



Leaside Presbyterian Church

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

Fourth Sunday of Advent

*please stand as you are able

PRELUDE *Christmas carols by request*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF CENTERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP - PWS&D ADVENT LITURGY -Love^(insert)

Hope is a star - vs 4 No. 119

*HYMN *That boy-child of Mary No. 155*

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been and help us to walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

*HYMN *The hands that first held Mary's child No. 158*

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

All: Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your Word. Silence in us any voice but your own, that in hearing you we may do your will and live as you would have us live.

SCRIPTURE

Micah 5:2-5 pg:OT 865

Luke 1:46-55 pg: NT 57

Luke 1:39-45 pg: NT 57

*HYMN

Infant holy, Infant lowly No. 143

HOMILY

LEASIDE CHRISTMAS MEMORIES

CHOIR ANTHEM *Mary, Did You Know* arr. Jack Schrader

OFFERING

Ave Maria

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

Go, tell it on the mountain No. 133

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL AMEN (CONGREGATION AND CHOIR) No. 780

POSTLUDE

Prelude on IRBY (Once in Royal David's City)

arr. David Willcocks

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please join us following worship for refreshments and fellowship in Glebe Community Room if you are here in person. 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.
- Christmas Stars for PWS&D and Presbyterian Sharing 2024: Thank you for your ongoing support for Presbyterian World Service & Development and Presbyterians Sharing. Please take an origami star from the Christmas box in the narthex to put on our tree in the sanctuary to symbolize your generous contributions in 2024 towards these organizations. If you attend by Zoom, please let Carol Anne know so that she can put a star on the tree for you. If you haven't had a chance to do so already, you might wish to make a donation, or you might wish to add a bit to what you have given already.
- Please ensure that any donations sent by e-transfer for 2024 are received by Dec 31 to be credited to the 2024 tax year.
- Please join us on Christmas Eve at 7pm for the Christmas Eve service
- Today, we welcome back the Rev Ian Ross-McDonald, our interim moderator
- Thank you to all who shared their memories with us and a big thank you to Mary for organizing the videos and Justin for editing them!

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.