

BISHOP'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

June 6, 2018

Celebrating the Spirit of Two Peoples: Indigenous and Ukrainian

Closing Prayer

As we take a moment to offer thanksgiving for our gathering this morning, I would like to focus our prayer on words shared and inspired by our speakers which underscore the distinctiveness and dignity of who we are as human beings – daughters and sons of God.

First, however, I have invited Braydon and Elise to join me for making the Sign of the Cross. Since we always make this Sign in threes, we will begin in Cree:

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
(Cree, Ukrainian, English).

Gracious Creator of heaven and earth,

We give You thanks and praise for ...

... our recognition of the sacredness of our common humanity and Mother Earth, our common home

... our wonder at the beauty of the world You created and the majesty of the human spirit

... our amazement at the creativity of our cultures

... our understanding of one another's stories

... our acknowledgement of one another's needs

... our readiness to reconcile

... our commitment to continued relationship

... our acceptance of Your healing

With gratitude and appreciation for all Your gifts of Life and Love, we render glory to You and to Your Word, Our Saviour Jesus Christ, and to Your all-holy, good and life-giving Spirit now and forever and for ages of ages. Amen.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
(Cree, Ukrainian, English).