

The Church of St John the Evangelist

Anglican Church of Canada, Diocese of Algoma

Parish Founded 1872

Present Church Built 1884



Lent is a time of grace,
a time to convert and live
out our baptism fully.

Pope Francis

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

Anyone who serves me must follow me, says the Lord, and where I am, there shall my servant be also.

John 12.26

Opening Hymn Lord, Your Word Shall Guide Us #561

Readings: Jeremiah-31:31-34
Psalm 119:19-16 p869
Hebrews 5:5-10

The Holy Gospel: John 3:14-21

Offertory Hymn: Your Hand, O God, Has Guided #444

Communion and Ablutions Hymn: Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery #179 v1-5, 6f
The congregation is encouraged to sing with the Choir

Recessional Hymn: Giver of the Perfect Gift #180

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: Marilyn Chisholm
- Greeter: David Reid
- Readers:..... Elizabeth Whalley and Bruce Adderley
- Prayers of the People: Eleanor Blair
- Server: Bruce Adderley
- Eucharistic Assistants: Linda Rintamaki and Brenda Coopman
- Chancel Guild:..... Audrey Love and Cyndi Roy
- Coffee Hosts: Marilyn and Al Chishlm
- Food Cupboard: closed

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui The Most Revd Paul Kwong Archbishop of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui & Bishop of Hong Kong Island.

Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer: We are asked to pray for Bishop Bruce Meyers people, and clergy of the Diocese of Quebec of the Anglican Church of Canada (ACC); and Bishop Elaine Sauer, people, and rostered ministers of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC).

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Our prayers are asked for the Parish of Western Manitoulin: All Saints, Gore Bay; St. John the Evangelist, Kagawong; Great Spirit Island Parish; St. Paul's, Manitowaning; St. Francis of Assisi, Mindemoya; and Holy Trinity, Little Current, The Rev. Canon Bain Peever (Hon. Emeritus-St. Francis of Assisi).

Parish Cycle of Prayer: Douglas, Susan, Dennis, Quinne and Grant Mason; Ian, Virginia and Rory McEwen; Gloria McKay; Donald and Elaine McKinnon; Joanne McMahan; and Dan McQueen.

Discernment Prayer for Our New Church

As we continue to prayerfully work towards discerning our future we ask you to grant that the people of the St. Luke's and St. John's congregations may remain faithful to our calling and rightly proclaim the word of truth. We ask you to fill us with wisdom, openness and joyful expectation, and to guide us, as we move forward together in hope, so that we can continue walking and working in your mission and in fellowship.
Amen.

Calendar for the Week

March 20 Advisory Board meeting at 7:00 pm
March 21 New Parish Team meeting at 7:00 pm
March 22 Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 pm
March 23 Craft Group at 10:00 am

Scripture Readings for the Sunday of the Passion

Isaiah 50:4-9(a)
Philippians 2:5-11

Psalms 31:9-16
Mark 14:1-5, 47

Attendance:

41

EOP: \$1,022.62

Givings: \$145.00

Total: \$1167.62

Parish News

Anglican Journal, Algoma Anglican and 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.

There are booklets at the back of the church provided from **the Diocese of Algoma** entitled ***Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John***. It is a six-week offering of prayer and reflection from the Society of Saint John the Evangelist and the Centre for the Ministry of Teaching at Virginia Theological Seminary. There are a limited number of copies available but it is available online at:

<http://meetingjesusinjohn.org/2017/10/04/journal-preview/>.

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 **Easter Flowers** will go on the altar as usual. Please contact Audrey Love at 344-4955 if you wish to donate. Thank you, Audrey Love, for the Chancel Guild.

Mission to Seafarers – an updated **Meat Fund-Raiser Order Form** is out. Orders must be in by May 8 for delivery on May 17.

The Seaway is scheduled to open March 29 and the Mission to Seafarers is awaiting the first ocean going ship, due early in April. If you would like to help out at the Seafarers' Centre, give Canon Ed Swayze a phone call 344-8241. We are looking for Watch Keepers, who host seafarers at the Seafarers' Centre and Drivers to drive our van. Check out Volunteer Opportunities on www.missiontoseafarers.ca/thunderbay.

If you are looking for a speaker, I would like to come and talk about the work the Mission does. I have several power point presentations. I can tailor the talk to suit your time requirements, 15 to 30 minutes not including questions.

In Christ's service,

Ed

Canon Ed Swayze

Chaplain,

Mission to Seafarers: Port of Thunder Bay

(807) 626-2571 cell

Parking Passes are available for parishioners at a cost of \$10.00 for the year.

St John's Internet Mission is looking for volunteers to help with running the equipment. If interested please see Jim Green or Sharon Corston. Our services are now on the St John's website and can be viewed there.

Sunday Sermons can be heard on the St Luke's website <http://www.stlukes-thunderbay.ca/home.html>. The whole service can be watched on our website <http://www.stjohnsthunderbay.ca/>. Note: Please note that you may be visible on the online stream.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- Mar 18** **Oras Chamber Choir Concert 3**, St Paul's United Church at 8:00 pm.
See Erik Johannes Riekkö for tickets.
- Mar 20** **Camp Gitchigomee Annual General Meeting** at St Luke's at 7:00 pm.
- Mar 24** **Spring Fashion Show- One Day Only!!** Come see, and shop, this year's Spring Fashions from Peter Nygard! 1:00 – 3:00 pm, Lakeview Presbyterian Church, 278 Camelot Street. \$2.00 Admission. Coffee And Muffins Provided.
- Mar 29** **Talking to Kids About Death** by Hospice Northwest 7:00-9:00 pm in the Regency Ballroom, Victoria Inn. Register at 807-626-5570 ext 5573.
- Mar 30** **Community Choir Easter Concert**, Trinity United Church starting at 7:00 pm. Freewill offering.
- Mar 29** **Mission to Seafarers** opening of shipping season.
- Mar 31** **St. Mark's, Fish Fry** at the Church, 4:00 pm, \$12.00 call the church for tickets, followed by a service at 6:00 pm.
- Apr 4** **Mission to Seafarers** Board of Directors meeting 10:00 am (if required); Eucharist and Lunch 12:10 pm
- Apr 6** **Bake Sale for Camp Gitchigomee** at Victoriaville, 9:30 am to 2 pm.
- Apr 12** **ACW Spring Deanery Meeting** at St. George's 1:00 pm.
- Apr 17** **Camp Gitchigomee Meeting**, St. Michael's 7:00 pm.

- Apr 20** **Mission to Seafarers Annual Fund-raising Dinner** at the Current River Community Centre, 450 Dewe Ave, Symposium 5:30 pm, supper 6:15 pm. See Marg Boone for tickets (\$40.00 each).
- Apr 25** **Mission to Seafarers** lunch, 1:00 pm Annual General Meeting_Mission to Seafarers 12:30 pm
- Apr 27** **St. George's Beef-on-a-Bun** for St. George's Day, Reception Room at Harbourview Rec. Hall
- Apr 29** **St. Mark's, Spaghetti Supper** at the Community Centre 4:00 6:00 p.m. in support of CLAY

Recently, **The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund** (PWRDF) and Foodgrains Bank celebrated 10 years of working together to reduce hunger worldwide. 2018 is the 35th anniversary of the Foodgrains Bank. It works together with 14 other Canadian church agencies, representing 30 denominations, to help those who do not have enough to eat. **During this anniversary year you are invited to join in celebrating this partnership of Canadian churches through the Foodgrains Bank by making a special donation to the Working Together appeal.** Your gift will enable PWRDF, working with other Canadian churches, to provide emergency food for those caught in famine, or facing other urgent food needs around the world. **Your donation will be matched by the Government of Canada 4:1!**

Donations to PWRDF can be made on the website, by special church envelope, EOP (electronic offering program), or by phone 1-866-308-7973. You can also use mail and please make cheques payable to **PWRDF, Working Together**. The address is:

The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund, The Anglican Church of Canada

80 Hayden Street, Toronto, Ontario M4Y 3G2

Linda Rintamaki (rep)

Bishop Anne Germond's motto for 2018

"As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience...Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony."

(Colossians 2 3:12, 14)

Sunday March 11th. 2018 – 4th Sunday of Lent

A grace note from www.thunderbay-northshoreanglicans.com

Some people's hearts are so full of the world, there is no room for God.

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