



Leaside Presbyterian Church

***To grow in relationship with Jesus Christ,
so that we feel loved and share God's love with others.***

February 23 - 10:30 a.m.

7th Sunday after Epiphany

*please stand as you are able

PRELUDE

From the Southlands

by Harry Thacker Burleigh (excerpt)

The Prelude serves as a musical introduction, setting the tone for worship and inviting people to transition into a sacred space.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF CENTERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Not bold=One, **Bold=All**)

Where do we find you, Holy One,
and how do we follow?

Find me at your table, **share your food**

Find me in your resources, **share your riches**

Find me in your power, **share your mercy**

Find me in your pain, **share your forgiveness**

Find me in your generosity,

share all, and expect nothing in return

In community,

seek my holiness, shown in love, in generosity, in joy

In the world,

share my desire: justice, mercy, peace for all.

*HYMN *God, we praise you for the morning* No. 436

OPENING PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Sometimes, O God, your word is too much for us. You ask us to love our enemies, when we can scarcely love our friends as we should. You ask us to give when we want to take, and to forgive when we want to nurse bitterness. We thank you that you accept us as we are, and that you show us what we can be. Help us to believe that we can be loving, just, and holy like you; through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

*HYMN

Seek ye first No. 625

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

All: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may hear your Word with joy. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Luke 6:17-26 pg: NT

One: The grass withers, the flower fades,

All: but the Word of the Lord stands forever.

CHOIR ANTHEM

Irish Blessing by Bob Chilcott

SCRIPTURE

Luke 6:27-38 pg:NT 64

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Do to others...

*HYMN

God forgave my sin / Freely, freely No. 774

OFFERING

Steal Away are. Burleigh

Neal Armstrong, soloist

DOXOLOGY

No. 830

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

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 *Oh, I know the Lord's laid his hands on me* No. 579

*SENDING

*BENEDICTION

*SUNG BENEDICTION *Send me, Lord / Thuma Mina*
(verses 1, 2 & 3) No. 777

POSTLUDE *Laurentide Waltz* by Oscar Peterson

WORSHIP HOSTS

Vestry Elder: Nancy Weir Scripture: Anne Thomson
Usher: Weida Malcolm-Smith Coffee Hour: Caroline Cassin

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.
- Please note that the **prelude** will be starting a few minutes before 10:30a.m.. This time might be used to pray or to be still as you prepare for worship.

- Starting Sunday March 9th, the **Sanctuary Course** will be offered for 8 sessions. This course is for people who would like to learn more about mental health and faith, for people living with or supporting loved ones living with mental health challenges. Please speak to Sylvia or Paul for more information.
- The **Annual General Meeting (AGM)** will be held **next Sunday, March 2nd, 2025** following the worship service.
- Congratulations to **Stephanie Chunoo** for recently obtaining her Master of Science in Sustainable Development from the University of Sussex in the U.K. Stephanie served as a Young Adult Intern with International Ministries (PCC) in Budapest, Hungary from 2018-2019, and currently works with PWS&D.
- The flowers in the sanctuary today are in memory of **Ben McLean**, cherished father of Alex, and lovingly remembered by Sylvia.
- Please see the insert for Lenten events at Leaside PC.
- A reminder that **the service is being recorded** and will be available on both the website and on Facebook.

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.