



The United Church of Canada
Prairie Spirit Pastoral Charge
Coaldale United and St. Andrew's UC
Trinity and First United
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June 21, 2026

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Musical Prelude:

Announcements:

Remembering the Land:

Call to Worship:

One: We have gathered as God's people
to delight in God's presence,
to experience God's healing,
to receive God's grace.

All: **Let us be reconciled and renewed
as we worship our God
through Christ
in the Spirit.**

[101, *Words for Worship*, (Waterloo, ON: Herald Press, 1996). Arlene M. Mark, ed.]

We Light Our Christ Candle:

Opening Prayer:

Hymn: VU 395

Come In, Come In and Sit Down

Time for the Young and Young at Heart:

Scripture Readings: Jeremiah 20:7-13

The prophet must speak

O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me.

For whenever I speak, I must cry out; I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long.

If I say, "I will not mention him or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him and take our revenge on him."

But the LORD is with me like a terrifying warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten.

O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous; you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

Matthew 10:24-39

The cost of discipleship

"A disciple is not above the teacher nor a slave above the master;

it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Be-el-ze-bul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

"So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, fear the one who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

"Everyone, therefore, who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven, but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law, and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

"Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me,

and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

One: This is the Good News of Jesus Christ.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Message: Seen and heard

Hymn: MV 130

Rise Up, Rise Up

Mission Story: Campfires and Confidence

For 60 years, Arthur Kidston Memorial Camp has been a place where children and youth can unplug from screens, connect with nature, and discover new strengths in themselves. In 2026, the camp is celebrating six decades of outdoor adventure, friendship, and belonging on the shores of Long Lake in Nova Scotia.

At Camp Kidston, children and youth spend their days canoeing and kayaking, trying slack lines and bog-walking, exploring the outdoors, making crafts, and building confidence through games and leadership opportunities. Campers are encouraged to try new things, build friendships, and simply enjoy being kids.

Our gifts through Mission and Service help make these experiences possible by providing specialized recreational equipment and supplies that go beyond the basics. New life vests for paddling programs, updated sports equipment, and nature exploration kits help make camp safer, more engaging, and more accessible for every child.

These gifts are about more than equipment. They help children build confidence as they learn new skills and discover what they are capable of. They help ensure that every camper, regardless of background, can fully participate in the fun, learning, and adventure that camp offers. And they help create memories that young people carry with them long after summer ends.

Even during the challenges of the summer of 2025, including extreme heat and a region-wide fire ban, Camp Kidston was filled with joy and creativity. Campers

enjoyed waterfront adventures, theme days, team-building activities, and imaginative campfire alternatives created by staff. Leadership programs for teens continued to grow, and families spoke about the sense of belonging their children experienced at camp.

As Camp Kidston celebrates its 60th anniversary, our gifts through Mission and Service are helping ensure that children and youth can continue to experience the wonder, friendship, and confidence-building that camp makes possible for years to come.

Mission Prayer from Song of Faith:

God is creative and self-giving, generously moving in all the near and distant corners of the universe. Nothing exists that does not find its source in God. Our first response to God's providence is gratitude. We sing thanksgiving.
Amen

Offering Doxology: MV 191

What Can I Do?

What can I do? What can I bring?
What can I say? What can I sing?
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

Offering Prayer of Dedication:

Prayer of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer:

The Sacrament of Holy Communion:

Hymn: VU 402

We Are One

The Invitation:

The Story and Words of Institution:

Eucharistic Prayer:

Distribution:

Come, the table is ready.

Thanks be to God.

Jesus Christ, the Bread of life.

Amen.

Jesus Christ, the True Vine.

Amen.

***Bread for the journey, food for the way.
Cup of God's blessing, tomorrow, today.***

Post-Communion Prayer:

God of abundance,
You have fed us with the bread of life
and the cup of blessing.
You have united us with Christ and one another
and made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now, by your Holy Spirit, assist us in our pilgrimage:
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and walk in the resurrection of Christ our Saviour, for:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again. Amen.

Hymn: MV 138

My Love Colours Outside the Lines

Commissioning – based on Romans 6:1-11

One: Don't be afraid of the people to whom God is sending you.
All: What God says to you in the dark, tell in the light.
One: What you hear whispered, shout from the housetops.
All: God knows everything, even the number of hairs on your head.
One: For we are no longer buried with Christ
**All: but united with Christ in the great resurrection,
freed from sin and death,
raised to the glory of God,
alive to God in Christ Jesus.
Thanks be to God.**

[131, *Words for Worship 2*, (Waterloo, ON: Herald Press, 2009), Diane Zaerr Brenneman, ed]

Benediction:

Sung Blessing: MV 156 Dance with the Spirit

**Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin',
walk with the Spirit throughout the long day.
Work and hope for the new life a-bornin',
listen to the Spirit to show you the way.**