

The Church of St John the Evangelist

Anglican Church of Canada, Diocese of Algoma



Parish Founded 1872

Present Church Built 1884

Welcome to St. John's

St. John's is a place for seekers.

We seek to be open of heart, open of mind,
and open with embrace as Jesus was.

We are all people of God, we can all share God's love, a love that is abundant,
inclusive, and expressed through our love of the world.

We invite you, to bring your own spiritual journey to St. John's, where no part of you
needs to be left at the door.

You are Welcome at St. John's!

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The Rev. Canon George M. Porter D. Phil. Pastor

If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we will come to you.

John 14.23

Readings: Deuteronomy 34:1-12
 Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17
 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
 The Holy Gospel: Matthew 22: 34-46

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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 are afraid you have failed. Come because it is Christ's will that those who want to meet him might meet him here. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please indicate this by placing your arms across your chest. We ask that you not dip the bread into the chalice. If you are not comfortable with the common cup, please receive only the bread. Our tradition says that to receive any part of the Eucharist is to receive the full grace of the Sacrament. (Gluten free bread is available on request).*

Our Ministers today

Host: David Reid
 Greeter: Neil Love
 Readers: David Reid and Brenda Coopman
 Prayers of the People: Pastor Georgd
 Servers: Bruce Adderley
 Eucharistic Assistants: Linda Rintamaki and David Reid
 Chancel Guild: Erminie Reid and Lois Colpitts
 Coffee Hosts Elaine McKinnon and Erminie Reid
 Food Cupboard..... Closed

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We are asked to pray for Thoothukudi-Nazareth (South India) and The Rt Revd Jayaraj Christdoss.

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer: We are asked to pray for Bishop Larry Robertson, clergy, and people of the Diocese of Yukon of the Anglican Church of Canada (ACC); and the president, faculty, students and staff of the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC).

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Our prayers are asked for the Parish of St Stephen, Church of the Redeemer, Rousseau; St Thomas', Orville; St Thomas', Ullswater/Bent River; Christ Church, Windermere; The Rev C Simmons, The Rev Robert Clubbe (Hon), The Rev Canon Rudy van der Hiel (Hon), The Rev Dr Cal McFarlane (Hon) and the Rt Rev George Elliot (Hon)..

Parish Cycle of Prayer: Mary Edwards, Emil, Margot, Steven and Abby Engler, Gwen Evans, Rose Everall, Bruce and Ann Flatt, Philip and Laura Fralick.

A Discernment Prayer for Our New Church

as we prayerfully work towards discerning our future and the possible merger being explored.

We ask your blessing on Bishop Anne and our pastors. We pray for their spiritual and physical strength as they carry out their ministries. Grant that the people of the St. Luke's, St. John's & St. Michael and All Angels' congregations may remain faithful to their calling and rightly proclaim the word of truth. You see the concerns we have in the face of the unknown as our parishes discern our future. We ask you to fill us with openness and joyful expectation and to guide and bless us, as we seek to move forward together in hope, so that we can continue walking and working in your mission and in fellowship. Amen.

Calendar for the Week

- November 1 Mission to Seafarers 10:00 am Board of Directors Meeting; 12:10 pm Eucharist and lunch
- November 2 Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 pm
- November 3 Craft Group at 10:00 am

Scripture Readings for next Sunday -the 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Joshua 3:7-17 Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37
1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 Matthew 23:1-12

Stats for Last Sunday: Attendance: 49

EOP: \$1,022.62 Givings: \$556.55 Total: \$ 1,579.27
Required to meet weekly budget: \$2,745.72.

Parish News

The Calendar Lady is back – see Liz Whalley for your 2018 Church Calendar @ \$7 each.

The next issue of the Lamplighter will be out on November 26th. **Deadline** for input is **Sunday, November 19th**.

Thank you to Linda, Wayne, Mark and David for helping with fall clean up in the church gardens last Saturday. It was a glorious morning to pull up some annuals, trim bushes and cut down some dead tree branches. The last of the hardy annuals will need pulling in a week or two and then the gardens will be ready for winter. Erminie

Sunday Bulletins: Sharon Corston has taken over the Sunday Bulletins which we are modifying slightly. She will need to have any input in to the church by 9:00 am Thursday morning. Thank you.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is still active under the care of Gloria McKay (344-0575). If you know someone who is entering hospital for surgery, etc. A request can be made for a prayer shawl for them – if one has not already been given. The shawls are blessed before they are given so arrangements need to be made with the Rector. We also need a few knitters to knit up new shawls. We keep some on hand but could use a few more.

EOP Donors: Any changes that need to be made to your givings and/or donations, please complete the form which is available at the back of the church and forward it to the church office, give to a warden, or place on the offering plate.

Clay 2018 – Calling all youth interested in music or drama. Applications are being accepted for both the music and drama teams for the biennial national gathering of Anglican and Lutheran Youth being held in Thunder Bay, August 15 – 19, 2018. Information and applications are available at <http://claygathering.ca/basics/band-and-drama-applications/>

Advent Study: Rev Gail Clifton will be doing an Advent Study – dates tba.

The Anglican Journal, Algoma Anglican, St. John's Lamplighter - there are copies of the most recent editions of these publications at the back of the church. If you have not received copies and would like one, please take one.

The Deanery of Thunder Bay – North Shore (Anglican Diocese of Algoma) is looking for someone to fill the new position of Deanery Associate for Congregational Health.

Position Description Associate for Congregational Health (Deanery of Thunder Bay – North Shore): The Deanery Associate for Congregational Health supports the congregations of Thunder Bay – North Shore Deanery by ensuring the provision of local and deanery-wide initiatives fostering congregational health, youth leadership development, discipleship, and formation.

This new position combines two past positions into one: Child and Youth Ministry Facilitator at 13 hours/week and Congregational Health (formerly known as Program Associate) at 7 hours/week. The new combined position will be 20 hours/week.

Applications for this position will be accepted until Friday, **October 27, 2017 with an expected start date of November 13, 2017.**

A letter of interest, addressed to The Venerable Deborah Kraft, and a current resume should be forwarded via e-mail, post or in person to:

St. Paul's Anglican Church
808 Ridgeway St.
Thunder Bay, ON
P7E 5H5
stpauls.rector@shaw.ca

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Oct 29: St. Mark's Spaghetti Supper @ Rosslyn Community Centre, 4 – 6 pm. Sit down or take out (bring container), adults \$10, 6 – 12 yrs \$3, 5 & under \$1.

Nov 2: Fall ACW Deanery meeting at St John's starting at 1:00 pm.

Nov 4: "St Luke's Christmas Village", 9 am - 2 pm, 205 Cameron Street (St. Luke's Anglican Church). FREE Admission! FREE Coffee! Free Samples (while they last)! Beat the Christmas Rush - do all your shopping under one roof, at our various booths (Fresh Impressions Bakery, Epicure, Tupperware, Pampered Chef, Watkins, Crafts and Home Sewn goods, & more!! Plus, antiques, collectibles, & gifts (new & nearly new), "DIY" Craft Project Xmas Decorating Supplies! Get your holiday Fudge, Candies, Tarts, Cut Out Decorated Cookies, fresh Cinn. Buns, Cheesecakes, Loaves, British Fruit Cakes w/Rum & more (some diabetic and gluten free treats as well!) - take them home & pop them in your freezer for holiday festivities! Hope to see you there! Happy Holidays!

Nov 4: St James's Tea, 1:30 – 3:30 pm. Tickets \$5.00.

Nov 4: "Trailblazing the Scriptural Landscape", Forging a Bible Imagination led by Rev Dr Jay Koyle at St Paul's Anglican Church from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. \$35.00 includes lunch and trailmix.

Nov 11: Christmas Dessert Tea and Bazaar at Lakeview Presbyterian Church, 278 Camelot Street from 1:30-3:30 pm. Tickets are \$5.00.

Nov 18 Pinegrove United Church, 100 Hwy. 130 (between Arthur Street and Rosslyn Road) is having their annual Country Christmas Tea from 1:00 - 3:30 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for ages 5-10. ~ sandwiches ~ dainties ~ bake and craft tables ~ our little Country Market, featuring specialty foods and fresh Artisan bread (baked in an outdoor brick oven) ~ silent auction and much more. Everyone is welcome, we look forward to seeing you!

Nov 18: St John the Evangelist is holding a Lisa Richardson Music Fund program, at the church starting at 7:00 pm. Freewill donation (suggested \$20.00).

Nov 19: St James's Tea, 1:30 – 3:30 pm. Tickets \$5.00.

Nov 25 St. George's Fall Tea, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., \$5.00

Nov 29 Singing 4 Sharing, a combined Christmas concert by the Sounds of Superior Chorus and Gentlemen of Harmony in support of the George Jeffrey Children's Center and Thunder Bay Food Bank will be held at Hillsdale Lutheran Church, 7 pm. See Garth O'Neill for tickets (\$10 each).

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