



**Beaverlodge-Wembley-Hythe Pastoral Charge United
Church of Canada
Easter 05 – May 03, 2026**

All Are Welcome

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Pianist: Shirley Preuss (B) Videos (W)**

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

Welcome

Life of the Church Community (Announcements)

Acknowledgement of Indigenous Territory

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

Now is the time to give thanks.

We thank God for all that is good; now is a great time to feel grateful.

Here we dwell in God's love.

God's love surrounds us wherever we go; here is a perfect place to acknowledge it.

We remember the risen Christ, the one who assures us that life rooted in God goes on forever.

So let us offer our thanks and praise.

Opening Prayer

****Hymn:** VU # 186 – Now the Green Blade Rises

Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

Prayer for Transformation

Theme Time

****Hymn:** VU # 333 – Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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: Acts 7:55-60 (Common English Bible)

This is the trustworthy witness of God's faithful people through the ages,

The divine word to us today. Amen.

Sermon: Rev. Greg Powell "God Forgives us: A Christian Paradox"

Hymn: MV # 135 – Called by Earth and Sky

God Invites Us to Respond in Faith and Hope

Mission and Service: Healthy Food, Healthy Relationships

Invitation to the Offering

Offerings

**Offering Response: MV # 187 – We Give Our Thanks

****Prayer of Dedication**

God of the Wild Wilderness

In the hustle and bustle of the year,

You are there:

Quiet, waiting, patient.

Help guide us to the quiet centre,

So we know what we can do,

How we can help,

And how we can live out your work.

Help us follow Jesus

Into the Wilderness, and then

Out into the grander world.

Amen.

Prayers of the people

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

**Hymn MV # 150 Spirit God, Be Our Breath

We Go into the World to Share God's Love

Sending Forth

Now ends our time of worship

And begins our time of service. Amen

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