



KAIROS Canada

faithful action for justice

Dear Matthew,

Greetings from KAIROS!

It's been an honour for me to join in with this shared ministry over the past months as I stepped into the role of interim executive director with KAIROS. Some of you are volunteers, some of you are donors, some of you are advocates who send letters and sign petitions, and more. All of you are important to the work of KAIROS for peace and justice. We are grateful for your support and want to share with you our exciting plans. Please join us online:

Thursday, May 9 2024, at 7:00 p.m. EDT

[Please register here.](#)

I'm delighted to invite you to a conversation about KAIROS' current and upcoming initiatives, including:

KAIROS as a Stand-Alone Organization: After over 20 years under the administration of the United Church of Canada, KAIROS Canada is taking a momentous step forward by becoming a stand-alone organization with its own charitable status and ongoing ecumenical cooperation.

KAIROS Blanket Exercise' New Model Rollout: Following extensive consultation, redesign, and infrastructure development, we are excited to announce the rollout of the the KAIROS Blanket Exercise—a vital tool in building right relations with Indigenous peoples. Join us for more information.

Global Partnerships, Ecological Justice and Migrant Justice programs: Strengthening youth voices for just transition advocacy, ongoing global partnerships for gender justice, renewed partnerships in seeking Status for All and more. Learn more about this vital work.

If you have any specific questions you would like addressed during the event, please email them to Shannon Neufeldt, KAIROS Member Relations and Network Coordinator at sneufeldt@kairoscanada.org.

I'm so thankful to you for your commitment to creating a more just and equitable society. I hope to see you on May 9.

With gratitude,

Leah Reesor-Keller

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A Prayer Action from Northwestern Ontario and Manitoba KAIROS

Northwestern Ontario Manitoba KAIROS extends its support to the growing crisis faced by front line services and offers the following prayer opportunity to the faith community. The prayer is a call to action in response to the devastating impacts of lack of housing and resources, staff shortages dealing with homelessness and addictions, and mental health issues.

Creator God, source of life, as we reflect on the state of emergency in our communities, with so many suffering from addictions, we acknowledge that our hearts are heavy.

We raise up the struggles of those with lived experience of generational trauma, disability, and mental health challenges, and who struggle with the impacts of poverty, toxic drugs, and lack of mental health support.

We raise also the exhaustion and burn out felt by those community helpers who work in difficult and under-resourced services to respond to the crises.

We see the effects of colonization and government policies which seem to work against advancement for Indigenous people and vulnerable populations. We pray that we may each do whatever we can to support those in need of support and those who provide it.

We see the hardships communities face as they are struggling to coexist with these social challenges and pray that our leaders will respond with effective plans and resources to ensure that all of our community is safe, sheltered and nourished.

Amen

Suggested Actions:

- *Donate funds and items requested by service agencies.*
- *Stop by drop in sites to listen to the stories shared there.*
- *Approach a coffee shop or restaurant close to where people may be without food, prepay for meals, and ask the restaurant to offer them to those who need them.*
- *Collect a donation to provide to a service agency for those costs which cannot be covered by existing assistance programs.*
- *Contact your Councillor, MLA, and MP to express your concern and encourage response from all levels of government. Remind them of the TRC Calls to action!*

April 20, 2024



THE BRILLIANCE OF BAROQUE ORGAN

Bach and Buxtehude

Saturday, May 11, 2024

7:30 PM | ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH

Organist Christopher Dawes



\$15-\$25 | [CONSORTIUMAB.ORG/TICKETS](https://consortiumab.org/tickets)

Doors Open at 7:00PM

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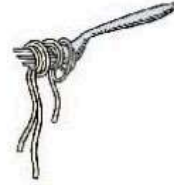
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Parish of West Thunder Bay
Country Warmth in Christ



Show Mum some
extra love for Mother's Day!!
Treat her to our "World Famous"
Spaghetti Supper

Sunday, May 12, 2024

4 pm-6 pm

Rosslyn Community Centre

3405 Rosslyn Road @ Vibert Road

Sit Down or Take Out

(Please bring your own containers for take out)

Adults \$15, 6-12 years \$5, 5 & under free

~ Cash only at the Door ~



All proceeds to our

partners the Community

Growing Project ~ quality local meat for families through Food Banks



**You are invited
to a luncheon and information session with
Gordon Janzen,
Regional Representative for PWRDF Partner -
Canadian Foodgrain Banks**



**Thursday, May 30 at 11:00 am at St. Mark's, Rosslyn
All are welcome.**

Please RSVP your attendance to

Gordon Janzen - Regional Rep. CFB; MB & NW ON
manitoba@foodgrainsbank.ca / 204.478.1530

by May 23.

Lunch is being provided by St. Mark's.

PWRDF has partnered with the Foodgrains Bank to provide food assistance during emergencies around the world and to fund programs that support families and communities to access more and better food in the long term. There is a growing project for this just outside of Thunder Bay. We hope to have representation from the local growing group.



Church Calendar

Anyone is welcome to submit images for consideration in the 2025 calendar **on or before March 31, 2025**. Submissions received after that date will be considered for the 2026 calendar. Visit the [photo submission page](#) for the submission form.

Photos are requested by April 30 of the year prior to the applicable calendar year.

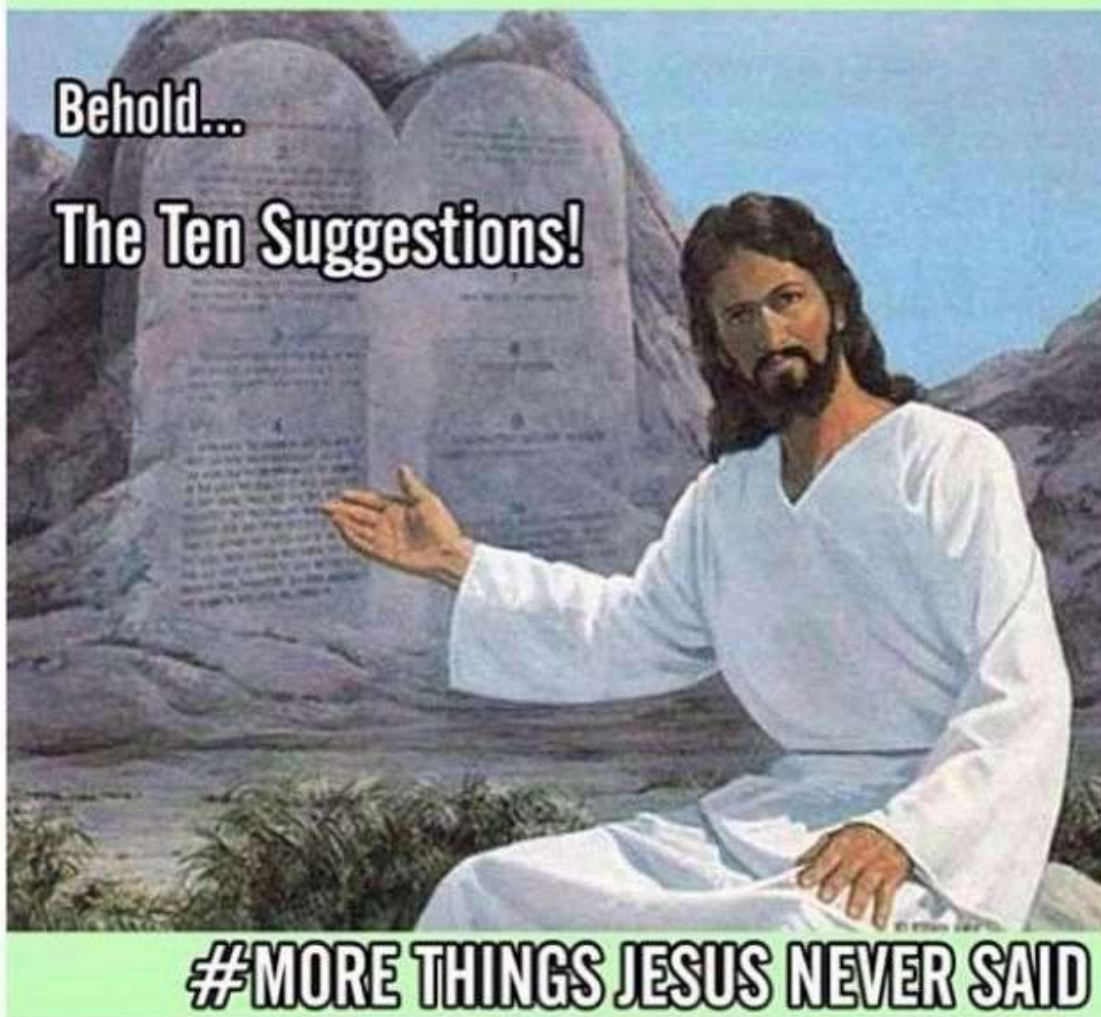
Submissions received after this date will be considered for the calendar year occurring 20 months after the April 30 deadline. If you have any questions or concerns, email publications@national.anglican.ca.

Photo submission criteria:

- Photos should be wide instead of tall. *Vertically-oriented photos are less likely to be chosen as they do not often work with the horizontal orientation of the calendar.*
- File size should be at least 1MB in size (one megabyte).
- (For the experts out there: images of 3500px wide or larger, 4:3 orientation are preferred. If you don't know what this means, don't worry about it! Just submit what you have.)
- Permission to submit the photo must be secured from anyone identifiable in the photo itself (or for minors in the photo(s), parent/guardian permission is required).

Additional tips:

- Photos showcasing church building exteriors are popular among the calendar audience; photos which focus on people tend to be less popular.
- Consider submitting photos from multiple seasons of the year. Offering a variety of images increase the potential of one being selected.
- Let us know if your church or parish is celebrating an anniversary for the calendar year—it has made a difference in the selection process at times!



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