

Beaverlodge-Wembley-Hythe Pastoral Charge  
United Church of Canada  
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**January 5 – Second after Christmas**

**Service Leader: Shirley**

Hymn Books: *MV = More Voices ~ VU = Voices United*  
Please join in reading aloud the text in **Bold**

***God Invites Us to Gather***

Welcome

Life of the Church Community (Announcements)

Acknowledgement of Indigenous Territory

Lighting the Christ Candle

Call to Worship: (from Psalm 149)

One: Praise the Lord and sing to the Lord a new song.

Response: **Let's lift our voices and praise the Lord!**

One: Let the people rejoice the God ,their maker; and let the children be filled with joy.

Response: **Let's lift our hands and praise the Lord!**

Opening Prayer

**\*\*Hymn: VU # 45 Joy is Now in Every Place**

Passing the Peace

“The peace of Christ be with you”

**And also with you.**

Prayer of Transformation

Children's Time

\*\*Hymn: "This Little Light of Mine"

*We Listen for God's Voice*

Loving God, you speak to us in so many ways.  
**Speak to us now through the reading of the scriptures.**

Focus Scripture: John 1:1-9, 10-18 (Common English Bible)

This is the trustworthy witness of God's faithful people through the ages,  
**The divine word to us today. Amen.**

Message: Light in Our Lives after Christmas

\*\*Hymn VU # 79 Arise your Light is Come  
Please be seated

***God Invites Us to Respond in Faith and Hope***

**Mission and Service:** Reflecting on the Past, Building the Future

Invitation to the Offering

Offerings Response:  
\* MV 191 What Can I Do?

\*\*Prayer of Dedication  
**Generous God, we share these gifts in order to make the world a better place, whether in our communities, country or around the world.**

**May they be used in meaningful ways for the common good of all. Thank you and Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer (found on VU p.921)

\*\*Hymn VU # 87 I am the Light of the World

***We Go into the World to Share God's Love***

Sending Forth  
This day, the Spirit of God waits on the threshold of our experience,  
**Waits to be embodied as always, in responsive human lives.**  
So, let us renew our commitment to be the vehicles of that Spirit,  
**And let us go forth with joy, to set that Spirit free in our daily living.**  
**Amen**

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