



Leaside Presbyterian Church

September 22, 2024 - 10:30 a.m.

18th Sunday after Pentecost

*please stand as you are able

PRELUDE *Amazing Grace* arr. Denys Bedard

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF CENTERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather in the presence of God;

All: We have come to worship and praise God's name.

One: We gather in joy and expectancy;

All: We have come to encounter God in beauty and wonder.

One: Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening;

All: Speak your Word of life to us, O God.

*HYMN *God, reveal your presence* No. 414

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

All: Ever present God, you know our inmost thoughts and see our thoughtless actions. We confess our impulsive reactions, when we spoke before we thought, and ask forgiveness if we have hurt others. We confess our stubborn attitudes, and ask forgiveness for refusing others mercy. In your kindness, O God, forgive who we have been, amend who we are, and direct who we shall be through the grace of Christ, our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

*HYMN *Help us accept each other* No. 632

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

All: God of wisdom, your thoughts are not our thoughts, your ways are not our ways. As we listen to the Scriptures, send your Holy Spirit to grant us understanding of what you desire and fresh resolve to do your will in Jesus' name. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Genesis 28:10-19a pg: OT 25

Matthew 13:31-32 pg: NT 14

*HYMN *The reign of God* (Tune: No 480)

SERMON Why a mustard seed?

CHOIR ANTHEM *Amazing Grace* arr. Jay Althouse

*HYMN *Amazing Grace* (v. 1,2,5,6) No. 670

OFFERING *Chorale Prelude on Old Hundredth*
by Henry Purcell

DOXOLOGY No. 830

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not

**into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for
thine is the kingdom, the power, and the
glory; for ever and ever. AMEN**

*HYMN

Blessed Assurance No. 687

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN (CONGREGATION AND CHOIR) No.780

POSTLUDE

Toccata on Amazing Grace

by Denys Bedard

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Welcome Back BBQ will be held TODAY following worship - Everyone welcome! Please stay with us for our virtual coffee hour following worship if you are online.
- A reminder that the service is being recorded and will be available on both the website and on Facebook.
- Special Appeal for Tarikwa - Thank you for the amazing response last week to our special appeal. We have reached the goal for the annual sponsorship for Tarikwa, but we also like to send gifts celebrating Easter, her return to school, her birthday, and Christmas (\$360). A few more donations will help reach that goal. Tarikwa is the fifteen year old (just had her birthday on Sept 2!) Ethiopian girl supported by our congregation and the Church school children. Because our in-person attendance over the past year has been lower than before the pandemic, we have not been able to collect weekly donations from the Church school children. In light of this, we ask that you please consider making a donation, either by cheque or e-transfer or using the specially marked envelopes in the pews. This will allow the Church School to continue sponsoring Tarikwa. Thank you in advance for your ongoing generosity.

- The PCC is offering a webinar on The PCC, Colonization and Residential Schools will take place on Thursday September 26th at 1pm. Please see the weekly email for a link or the PCC website.
- Today we welcome back Rev Maryka Potgieter - Maryka is an ordained minister in the PCC and is currently enrolled full-time in the Master of Pastoral Studies at Knox College.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge with gratitude and humility this land on which
Leaside Presbyterian Church ministers.

Today, this meeting place is still home to many Indigenous people
from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the
opportunity to worship on this land.

Wherever we are, we acknowledge the privilege of inheriting this
land from those who have gone before us. Wherever we are, we
recognize the responsibility of caring for this land to pass on to
those who come after us. We are grateful for this gift of being on
this land.