

Church of the Ascension

Sudbury Ontario

News and Announcements

June 14th, 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.

We will be ringing the gong 22 times after the Eucharistic Prayer on June 7th, 14th and 21st June and on Wednesday mornings on June 10th, 17th and 24th in remembrance of missing or murdered aboriginal women.

In the Parish This Week

Thank you for your bread and fixings for the Elgin Street Mission.

Tonight at 8:30pm: Join us for a service of Evening Prayer in the Chapel, and get your week off to a great start.

Wednesday 17th June: 9:30am Holy Eucharist

9:30am: Presentation on new photocopier.

5:30pm: Barrydowne College Graduation

Thursday 18th June: 5:30pm ACW dinner.

The clergy and people of the Church of the Ascension welcome members of St. James Church.

Welcome to St. James members

Following the closing of St. James Church we are delighted to welcome members of St. James to the Ascension. We hope that you will soon feel very much at home in our midst. Please do take a moment to fill out the visitors card located at the back of the church, so we may know how we can help you. If you find yourself sitting next to someone you don't know, please take a moment to introduce yourself.

Summer is coming soon

Service schedule for July and August
Beginning on July 5th, and including Labour Day weekend there will be one service at the Ascension on Sunday mornings, at 10 am.

Once a month there will be an Evening Prayer service (BCP) at 8:30pm in the Chapel, lead by Brent Leigh. In June this will be tonight.

If you are away on weekends during the

summer months, you will still be able to receive communion. There will be a Eucharist on a Wednesday evening each week at 7:30pm.

ACW Strawberry Tea

The ACW wishes to thank everyone for supporting their tea on Thursday evening. They especially appreciate the help with preparing the strawberry shortcake, setting up tables, serving at the tea, and to those who brought baking and crafts for those two tables. It is always a great time of friendship and fellowship. All of the money that is raised at these teas goes to Mission and Outreach.

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

Barrydowne College News

Thank you for the many wonderful prom/grad dresses and shirts and pants we received for the students graduating from Barrydowne College. Grad is this Wednesday at 5:30pm in the Cambrian College Student Centre. The women of the ACW will be presenting two scholarships at grad, and there are two from the Rev. Anne Germond fund, given by individual donors.

Our last lunch for the students will be on Wednesday 24th June. Please take a tag off the board on the office door and help a student enjoy a great lunch.

Bishop Stephen Andrews Visit to the Ascension

On June 28th, Bishop Stephen and Fawna will be with us for worship. The Bishop is attending Youth Synod from 28th June - July 2nd at Camp Manitou, and will be in Sudbury that morning. We look forward to welcoming the Bishop to our services of worship. There will be a reception for the Bishop following the 9am service only.

Thought for the Week

*"Fear imprisons, Faith liberates;
Fear paralyzes, Faith empowers;
Fear disheartens, Faith encourages;
Fear sickens, Faith heals;
Fear makes useless, Faith makes serviceable;
And most of all, Fear puts hopelessness at the heart of life, while Faith rejoices in it's God."*
Henry Emerson Fosdick

Funeral receptions

From time to time the Ascension is asked to host a reception following a funeral service. Usually the women of the ACW prepare and serve at such functions, but we would like to extend the list of people we can call upon, especially during the summer months as so many people are away. If you are willing to let your name be on a call list, we would appreciate it very much. If you are unable to assist when called upon we will find others to serve.

New Shed and Storage Box

New shed and storage box for cans and bottles- check out the new storage shed behind the church. This will be used to store the BBQ and other outdoor items that cannot be stored inside. Thanks to Ralph and Harley and Erma for scouting out the best deal and to Scotty for getting it up in such good time.

New Photocopier

In the last couple of years our photocopier costs have become very expensive. At a recent board meeting we were given a presentation on three photocopiers and will be leasing a new photocopier. If you wish to learn how to use it, there will be a teaching time on Wednesday morning at 9:30am. The photocopier connects via wifi to the computer in the office, and it folds, staples booklets in no time at all!

Church Cleaner

Curtis, the man who has been cleaning the church for us has handed in his notice. His last day will be June 30th. We are looking for someone to take Curtis's place - it is approximately 3-4 hours of work a week (usually Fridays or Saturdays in preparation for Sunday morning), and occasionally during the week if we have a special event. WE pay \$15 an hour. Please pass this along to anyone you know who might be interested in this position. Resumes may be sent to the church or to the church email ascension@vianet.ca

Our Great Grads

Congratulations to Brian Hawkins as he graduates from Lockerby Composite High School. He will be attending St. Lawrence College in Kingston taking Control Engineering Technology. At graduation he received two awards:

- the "Sudbury Multicultural Award " - demonstrated a commitment to their community
- the "Lieutenant Governor's Community Award" - exemplary community contribution or outstanding achievement through volunteer activity - pays tribute to those who not only complete the number of volunteer hours required to graduate but who go above and beyond - he had slightly over 800 hours (and only requires 40 to graduate)

Do you have a great grad from High School, University or College to tell us about? Share your good news story with us.

Twin Forks Community Garden

Thank you for taking such good care of your seedlings over the last few weeks. Jane Cox and Nancy Deni planted them all on Monday. The garden needs tending

over the summer months. If you are able to assist, please contact Nancy Deni, who is in the process of setting up a schedule for watering at ndeni@eastlink.ca

Church mice?

Did you know we have church mice at the Ascension? These are the people who come to the church when no one else is there and take care of our building in small maintenance jobs. They get things ready for events that are happening, and they photocopy the bulletin and make sure that there are supplies for our needs. They work quietly and behind the scenes and never ask for or expect any reward. But all church mice like 'cheese' or something to snack on when they come to do their work. Rev. Anne has set aside a shelf in the cupboard where the tea is kept and has placed some treats for the mice. If you are a church mouse, please help yourself. If you would like to bring a treat for the church mice, as your way of thanking them, just put it on the labeled shelf. To all church mice.....'thank you'!

Truth and Reconciliation

An evening to hear about the Truth and 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 NatureCamp 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.

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.



Have you registered your child/grandchild/neighbour's child/ friend for VBS yet? It's an awesome week of fun, fellowship and learning. Dates are August 10th - 14th at the Ascension. Ages 3 and up are welcome. Three year olds must be accompanied by an adult. There is no charge except for the tshirt -(\$6 for kids and \$10 for adults). Registration forms are at the back of the church. Here is Bev posing in the Everest Klymer!

Child & Youth Ministry Workshop

Re-imagining children and youth in the church

This workshop, facilitated by the Rev'd Pamela Rayment, Deanery Child & Youth Ministry Facilitator, will encourage and challenge us to contemplate the importance of children and youth in the church and reflect on how we can best nurture their growth as disciples in the faith. We will discuss the realities and needs of growing up in today's world and consider the role of the church in light of what we discover. We will also explore reasons youth may become disconnected from the church and talk about extending the love of Christ in these situations. Finally, we will look at practical ways to engage children and youth in the life of the church, aimed at fostering life-long discipleship.

Who should participate? Sunday school teachers, youth workers, clergy, wardens, parents, grandparents & anyone committed to the wellbeing of children and youth in the church

~ONLINE~

WED. JUNE 24, 2015

7:00 — 9:00pm

via Web Conference Algoma

Register by June 22

webconferencealgoma@ontera.net

To Find What We Have Lost

WHAT IT MEANS IS that if we come to a church right, we come to it more fully and nakedly ourselves, come with more of our humanness showing, than we are apt to come to most places. We come like Moses with muck on our shoes—foot-sore and travel-stained with the dust of our lives upon us, our failures, our deceits, our hypocrisies, because if, unlike Moses, we have never taken anybody's life, we have again and again withheld from other people, including often even those who are nearest to us, the love that might have made their lives worth living, not to mention our own. Like Moses we come here as we are, and like him we come as strangers and exiles in our way because wherever it is that we truly belong, whatever it is that is truly home for us, we know in our hearts that we have somehow lost it and gotten lost. Something is missing from our lives that we cannot even name — something we know best from the empty place inside us all where it belongs. We come here to find what we have lost. We come here to acknowledge that in terms of the best we could be we are lost and that we are helpless to save ourselves. We come here to confess our sins.

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Frederick Beuchner



Funny Moments

It was mealtime during our trip on a small airline in the Northwest. "Would you like dinner?" the flight attendant asked the man seated in front of me.

"What are my choices?" he asked.

"Yes or no," she replied.

An accountant is having a hard time sleeping and goes to see his physician.

"Doctor, I just can't get to sleep at night."

"Have you tried counting sheep?"

"Yes....and THAT's the problem! I make a mistake and then spend three hours trying to find it."

Sunday Lectionary for June—August

21 June 4th Sunday after Pentecost

1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4-11, 19-23), 32-49
or
1 Samuel 17:57-

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
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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

26 July 9th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 11:1-15 Ephesians 3:14-21
Psalm 14 John 6:1-21

2 Aug. 10th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 11:26 - Ephesians 4:1-16
12:13a
Psalm 51:1-12 John 6:24-35

9 Aug. 11th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33 Ephesians 4:25-5:2
Psalm 130 John 6:35, 41-51

16 Aug. 12th Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 2:10-12; Ephesians 5:15-20
3:3-14
Psalm 111 John 6:51-58

23 Aug. 13th Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 8:(1,6,10-11), 22-30, 41-43 Ephesians 6:10-20
Psalm 84 John 6:56-69

30 Aug. 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Song of Solomon 2:8 James 1:17-27
-13
Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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

Agnus Day



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Your privacy

Every week the church bulletin and news and announcements is posted on the Church of the Ascension's website. Sometimes these items include names of individuals within the parish. If you prefer not to have your name on the website, or photos of yourself posted, please let Rev. Anne know so that she ensures your privacy.

The church website address is www.churchoftheascensionsudbury.ca

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(John & Mary Smith, Mr. & Mrs J. Smith, The Smiths)

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