

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. John 6.68.

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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).

Scripture Readings for next Sunday - The 9th Sunday after Pentecost

Daniel 7: 9 - 10, 13 - 14 Psalm 99
2 Peter 1: 16 - 19 Luke 9: 28 - 36

Our Ministers today are volunteers from the congregation

- Host:
Greeter:
Readers:
Prayers of the People:
Servers: Bruce Adderley
Eucharistic Assistants:
Chancel Guild: Erminie Reid, Lois Colpitts
Coffee Hosts:
Food Cupboard:

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We are asked to pray for Pennsylvania (111, The Episcopal Church and The Rt. Rev. Clifton Daniel, and for Pittsburgh (111, The Episcopal Church) and The Rt. Revd Dorsey W. M. McConnell.

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer: We are asked to pray for Bishop Lydia Mamakwa and the clergy and people of the Spiritual Ministry of Mishamikoweesh of the Anglican Church of Canada; and the dean, council and congregations of the Southern Conference of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Our prayers are asked for the Territorial Archdeacons, Regional Deans, and Lay Deanery Officials in support of their ongoing responsibilities within the deaneries and to the Executive Committee of the Diocese.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: Dorothy Nesbitt, Len & Barbara Norris, and Garth, Brenda, Beth, Emma, & Kate O'Neill.

Stats for Last Sunday:

Attendance - 27
EOP - \$818.10 Givings - \$295.00 Total \$1113.10
Required to meet budget - \$2538.36 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.

Our **lending library** is available on the yellow shelves in the hall. New donations are welcome. Please help yourself to some summer reading if you wish.

**The Anglican and Evangelical Lutheran Group (AELG)** is very thankful for the gift of the offering from the Joint Anglican & Evangelical Lutheran Ascension Day service on May 25<sup>th</sup>. They would also like to announce their 217 bursary recipients: Alex McCubbin who will be entering the Paramedic program at Confederation College and Latisha Hardy who will be going into the Native Nursing program at Lakehead University. The AELG is excited to announce that they qualified and received a grant from the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada for \$2,000.00. This money will be used to make 20 House Warming Baskets which will be given to women who leave the John Howard Program Halfway House to be re-integrated into the community and their own apartments as part of a fresh start. The next meeting of the AELG will be on Wed. Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> at Hilldale Lutheran Church starting at 10 am. First on the agenda will be a guest speaker, Jase Watford who will speak to his journey from the streets to society and University. He is an excellent speaker. All are welcome!

**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 in the mail 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.*

### **A Merger 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.*

**Bishop Anne Germond** is pleased to announce the appointment of the Rev. Beth Hewson as Part-Time Incumbent at the church of St. John the Divine, North Bay, effective January 1, 2016

### **CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

**August 20 to 25** – “Together in Fun” Adults Arts & Artisans Camp at Camp Gitchigomee. Last call for registrations. Information is available on the bulletin in the hallway. For questions call Ellen Teahan @ 473-8599 or Francis Sutton @ 622-6263.

**Sept. 6** – Anglican & Evangelical Lutheran Group meeting at Hilldale Lutheran Church - 10 a.m. – Guest Speaker - Jase Watford – All Welcome.

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