

Beaverlodge-Wembley-Hythe Pastoral Charge  
United Church of Canada  
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**Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost – September 22,  
2024**

**MINISTER:** Rev. Dr. Dorcas Kanana Muketha

**MUSIC:** Shirley Preuss(B) Gwen Richardson (W)

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**LIGHTING OF CHRIST'S CANDLE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** ((responsively inspired by Psalm 8)

Leader: When we call, O God, you draw near to us.

**All: Who are we, mortal people, to remember, O God?**

Leader: God has entrusted us with all the things in the world.

**All: God loves us. Who are we to steward all the things God has created?**

Leader: Let us gather in worship to praise the creator of all things, big and small knowing we are God's gifts.

**All: How glorious God's name is. We join with psalms of praise to worship the creator of all things.**

**HYMN:** VU # 409 "Morning Has Broken."

**OPENING PRAYER**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** (In unison)

**God, we thank you for your grace and love. Thank you for allowing us to be stewards of your world. We confess our failure to accomplish your will for the world and its creation. We ask that you forgive and help us to be and do what we ought for your creation. May the words of the Scripture reveal our purpose for the earth and creation around us. We do this through Jesus. Amen.**



**CHILDREN'S TIME:**

**\*\*CHILDREN'S HYMN:** MV # 157 "I am a Child of God."

Leader: Let us open our hearts and minds to the wisdom of the Scripture. May these Words help us reflect on our purpose in God's creation.

**SCRIPTURE READING:** GENESIS 1:26-31

The word of God to us, God's people.

**REFLECTION:** "IT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY."

**HYMN:** VU # 307 "Touch the Earth Lightly."

**THE BIG QUESTION:** “Why do I Give to the Church?”

By Cathy Given (BUC)

By Kevin LeDrew (WUC)

**INVITATION FOR OFFERING**

**OFFERING HYMN:** VU # 542 “We Give You but Your Own.”

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (In unison)

**God of abundance, we bring our gifts to support our mission and service abroad and in our communities. May these gifts sustain the world, reflecting your love and stewardship. We give generously, knowing that our contributions build a community that cares and preserves all of God’s creation. We pray this through Jesus’ Name. Amen!**



**PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER** (In unison)

Let us join in the Lord’s prayer.

**Our Father** who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

**Thy kingdom come,**

**thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;**

**and forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil:**

**for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory  
forever and ever**

**Amen.**

**HYMN:** MV # 209 “Go Make a Difference.”

**BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH**

Leader: As we go forth, remember that we are stewards of God’s earth.

**All: We go forth trusting for its care and conservation.**

Leader: Let us go now, filled with the Spirit of life, to nurture and preserve the world.

**All: Amen!**

**POSTLUDE**

***FOR JOINING US IN WORSHIP TODAY. PLEASED TO SEE  
YOU AGAIN!***