**Lafleche-Limerick Pastoral Charge**

**September 7th, 2025**

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*When you see an asterisk ( \* )*

*you are invited to rise in body or in spirit.*

*Congregational responses are in the plain, bold text.*

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*VU = Voices United (Burgundy) MV = More Voices (Spiral-bound)*

***Acknowledging the Territory***

As we gather in this season of Ordinary Time, a time of growing and deepening in faith, and as autumn turns our hearts to gratitude for harvest and community, we respectfully acknowledge Treaty 4 territory, as well as the homeland of the Métis and the traditional lands of the Lakota Nation. We give thanks for the First Peoples who have walked, gathered, and cared for this land through the generations. Their wisdom and presence remind us of the call to walk together in right relationship. May the Spirit guide us into truth, justice, and reconciliation as we share life on this land we call home.

***Call to Worship:*** *(written for BibleWorm, by Rev. Teri Peterson)*

***You will notice on your bulletin that you have been assigned a number. This corresponds to the part that you should read for our call to worship. Everyone participates in the “all” sections.***

One: Breath by breath - it was so.

Two: Word by word - it was so.

One: Piece by piece - it was so.

Two: Day by day - it was so.

All: Blessing by blessing - it was so.

Leader: And God saw that it was good.

All: God saw that it was very good.

***Lighting the Christ Candle***

***Prayer of Approach:***

**Holy One, from the beginning, you shaped the world with care, bringing forth life and beauty from the waters and the earth. Be with us in this time of worship, as we join in your work of creation, offering our hearts, our hands, and our imagination. And be with us in our rest, trusting your Spirit to renew and restore us this day and always. Amen.**

\****Hymn:*** VU #291 All Things Bright and Beautiful

***Scripture:*** Genesis 1:1–2:4a *(a video by Steve Thomason)*

***Time With All God’s Children***

\****Hymn:*** VU #308 Many and Great, O God, Are Your Works

***Sermon***: Rest and Creativity – A Divine Dance

***Proclaiming Our Faith:*** A New Creed

We are not alone, we live in God’s world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,

to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God’s presence,

to live with respect in Creation,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,

our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God!

***Invitation to the Offering***

\****Offertory:*** VU #542 We Give You But Your Own

We give you but your own,

whate’er the gift may be;

all that we have is yours alone,

we give it gratefully.

\****Offertory Prayer***

***Prayers of the People*** *(written for BibleWorm, by Rev. Teri Peterson)*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

\****Hymn:*** VU #424 May the God of Peace Go With Us

***Commissioning and Benediction***

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  + **September 15 at 6:30**
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    - What to do with our building?
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