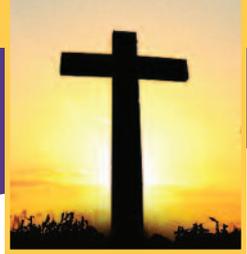


Fourth Sunday in Lent



*Written by the Rev. Iona MacLean
(The Church of Saint David, Halifax)*

One: God provides for every need

Many: guidance in right paths,
presence in darkest valleys,
nourishment beyond measure.

One: God shines light on the world in Jesus

Many: opening eyes that are blind,
exposing prejudice and fear,
offering new understanding of life's good purpose.

One: But we persist in our own ways

Many: judging by appearance,
denying others' experience,
hoarding what we can for ourselves.

One: Lord, have mercy

Many: Christ, have mercy

One: Lord, have mercy

Let us pray:

Creator God,
you are the Source of light and love,
rest and nurture, hope and peace.
Open our eyes to your goodness.
Empower us to live as children of light,
bringing a rich harvest of all that is good and right and true.
Enlighten us to see the world
with your eyes of love.
So may all people know
your goodness and mercy forever;
through Jesus Christ the light of the world. Amen.



**Presbyterian
World Service
& Development**

WeRespond.ca

50 Wynford Drive, Toronto, ON M3C 1J7
1-800-619-7301 • pwsd@presbyterian.ca

Clean Water: A Game Changer in the Journey to End Hunger

There is no doubt that access to clean water is vital to ensure communities around the world can have a reliable source of food.

When water sources are contaminated – due to lack of proper toilets and sanitation services – diseases such as cholera and typhoid can be widespread. It is essential to have clean water so that farmers, who plant and harvest the crops that feed their communities, can stay healthy and able to work.

Access to water also improves irrigation, which in turn increases food production and better sustains rural communities.

Unfortunately, our global community continues to experience major inequalities in access to water. Vulnerable and marginalized populations like women and smallholder farmers can face challenges getting the water they need.

When all farmers can access this important resource, women, men and children around the world have a better chance to enjoy nutritious and sufficient food all year round.

This Lenten season, faithfully respond to provide communities with sanitation and safe sources of water.

