

NEW YEAR MESSAGE

Grace and blessing in the new year 2024.

During Advent, we waited with anticipation for something greater and amazing to come to us. God's surprises are infinite we experienced that on Christmas Eve, and we are grateful for the gift of yet another year.

From January 6th to Shrove Tuesday, we experience the Epiphany of our Lord. Christ is being manifested to the world as denoted by the wise men [Magi].

As we enter the new chapter as a community of Faith, let us open the new page with enthusiasm to acknowledge the appearance of Christ in new forms and innovatively. Let us face the uncertainties of our world with courage knowing that we are not alone, and we live in God's world, we live for each other ["I'm because you are, since you are therefore, I'm. "An African philosophy of Ubuntu.] Let us also allow God to act as we respond to his actions. Similarly, let us learn to wait for God to manifest himself to us as a community and individually. Let us learn to pause in prayer, revere, and gratitude for the brighter future of our communities. Let us in faith seek the sacred space to experience the transcendent blessings. Let us wait for the New Year surprises! Let us wait to know that we are again not alone, we are sufficiently beloved of God!

Peace/Shalom!

Rev. Dorcas

**ANNOUNCEMENTS
BEAVERLODGE-WEMBLEY-HYTHE
PASTORAL CHARGE
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January 7 – Baptism of the Lord

Scripture Readings for those who would like to read them in advance:

January 14 - Second after Epiphany

1 Samuel 3:1–10, (11–20)

God calls Samuel.

Psalms 139:1–6, 13–18 (VU p. 861)

God has searched and known me.

1 Corinthians 6:12–20

Your body is a temple of God's Spirit.

John 1:43–51

Jesus calls Philip and Nathanael.

Minister information

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Beaverlodge-Wembley-Hythe Pastoral Charge

Bible Study: Regular Bible Study will resume in Wembley, Wednesday, January 10, 2024. 12:00 to 1:00, bring a bag lunch and a friend.

Worship Meeting: January 9, 10:30 am, Beaverlodge

Sunday January 07 Worship at Hythe Pioneer Home at 2.pm

January 18–25 – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Wembley United Church

- Wembley Sunday Service 9:30am
- **Wembley Thrift store:** Thrift store hours - **Second Saturday** of each month from 10:00am to 1:00 pm in the Church basement. Facebook Page is **Wembley Thrift Store**, check out our page for updates and specials.
- **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped out with the food bank and the Christmas hampers. Thank you for making such a difference in the lives of so many.

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Beaverlodge United Church

- Beaverlodge Sunday Service 11:15 am
- All are welcome to come for refreshments downstairs after the worship service. Thank you to

the Ushers for helping with the Ushering and kitchen duties. Much appreciated.

- Please submit all **“Gift in Kind”** receipts to Lorraine as soon as possible.
- **Sunday January 7**, Worship service with baptism
- **Sunday January 7**, Celebration Sunday
- Beaverlodge Board Meeting: **Wednesday, January 24, 6:00 pm**

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