

# LEASIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 21, 2024 - 10:30 a.m.

\*please stand as you are able

PRELUDE

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF CENTERING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Bring us together, O God, as a shepherd gathers the flock.

**All: Lead us on the right path.**

One: In the valley of the shadow, take our hand.

**All: We praise you for your eternal presence with us.**

\*HYMN

*Christ is alive* No. 251

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

**All: O God, You reveal yourself to us in many ways. Many images help us to understand your special significance to us. You reveal yourself as Shepherd. When we, like lost sheep, go our own way, call us back to you. You reveal yourself as Gracious host. When we turn down your invitation, when we focus on the faults of others, forgive us. You reveal yourself as friend. When we rely on our own resources, when our pride refuses freely offered help, forgive us. You reveal yourself as the one who brings courage to the helpless. When we will not recognize people with needs, when we fail to support the downtrodden and oppressed, forgive us.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

\*HYMN

*There were ninety and nine* No. 347

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

**All: Living God, as we listen to your scripture, may we have ears to hear, eyes to see, and hearts to understand not only what you do on our behalf, but what you call us to do, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 23

One: The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

**All: The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures, leads me beside still waters,**

One: restores my soul, and leads me in right paths for the sake of the Lord's name.

**All: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff— they comfort me.**

One: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

**All: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for the length of my days.**

SCRIPTURE

Acts 19:11-16 pg: NT 139

John 10:1-15 pg: NT 103

\*HYMN

*Great Shepherd of your people, hear* No. 450

SERMON

Shepherds and Strangers

CHOIR ANTHEM

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 *Come, ye faithful, raise the strain* No. 253

\*BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN (CONGREGATION AND CHOIR) No.780

POSTLUDE

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please join us in the Glebe Parlour for coffee hour 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.
- You are invited to a century of memories, celebrating 100 years of life. Please join us TODAY following worship in the Glebe Parlour to celebrate Marjorie Tuck's 100th birthday with a light lunch and cake.
- Today we welcome back **The Rev. Wes Denyer**

## 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.