



Leaside Presbyterian Church

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

March 23 - 10:30 a.m.

Third Sunday in Lent

*please stand as you are able

PRELUDE

O Lamm Gottes unschuldig

(O Spotless Lamb of God), BWV 1095 by J. S. Bach

The prelude which starts a few minutes before 10:30am, sets the tone for what is to follow, inviting worshipers to gather, to transition from their busy lives into a sacred place of communion with God and with each other.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF CENTERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

PWS&D insert

*HYMN *Come, let us sing to the Lord our song No. 412*

OPENING PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: As we quiet our minds and hearts in your presence, O God, we can feel a little frayed around the edges. Information whirls around us, promising us things we think we need. We confess we are easily distracted from your purposes. We ignore your gift of living water which can ease our thirst for those empty promises. Hear us now in these moments of silence, as we consider before you those opportunities we missed in the past week to meet you and serve you in our encounters.

(Hold a brief silence)

**Forgive us, God of mercy.
Renew in us the commitment to live as your
people, as strong, free, confident and
compassionate people who seek to follow
Jesus day by day. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

*HYMN *We come to ask your forgiveness* No. 201

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 Isaiah 55:1-9 Pg OT 685

SCRIPTURE Psalm 63:1-8 Pg OT 527

One: The grass withers, the flower fades,

All: but the Word of the Lord stands forever.

CHOIR ANTHEM *Nunc Dimittis* (Song of Simeon)
by Walmisley

SCRIPTURE Luke 13:1-9 pg NT 76

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON The Invitation

*HYMN *Come, ye disconsolate* No. 195

OFFERING *Steal Away* arr. Harry T. Burleigh
Neal Armstrong, soloist

DOXOLOGY *Glory to God* No. 318

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 *Now quit your care* No. 191

*SENDING

*BENEDICTION

*SUNG BENEDICTION *Go now in peace* No. 622

POSTLUDE *Prelude in C Minor, BWV 549*

WORSHIP HOSTS

Vestry Elder and Scripture: Nancy Weir
Usher: In Kim 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.
- A reminder that **the service is being recorded** and will be available on both the website and on Facebook.
- Today, we will celebrate with Eli the **Persian New Year (Nowruz)** during the coffee hour. She will provide us with some information about this worldwide celebration.
- The third session of the **Sanctuary Course**, a course on mental health and faith, takes place today at 12:30pm. Please speak to Paul or Sylvia for more information.
- Thank you to all who helped in the celebration of life for our dear friend **Padma**. A special thank you to **Caroline**, Padma's elder, for the care and support she offered to Padma and her family. " *If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.*" (1 Cor 12:26)

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.

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