

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

Guest Preacher: *Mystery Preacher*

Lay Reader: Rose Jardine

Lectors: Frances Bennett-Sutton, Volunteer Please

Music: Donna & Ted Hamill, GT Singers & Percussion

Eucharistic Assistants:

Linda Rintamaki, Audrey Love, Brenda O'Neill

Greeters: Connie Bryson, Mary Ripley

Altar Guild: Elaine McKinnon

The Day of Pentecost

May 24th, 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

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.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful;
and kindle in us the fire of your love.

Opening Music: #164 *from Sing a new Creation*
When The Spirit Of The Lord

Gathering of the Community *BAS page 185*

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 of Pentecost

Celebrant: Almighty and everliving God, who fulfilled
the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and
opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal,
keep us in the unity of your Spirit, that every tongue may
tell of your glory; 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: **Guest Clergy**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading is from the Book of Acts

Acts 2: 1 – 21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs - in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 104: 25 – 35, 37

REFRAIN Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

O Lord, how manifold are your works! in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, creatures both small and great.

***REFRAIN Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,
and renew the face of the earth.***

There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, which you have made for the sport of it.

All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.

You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

***REFRAIN Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,
and renew the face of the earth.***

You hide your face, and they are terrified; you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.

***REFRAIN Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,
and renew the face of the earth.***

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; may the Lord rejoice in all his works.

He looks at the earth and it trembles; he touches the mountains and they smoke.

REFRAIN Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,

and renew the face of the earth.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

May these words of mine please him; I will rejoice in the Lord.

Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

***REFRAIN Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,
and renew the face of the earth.***

Psalm Prayer:

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O God of eternal light, heaven and earth are the work of your hands, and all creation sings your praise and beauty. As in the beginning, by your Spirit, you gave life and order to all that is, so by the same Spirit redeem us and all things, through Christ our Lord. All: Amen.

Second Reading is from The First Letter of Paul to The Corinthians

1 Corinthians 12: 3b – 13

No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same

Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body - Jews or Greeks, slaves or free - and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gradual: *Congregation can remain seated*
Veni Sancte Spiritus (Holy Spirit, Come to Us)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
John 20: 19 - 23

ALL: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

John 20: 19 - 23

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to

them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

The Gospel of Christ
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon: **Guest Mystery Preacher**

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

Litany 16

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Let us pray to God the Holy Spirit, saying, 'come, Holy Spirit, come'.

ALL: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Inspire us to be bold in our mission so that we may not rest 'too comfortably', remind us to seek renewal each day. Breathe fresh life into our fellowship, empower us to end all social and racial distinctions. Build in this body, a mutual understanding and acceptance of all your Beloved. *Come, Holy Spirit, creator, and renew the face of the earth.*

ALL: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

We ask you to bless Rev Ann, and all in the church who minister to your people. Give them health, strength, wisdom and the discernment they need to serve others in Love. We ask also for your favour on Archbishop Anne and her family.

Come, Holy Spirit, counsellor, and touch our lips that we may proclaim your word.

ALL: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

We pray for the leaders of all nations, open their ears to hear you, open their hearts to perceive the love you pour into all your children – including them. Just as you miraculously spoke to the many peoples assembled in Jerusalem, may your sons and daughters continue to bring your message of LOVE to the leaders.

Lord, we come before you also as the citizens of this land. We ask you to strip away whatever makes us less than humane. Help us to remain positive, to encourage and appreciate one another, to see people in the same way that you do – to see what is in their heart.

Come, Holy Spirit, power from on high: make us agents of peace and ministers of wholeness.

ALL: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Holy Spirit, burn up the dross in our hearts, warm them with love, and set them on fire with zeal for the Lord Our God. Lord, in your lovingkindness, heal those of us who suffer ill health, provide for those in dire need of social and financial help, the bereaved, and restore those whom we have forgotten, those who have drifted away from the body and are marginalized. Open our eyes to see how WE could help meet these needs.

Come, Holy Spirit, breath of God, give life to the dry bones of this exiled age, and make us a living people, holy and free.

ALL: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Create in us a desire for a spiritual maturity, in which all barriers are broken down, in which all people can worship in freedom, and in which the truly united body of Christ can blossom.

Come, Holy Spirit, wisdom and truth: strengthen us in the risk of faith.

ALL: Come, Holy Spirit, come. Amen.

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: Listen To The Words

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: Giver of life, receive all we offer you this day.

Let the Spirit you bestow on your Church continue to work in the world through the hearts of all who believe. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the 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: ***Pentecost Preface - BAS Page 254***

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, according to whose most true promise thou dost pour forth thy Spirit upon us, filling us with gifts and leading us into all truth: who dost give us power to proclaim the gospel to all nations and to

serve thee as a royal priesthood. Therefore with angels . . .
etc.

OR

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.

**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***

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 #3

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Celebrant: Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

All: ***So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.***

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away

people who you will encounter. Go, as representatives of Christ's salvation, in the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Closing Music: **Spirit Of Heaven**

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 Trinity Sunday

Genesis 1: 1 – 2:4a

Psalm 8

2 Corinthians 13: 11 – 13,

Matthew 28: 16 - 20

Anglican Cycle of Prayer Please Pray for: Pray for the ACW Executive and all of our Anglican Church Women, and for the ACW Annual May 27th, hosted by Thunder Bay - North Shore Deanery.

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer : Please Pray for:

ACC: The Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Ottawa

TOGETHER Jerusalem and the Holy Land Sunday; The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, The Episcopal Diocese of

Jerusalem, and for peace in the Middle East

Our Parish Cycle of Prayer

Please pray for our own church members: Sharon Sparkes, Tom and Colleen Speer, Eric and Ann Strand, Evelyn Strawson, Charles Suganaqueb, Jim Sutton and Frances Bennett-Sutton, Ellen Teahan, Elizabeth Thomson, Bob and Marjorie Tutkaluk, Elroy Ulmer, Terry Wade, Dan and Val Walter, Carl and Roberta Wolfe, Michael Wolfe and Heidi Dreher-Wolfe, Makayla and Riley

A grace note from www.thunderbay-northshoreanglicans.com

Do you see God's call to action?

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 some boxes of cookies or crackers. Just leave them in the kitchen, we do have enough Cheese in the frig for the next couple of months, thanks.

Coffee Hour Hosts today are
Carol and Colleen

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 would 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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| May 24 th | Coffee Hour and Food Cupboard |
| May 26 th | Parish Advisory Council (PAC) 7 p.m. |
| May 30 th | Gitchi-Gathering 6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. |
| June 2 nd , | Camp Gitchigomee AGM 7 p.m. St. Thomas |
| June 3 rd | 6:30 p.m. Meet & Greet – 7 p.m. Meeting
Misson To Seafarers AGM – 11 a.m.
Seafarer's Centre and on Zoom. Lunch after |
| June 7 th | Sunday School Picnic – indoors |
| June 12 th | Food Prep |
| June 14 th | Coffee Hour and Food Cupboard |
| June 16 th | Camp Gitchigomee Mtg. 7 p.m. |
| June 13 th | Salvation Army Picnic noon – 3 p.m. |
| June 20 th | Blessing of the Fleet – MTS 10:30 a.m. |
| June 26 th | Food Prep |
| June 28 th | Coffee Hour and Food Cupboard |
| July 5 th | Senior Camp begins today |
| July 10 th | Food Prep |
| July 12 th | Junior Camp begins today |
| July 12 th | Coffee Hour and Food Cupboard |
| July 19 th | Intermediate Camp begins today |
| July 24 th | Food Prep |
| July 26 th | Coffee Hour and Food Cupboard |

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

Salvation Army Family Picnic – Sat. June 13th, 2026
Free Food, Games, Tables full of activities for young and
old. Tour of the new Salvation Army building.

Everyone Welcome



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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.”