

# Harvest Thanksgiving

September 24, 2017

9:30 a.m.

Book of Alternate Services

Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

*Psalm 126.6*

Processional Hymn # 258

The Gathering of the Community

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Glory to God # 691

Collect of the Day

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The Proclamation of the Word

Deuteronomy 26: 1 - 11

Psalm 100

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Philippians 4: 4 - 9

Gospel Acclamation: #715

The Holy Gospel: John 6: 25 - 35

The Sermon:

The Creed

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The Prayers of the People

The Confession & Absolution

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The Peace

The Holy Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: # 259

Prayer over the Gifts

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Eucharistic Prayer

Sanctus #735

The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

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Agnus Dei: #701

**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).*

Communion & Ablutions Hymn: # 73

Prayer after Communion

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Doxology

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The Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: # 355

Dismissal

Our Ministers today

Host: ..... Erminie Reid

Greeter: ..... David Reid

Readers: ..... Brenda Coopman, Erminie Reid

Prayers of the People: ..... Linda Rintamaki

Servers: ..... Bruce Adderley

Eucharistic Assistants: ..... Erminie & David Reid

Chancel Guild: ..... Erminie Reid, Karen Ristanen

Coffee Hosts.....Audrey & Neil Love, Mary Ripley, Grace Dawson

Food Cupboard.....Jim, Connie, Sharon, Mark, Shirley, Brenda O,  
Mary, Marion, Grace, David, Peter.

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** We are asked to pray for Southeast Florida (1V, The Episcopal Church) – and The Rt. Rev. Leopold Frade and Coadjutor Bishop (1V, The Episcopal Church) and The Rt. Revd Peter Eaton.

**Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer:** We are asked to pray for Bishop Barbara Anderson and the people and clergy of the Territory of the People of the Anglican Church of Canada; and the dean, council and congregations of the Lower Fraser Valley Conference of the British Columbia Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada.

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Our prayers are asked for the parish of St. Paul's, Thunder Bay and the Ven. Deborah Kraft, the Rev. Gordon Holroyd (Hon.) and the Rev. Anne Carr (Deacon Assoc.).

**Parish Cycle of Prayer:** Craig & Barbara Williams, Anne Zale, Violet Aber, and Bruce & Georgina Adderley

### **A Discernment Prayer for our Parish**

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 of Upcoming Events**

**Sept. 24** – 1:30 – 4 p.m. – Open House at the Seafarers' Centre, 100 Main St.

**Sept. 28** – deanery Executive meeting at Tina's restaurant @ 1 p.m.

**Sept. 29** – St. George's Fish Fry will be held from 5:30 – 7 p.m. Tickets Adults \$15, Children 8 and under \$7.

**Sept. 30** – St. Stephen's Turkey Dinner – Current River Rec. Centre – doors open at 5:30p.m., dinner at 6. Tickets are \$20.00 for adults and are available from Janet Pike @ 627-1112 before Sept 24.

The flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for a bountiful harvest by the Chancel Guild.

### **Scripture Readings for next Sunday – The 17th Sunday after Pentecost**

Ezekiel 18: 1 – 4, 25 - 32

Psalm 25: 1 – 9

Philippians 2: 1 - 13

Matthew 21: 23 - 32

### **CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK**

Tuesday, September 26

7 p.m.

Discernment committee

Thursday, September 28

7 p.m.

Choir practice

Friday, September 29

10 a.m.

Craft Group

**Stats for Last Sunday:** Attendance – 45

EOP - \$1022.62 Givings - \$1055.00 Total \$2077.62

Required to meet budget - \$2745.72 weekly.

### **PARISH NEWS**

**Our Parish Reps** on the Discernment Committee considering the merger are Marg. Boone, Jim Green, David Reid, Brenda O'Neill, and Dale Sparkes. Please watch the bulletin board just outside the double doors on the way to the hall for notes from their most recent meeting.

**Thank you** to the volunteers who have kept our gardens and lawns looking lovely over the summer months!! They are looking for help to do a fall clean up in the gardens on Sat. Oct. 21 from 10 a.m. to noon weather permitting. Plans include removing annual flowering plants, cutting back perennials, and trimming some bushes. Another project is to cut down/take out larger dead wood on a few older trees and bushes. Is there anyone who could haul the debris to the dump? There is money available to cover the fees. Please leave Erminie a phone message or email at [dandereid@shaw.ca](mailto:dandereid@shaw.ca) the week of Oct 15 if you can assist in any way.

**Volunteers needed to assist with the services at Bethemmi.** Steve Robinson, the Spiritual Director for Bethemmi has requested helpers to assist with transporting people who wish to attend the Tuesday Services. This includes the Anglican service on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday and the Lutheran service on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday and involves coming for 10 a.m. to receive a list of interested individuals and helping them get to the chapel, either with their walkers or by pushing their wheelchairs. The time needed will depend on the number of folk wishing to attend and the number of volunteers helping. Following the service the volunteers help the folk return to their rooms. If you can help please call Marg Boone at 345-2184 or e-mail [mboone@tbaytel.net](mailto:mboone@tbaytel.net).

**All are invited to visit the Mission to Seafarers' Centre during their Open House today** from 1<sup>st</sup>30 – 4 p.m. A light lunch will be provided. If you or someone you know might be interested in volunteering, this is a good opportunity to check out the Centre as people are needed to both staff the Seafarers' Centre and to drive the van. The centre is located at Keefer Terminal, 100 Main St., just follow the Harbour Expressway east until you get to Keefer Terminal. This ministry to seafarers has been ongoing in the Port of Thunder Bay since 1962. For further information see [www.missiontoseafarers.ca/thunderbay](http://www.missiontoseafarers.ca/thunderbay) or call 344-8241.

**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.

**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/>

**The Chancel Guild** would like to thank anyone who has donated flowers for the altar for Sunday Services. After the service the flowers are taken to individuals who are sick and shut in. We deliver to their own homes, hospital and the retirement residences and long-term care facilities in town. Flowers can be donated for memorials, celebrations and thanksgivings for baptisms, weddings, anniversaries and 'just because'. For further information contact our flower convener Audrey Love.

**Upcoming public lecture - Martin Brokenleg**, a guest of Lakehead University's Aboriginal Initiatives Office, will be giving a public lecture in the Agora on Sept. 25 from 2:40 p.m. to 4:30. He is a member of the Dakota Sioux community of Rosebud, and co-author of the book Reclaiming Youth at Risk: Our Hope for the Future, and co-developer of the Circle of Courage model. He holds a PhD in Psychology and is a graduate of the Anglican Divinity School. Recently he has been Director of Native Ministries and Professor of First Nations Theology at the Vancouver School of Theology.

**The gathering of GIANTs** (Grand Individuals Aging with Neighbours in Thunder Bay) takes place on Thurs. Oct.5 at 1:30 p.m. Admission is free but tickets are required. See the bulletin board in the hall on the way to coffee for details.

**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.

**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.

***A note about hospital visits:*** When visiting the Regional Hospital, George only has access to a list of patients designated St. Luke's or St. John's Anglican. Unfortunately, despite the ongoing efforts of the Council of Clergy and others, on average, only 40% of the patients have any religion listed. In order to receive a visit when in the hospital, please have a family member or friend notify him (at the numbers on the bulletin) that you are in hospital and would appreciate a visit.



