

Gathering Table
a Faith Community in the Anglican Church of Canada

Presider and Preacher:

The Most Rev. Anne Germond
Bishop of Algoma and Mooseonee
Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical
Province of Ontario

Incumbent: Rev. Ann Camber

Bishop's Chaplain: Brenda O'Neill
Lay Reader and Deanery Lay Stewart

Crucifer & Lay Reader: Kimberly Bienvenue

Music: Donna and Ted Hamill; GT Singers & Djembe

Lectors and Eucharistic Assistant: Clergy
Rev. Ann Camber, Rev. Nancy Ringham, Rev. Jonathan
Blanchard, Rev. Elizabeth Sipos,
Archdeacon Deborah Kraft

Greeter: Marilyn and Al Chisholm

Altar Guild: Erminie Reid, Audrey Love

Holy Eucharist and Confirmation Service
Deanery of Thunder Bay North Shore

August 24th, 2024

7:00 p.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**

Deanery of Thunder Bay North Shore

**Archdeacon Deborah Kraft –
Gathering Table Incumbent**

Rev. Ann Camber

Welcome to all our Confirmands:

Youth

Brooke-Lynn Anderson - Gathering Table
Sponsor – ***Frances Bennett - Sutton***

Mylee Atkinson – St. Michael's
Sponsor –

Andrew James Benoit – St. Paul's
Sponsor – ***Brian Davis***

Anna Mae Byce – Gathering Table
Sponsor – ***Ted Hamill***

Grace Lily Byce – Gathering Table
Sponsor - ***Donna Hamill***

Gregory John Ezack – St. Paul's
Sponsor – ***Jennifer Mead***

Jayalathge Esher Shenal Gunasekara – St. Paul's
Sponsor – **Scott Meredith**

Madalyn Marie Heikkinen – St. Paul's
Sponsor –

Dayton Seton Buckley Lipinski – St. Paul's
Sponsor – **Stephen Lipinski**

Lillian Livingston – St. James (WTB)
Sponsor – **Jolene Livingston**

William Livingston – St. James (WTB)
Sponsor – **Daniel Livingston**

Eric Roy Nygard – St. Paul's
Sponsor – **Lesley Reszitaryk**

Lilly Grace Panacheese – Gathering Table
Sponsor – **Douglas Semple**

Edison Reszitaryk – St. Mark's
Sponsor – **Matthew Reszitaryk**

Talon Angus Ronald Wright – St. Michael's
Sponsor – **Jennifer Wright**

Adults

Dominique Lisa Long – Gathering Table
Sponsor - **Erminie Reid**

The Collect of the day for St. Bartholomew

Bishop: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace to believe and preach your word, may your Church truly love what he believed and faithfully preach what he taught; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

1 Corinthians 4:9-15

I think that God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, as though sentenced to death, because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to mortals. We are fools for the sake of Christ, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honour, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we are hungry and thirsty, we are poorly clothed and beaten and homeless, and we grow weary from the work of our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we speak kindly. We have become like the rubbish of the world, the dregs of all things, to this very day. I am not writing this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you might have ten thousand guardians in Christ, you do not have many fathers. Indeed, in Christ Jesus I became your father through the gospel.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 91

Refrain: *He shall give his angels charge over you.*

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

He shall say to the Lord, "You are my refuge and my stronghold, my God in whom I put my trust."

Refrain: *He shall give his angels charge over you.*

He shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter and from the deadly pestilence.

He shall cover you with his pinions, and you shall find refuge under his wings; his faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler.

Refrain: *He shall give his angels charge over you.*

You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, nor of the arrow that flies by day; Of the plague that stalks in the darkness, nor of the sickness that lays waste at mid-day.

Refrain: *He shall give his angels charge over you.*

A thousand shall fall at your side and ten thousand at your right hand, but it shall not come near you.

Your eyes have only to behold to see the reward of the wicked.

Refrain: *He shall give his angels charge over you.*

Because you have made the Lord your refuge, and the Most High your habitation. There shall no evil happen to you, neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.

Refrain: *He shall give his angels charge over you.*

For he shall give his angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways. They shall bear you in their hands, lest you dash your foot against a stone.

Refrain: *He shall give his angels charge over you.*

You shall tread upon the lion and adder; you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows my name.

Refrain: *He shall give his angels charge over you.*

He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honour. With long life will I satisfy him, and show him my

Refrain: *He shall give his angels charge over you.*

Music: **Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Luke 22: 24 – 30 **Rev. Jonathan Blanchard**

A dispute arose among the disciples as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But Jesus said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel."

People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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

The Sermon: **The Most Rev. Anne Germond**
A silence for reflection may follow.

Presentation and Examination
The presenters say to the bishop,

Presenters: **Jim Bolt, Brian Davis, Jolene Lipinski, Stephen Lipinski, Daniel Livingston, Jennifer Mead, Scott Meredith, Rev. Nancy**

***Ringham, Lesley Reszitaryk, Matthew Reszitaryk,
David Reid, Erminie Reid, Douglas Semple,
Frances Bennett-Sutton, Jim Sutton, Donna
Hamill, Ted Hamill, Jennifer Wright.***

I present *these persons* for confirmation.

Or I present *these persons* to be received into this
Communion.

Or I present *these persons* who *desire* to reaffirm *their*
baptismal vows.

*The bishop asks those who have been presented to renew
their baptismal commitment,*

Bishop: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Response: I do.

Bishop: Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Response: I do.

Bishop: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and
love?

Response: I do, and with God's grace I will follow
him as my Saviour and Lord.

*After all have been presented, the bishop addresses the
congregation, saying,*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to
support *these persons* in *their* life in Christ?

***People:* We will.**

*The bishop then says in these or similar words,
Let us join with those who commit themselves again to
Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.*

The Baptismal Covenant

Bishop: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Bishop: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of
God?

People: **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.**

Bishop: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: **I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the
holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the
body, and the life everlasting.**

Bishop: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching
and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and
in the prayers?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop: Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop: Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop: Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Prayers

The bishop says to the congregation,

Let us pray for those who are affirming their baptism, and for all the baptized everywhere, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."

Litany.

Lay Reader Kim Bienvenue

Leader: That they may be redeemed from all evil and rescued from the way of sin and death; in your mercy,

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That the Holy Spirit may open their hearts to your grace and truth; in your mercy,

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That they may be kept in the faith and communion of your holy Church; in your mercy,

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That they may be sent into the world in witness to your love; in your mercy,

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That they may be brought to the fullness of your peace and glory; in your mercy,

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Other prayers may be added.

Bishop: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.
Silence may be kept.

Bishop:

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in *these* your *servants* the covenant you made with *them* at *their* baptism. Send *them* forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before *them*; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**
The bishop lays his/her hand upon each one and says,

For Confirmation

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant *N* with your Holy Spirit; empower *him/her* for your service; and sustain *him/her* all the days of *his/her* life. **Amen.**

Or this:

Defend, O Lord, your servant *N* with your heavenly grace, that *he/she* may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more, until *he/she* comes to your everlasting kingdom. **Amen.**

For Reception

N, we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. **Amen.**

For Reaffirmation

N, may the Holy Spirit, who has begun a good work in you,

direct and uphold you in the service of Christ and his kingdom. **Amen.**

Bishop:

Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over *these* your *servants*; let your Holy Spirit ever be with *them*; and so lead *them* in the knowledge and obedience of your word, that *they* may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand, and the bishop addresses the people.

Bishop: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: **Here I Am, Lord**

“The open offering today will be given to the Bishop’s Discretionary Fund. There are many great needs for support in our communities at this time and your gift will make a difference in someone’s life. Thank you!”

The Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: Faithful God, receive all we offer you this day. May we, like all your apostles, so live the life of Christ that your Church may be the sign of salvation to all nations of the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

**The Celebration of the Eucharist
Eucharistic Prayer #2**

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The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people. He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name

**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

Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

Breaking of the Bread #2

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Presider: 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.

Presider: 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:

Embrace The Mystery 3x

Holy Spirit, Come Now

Give Us Your Peace

Take Up Your Cross, And Follow Me

Prayer after Communion

Presider: Let us pray
God of our salvation, you have fed us at the table of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Lead us in his way of service, that your kingdom may be known on earth. We ask this in his name.

Doxology:

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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.*

Blessing:

Dismissal:

Presider: Go forth in the name of Christ.

All: *Thanks be to God.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.*

Recessional Hymn: **CP 457** *(V 1,2,3,5)*
Alleluia! Glory To God

Please join us after the service for a time of fellowship and refreshments with the Confirmands, their parents, friends, and sponsors. Special thanks to all who provided the treats today.



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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