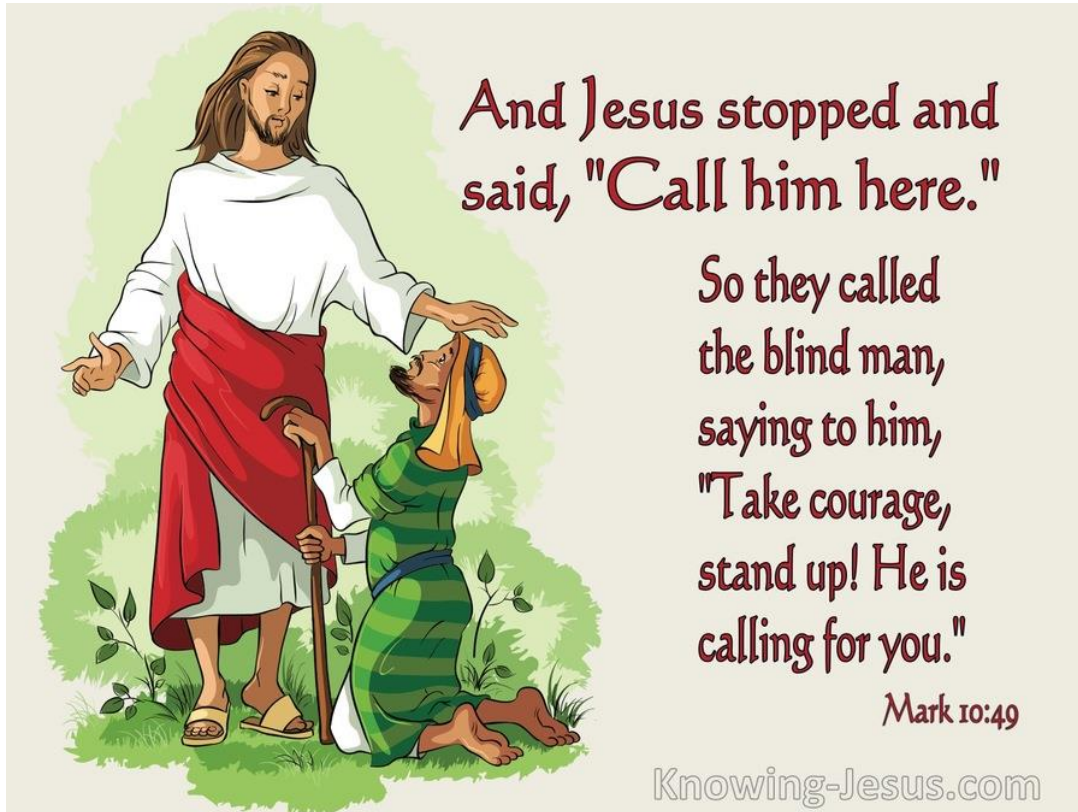


Gathering Table
a Faith Community
in the Anglican Church of Canada



Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Greetings In The Name Of The Risen Lord !

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Preacher and Celebrant: Rev. Ann Camber
Lay Reader: Brenda O'Neill
Music: Donna and Ted Hamill; GT Singers & Djembe
Lector: Julia MacDougall, Kim Bienvenue
Eucharistic Assistants: Linda Rintamaki, Rose Jardine
Greeter: John Kirchen, Mary Ripley
Altar Guild: Audrey Love

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

October 27th, 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.

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has abolished death, and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

2 Timothy 1.10

Opening Music: **Come Ye Sinners, Poor And Needy**

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 for The Day

Celebrant: Lord God our redeemer, who heard the cry of your people and sent your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery, free us from the tyranny of sin and death, and by the leading of your Spirit bring us to our promised land; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with

you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen

Children's Time: **Rev. Ann Camber**

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading from the Book of Job

Job 42: 1 - 6, 10 - 17

Then Job answered the Lord: "I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.

'Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?'

Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know. 'Hear, and I will speak; I will question you, and you declare to me.' I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you; therefore I despise myself, and repent in dust and ashes." And the Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful

as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children's children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 34: 1 – 8, 19 - 22

Refrain: *Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him.*

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

I will glory in the Lord; let the humble hear and rejoice.

Refrain: *Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him.*

Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; let us exalt his name together.

I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me out of all my terror.

Refrain: *Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him.*

Look upon him and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.

I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me and saved

me from all my troubles.

***Refrain: Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him.***

The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him,
and he will deliver them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who
trust in him!

***Refrain: Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him.***

Many are the troubles of the righteous, but the Lord will
deliver him out of them all

He will keep safe all his bones; not one of them shall be
broken.

***Refrain: Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him.***

Evil shall slay the wicked, and those who hate the
righteous will be punished. The Lord ransoms the life of
his servants, and none will be punished who trust in him.

***Refrain: Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him.***

Psalm Prayer

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**Hear us, Lord, when we cry to you. Calm our
bodies and minds with the peace which passes
understanding, and make us radiant with the**

**knowledge of your goodness; through Jesus Christ
our Saviour. Amen**

**The Second Reading is from The Letter to the
Hebrews 7: 23 - 28**

Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gradual: **Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Mark

ALL: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Mark 10: 46 - 52

They came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples and a

large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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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Celebrant: 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.

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 they help them to find their way in a complicated world. Give them all wisdom and strength.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for the sick, remembering today those 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.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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. ***All: Amen.***

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you

Offertory: **Come To The River**

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: God of constant love, you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this 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 # 1—

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise**

Celebrant: It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and 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

Celebrant Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he 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.”

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**All: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Celebrant Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **All: 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:

**Have Mercy On Me
Amazed**

Prayer After Communion

Celebrant: God our guide, you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **All:** *Amen.*

Doxology

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Celebrant: 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.**

The Blessing: **Rev. Ann Camber**

Darkness has been banished. Sight has been restored. Your lives are reformed in Christ's love. Go now in peace to serve with great joy. Bring the love of God with you so that the light which has brightened your life may shine for others. Go now, beloved, to love and to serve the Lord.
AMEN.

Announcements:

Closing Music: **CP 457 Alleluia! Glory To God**
(V 1,2,4,5)

Dismissal:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia ! Alleluia ! Alleluia !

Roy, Douglas Semple, Ophelia Shawinimash

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

See and follow Jesus.

We Welcome Your Prayer Requests:

To let us know: Call the church office or contact - Rev Ann 807-285-9865 rector@gatheringtable.ca or write your name on the **Prayer List, in the binder** at the back of the church before service begins. For **urgent needs contact the *Gathering Table Prayer Chain***. If you would like to be a part of the Gathering Table prayer chain or you have any needs or concerns that you would like placed on the prayer chain please contact Sheila Chisholm at 807-697-0465. or email prayerchain@gatheringtable.ca

Available at the Office

Church Calendars for 2025 - \$7.00 each

– see Roberta

- Our Daily Bread for October to November
- 2024 Offering Envelopes are available – 2025 will be available shortly
- 2025 Parishioner parking passes (\$10.00)

Events at Gathering Table

Groups or individuals wishing to use the Parish Hall, or

Kitchen, must fill in the Gathering Table Booking Request Form that is available by calling the office at 345-6898 or by emailing the office at (office@gatheringtable.ca). They have to be approved by the Wardens.

Calendar of Events

Oct. 27 th	Food Cupboard – Coffee Hour
Oct. 29 th	NOTE DATE CHANGE - Parish Council (PAC) Zoom Meeting 7 p.m.
Nov. 6 th	Sleepy G Farm (<i>for share members only</i>)
Nov. 8 th	Food Cupboard Prep
Nov. 10 th	Food Cupboard – Coffee Hour
Nov. 16 th	Lay Readers and EA Breakfast and Training
Nov. 16 th	Camp Gitchigomee Appreciation Supper 5:30 p.m. Gathering, Supper 6 p.m.
Nov. 19 th	Camp Gitchigomee Meeting Gathering Table 7 p.m.
Nov. 20 th	Sleepy G. Farm (<i>for share members only</i>)
Nov. 22 nd	Food Cupboard Prep
Nov. 23 rd	Altar Guild Meeting – Time TBA
Nov. 24 th	Food Cupboard – Coffee Hour
Nov. 26 th	Parish Advisory Council Zoom Mtg. 7 p.m.
Nov. 30 th	Christmas Card Making – 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. (Bring your Lunch) - See Ellen for details

Seeking Volunteers to work on the Technology Production Team

The Sunday broadcasts are an integral part of our services and church life. We are in need of volunteers to make the experience an even better one. The Goal is to have a minimum of 2 teams of 3 persons per Sunday with 3 teams

being optimal. The roles are: **Camera and Media** using Vmix; **Projection Media Visuals** using Powerpoint; and **Sound** using an Allen & Heath QU Chrome Edition Mixer via and iPad. May sound intimidating but you won't know until you visit us upstairs to see what it is we do. Training is available. If you are interested or know of someone who might be, please contact Sharon at sjcorston@gmail.com or 807-355-1549. I look forward to hearing from you.

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.

Opportunities to Help at Gathering Table

There are many opportunities to serve God at Gathering Table. Whether it is in hospitality, children's ministry, the food cupboard, greeting, the choir, altar guild, sound and streaming or reading during the service, or working in leadership in PAC (Parish Advisory Council) or as a Eucharistic Assistant or Lay Reader we all have a way to contribute. Many hands make light work and the fellowship is priceless and the Lord is glorified in our work. ***Yours in Christ's Service*** –

David, Sheila, Brenda

Please note - Deanery Day Afternoon at St. Thomas Church has been cancelled till the Spring.

Christmas Gift Bags for Mission to Seafarers

Christmas is just around the corner, which means Christmas Gift Bags for seafarers. The Mission to Seafarers: Port of Thunder Bay is looking for donations for Christmas Gift Bags to be given to seafarers starting on December 1. Our objective is to prepare for 14 ships with 19 bags/ship or 266 bags. Donations need to be at the Seafarers' Centre by November 18; use the drop-off box outside the Seafarers' Centre, or call the Seafarers' Centre 807-344-8241 to make an appointment. Suggested donations include mittens, gloves, toques, neck warmers, Chap Stick, toothpaste, disposable razors, and chocolate. Sanitization practices will be followed when putting the bags together and the items will be in a sealed plastic bag. See Marg Boone for more information.

Available Now From the Office

Canadian Church Calendar 2025 - \$7.00 each -
Parishioner Parking Pass 2025 - \$10.00 each

Unfortunately Winter is Coming!!

David Reid is looking for people to help with the shoveling of doorways, and walk ways. Please let him or another warden know if you might be able to help, even just occasionally

Flowers in the Church

Please let the Altar Guild know if you or your family would like to have flowers placed in the church at any time. There are envelopes in the basket at the back of the church for you to fill in. Place them in the Treasurer Chest by the door.

The Undercover Project - PLEASE DONATE
Helping Children Cover Bare Necessities. This Christmas Season, please help provide children with **New socks and Underwear**. There is a big box decorated to put **New socks** and **New underwear** in that will assist Community Clothing Assistance provide these basic items to children in need. Cash/Cheques are also appreciated, and can be put in The Treasure Chest at the back of the church and should be made out to Community Clothing Assistance.

New Name for PWRDF Alongside Hope
Anglicans and partners working for change in Canada and around the world. (French - ***Auprès de l'espoir*** *Anglicans et partenaires œuvrant pour le changement au Canada et à travers le monde*) Alongside Hope conveys the concept of partnership in a simple and uplifting way.

- It is easy to understand and to pronounce.
- It requires no lengthy or clumsy acronym.
- It de-emphasizes the colonial, top-down approach of giving and emphasizes a more collaborative approach. It is a name that will carry us forward into the future. You'll note our new name pairs well with our existing icon. This continuity will improve brand recognition as we transition to Alongside Hope over the coming year. Though you will be hearing people talk about Alongside Hope, the changes to our website and social media will not take effect until March 1, 2025. This will allow us time to complete tax receipts for 2024 under the PWRDF name. We are excited and energized about the possibilities of Alongside Hope

and look forward to your support. For more information, please visit pwrdf.org/our-new-name.

Spaghetti Supper and Take out

St. Stephen's (corner of Leslie and Arundel) Pasta Dinner
on Sunday, October 27.

Take out will be from 4:00 to 5:00. You are now able to bring your own container. Spaghetti, sauce and 3 meatballs for \$15.00. Up to 2 extra meatballs may be purchased for \$1.00 each.

Sit down dinner will be at 5:15 pm. - \$15.00.

Contact Janet at 807 627-1112 for any further information.

Visit: www.ststephenanglican.com



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Jim Sutton, Kim Bienvenue,

Rector's Warden: David Reid

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