

Church of the Ascension

Sudbury Ontario

News and Announcements

May 31st, 2015

Creator God, from you every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. You have rooted and grounded us in your covenant love and empowered us by your Spirit to speak the truth in love, and to walk in your way towards justice and wholeness. Mercifully grant that your people, walking together in partnership, may be strengthened and guided to help one another grow into the full stature of Christ, who is our light and our life. Amen.

This morning we will be experiencing two different kinds of worship services. At 9am there will be a Book of Common Prayer Eucharist service, and at 11am a Family Eucharist with the children leading the lessons and offering the prayers. Jen Ames will be teaching a Godly Play lesson in place of the sermon at 11am. Thank you to all of our young people for sharing in today's liturgy.

At noon today we will be ringing the bells in honour of 1200 murdered or missing aboriginal women. This follows a call from our Archbishop Fred Hiltz to use these 22 days, to the closing of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission to remember the past hurts of the residential schools and to look forward to a reconciled future with our aboriginal brothers and sisters. The Church of the Epiphany will ring their church bells every afternoon from 1pm - 4pm from June 1st to June 20th. Please see enclosed letter.

In the Parish This Week

BBQ Today! You are invited to stay after church today for a BBQ as we celebrate and give thanks for children's ministry in the parish. There will be games for the children.

The planting of the seedlings you have been nurturing will be taking place at Twin Forks this week. Thank you for helping our Community Garden grow.

Monday 1st June - the women of the ACW depart for the Annual meeting in Thunder Bay.

Tuesday 2nd June: 11am Westmount service

Wednesday 3rd June: 9:30am Holy Eucharist and Bible Study
4:30pm : Messy Church! Come one, come all for faith, fellowship, crafts and food. The theme of this month's Messy Church is Creation.

Thursday 4th June at 7pm: Choir

St. James Church Closing.

This afternoon (Sunday May 31st) at 2pm you are invited to attend the final service of St. James Church in Lockerby.

It will held at their venue in the Southridge Mall which is just opposite the food court. We look forward to welcoming members of St. James to the Ascension in the coming weeks.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Philip Balson who has just completed the second year of the Electrician Program at Cambrian College.

The Ascension is striving to be a nut free and scent free parish, due to the many nut and scent allergies.

On Thursday morning Philip received the Governor General's Medal for the highest final score of any student in a Cambrian College program. Congrats Philip!

Sunday School Teachers Thanks

We are blessed! Thank you to the children's ministry team for leading our children's program this year. The children are learning stories of our faith, and also about the church through their Godly Play lessons.

Thank you to Cindy and Jen for your leadership, and to the many assistants who help in the Sunday school room, or in the nursery.

Quiet Morning

Don't forget to register for the Quiet Morning on June 10th from 9am to noon. It will be facilitated by Eva Black from North Bay. The cost of \$20 includes lunch.

Truth and Reconciliation

An evening to hear about the Truth and

Thought for the Week

"To be loved by God, not merely pitied, but delighted in as an artist delights in his work or a father in a son - it seems impossible, a weight or burden of glory which our thoughts can hardly sustain. But so it is."

- C. S. Lewis

Reconciliation Commission: A Step on the Road to Healing and Reconciliation

On Tuesday June 23rd Professor Brock Pitawanakwat of the Indigenous Studies Dept at the University of Sudbury will be at the Ascension to tell us more about the Truth and Reconciliation Commission in Canada, as it winds down on June 21st. The evening begins at 6:30pm and will end around 8:30pm.

Nature Camp at Camp Manitou

There are still have some spots left for Nature Camp at Manitou. Nature Camp runs from Saturday August 1st until Saturday August 8th.

If anyone is interested please contact Pat Sein @ 705 692 3354 or p.sein@hotmail.com.

Coffee for the Elgin Street Mission

Guests to the Elgin Street Mission enjoy a cup of coffee with their friends. The Mission is hoping to get 1000 cans of coffee from Sudburians so they will never have to run short. If you're out buying groceries, please pick up a can of coffee and bring it to the church. We'll make sure it gets to the Mission.

Diocese of Algoma Youth Synod

Youth Synod is a gathering of youth and young adults (13-24) from the Anglican

Churches across our diocese and is often considered to be a spiritual highlight in the lives of many people who attend. This year marks the 30th Anniversary of Youth Synod and happens from Sunday June 28th - Wednesday July 1st at beautiful Camp Manitou. The theme for this year's Synod is " Faith Unlimited" . We are called as Christians to be witnesses to the Gospel of Christ in our communities and the world. But how do we share our faith today in a way that is both meaningful and respectful to those around us? This is what the youth and young adults will be exploring at youth synod. If you are interested in attending youth synod (okay....that means you have to be between 13 and 24) please talk to Rev. Anne and she will tell you how the parish will support you so you can attend. This is an all expenses paid opportunity to hang out with other youth and deepen your faith.

Terry Ames Care Fund

Established to assist families going through cancer treatments, the Terry Ames Care fund has a special fundraiser this summer. Please see the notice for details and give hope and support to families in Greater Sudbury.

ACW Thank Offering and Closing Dinner

The ACW wish to thank everyone for their generous donation of pennies, nickels, and dimes. Your nickels and dimes realized \$400! The thank offering has been sent to Thunder Bay. All thank offerings from parishes across the Diocese will be presented at the ACW annual meeting in June to the Mission to Seafarers.

The ACW would like to invite ALL Church Women to join them for their closing supper on Thursday June 18th in the Fellowship Hall. This dinner will be catered and

we hope you will set this evening aside and plan to attend a time of food, fun and fellowship.

OOTC dinner program

The wardens, clergy and parishioners at the Ascension would like to thank Matt Walchuk and Stephanie Doveton for leading the parish in another year of providing dinners to those in need on Friday evenings during the winter months. We prepared and served four meals this winter and they were enjoyed by all. Thank you to everyone for your support of this outreach into our community.

Matt and Stephanie will not be leading us this coming winter, and we are hoping that a new team will step forward to help with this program. We believe that God has called us to this ministry and that it is an important part of who we are as members of the Church of the Ascension.

If you feel called to help provide any form of leadership for this dinner program in the winter of 2015/2016, please let Rev. Anne know. We will be holding a meeting for anyone interested in joining the leadership team as soon as we have names of new members.

Grief Discussion

The Bereavement Foundation of Sudbury is holding an evening of discussion around grieving. It will be held at the Margeurite Lougheed Centre on Wednesday 9th June at 7pm. The facilitator will be Mr. Norm Blanchard, Director of Supportive Care at the Maison Vale Hospice.

Joseph and His Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat comes to Sudbury.

The Jubilation Youth Choir from St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Bloomington

will be performing Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat on Friday 12th June at St. Timothy's Lutheran Church in Copper Cliff. It all begins at 7pm and the cost is a free will offering.

60 Youth will sing the story of Joseph, a hero from the biblical book of Genesis. Joseph, the highly favoured son of patriarch Jacob, receives a beautiful coat from his father. Joseph's brothers are so jealous that they take the opportunity to sell Joseph into slavery in Egypt. However, Joseph manages to rise out of slavery to power. Now his brothers depend on his help for survival. Will Joseph take revenge or enter the path to reconciliation? Find out on June 7th. This is a one time performance.

ACW Strawberry Tea

Tickets are on sale for the ACW Strawberry Tea on Thursday June 11th at 6:30pm. Your crafts and baking would be greatly appreciated. If you can help on the evening of the tea in any way, please speak to Cathy Dionne or members of the ACW. Don't forget the ACW's loonie and twoonie Thank offering jar which is located outside the church office. This year's thank offering will be taken to Thunder Bay to the ACW Annual meeting and given to the Mission to Seafarers.

Summer Will Soon be Here

Please keep the week of August 10 - 14 free as we will be celebrating our 15th VBS at the Ascension. This year the theme is "Everest" and we invite all children ages 3-12 to join us for a week of awesome bible stories and adventures, learning, growing

in faith, games, crafts, and songs and snacks. Pre registration will take place on Sunday May 31st at the Sunday school BBQ and games day, and at the June Messy Church on June 3rd from 4:30pm - 6:30pm. We want to order the tshirts for VBS so hope you'll pre register your children and grandchildren so we know what sizes to buy. The cost of the tshirts are \$6 each.

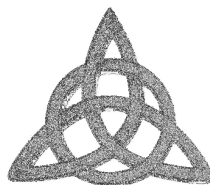
Forgot your envelope? Want to know more about the parish? Want a visit from the rector? Kath Greenidge has designed some great Ascension envelopes so that we can stay in touch with you, and you with us. You'll find them in the pocket where the service and hymn books are located, right in front of you.

Morning and Evening Prayer at the Ascension

Brent Leigh will be leading occasional services of Morning and Evening prayer. Please check the bulletin and monthly calendar for details.

Quiet morning in June

You are invited to join us for a Quiet morning on Wednesday June 10th from 9am - 1pm. Mrs Eva Black, who lives in North Bay and who offers spiritual direction in the Ascension Chapel will facilitate this morning. The theme will be "Life in the Spirit" based on Romans 8. The cost of the morning will be \$20, including lunch. If you would like to register, please let Rev. Anne know.



Upcoming Dates for Spring/Summer 2015

Quiet Day on Wednesday June 10th 9am - noon: Eva Black facilitating.

ACW Strawberry Tea Thursday June 11th from 6:30pm - 8:30pm.

Joseph and Technicolour Dreamcoat at St. Timothy's Lutheran Church, Copper Cliff: June 12th at 7pm. Performed by the Jubilation Youth Choir from St. Stephen's Lutheran Church Minnesota. Freewill offering.

Barrydowne College Graduation ceremony on Wednesday June 17th at 5pm.



Funny Moments

An acquaintance of mine who is a physician told this story about her then-four-year-old daughter. On the way to preschool, the doctor had left her stethoscope on the car seat, and her little girl picked it up and began playing with it. "Be still, my heart," thought my friend, "My daughter wants to follow in my footsteps!" Then the child spoke into the instrument: "Welcome to McDonald's. May I take your order?"

A certain little girl, when asked her name, would reply, "I'm Mr. Sugarbrown's daughter." Her mother told her this was wrong, she must say, "I'm Jane Sugarbrown." The Vicar spoke to her in Sunday School, and said, "Aren't you Mr. Sugarbrown's daughter?" She replied, "I thought I was, but mother says I'm not."

Sunday Lectionary for June—August

7 June Second Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 3:8-15 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1
Psalm 130 Mark 3:20-35

14 June Third Sunday after Pente-

Ezekiel 17:22-24 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, (11-13), 14-17
Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15 Mark 4:26-34

21 June 4th Sunday after Pentecost

1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4-11, 19-23), 32-49
or
1 Samuel 17:57-18:5, 18:10-16
Psalm 9:9-20 or Mark 4:35-41
Psalm 133

28 June 5th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 2 Corinthians 8:7-15
Psalm 130 Mark 5:21-43

5 July 6th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 2 Corinthians 12:2-10
Psalm 30 Mark 6:1-13

12 July 7th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b Ephesians 1:3-14-19
Psalm 24 Mark 6:14-29

19 July 8th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 7:1-14a Ephesians 2:11-22
Psalm 89:20-37 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Services of Worship at the Ascension

Sunday morning: Holy Eucharist at 9am and 11am. Sunday school takes place at the 11am service and there is also a nursery for babies and toddlers.

Wednesday morning: Holy Eucharist at 9:30am followed by Bible Study. All welcome! We have a team of parishioners who are licensed by the Bishop to bring the Reserved Sacrament to individuals or couples who are unable to make it to church on Sunday

Membership at the Ascension

We love it when people say that they are a member of our church, and we want to keep track of our parishioners so that we can send you mailouts, newsletters, and keep you posted on parish events. If you are a new member and wish to be on our parish list, please fill out the form at the bottom of this newsletter and return it to the office, or put it in the offering plate today. If your address, phone number or email address has

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The church website address is www.churchoftheascensionsudbury.ca

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