

**BEAVERLODGE-WEMBLEY-HYTHE
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Mark 9:30–37

Whoever welcomes a child, welcomes me.

FOR STEWARDSHIP & GENEROSITY SERIES

Focus Scripture: Genesis 1:26-31

Everything we have is a gift from God.

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Bible Study: Wednesday, September 11, 12:00 to 1:00, Wembley. Bring a bag lunch and a friend.

Ministers Project Meeting: Thank you so much to the members for always showing up and participating immeasurably.

Pastoral Charge Board Meeting on Thursday September 19, 7pm at Beaverlodge.

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- Wembley Sunday Service 9:30 am
- **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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Beaverlodge United Church

- Beaverlodge Sunday Service 11:15
- Sunday September 29: Pot Luck
- Sunday September 29 – **4 th Avenue Closed** for NuVista Energy Centre Triathlon from 8 am to 11:30. Use 11 St and past the Elementary School
- Roast Beef Supper – **October 20** Please see the Sign up sheet at the back for more details.

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REIMAGINING HOW TO LIVE A MORE GENEROUS LIFE

Beginning on Sunday, September 22, we will embark on a five-week stewardship and generosity series. Our focus will be on how to live generously as disciples of Jesus Christ. Each week unfolds differently but with related perspectives on opening our hearts and minds to worship in gratitude.

The regular liturgical Scripture readings will be listed in the bulletin for those who want to keep track.

Five Stewardship Series: Reimagining How to Live A More Generous Life: From Sunday, September 22-October 20th.

September is the time for Creation in the UCC Worship liturgy. As we rethink creation time, we also realign it with thoughts of generosity when we envision how much God loves us and all the gifts he has bestowed upon us. We will seek to comprehend the profound and transformative power of philanthropy, focus on the stories of great generous people, music, and ordinary people who have made a difference in the world, and how our narratives guided by Jesus' love and compassion could and would shape others.

Week 1: Understanding Stewardship. We will explore our understanding of stewardship to comprehend our responsibility to manage our gifts wisely.

Week 2: Time and Talents. We will focus on how to use our time and talents to serve God and others.

Week 3: Treasure and Resources. The focus is on the importance of generosity with our financial resources. We are generous people, for sure, but we remind ourselves by sharing the blessings and joys that come from giving. When did you last feel great after sharing your gift with someone? Does it feel good to share?

Week 4: Generosity in Action. We will focus on how we can live out generosity in everyday life. We will reflect on how other people's stories, groups and our own have significantly impacted other people's lives. We are philanthropic people, right? How do we see the world through the lens of generosity.?

Week 5: A Lifestyle of Generosity. How we adopt generosity as a way of life and how a generous heart can transform relationships, communities, and the world will be our big question.

I invite you to join me on this journey. Your support to our Communities of Faith (CoF) and the wider church is noticeable. Your philanthropic acts, roles and support in each ministry you serve are noticed and much appreciated.

Let us join with open hearts and minds to explore these themes. May we be inspired to love, give, and act as the hands and feet of Jesus in the world.

"Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7 (NRSV Anglicized Bible). May these words of the scripture inspire as through out our journey together.

Grace and peace of Jesus Christ forever!

Rev. Dorcas

