

Little Current United Church Pastoral Charge
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** an invitation to stand in body or spirit in the service
~ BOLD PRINT- Congregational Participation

Fourth after Pentecost Sunday– June 21, 2026
Indigenous Day of Prayer, Father's Day and Communion
Today - 10:00 am at Little Current United Church

WELCOME: a special welcome to guests worshiping with us today. Please sign guest book as you enter the sanctuary.

Gathering & Prelude
Announcements - The Life & Work of the Church

Today's Worship Service Credits.
Worship resources for National Indigenous Day of Prayer 2026
"Nin-din-awe-maagan-i-dok" We Are All One
Prepared by Rev. Anne Hines Humber Valley United Church

We Approach God

Centering:

Land Acknowledgement by Philip Cote, MFA - Young Spiritual Elder
Artist, Activist, Historian, and Traditional Wisdom Keeper
Moose Deer Point First Nation, Ontario

Little Current United Church Pastoral Charge would like to acknowledge our presence on the land that has been traditional territory of Anishinaabeg since time immemorial. As we reach back to those early ancestors, we remember our Mother the Earth, through the Seven Grandfather teachings: Wisdom, Bravery, Respect, Honesty, Truth, Humility, and Love. The stories of these nations endure and continue to guide our thoughts and actions on this land.

We recognize the medicine wheel and its teachings.
We recognize the four directions: North, South, East and West,
and the four seasons, Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter.
It is these four seasons that represent the circle of life.

"Nin-din-awe-maagan-i-dok," (nin-din-ah-magan-ee-doc)
which means, we are all relations. We are all One.

2.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Jesus prayed for us, and asked us all to be one. We light this candle reminding ourselves of his words – that we are all relations, all related, to all creation. We are one.

- Light the Christ Candle.

Call To Worship & Prayer of Approach:

Leader: What do you affirm today?

ALL: We affirm that we are made in God's image, befriended by Christ, empowered by the Spirit.

Leader: With people everywhere,

ALL: We affirm God's goodness at the heart of humanity, planted more deeply than all that is wrong.

Leader: With all creation,

ALL: We celebrate the miracle and wonder of life; the unfolding purposes of God, forever at work in ourselves and the world.

Invocation

Leader: Let us pray together. God, by whatever name we call You, and however we experience You in our individual lives, we come today ready to celebrate Your Presence. As we gather together, open our hearts to notice your voice.

ALL: In the song of birds, in the rustle of leaves, in the warmth of the sun and the gentle rain.

Leader: In the wisdom of other peoples and cultures.

ALL: In our own longing for connection and Oneness.

Leader: Thank you for this time of prayer, reflection and learning.

ALL: We come ready and grateful to receive Your Word. Amen.

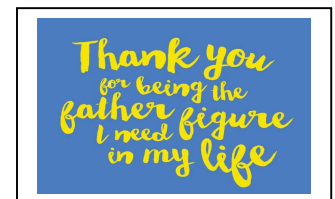
Opening Hymn:

VU 308

"Many and Great, O God Are Your Works"

Learning Time for All Ages:-

Images of God as "father"
Thank you for being fatherly!



3.

Listening

Hymn of Illumination (VU 381)

Spirit of Life, come unto me.

Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.

Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;

move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.

Roots hold me close, wings set me free;

Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

Holy Scripture:

Psalm 96: 11-12 (NRSVue)

“Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it. Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy.”

May God’s spirit shape our understanding of these words.

And may they awaken in our hearts

Reflection/Sermon: “Nin-din-awe-maagan-i-dok,”

Celtic Spirituality and Indigenous Wisdom:

A Way Forward, As One

Prepared by Rev. Anne Hines Humber Valley United Church

Communion Hymn: “We Gather Here” VU 469

HOLY COMMUNION:

M4M – Your Generosity Matters. “Campfires & Confidence”

Responding to the Word

Invitation to Commitment:

As you have given all to us, Gracious God, we give thanks for the wind, the air, the fire, the water and all the tangible gifts given in love, and respond to your grace.

(The offerings are brought forward)

****Offertory Hymn:** (TLUS 60)

There’s enough for all if we would learn to share it,

there’s enough for all, oh, help us to believe.

There’s enough for all.

Let’s bring our loaves and fishes, and offer them to Jesus.

There’s more than enough for you and me.

4.

Prayer of Commitment (unison)

God of abundance, help us to spend these gifts wisely, share our love bravely and use our hands, or gifts, for the good of all. Amen.

Prayers of the People:

Adapted from:

“Touch the Earth Lightly”

(VU #307, words by Shirley Erena Murray)

This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen

Going Forth Into The World

Going Out Hymn: “All Things Bright and Beautiful” VU 291

Benediction & Carrying Out the Light:

(Traditional Celtic blessing with Indigenous blessing insert)

“Deep peace of the running wave to you. Deep peace of the flowing air to you. Deep peace of the quiet earth to you. Deep peace of the shining stars to you. May, in every moment, you know the peace of God’s presence within and all around. Deep peace to you. “Nin-din-awe-maagan-i-dok” Amen.”

Light is extinguished, we carry the light in our hearts

Choral Benediction: Isaiah 55 (VU 884)

You shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace...

The mountains and the hills will break forth before you.

There’ll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field

Will clap, will clap their hands! .

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands XX

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While you go forth with joy

Go now in the peace of Christ!

Resources Sourced:

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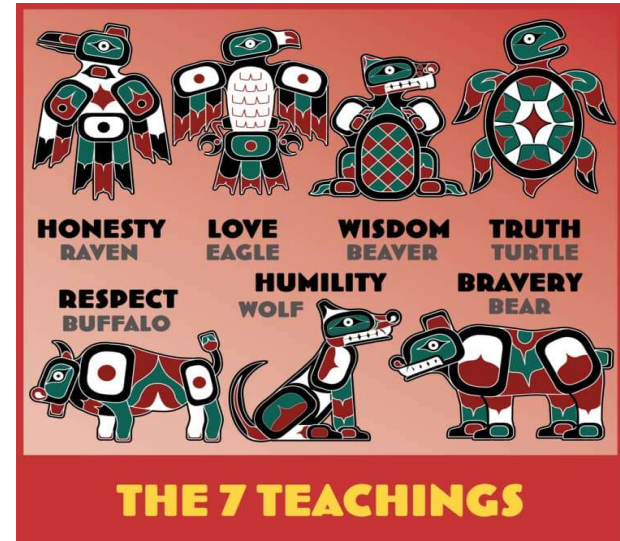
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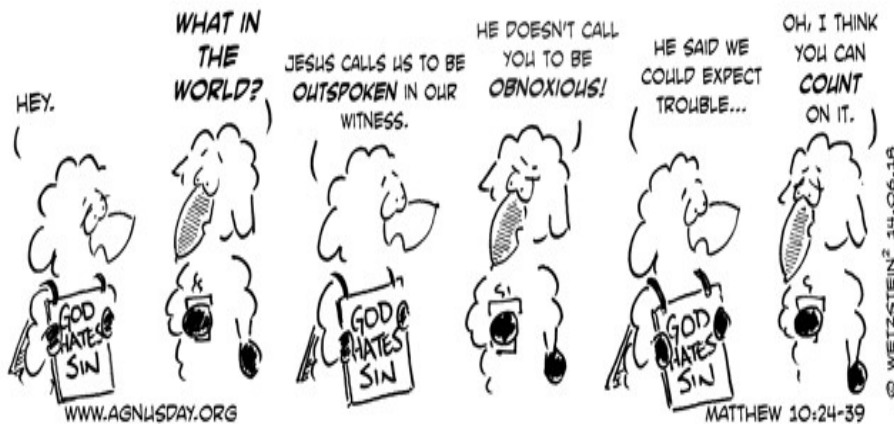
Welcome

To Worship



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**“Fourth after Pentecost”
National Indigenous Peoples Day
Father’s Day – Summer Solstice
Communion
June 21, 2026**



Hymns for June 21, 2026 – LCUCPC

#1 VU 308 “*Many and Great, O God, Are Your Works*”

1. Many and great, O God, are your works,
Maker of earth and sky.
Your hands have set the heavens with stars,
your fingers spread the mountains and plains.
Lo, at your word the waters were formed;
deep seas obey your voice.
2. Grant unto us communion with you,
O star-abiding one.
Come unto us and dwell with us,
with you are found the gifts of life.
Bless us with life that has no end,
eternal life with you.

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#2 VU 469 “*We Gather Here*” (Come, Share the Lord)

1. We gather here in Jesus’ name,
his love is burning in our hearts like living flame;
for through the loving son God fashions us as one:
Come take the bread, come drink the wine,
come, share the Lord.
No one is a stranger here, - everyone belongs;
finding our forgiveness here,
we in turn forgive all wrongs.
2. He joins us here, he breaks the bread,
the One who pours the cup is risen from the dead;
the One we love the most is now our gracious host:
come take the bread, come drink the wine,
come, share the Lord.
We are now a family of which Christ is the head;
though unseen he meets us here
in the breaking of the bread.
3. We’ll gather soon where angels sing;
we’ll see the glory of our Lord and coming King;
now we anticipate the feast for which we wait:
come take the bread, come drink the wine,
come, share the Lord.

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#3 VU 291 All Things Bright and Beautiful

Refrain: *All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful:
in love, God made them all.*

1. Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colours,
God made their tiny wings. **R**
2. The purpleheaded mountains,
the river running by,
the sunset in the morning
that brightens up the sky. **R**
3. The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden:
God make them everyone. **R**
4. The rocky mountain splendour,
the lone wolf’s haunting call,
the great lakes and the prairies,
the forest in the fall. **R.**
5. God gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is God our maker,
who has made all things well. **R.**

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