

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

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"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 3:12, 14)

Bishop Anne's Motto for 2018

Holy Eucharist:	Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am Wednesday 9:30 am
Morning Prayer:	Wednesday 9:00 am and Friday 9:00 am
Evening Prayer:	Wednesday 8:00 pm and Sunday 8:00 pm
Messy Church:	1st Wednesday of the month at 4:30 pm

Welcome to our worship!

It is good to have you here with us today. If you are visiting the Church of the Ascension for the first time, please know that the Anglican Church teaches that all who are baptized with water in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit are welcome to receive the sacrament at the time of communion.

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What's happening this week...

May 20, 2018	8:00pm	Evening Prayer
May 23, 2018	9:00am	Morning Prayer
	9:30am	Holy Eucharist and Bible Study
	8:00pm	Evening Prayer
May 24, 2018	6:30pm	Strawberry Tea
May 25, 2018	9:00am	Morning Prayer

April Giving's –

Budgeted \$13,000 Actual \$10,446.00 (2554.00)

Flowers today are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Kenneth Todd Fowler. By his parents Noella and Dave, his sister Joanne and family and his daughter Amanda and her family. In thanksgiving for Irene Ginson- Fiss on her 90th birthday and in loving memory of her husband Eldon by their daughter Sandra.

Sunday of Easter Pentecost	Processional # 658
9:00 am & 11:00 am Holy Eucharist	Collect of the day page 345
	First Lesson Ezekiel 37:1-14
	Psalm 104: 25-35,37b
	Second Lesson Acts 2:1-21
	Gradual # 39
	Holy Gospel John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15
	Offertory # 645
	Prayer over the Gifts page 346
	Communion # 50, 56, 73
	Prayer after Communion page 346
	Recessional # 425

In our prayers...

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the work of the Anglican Centre in Rome. **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 Aidan, Fr. Bob, & Fr. Jeff.

In the Diocese of Algoma, we pray for Parish of Muskoka Lakes - St. Mark's, Milford Bay,St. John's, Beaumaris, Christ Church, Gregory ,St. James', Port Carling, St. George's, Port Sandfield - The Rev. Dr. Gail Marie Henderson (Interim)

We pray for the members of the ARK Refugee Steering Committee as they help Manar settle into her new home.

We pray for the following people for God's continued healing and strength during the coming week, especially Nancy Turner, Diane, Richard, George, Derald Balson, Dan Turner, Barbara Blanchard, Inge, Priscilla Allurut, Canon Michael & Muriel Hankinson, Theresa Kuehl (Megan's grandma), Brandon, Heather Kennedy, Donna Barnes, Daryl Keen, Donna, and Carol, Viren, Lil Bowman, Irene Ginson-Fiss, Julie, Karrie, Joyce, George, Spruce, Tamara, Peter, Eddy, Lucette, Caleb, Nancy, Elaine, Marshall McCulloch, Gordie Barnes, Bill Stadnyk and Bain Peever. We pray for the repose of the soul of Sharon Peters.

We pray for families recently bereaved today remembering the Peter's family.

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, Laurent Constantineau, Bessie Morgan. 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, we pray for Jason & Philippa Howard, Linda Jacklin, Cathy Jewell 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.

Collect

Almighty and everliving God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal, keep us in the unity of your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading

A reading from Ezekiel (Ezekiel 37:1-14)

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

Psalm (Psalm 104:25-35,37b)

REFRAIN Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth. (R)

O Lord, how manifold are your works! in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, creatures both small and great. **R**

There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, which you have made for the sport of it. All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.

You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things. **R** You hide your face, and they are terrified; you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust. You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth. **R** May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; may the Lord rejoice in all his works. He looks at the earth and it trembles; he touches the mountains and they smoke. **R** I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being. May these words of mine please him; I will rejoice in the Lord. Hallelujah! **R**

Second Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 2:1-21)

When the day of Pentecost had come, the apostles were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

Prayer over the Gifts

Giver of life, receive all we offer you this day. Let the Spirit you bestow on your Church continue to work in the world through the hearts of all who believe. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Prayer After Communion

Father, may we who have received this eucharist live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth his gifts to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.