

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

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Lectors: Elisabeth Gesch, Erminie Reid

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Rose Jardine for choir

Greeters: Sharon Sparkes, Elaine McKinnon

Altar Guild: Rose Jardine

The Third Sunday of Easter

April 19th, 2026

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 and Opening Remarks

Welcome to all our visitors and newcomers we're glad

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

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading is from the Book of Acts

Acts 2: 14A - 41

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 116: 1 – 3, 10 – 17

***Refrain:* I will lift up the cup of salvation.**

I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, because he has inclined his ear to me

whenever I called upon him.

The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; I came to grief and sorrow.

Then I called upon the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray you, save my life."

***Refrain:* I will lift up the cup of salvation.**

How shall I repay the Lord for all the good things he has done for me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord.

***Refrain:* I will lift up the cup of salvation.**

I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his servants.

***Refrain:* I will lift up the cup of salvation.**

O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

***Refrain:* I will lift up the cup of salvation.**

I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

In the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O

Jerusalem.
Hallelujah!

Refrain: I will lift up the cup of salvation.

Psalm Prayer: *BAS page 865*

Eternal God, faithful in your tender compassion, you give us hope for our life here and hereafter through the victory of your only Son. When we share his cup of salvation, revive in us the joy of this everlasting gift. We ask his in his name.

All: Amen.

**Second Reading is from The First Letter of Peter
1 Peter 1: 17 - 23**

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gradual: **Open My Eyes**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Luke

ALL: **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Luke 24: 13 - 35

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed

seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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

In faith and hope, let us pray to our resurrected Lord and God, saying “Hear our Prayer”

Hear our prayer

God of love, hear the cry of those who yearn for love; fractured families, broken homes neglected, unwanted, alone. God of love

Hear our prayer

God of justice, hear the cry of those who yearn for justice; persecuted and oppressed, exploited, ill-treated, broken.

God of justice

Hear our prayer

God of peace, hear the cry of those who yearn for peace;
in battle zones and broken states, frightened, fearful,
anxious God of peace

Hear our prayer

God of healing, hear the cry of those who yearn for
healing; hurting, physically and spiritually weakened,
depressed, addicted God of healing

Hear our prayer

God of mercy, hear the cry of those who yearn for mercy;
convicted, in need of your Grace, contrite, humble, bowed
down, God of mercy

Hear our prayer

God of inspiration, hear the cry of your whole church
yearning for inspiration; That by your Spirit, we may be
agents of your love, Of your justice, Of your peace
Of your healing, Of your mercy, God of inspiration

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: **Merciful God**

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: Creator of all, you wash away our sins in water, you give us new birth by the Spirit, and redeem us in the blood of Christ. As we celebrate the resurrection, renew your gift of life within us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen 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.

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

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

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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),

Ho-ly, ho-ly, Holy Lord God of hosts

Heav-en- and earth

are full of Your glo-ry

Ho-san-na in the high-est

Bless-ed is He

who comes in the name of the Lord

Ho-san-na in the high-est

Sarah Hart

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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 #8

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Celebrant: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: ***Now we are raised to new life.***

Celebrant: We were buried in your tomb.

All: **Now we share in your resurrection.**

Celebrant: Live in us, that we may live in you.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away
the sin of the world
have mercy, mercy on us

Lamb of God, you take away
the sin of the world
have mercy, mercy on us

Lamb of God, you take away
the sin of the world
grant us, grant us peace.

Sarah Hart

Communion Music:

CP 194 Stay With Us

Mystery Of Faith
Alas! And Did My Saviour Bleed

Prayer After Communion

Celebrant: Author of life divine, in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord. Feed us always in these mysteries, that we may show your glory to all the world. 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

Go now in the courage and blessing of the Risen Christ to live as bearers of the astounding good news to bring hope and peace in a world that so desperately needs Resurrection. **Amen**

Closing Music: Across The Lands

Dismissal:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia ! Alleluia ! Alleluia !

Announcements:

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 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2: 42 – 47

Psalm 23

1 Peter 2: 19 – 25

John 14: 1 – 14

Anglican Cycle of Prayer Please Pray for: Emmaus, Sault Ste. Marie, and The Rev. Holly Klemmensen, The Rev. Bruce McLeish (Hon). Pray for the newly initiated and those who have renewed their baptismal commitment through confirmation, reaffirmation, or reception.

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer : Please Pray for:

ACC: The Most Rev. Anne Germond, Archbishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Algoma

ELCIC The congregations of the Southern Manitoba area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod

MOR The Rt. Rev. M. Blair Couch, Bishop of the Unity residing in the Northern Province

TOGETHER Climate justice and healthy relationships with the earth

Our Parish Cycle of Prayer

Please pray for our own church members:

Margaret Cousins, Joe and Nancy Crane, Ivy and Tim, Suzy and Leigh Crocker, Scot and Kerri Dawson, Grace

Dawson, Roberta Derbouka, Christopher and Amanda Edmunds, Mackenzie and Maija Edmunds, Cole and Nathan, Sandy Drindak, Emil and Margot Engler, Steven and Abby, Vicky Kosny, Elisabeth Gesch, Allan and Sharon Gilbert, Joyce Gill.

A grace note from www.thunderbay-northshoreanglicans.com

Share your faith through everyday activities.
Conversation, scripture, and shared meals!

**Gitchi-Gathering – Friday, May 8th, 2026 –
5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

Gathering at 5:30 p.m. – Supper at 6 p.m.
Supper, Games, Crafts, Campfire and a camp log.
Open to all youth and families, but
RSVP by May 7th,
so we know how many logs we need.

Camp Gitchigomee Dates for 2026

July 5th – 11th, Senior Camp (Ages 13 – 16)

July 12 – 18th , Junior Camp (Ages 7 – 9)

July 19th - 25th , Intermediate Camp (Ages 10 – 12)

Bursaries are available through the generous donations from the Anglican Foundation, and Salvation Army Send a Kid to Camp . Talk to Melanie Gottfred, Roberta Wolfe, Jim Sutton for more information on the camp and bursaries.

COFFEE HOURS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Let us know, if you might like to help out. Maybe you

would like to provide a brick of cheese, or some boxes of cookies or crackers. Just leave them in the kitchen, Cheese in the frig marked for Coffee Hour.

Coffee Hour Hosts today – VOLUNTEERS

Everything is ready to put out, but we need people to help clean up after. Thanks

Available from the Office

2026 Parishioner parking passes (\$10.00)

Available at the back of the church on the shelf

Our Daily Bread for March, April and May 2026

2026 Offering Envelopes are available

Prayer Requests

Prayer is important at Gathering Table:

Personal prayer is available after each Sunday Service. Contact Rev. Ann, Frances Bennett-Sutton or the office if you like to add prayers to the Intercessory prayers during the service.

SUNDAY PRAYER

Personal prayer is available after each Sunday Service, let Rev. Ann or one of the Lay Readers know that you would like *Intercessory prayer* that day, and come to one of the front pews after the service ends. Each Sunday, you can add prayer request to the list at the back of the church. Look for the blue bowl and the iron cross. The Lay Reader will add those prayers during the prayers of the people. If you wish, you can put a glass pebble into the basket to represent a prayer for yourself, or some else or the world.

Reminder about Nut Allergies - This is a reminder to make sure all Coffee Hour items you bring or donate are **“Nut Free Please”**. Our Sunday School has started, and we want to keep our children “Safe”.

Calendar of Events

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| Apr. 19 th | Coffee Hour |
| Apr. 21 st | Book Study Parish Hall 1:30 p.m. |
| Apr. 21 st | Camp Gitchigomee Meeting Gathering Table |
| Apr. 23 rd | Book Study – See Lisa Long for information |
| Apr. 24 th | Food Prep |
| Apr. 25 th | Deanery Council Mtg. St. Mary’s Nipigon |
| Apr. 26 th | Coffee Hour and Food Cupboard |
| Apr. 28 th | Book Study Parish Hall 1:30 p.m. |
| Apr. 28 th | Parish Advisory Council (PC) 7 P.M. |
| April 30 th | MTS Meat Sales due Today |
| May 1 st | Camp Gitchigomee Log Painting |
| May 2 nd | Card Making Workshop – See Ellen |
| May 4 – 8 | Rev. Ann away at Clergy School |
| May 8 th | Food Cupboard Prep |
| May 8 th | Gitchi-Gathering 6 p.m. @ Gathering Table |
| May 9 th | Felting Class – see Frances Bennett-Sutton |
| May 10 th | Coffee Hour and Food Cupboard |
| May 14 th | MTS Meat Sales Pick Up – See Marg. Boone |
| May 16 th | Men’s Breakfast |
| May 19 th | Camp Gitchigomee Mtg. 7 p.m. |
| May 22 nd | Food Prep |
| May 24 th | Coffee Hour and Food Cupboard |
| May 26 th | Parish Advisory Council (PAC) 7 p.m. |

**Hilldale Lutheran Church Pancake Brunch -
Monday Morning from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. See Poster.**

Meat Sale Fund-raiser

The Mission to Seafarers Annual Meat Sale is here again. The meat is from European Meats, is of excellent quality and gluten free. Prices are on www.missiontoseafarersthunderbay.ca. Orders must be placed by Wednesday, April 30 and will be delivered on Wednesday, May 14. Contact your MTS Congregation Rep or the Mission at 807-344-8241 or flyingangel@tbaytel.net for further information. Please help support our ministry

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| Mild Legion Sausages (smokies) 5 lbs | \$ 37.00 |
| Hot Legion Sausages (smokies) 5 lbs | \$ 37.00 |
| Cheese Legion Sausages (smokies) 5 lbs | \$ 45.00 |
| 5 lbs Pepperettes | \$ 9.00 |
| Garlic Chub (Kielbasa) | \$ 19.00 |
| Long Nakki Wieners Ham | \$ 16.00 |
| Garlic Ring (Kielbasa) | \$ 18.00 |
| Chicken Breast (unseasoned) 4 kg | \$ 86.00 |
| 4 oz Beef Patty 8/pkg 2 lbs 12/pkg | |
| 42 pcs (\$2.38/patty) | \$100.00 |

To order contact: Canvasser Marg Boone

Orders must be prepaid. A cheque is made payable to 'The Mission to Seafarers'. Interac E-transfer: send an e-transfer request through your financial institution to mtstreasurer@tbaytel.net and write 'Meat Sale' in the message. Orders must be placed by Wednesday, April 29 and they will be delivered on Wednesday, May 13. For further information, contact the Mission to Seafarers 807-344-8241 or flyingangel@tbaytel.net Please help us help seafarers. www.missiontoseafarersthunderbay.ca
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Deputy People's Warden: Murray Butler

Music Director: Donna Hamill

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Archbishop Anne's Motto for 2026

Ephesians 3: 17

“That Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith
as you are being rooted and grounded in love.”