

Aboriginal Ministry Sunday 2018 Litany

This year, Aboriginal Ministry Sunday is on June 17th. This year we're celebrating 40 years of ministry at the CRC's Indigenous Christian Fellowship in Regina. Celebrate with us! Our committee has provided a litany (below) and bulletin insert or cover for your church's use. Be sure to order your inserts or covers by May 1 to ensure that you receive them on time!

The sections spoken by the leader are in regular text, and the sections spoken by the congregation are printed in bold text.

L: Triune Creator, we come to you as your children.

C: Lord, we praise you for revealing yourself to us our Maker, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

L: We praise you for the beauty of beautiful creation.

C: We praise you for making a home for humanity in creation.

L: We remember that you instructed Adam and Eve to have children who would live over the whole earth. We remember how our ancestors rebelled and built the tower of Babel to try and stay in one place with one language and one culture.

C: We thank you for initiating the diversity of human cultures by refusing to allow your image to be limited to one language and one culture.

L: We thank you for inhabiting the earth. We praise you for nurturing people into Indigenous nations in Europe, Africa, Asia, South America and North America.

C: Help us to recognize how Indigenous Peoples and their respective territories are part of your plan for your creation.

L: Creator, we praise you for coming as the Christ Child to redeem your creation.

C: Lord Jesus, we praise you for sacrificing your life so that we may have new life in this world and everlasting life in the world to come.

L: Lord, we remember that you commissioned us to proclaim your Good News to all the peoples of the world.

C: May your Holy Spirit help us to faithfully share your Good News of salvation.

L: Lord, we confess that too often, rather than encouraging people to be like you, we teach and sometimes force people to be like us.

C: Lord, help us to remember that you are active in the history of the nations of the world.

L: Creator, we thank you for those prophets who have defended the rights of people to follow your Son in their own language and their own culture.

C: Help us to remember that you love all of your children.

L: Creator, we thank you for the leaders in our churches who advocate the establishment of ministries, supporting Indigenous people and encouraging Indigenous People to claim, develop, use and celebrate their cultural gifts.

C: Lord, help us to encourage Indigenous people to claim, develop and to use the gifts that you have given to them.

L: Creator, bless ministries with leaders, staff, and volunteers who truly bless Indigenous people.

C: Lord, help us to support Indigenous ministries with our prayers, interest, donations and other gifts.

1: Acts 17: 26-28 2: John 3: 16

3: John 10: 10; John 11: 25

4: Matthew 28: 18-20

