



Leaside Presbyterian Church

December 29, 2024 - 10:30 a.m.

First Sunday after Christmas Day

*please stand as you are able

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF CENTERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One Praise the Lord from the heavens and in the heights;

All: Praise God, sun and moon!

One God's name alone is exalted;

All: God is above the earth and heaven.

One Young and old together, all creatures great and small,

All: Let us praise God's holy name, now and evermore!

*HYMN

We three kings No. 173

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

All: God of compassion, we confess that we prefer our fantasy to your truth, and our plans to your purposes. We shrink from costly discipleship and we seek cheap grace. Forgive our fleeting enthusiasms and our shallow commitments. And guide us always so that we might live in your glorious presence and follow the way of your son now and always.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

*HYMN

What star is this No. 170

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

All: Source of all wisdom and understanding, by your Word you give wisdom to guide us on the path you set before us. Send your Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds to receive your Word and strengthen us to follow Jesus into the year that waits before us. Amen

SCRIPTURE

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26 pg: OT 246

Psalm 148 pg: OT 582

Luke 2:41-52 pg: NT 59

*HYMN

Brightest and best of the stars No. 175

SERMON

SPECIAL MUSIC

OFFERING

*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

As with gladness men of old No. 172

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL AMEN (CONGREGATION AND CHOIR) No. 780
POSTLUDE

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.
- Today, we welcome back the Rev Ian Ross-McDonald, our interim moderator

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.