**Westworth United Church**

an Affirming Ministry located on the lands of

Treaty One Territory

and the homeland of the Red River Métis Nation

June 9th, 2024

2nd after Pentecost

**We Gather to Worship**

**Welcome**

**Land Acknowledgment**

**Call to Worship**

From deep soil comes bold and daring growth.

From the seeds of our past will come fresh new growth.

 **Piano Side: We come today to marvel at what has been harvested and prepare for what will come.**

 **Pulpit Side: We come to celebrate where we are and where we have been. We come rejoicing with our ancestors in faith across generations:**

The Methodists, Congregationalists, and Presbyterians.

The Evangelical Brethren, and Local Union Churches.,

And our full communion partners across this world:

The Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea,

The United Church of Christ,

The United Church of Christ in the Philippines,

And the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

 **All: We give thanks to God for the blessings of past, present**

 **and future, and dare to plant the seeds of faith anew!**

**Opening Prayer**

**Hymn** VU 820 Make a Joyful Noise

**Prayer Seeking Reconciliation**

 **…Let us make room for love.**

**Gracious God, allow the fields of our hearts and lives to be gardens of your new hope and love. All of this we pray, in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

**Words of Assurance**

 **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**Sung Response** MV 85 Take O Take Me as I Am

**The Peace of Christ**

**Celebrating Communion**

**We Hear the Word**

**Scripture:** Psalm 33 (use refrain VU760)

Give thanks to the Holy One, you who love God,

For this is what you were created to do!

 **Praise the Holy One with voice and song,**

 **With stringed instruments,**

 **let our songs ring out loud and clear!**

***R A new song to our God proclaim, from age to age rejoice!***

For God’s words are trustworthy and true,

The Holy One is always faithful.

She loves justice and righteousness!

 **All Creation sings of his unfailing love.**

 **Creator spoke and the heavens were made,**

 **Galaxies and nebulas were the breath of their mouth.**

 **They gathered the seas as into a jar,**

 **And the depths were gathered as grain in a storehouse.**

May all Creation revere God through our living,

And all people honour her with their hearts, minds and deeds.

***R A new song to our God proclaim, from age to age rejoice!***

For Creator spoke, and the world came to be!

You called forth, and Creation blossomed.

The nations may plan, but you laugh –

 ***Your* plans are what last forever,**

 **The purposes of *your* heart are planted**

 **within each generation.**

Blessed are those who follow the ways of God,

 **The children who share life as your chosen family.**

***R A new song to our God proclaim, from age to age rejoice!***

For you, O God, are our hope, help and home!

 **In your love, our hearts rejoice,**

 **And in your future, we place our trust.**

 **May your blessing rest upon us, O God,**

 **Even as we hope in you.**

***R A new song to our God proclaim, from age to age rejoice!***

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

 **Thanks be to God.**

**Scripture:** John 12: 20-28

Hear what the Gospel is saying to the Church.

 **Thanks be to God.**

**Special Music** Amazing Gracetrad. arr. Jay Althouse

**Sermon**

**Hymn** VU 331 The Church’s One Foundation

**We Respond to the Word**

**Offering Invitation**

**Special Music** A Simple Song Leonard Bernstein

**Offertory** VU 541 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

**Offering Dedication**

**Prayers For the Church**

**Hymn** VU 420 Go to the World

**Benediction**

**Sung Amen** VU 970 Amen

**Postlude**Flute Piece William Hine

Reader: Dorcas Windsor

Communion Servers: Glenn Aitchison, Tannis Hewitt,

Cathy Beynon, Ruth Wiwchar

Soloist: Evan Glazier, Alice MacGregor, Dariyan Dubik

Pianist: Megan Dufrat

Director of Music: Valdine Anderson

Coordinator of Children, Youth & Families: Katie Anderson

Minister: Tricia Gerhard QR Code for Westworth donations