St. Paul's United Church, Edmonton
July 14, 2024 at 10:30

Thin Places: Fire

According to Celtic tradition, the physical and spiritual realms are never far apart. In the world's Thin Places, heaven and earth are even closer.

Music to Draw Us In

Welcome *We wave at our friends online*

Land Acknowledgment

This is the Day *THIS IS THE DAY* **MV 122**

Receive the Light of Christ

This Little Light of Mine *AFRICAN-AMERICAN SPIRITUAL*

Call to Worship (Celebrate God's Presence)

Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

It Only Takes a Spark *PASS IT ON* **VU 289**

Time for All Ages Rev. Candace McNeill

Like a Rock (x 3) *WEHLANDER/GOOD* **MV 92**

As we sing, the children are invited to return to their families or find activities at the back of the Sanctuary.

Scripture: Exodus 3: 1-12a Moses & the Burning Bush

Elizabeth Najjemba

[1] Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, the priest of
Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to
Horeb, the mountain of God. [2] There the angel of the LORD appeared to him
in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was
on fire it did not burn up. So Moses thought,

"I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up."

When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from
within the bush, "Moses! Moses!"
And Moses said,

"Here I am."

God said. "Do not come any closer," "Take off your sandals, for the place
where you are standing is holy ground." [6] Then God said, "I am the God of
your father,[a] the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob."

At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God.

The LORD said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have
heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned
about their suffering. [8] So I have come down to rescue them from the hand
of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and
spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the
Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. [9] And now
the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the
Egyptians are oppressing them. [10] So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh
to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt."
But Moses said to God,

"Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"

And God said, "I will be with you.

Salted with Fire Rev. Anna Constantin

Spirit, Open My Heart *WILD MOUNTAIN THYME* **MV 79**

Prayers of the People

O God We Call *O GOD WE CALL* **VU 411**

Offering & Blessing the offering

Webale Yesu (Luganda: Thank you Jesus!)

Minute Messages

Heritage Hymn: *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me* *I'M GONNA LIVE* **VU 575**

Commissioning and Benediction

Ameni *AMENI* **MV 219**

Please join us for refreshments and fellowship after the service.

Rev. Anna Constantin and Rev. Candace McNeill
Music Director: Susan Farrell Musician: Tyson Kerr
Livestream/AV tech: Kate Florian, Daniel Florian, Silver Muhereza
Flowers this month: Pat McGeachy, Heather Peden

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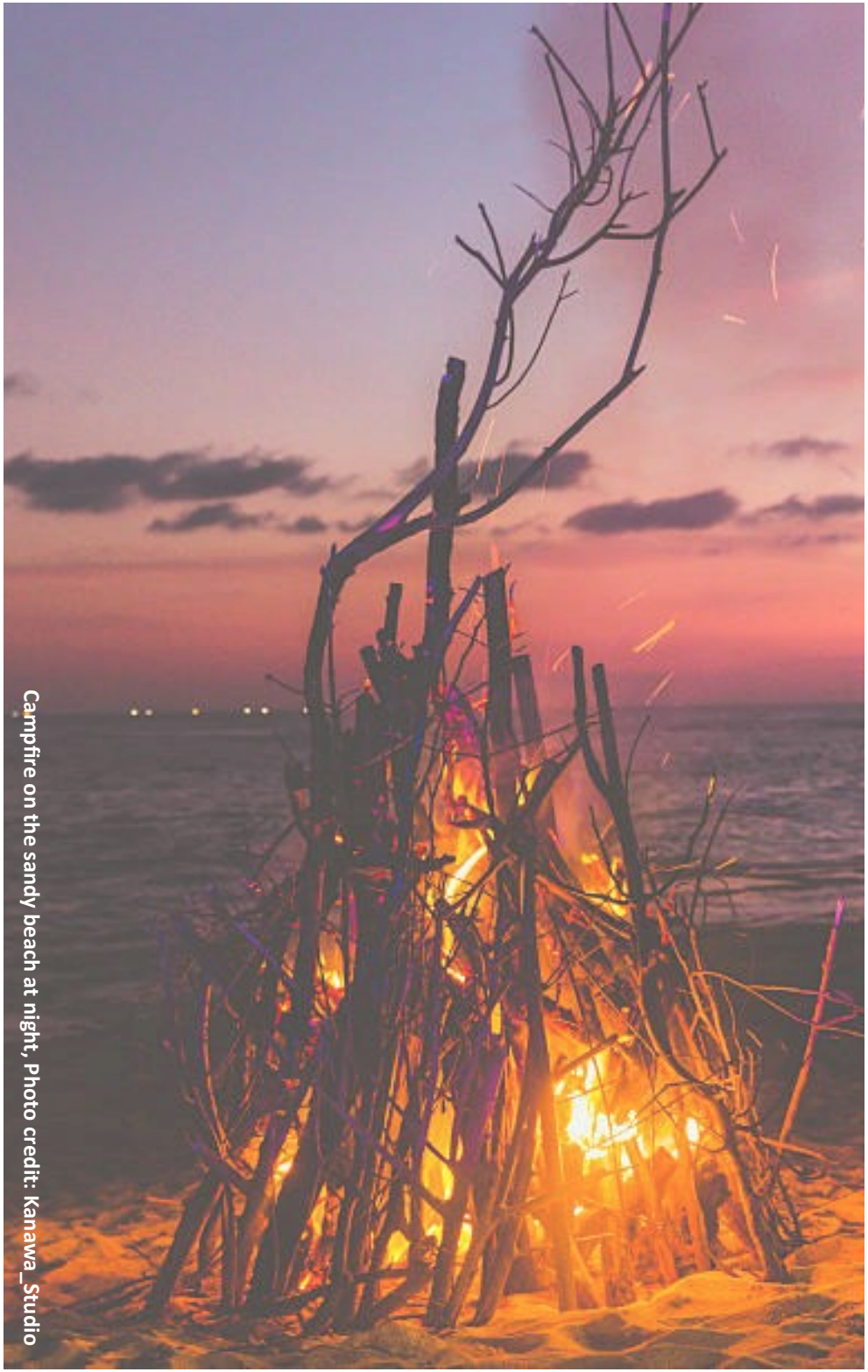

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