

January 19 - 10:30 a.m. 2nd Sunday after Epiphany *please stand as you are able

PRELUDE

How Brightly Shines the Morning Star arr. Johann Ludwig Krebs

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF CENTERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

- One: No matter how far we wander from you, O God,
- All: your steadfast love finds us.
- One: No matter how unjust the world seems to us, O God,
- All: your steadfast righteousness sustains us.
- One: No matter how vulnerable our lives seem to us, O God,
- All: your steadfast presence gives us hope.
- One: No matter how unloved and uncared for we feel, O God,
- All: you hear our cries and answer our prayers. Thanks be to God!

*HYMN Hail the day that sees Christ rise No. 265 OPENING PRAYER PRAYER OF CONFESSION

- One: God you have given each of us many gifts,
- All: but sometimes we cannot recognize what gift we have to share, so we hide it under a bushel.
- One: God you remind us that all gifts are needed,
- All: but sometimes we let ourselves be convinced that some gifts are more special than others.
- One: God you call us to work, to live, to love together as parts of one body,
- All: but sometimes we decide that membership in the body is limited by our understandings.
- One: God, for the times we have ignored or mislabeled Your gifts, for those times we have cut another off from the body,
- All: We offer words of repentance, we ask for forgiveness and grace.

...time of silent prayer...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: God is the giver of MANY gifts. God is the Creator of the ONE body. God is slow to anger and quick to forgive. God helps us to share and honour the gifts of all, God helps us to heal the wounds and reunite the body.

We are forgiven, loved, and accepted.

All: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen

PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

*HYMN All praise to you, O Lord (tune 202) No. 181

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

All: O God, your Spirit, gives us the gifts we need to hear and understand your holy Word. Open our ears to hear your truth, and open our hearts to receive an understanding of how to live that truth as we follow Jesus, your Living Word. Amen.

Psalm 36:5-10 pg: OT 510 SCRIPTURE CHOIR ANTHEM Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow arr. Mark Hayes John 2:1-11 pg: NT 93 SCRIPTURE On the third day... Sermon *HYMN I know not why such wondrous arace No. 683 In dir ist Freude ("In you is joy") OFFFRING arr. Marcel Dupre No. 830 DOXOLOGY

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

*HYMNCome, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*SENDING*BENEDICTION*CHORAL AMEN (CONGREGATION AND CHOIR) No. 780POSTLUDEHow Brightly Shines the Morning Star
arr. Marcel Dupre

*** 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.
- Prayer Shawl Meeting on Thursday, January 23.
- A service of induction for the Rev Paul Kang will be held on January 26, 2024 at 7:00pm.
- Deadline for annual reports to the office Jan 31
- Note that there is now a link on the weekly email for a text version of the previous week's sermon and a link directly to the service recordings on the website.
- You can reach Rev Paul by email at <u>minister@leasidepc.ca</u> or on his cell at 416-875-0424

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.