# WESLEY UNITED CHURCH

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Wesley United Church, located on Treaty 4 land, is an Affirming Ministry of Jesus Christ, nurturing spiritual exploration and growth. We advocate for justice and social action. We love and care for ourselves and our neighbours throughout the world.

Minister: Cindy Bourgeois Office Coordinator: Tina Blair Event & Program Coordinator: Kiera Eastley Youth Coordinator: Hannah Dove Caretaker: Jon Weichel Choir Director: Lee Stubbe President: Dan Holbrow Vice-President: Laura Thomson Past President: Stephanie Dove Secretary: Al Goudie Treasurer: Jim Chernick

# 16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST September 29, 2019 10:30 a.m. Blessing of the Animals

**Assisting in Worship** 

**Reader**: Linda Gunningham

Congregational responses are indicated by bold italics. \* You are invited to stand

# WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY

#### PRELUDE

\*WE SING VU 409

Morning Has Broken

GATHERING WORDS

For all dogs and donkeys, large and small:

#### We give thanks!

All rabbits, hamsters and guinea pigs:

#### We give thanks!

All goldfish, guppies and swimming creatures:

## We give thanks!

All jackrabbits, budgies and singing birds:

## We give thanks!

All bears, buffalo and badgers.

#### We give thanks!

All horses, cows and sheep:

#### We give thanks!

All lizards, skinks and creeping things:

#### We give thanks!

Every animal in the sky, the sea and the forest:

## We give thanks!

WELCOME

OUR OPENING PRAYER

## ...Unknowable Mystery, We honour the presence of the holy in our midst.

May the "kin-dom" flourish among us.

# May we have only what we need each day that all might have enough and more tomorrow.

## May we be as generous in offering forgiveness as we have been humbled and grateful in being forgiven.

- May we be strengthened through our trials; and may we face evil with courage, truth and love.
- As we pray in Jesus' name, may we also walk in his way. Amen.

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

We light this candle as a community of Jesus the Christ

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TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

# WE LISTEN

#### SUNG PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

WE SING MV #18

God, Prepare Me

HEBREW BIBLE

Job 12:7-10

GOSPEL

Matthew 6:25-29

As we reflect on these words from our tradition,

may we find wisdom for living.

ANTHEM

Shadowland Lebo M, Hans Zimmer

#### **SPECULATION**

## WE RESPOND

\*WE SING MV #291 All Things Bright and Beautiful (verses 1,2, 4)

MINUTE FOR MISSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS WE ARE CHALLENGED TO SHARE OFFERTORY

\*OUR RESPONSE MV #196

We Will Take What You Offer

**\*WE DEDICATE OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES** 

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS** 

OUR PRAYERS

# WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

\*WE SING VU #229 WORDS OF MISSION BENEDICTION POSTLUDE God of the Sparrow