



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 and 11:00 am
Morning Prayer:	Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00 am
Evening Prayer:	Tuesday, Wednesday, 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...

Dec. 09, 2018	8:00 pm	Evening Prayer
Dec. 10, 2018	9:00am	Morning Prayer
Dec. 11, 2018	2:00pm	Healing Service – Garson
	6:00pm	Board Meeting
Dec. 12, 2018	9:00am	Morning Prayer
	9:30am	Holy Eucharist and Bible Study
	6:00pm	Caroling
	8:00pm	Evening Prayer
Dec. 14, 2018	9:30am	Morning Prayer
		Deanery Quiet Day

FLOWERS are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Anita Bate, mother of Gary Bate and Pryce Moorhouse, father of Sue Bate.

2nd Sunday of Advent

9am & 11 am Holy Eucharist

Processional # 103

Collect of the day BAS 269

First Lesson Malachi 3:1-4

Canticle 19 BAS 88

Second Lesson Philippians 1:3-11

Gradual # 569

Holy Gospel Luke 3:1-6

Offertory # 89

Prayer over the Gifts BAS 270

Communion # 113

Prayer after Communion BAS 270

Recessional # 116

In our prayers...

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Falkland Islands
Falkland Islands -the Rt Revd Timothy Thornton

In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray our Primate, Archbishop Fred Hiltz, for our Metropolitan and Diocesan, Archbishop Anne Germond; for our Archdeacon, Glen, and for our parish clergy Fr. Aidan, Fr. Bob, Fr. Jeff and Bishop Andrews.

In the Diocese of Algoma, we pray for The Algoma Anglican and the Rev. Peter Simmons, Editor.

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, Richard, George, Derald Balson, Dan Turner, Inge, Priscilla Allurut, Canon Michael & Muriel Hankinson, Theresa Kuehl (Megan's grandma), Brandon, Heather Kennedy, 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, Bain Peever, Kay, Michael, Cathy, David, Debbie and Laura.

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, 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 Janet Welsh, Lisa White & Wendy Cassell, Dave and Mary Wells and their families.

Collect

Almighty God, who sent your servant John the Baptist to prepare your people to welcome the Messiah, inspire us, the ministers and stewards of your truth, to turn our disobedient hearts to you, that when the Christ shall come again to be our judge, we may stand with confidence before his glory; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading

A reading from Malachi (Malachi 3:1-4)

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Canticle 19 BAS 88 - REFRAIN – The dawn from on high shall break upon us.

Second Reading

A reading from Philippians (Philippians 1:3-11)

I thank my God every time I remember you, -constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, -because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. -I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. -It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. -For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight -to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, -having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (Luke 3:1-6)

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, -as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; -and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'" **Prayer over the Gifts** God our strength, we are nothing without you. Receive all we offer you this day as you sustain us with your mercy; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Prayer After Communion

Faithful God, we thank you for feeding us with this heavenly banquet. Help us always to hear the prophet's call to turn our hearts to you; in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
