

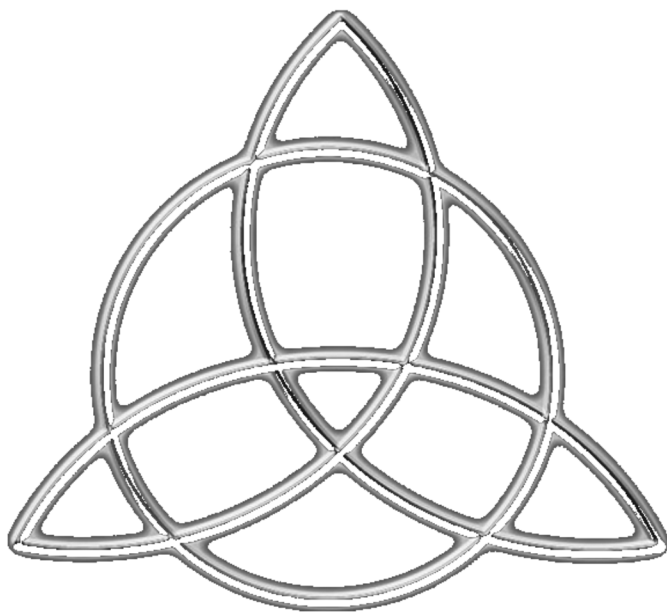
Church of the Ascension

Sudbury, Ontario

June 11, 2017

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns'." (Isaiah 52.7)

Bishop Anne's Motto for 2017



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Welcome to our worship - it's good to have you here with us. If you are visiting or here for the first time.....

The Anglican Church teaches that all that are baptised in any Christian tradition are welcome to receive the sacrament at the time of communion. It is God's invitation to the table, if you feel so moved you are invited and welcomed.

If you do not wish to receive communion but would like a blessing, please come forward and cross your hands over your chest.

If you do not wish to drink wine from the chalice, please feel comfortable to receive the bread alone. Simply cross your arms over your chest so the Eucharistic assistant knows.

Bulletin

For any changes, corrections or additions to the Weekly Bulletin please let Joan Servent know at joanservent@gmail.com or call the church at 705 566-2790.

Please share any contributions or suggestions of gratitude and future events to include in the coming weeks of the Weekly News or Bulletin. You can do this by emailing at ascension@vianet.ca or calling Joan Servent at (705) 690-9633 or the church at 705 566-2790.

Flowers

Please let Anne Trimmer know if you wish to donate flowers on the altar.

Attendance on 4th June was 42 at 9am
and 40 at 11am

Trinity Sunday
9 & 11 am Holy Eucharist

*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is
full of his glory.*

Music by Electric Kazoo at 11am

Processional (9) #1
Collect of the day page 346

First Lesson **Genesis 1:1-2:4a**
The story of Creation

Psalm 8 page 711
O Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth

Second Lesson 2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Live in harmony and holy love

Gradual #tba
Holy Gospel Matthew 28:16-20
Jesus commissions the disciples to evangelize.

Offertory (9) #645
Prayer over the Gifts page 347

Communion tba

Prayer after communion page 347

Recessional (9) #355/v. 1,2,3,7

In our prayers ...

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for Northern California - (VIII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Barry Beisner

In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray our Primate, Archbishop Fred Hiltz, for our Metropolitan, Archbishop Colin Johnson, for our Diocesan Bishop, Anne; for our Archdeacon, Glen, and for our parish clergy Fr. Bob, Rev. Rhonda, & Fr. Jeff.

In the Diocese of Algoma, we pray for Holy Trinity, Sault Ste. Marie, The Ven. Hugh Hamilton (Interim), Trinity Church, Parry Sound, The Very Rev. Nelson

Small (Interim), The Rev. Dr. Frank A. Thompson
(Hon.)

We pray for the Church of the Ascension during this time of transition and discernment

We pray for the members of the ARK Refugee Steering Committee as they prepare to bring a family to Sudbury.

We pray for the following people for God's continued healing and strength during the coming week., especially Nancy Turner, Diane, Linda, Alan Findlay, Richard, George, Derald Balson, Dan Turner, Barbara Blanchard, Inge, Priscilla Allurut, Canon Michael & Muriel Hankinson, Theresa Kuehl (Megan's grandma), Brandon, Heather Kennedy, Roz Jones, Jerry Howarth, Andrew, Donna Barnes, Bessie Morgan, Irene Ginson-Fiss, Rick McNaughton, Laurent Constantineau, Shirley, Edna Bailey, Gibb Roy.

We pray for these families, recently bereaved, Viren Rana and family, friend of Joan Servent

We pray for those who are living in retirement residences or nursing homes, or who find it difficult to join us for church on Sundays; Milt Fleming, Margaret Villeneuve, Velma Tansley, Karin Hoffman. May they always feel God's presence in their lives.

In our parish we pray for our wardens and leaders and in our parish family Alain & Tina Renaud, Tammy Richard, Mrs Molly Roberts & Chris Cawte, and their families.

We pray for those who are caregivers to sick and frail loved ones. We pray that the God of love will surround them with people to look after them, and grant them rest.

In the Parish this Week

Monday, June 12th –4:00pm – 8:00pm Jen Ames will be in the office

Wednesday, June 14th – 9:30 Morning Prayer and Bible Study

Thursday, June 15th – 3:00pm-6:00pm Joan Servent will be in the office

News and Announcements

Food Donations for Barrydowne Luncheon

Please check the sign up list, just outside the kitchen, for any items left to be contributed to the Barrydowne Luncheon. The deadline to bring contributions is Wednesday June 14th.

St. Andrew's United Church Annual Ladies Gently Used Clothing Sale

On Thursday June 15th from 9:00am-5:30pm St. Andrew's United Church will be having their Annual Ladies Gently Used Clothing Sale. Be sure to stop in and see if there is something for you! The unsold clothing will be donated to the Kidney Foundation.

Barrydowne College Graduation

The Barrydowne College Graduation ceremony will be held on June 22 at 6:00pm. Parishioners are welcome to come join the students in their academic celebration. All are welcome! Please let Kristina know if you plan to attend by calling, 705 566-7505 Ext. 7505.

Donations of Summer Clothing Needed for Elgin Street Mission

Please sort through your summer clothes and see if there is anything you can donate to the Elgin Street Mission. They are currently looking for capri pants, t-shirts, tank tops, running shoes and sandals. Women's and men's jeans, underwear and socks are always in demand. Due to lack of space for storage winter cloth-

ing is not being accepted at this time.

You can either bring your clothing into the church and we will arrange to have it brought over to the Elgin Street Mission or you can drop it directly off there at 344 Elgin St. between 8:00am and 7:30pm.

<https://www.sudbury.com/local-news/can-you-help-summer-clothing-jeans-needed-at-elgin-street-mission-620273>

N'Swakamok-Sudbury Kairos "Blanket Exercise"

Please join us on Tuesday, June 27 from 1-4 p.m. at N'Swakamok Native Friendship Centre, 110 Elm St.

This is an experiential teaching tool to share the historical and contemporary relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in Canada. The Blanket Exercise aims to educate and increase empathy by engaging participants on an emotional and intellectual level. For general information on the Blanket Exercise process and its history in Canada please follow the link to the KAIROS Blanket Exercise website: <http://kairosblanketexercise.org/>.

A few parishioners will be facilitating this exercise in partnership with a few Indigenous organizations.

Please contact Erma Howe for more information: 705-521-0881.

Summer Services

Starting on **July 2nd**, we move to one 10 am Eucharist service. For the month of July, we are excited to host our Epiphany neighbours, as Epiphany gives their clergy leadership a summer break. In exchange, during August, the Epiphany will host the Ascension at their 10:00 am Sunday Eucharist services so that our clergy can also have time off. The Ascension will offer Sunday Morning Prayer in August at 8:30 am.

If you have any questions about this arrangement, please do not hesitate to talk to one of the wardens or clergy. We'll be happy to answer any questions.

Faith Seeking Understanding

Join Dr. Spenser Boersma, on June 26-30, for a one week tour through the literary and theological depths of hell. How is our understanding of hell based in biblical imagery? What are the theological issues around "hell"? What does Dante really say about hell in his inferno? Grapple with these questions and more at Thorneloe University this summer. For complete details on the course see the rector's office door.

Nord 500 North Conference

Greater Sudbury will commemorate the 500th Anniversary for the Reformation during a two day conference, September 21 and 22nd, 2017. It will be held at the Holiday Inn, 1696 Regent St., Sudbury along with a historical, exciting worship service on Thursday night to be held at St. Patrick's Church, 39 Walford Road, Sudbury. The service will be open to the public.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be held from August 14 to 18 at the Ascension, and July 3 to 7 at St. John the Divine. 9:00 am to 12:00pm. The curriculum is based on the theme "Created by God, Built for a Purpose" and it is well-suited for children aged 12 and under. If any youth or adults are interested in volunteering, please contact Jennifer Ames at 705 618-2319. We are looking for help on any day. Just let us know what suits you.

If you have any questions about VBS, please contact Cindy Caines at 705 524-5394 or email cindycaines@hotmail.com

Registration forms are available at the church and you can register on line at

<https://vbspro.events/p/events/ascensionkidz>

<https://vbspro.events/p/events/stjohnskidz>

Sponsoring a Child for Vacation Bible School

If you are interested in sponsoring a child to attend VBS in the Deanery of Sudbury/Manitoulin, you can

through the "Sponsor a Child Program". A suggested donation of \$20 helps to cover the cost of the following daily items: a craft, an imagination gadget, a take-home sheet as a reminder of the Bible story, and a daily scripture verse reminder. Any cheques should be made payable to "St John the Divine Anglican Church", with the memo line stating VBS 2017. Receipts for donation of \$10 or more will be given. Envelopes with more information are available at the back of church.

Any amount you are able to give is appreciated.

Save the Date! Annual Golf Tournament

Make sure to schedule in the Annual Church of the Ascension Golf Tournament for Saturday, September 17th. The option to join only for the evening supper is available again this year. More details to follow.

Thank You!!

- ✧ Thank you to Eleanor, Philip, the choir, and EK for contributing to enhancing our worship and keeping us roughly on key! Over the summer, as you are sitting around various campfires belting out tunes, consider putting that lovely voice to good use and sharing it through the choir. They are always open to new songbirds.
- ✧ Thank you to Cindy Derrenbacher for sharing her Saturday with everyone who came to the Day of Prayer. It was a truly enlightening, intimate, experience that offered a reconnection with God the Father, His Son and the Holy Spirit. Such a blessing indeed.
- ✧ Thank you for the clothing donations that have already been donated for the Elgin Street Mission. Despite the fluctuating weather conditions, they are eager to continue to receive summer clothing so keep sorting through to find gently used items to contribute.
- ✧ Thank you all who helped out at Messy Church this past week and to those who attended this final worship for this season. We all look forward to catching up with everyone on October 4th when Messy Church resumes

in the fall.

- ✧ Thank you to all helpers of Children's Ministry for sharing their time and love of Christ with all the children of the parish. It's the generosity of each and every one of you that allows these precious little ones to grow in the love of God.
- ✧ Thank you so very much to Paul Murdock for donating the bicycle. Its new owner has already put quite a few miles on it!
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About Trinity Sunday

Trinity Sunday, officially called "The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity," is one of the few celebrations of the Christian Year that commemorates a reality and doctrine rather than a person or event. On Trinity Sunday, Christians remember and honor the eternal God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Trinity Sunday is celebrated the Sunday after Pentecost, and lasts only one day, which is symbolic of the unity of the Trinity. Eastern Churches have no tradition of Trinity Sunday, arguing that they celebrate the Trinity every Sunday. Westerners also commemorate the Trinity at every Eucharist, although they set aside a special feast day for the purpose as well.

The Trinity is one of the most fascinating - and controversial - Christian teachings. The Trinity is described as a "mystery." By mystery the Church does not mean a riddle, but rather the Trinity is a reality above our human comprehension that we may begin to grasp, but ultimately must know through worship, symbol, and faith. It has been said that mystery is not a wall to run up against, but an ocean in which to swim.

Common wisdom is that if you discuss the Trinity for longer than a few minutes, you will slip into heresy, because you are probing the depths of God too deeply. The Trinity is best described in the Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed, commonly called the Nicene Creed.

Essentially the Trinity is the belief that God is one in essence (Greek *ousia*), but distinct in person (Greek *hypostasis*). The Greek word for person means "that which stands on its own," or "individual reality," and does not mean the persons of the Trinity are three human beings. Therefore Christians believe that the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are somehow distinct from one another (not divided though), yet completely united in will and essence. How can this be? Well, think of the sight of two eyes. The eyes are distinct, yet one and undivided in their sight. Another illustration to explain the Trinity is the musical chord. Think of a C-chord. The C, E, and G notes are all distinct notes, but joined together as one chord the sound is richer and more dynamic than had the notes been played individually. The chords are all equally important in producing the rich sound, and the sound is lacking and thin if one of the notes is left out.

The Son is said to be eternally begotten of the Father, while the Holy Spirit is said to proceed from the Father through the Son. Each person of the Trinity interpenetrates one another, and each has distinct roles in creation and redemption, which is called the Divine economy. For instance, God the Father created the world through the Son and the Holy Spirit hovered over the waters at creation.

The Nicene definition of the Trinity developed over time, based on Scripture and Tradition. The Scriptures call the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit "God," yet the three are also clearly distinct. For instance, St. John gives Jesus the titles *theos* and *monogenes theos* (God and Only-Begotten God) and has Jesus saying that the Father and Son are one, yet in his gospel Jesus also states that the Father and Son are not one witness, but two (John 1:1, 18; 8:17-18; 10:30). So John tells us that Jesus is God but not God the Father? Jesus is one with the Father, but they constitute two witnesses? It is scriptures such as

these that led to the development of the Trinity doctrine. The Church had to reconcile the Divinity of Christ and the Holy Spirit with Jewish monotheism. Over time, and with the aid of the Holy Spirit, the Church reflected on the implications of God's nature, and even began using the word Trinity by the middle of the 2nd century to describe the relationship between the Father, Son, and Spirit. When in the 4th century a presbyter named Arius denied the Father and Son were both true God and co-eternal, his bishop Alexander of Alexandria challenged him and deposed him. Eventually the Arian controversy spread, and the emperor Constantine, newly fascinated with Christianity, convened a council of bishops in AD 325 in Nicaea to deal with Arianism. It is there that the Church drew up the beginnings of the current Nicene Creed. In the latter half of the 4th century the Church dealt with those who specifically denied the divinity of the Holy Spirit, adding more text to the creed.

Ultimately, Trinitarianism posits a dynamic God, whose ultimate nature is beyond human conception, yet who voluntarily operates within the created world. Trinitarianism also shows a loving God that is willing to become as we are so that we may become like Him. The implications of believing in Arius' God, a God unwilling to involve himself in our redemption, but who instead sent an angel of the highest order, did not escape the earliest Christians. As St. Athanasius was fond of saying "that which has not been assumed has not been redeemed," meaning that unless God truly became completely human, we could not be fully redeemed, because only God Himself is capable of truly redeeming humanity; an angel does not have this ability. Thus, the Trinity is not about Greek philosophy or pointless metaphysical speculation, but about the heart of our salvation. For more information, please check out The Nicene Creed: Ancient Symbol of the Catholic Faith.

Did You Know?

Thomas Becket was consecrated as Archbishop of Canterbury on Trinity Sunday, AD 1162

Lectioary

18 June 2017 Second Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 18:1-15, (21:1-7)

Foretelling of the birth of Isaac.

Psalms 116:1-2, 12-19

What shall I return to the LORD for all his bounty to me?

Romans 5:1-8

Christ died for us while we were still sinners

Matthew 9:35-10:8, (9-23)

Jesus proclaims the good news of the kingdom.

25 June 2017 Third Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 21:8-21

Abraham sends Hagar and his mother away

Psalms 86:1-10, 16-17

Lord, save your servant who trusts in you

Romans 6:1b-11

All who are baptized in Christ are baptized into his death

Matthew 10:24-39

Love of God, above all

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