripley, and Grace Dawson, Muriel Rowan, Alan and Cynthia Roy, Graham and Michael, Kenneth and Irene Roy, Marlene Salmonson, David Semple, Ophelia Shawinimash, Lucy Shewaybick

<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>

A small offering can feed many!

Our Daily Bread is available at the back of the church Pick up a copy today for **Sept., Oct., Nov., 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 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 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 Communions:

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 28th	Coffee Hour and Food Cupboard
Aug. 11 th	Food Cupboard and Coffee Hour
Aug. 16 – 18	Family Camp Weekend at Camp G.
Aug. 23 rd	Food Cupboard Prep
Aug. 24 th	Confirmation Service – 7 p.m.
Aug. 25 th	Food Cupboard and Coffee Hour
Sept. 6 th	Food Cupboard Prep
Sept. 8 th	Food Cupboard and Coffee Hour
Oct. 19 th	Save the date: Deanery Afternoon at
	St. Thomas Church from 1–4:30 p.m.

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.

You're invited to the PWRDF Wild Ride

The third annual Wild Ride launched on June 20. Our goal is to raise \$65,000 to mark PWRDF's 65 years of accompanying displaced families around the world. The campaign runs until October 9 (Thanksgiving Day). Turn your favourite activity into a fundraiser! Whether you love cycling, baking, walking, or reading, you're invited to participate and support our partners working with refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs). Join our PWRDF community of nine teams and 23 participants who have signed up and already raised \$5,265 for the cause. Let's make a world of difference together!

Save The Date - Aug. 16 – 18 Church Family Camp at Camp Gitchigomee









Let this building welcome you! The wide open spaces



Come out to the camp for the weekend, the day, or a few hours



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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