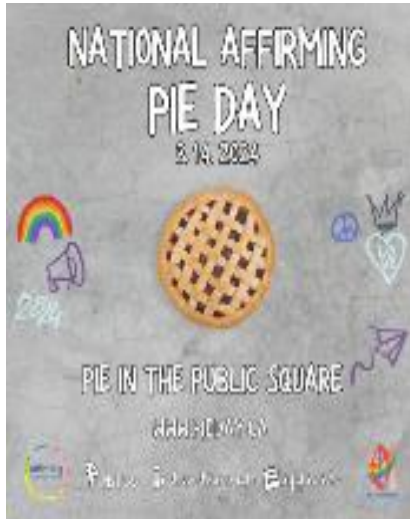


National Affirming/PIE Day is March 14: PIE [Public, Intentional, and Explicit].



This year's theme is "PIE in the Public Square."

This year, on March 14, National Affirming PIE Day is celebrating its sixth birthday. This is a day when we can honour all of the incredible affirming work happening across the country. From showing up in solidarity and marching in Pride parades to challenging hate and creating places of safety, many United Church communities of faith

are doing affirming work bravely and faithfully.

PIE stands for Public, Intentional, and Explicit. Those are the standards we hold ourselves and our welcome to when we seek to live into being affirming, welcoming, and inclusive people and communities. On National Affirming PIE Day, we are reminded of this commitment to being public, intentional, and explicit in our affirming work. This work matters!

This year, we are focusing on the Public part of PIE. Our theme is "PIE in the Public Square." As you prepare for your own Affirming celebrations, we encourage you to think about what it truly means to be public. Are you part of the Affirming work in your wider community? Who are your neighbours and partners? Look for ways to build relationships outside your community of faith, and truly show up in a public way in the broader community! Sometimes reaching out can be hard or intimidating, but public allyship requires us to step out of our comfort zone and truly show up in the public square.

Excerpt from 2024 PIE Day message from Moderator Carmen Lansdowne

**BEAVERLODGE-WEMBLEY-HYTHE
PASTORAL CHARGE
PHONE: 780-354-2016
March 10–Fourth Sunday in Lent**

Scripture Readings for those who would like to read them in advance:

March 17 – 5th in Lent

Jeremiah 31:31–34

"I will write my law on their hearts."

Psalms 51:1–12 (VU pp. 776–777)

Put a new heart in me, O God.

or Psalms 119:9–16 (VU pp. 838–839)

Finding joy in God's commandments.

Hebrews 5:5–10

Christ did not glorify himself; rather he suffered.

John 12:20–33

Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth.



Minister information

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Beaverlodge-Wembley-Hythe Pastoral Charge

Bible Study: Regular Bible Study, in Wembley, every Wednesday, 12:00 to 1:00, bring a bag lunch and a friend.

Cold Weather Policy: When the temperature and wind chill is -35 or lower or the temperature alone is -35 or lower, church services are cancelled for both churches.

Pastoral Charge Annual General Meeting: Sunday, March 10, 2024, Beaverlodge United Church, Church **Service at 10:00 am, AGM at 11:00 am**, potluck lunch to follow. Beaverlodge brings for the main meal, Wembley for dessert.

Confirmation Course: Confirmation enrollment kicked off on Saturday, March 2, and the next meeting will be Sunday, March 10th after the AGM in Beaverlodge Saskatoon room. We will keep updating you in case of change of the venue because we have Wembley too. Those that are willing to have their children or adults baptized too may register with Neva as well.

Tea on Tuesday at Cultural Center: Thank you Neva for serving.

Lent: Lent is here! Think about giving something up and instead give up 1 dollar or extra coins every day for 40 days, starting from Ash Wednesday through Holy Saturday then bring your savings on Easter Sunday for Blessings. The saving is meant for charitable domination and church needs. *A basket will be put in the Narthex for those who want to donate their contributions in advance and can continue adding the coins until the last day.*

Prayer: Those who need prayer and support may visit the Minister on Thursday at 1 pm or call for face time prayer.

Palm/passion Sunday: March 24

Maundy Thursday: March 28, at St. Luke Anglican Church Lead by the United Church at 7p.m

Sunrise Service: Easter Sunday, March 31, Research Station, 7:00 am. Service lead by United Church, 8:00 am Refreshments at the Alliance Church

Broadview Subscriptions are due: Price \$30 per year. Founded in

1829, Broadview is the oldest continuously published magazine in North America, and the second oldest in the English-speaking world. Please see Lorraine – Beaverlodge, Anne - Wembley

Wembley United Church

- Wembley Sunday Service 9:30am
- **Wembley Thrift store:** Thrift store hours - **Second Saturday** of each month from 10:00am to 1:00 pm in the Church basement. Facebook Page is **Wembley Thrift Store**, check out our page for updates and specials.

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/406148680279467>

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Beaverlodge United Church

- Beaverlodge Sunday Service 11:15 am
- All are welcome to come for refreshments downstairs after the worship service. Thank you to the Ushers for helping with the Ushering and kitchen duties. Much appreciated.

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