

# The Church of St John the Evangelist

Anglican Church of Canada, Diocese of Algoma

Parish Founded 1872

Present Church Built 1884



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

*Rev Gail Clifton officiating.*

*A new commandment I give unto you, that you love one another as I have loved you.*  
*John 13: 34*

*At the heart of the Maundy Thursday liturgy is Jesus' commandment to love one another. As Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, we are called to follow his example as we humbly care for one another, especially the poor and the unloved. At the Lord's Table we remember Jesus' sacrifice of his life, even as we are called to offer ourselves for the life of the world.*

*We begin on page 304 of the Book of Alternative Services.*

Opening Hymn

Giver Of The Perfect Gift #180

Readings:

Exodus 12:1-14

Psalms 116:1, 10-17

pp864-865

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

The Holy Gospel:

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Offertory Hymn:

Go to Dark Gethsemane #190

Communion and Ablutions Hymn:

The Son of God Proclaim #77

*The congregation is encouraged to sing with the Choir*

***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).*

The Stripping of the Altar

Readings:

Matthew 26:30-46

Psalms 22

p728-730

Through this stark ritual, we recall that Jesus was abandoned by his followers, stripped of his dignity, and left to face the cross alone.

There is no benediction, dismissal, or postlude. We depart in silence, ready to continue our Holy Week worship on Good Friday.

## **Our Ministers today**

Readers:..... David Reid, Jim Bolt  
Prayers of the People: ..... Linda Rintamaki  
Server: ..... Bruce Adderley  
Eucharistic Assistants: ..... Dale Sparkes  
Chancel Guild:..... all members

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Pray for Bunbury - (Western Australia, Australia) The Rt Revd Alan Ewing.

**Anglican Lutheran Cycle of Prayer:** Pray for the theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada: The Atlantic School of Theology, Montreal Diocesan Theological, College, and Queen's College of the Anglican Church of Canada (ACC); and The dean, council, and congregations of the Northwestern Ontario Area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC).

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Our prayers are asked for Eucharistic Assistants: Pray for all Eucharistic Assistants throughout the Diocese whose ministry is to share in the distribution of the most precious Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Parish Cycle of Prayer:** Dorothy Nesbitt; Len and Barb Norris; Garth, Brenda, O'Neill Bethany Jane (Beth), Emma and Kaitlyn Anne (Kate); and Ann Osborn-Seyffert.



***Good Friday – The Celebration of the Lord’s Passion – at 1 p.m.***

***The Thunder Bay Community Choir presents “Sacred Music for Good Friday” at 7 p.m. at Trinity United Church – free will offering***

***Easter Sunday – Holy Eucharist at 9:30 am***

## *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 April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 – Easter

A grace note from [www.thunderbay-northshoreanglicans.com](http://www.thunderbay-northshoreanglicans.com)

*To show His love, Christ died for us; to show our love, we live for Him.*

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