

**MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-EIGHTH SESSION  
OF THE GENERAL SYNOD  
JUNE 19 – 25, 2007**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2007**

**Opening Service**

Following a First Nations' Greeting and Smudging Ceremony on the west bank of the Red River, the Thirty-Eighth Session of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada convened in The Cathedral of St. John, Winnipeg, Manitoba, at 7:30 p.m. On behalf of the Credentials Committee, Chancellor Ronald Stevenson reported that a sufficient number of each Order was present to constitute the Synod: Order of Bishops – 40, Order of Clergy – 110, Order of Laity – 135. The President of the Synod, Archbishop Andrew Hutchison, Primate, declared that the Thirty-Eighth Session of the General Synod was duly constituted.

*Act 1*

**Greetings** were received from:

The Honourable John Harvard, Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba  
Councillor Brenda Leipsic, Deputy Mayor of the City of Winnipeg  
Mr. Douglas Martindale, MLA, Premier's Office

**Presidential Address**

Archbishop Hutchison delivered the address and presided at the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist. (*See Appendix A*)

A reception followed at the Holy Trinity Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral, hosted by the Diocese of Rupert's Land.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 2007**

Morning Prayer took place in the Plenary Hall.

The Primate, Archbishop Andrew Hutchison, was in the Chair and called the meeting to order.