

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

June 1, 2025 - 10:30 a.m.

Seventh Sunday of Easter - General Assembly Sunday

*please stand as you are able

PRELUDE Rhosymedre by Ralph Vaughan Williams

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF CENTERING

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God rules the Earth with justice:

All: Earth and Earth's people rejoice!

One: All nature serves God: Fire clears the way and

lightening lights God's path:

All: Earth and Earth's people rejoice!

One: The heavens proclaim God's righteousness;

All peoples behold God's glory:

All: Earth and Earth's people rejoice!

One: Delight in God, O coastlands and heartlands;

Give thanks to God, O faithful ones:

All: Earth and Earth's people rejoice!

*JHYMN Come sing, O church in joy No. 757

GATHERING WORDS

OPENING PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: God, we believe you have called us to unity, but often we have isolated ourselves from

others,

All: God, forgive us for the times we have turned our backs on those who are different.

One: God, we believe you have called us to live together as one body,

All: God, forgive us for the times we have created division within your worldwide church.

One: God, we believe you ask us to look, listen, and learn from others,

All: God, forgive us for the times we have ridiculed and attacked those with different viewpoints.

One: God, we believe you ask us to accept and seek to understand all who are called by your name,

All: Forgive us for the times we have offended you by failing to love others as we do ourselves.

One: God, we believe you call us to be one even as you are one,

All: Forgive us for the disunity we have harbored and make us one.

(silence is kept)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Whether we believe Christ is coming soon, still he is in our midst. Offering healing, whispering forgiveness, and love others with a generous heart.

All: May we recognize him in those around us, and may we be more like Christ in every moment. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven.

Amen.

PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

*J HYMN Word of God, across the ages No. 497

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

All: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 29:1-14 OT 731

One: The grass withers, the flower fades,

All: but the Word of the Lord stands forever.

☐ CHOIR ANTHEM The Lord Bless You and Keep You

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SCRIPTURE John 17:20-26 Pg NT 111

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON A future with hope

*JHYMN All who love and serve your city No. 721

□ OFFERING O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit by Thomas Tallis

*, DOXOLOGY Now thank we all our God (v. 1) No.457

1. Now thank we all our God

with heart and hands and voices,

who wondrous things has done,

in whom God's world rejoices,

who from our mother's arms

has blessed us on our way

with countless gifts of love,

and still is ours today.

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

A 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, and the power, and the glory for ever. AMEN

*J HYMN O God beyond all praising No. 448

*SENDING

One: Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can imagine,

All: to him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever.

*BENEDICTION

* J SUNG BENEDICTION

No. 726

May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.

May the God of justice speed us on our way,

bringing light and hope to every land and race.

Praying, let us work for peace,

singing, share our joy with all,

working, for a world that's new,

faithful, when we hear Christ's call.

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Following the sung benediction, feel free to make your way to the Glebe Community Room for refreshments or to the back of the sanctuary to greet the minister or to remain seated to listen to the postlude.

TPOSTLUDE

Hyfrydol by Vaughan Williams

: Congregational music : Scripture Reading

WORSHIP HOSTS

Vestry Elder: Marg Rockingham
Scripture: Chris Rockingham Usher: Kathy Keltie
Coffee Hour: Isobel Thomson and Paola Ricse

Celebrating birthdays this upcoming week include Shirley L., Gord M. and Chris C. Happy birthday!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Thank you for your continued generous financial support of the mission and ministry of our church. The givings for the four-month period ending April 30th came in at 96% of budget. Thank you to our treasurer Lisa for keeping us apprised on our finances.
- One way we will celebrate Pentecost, the birth of the church, is by having a potluck lunch. On Sunday June 8th, we invite you to bring a dish that represents your ethnic heritage. Please sign up to bring an appetizer, main, or dessert, on the sheet outside the church office. We also need helpers for the set-up and clean-up. Please speak with Paul if you can lend a helping hand.
- Save the date for our first BOARD GAMES NIGHT!
 Come and play some of the classic games, learn a new one, or bring your fav to share! Friday, June 20, from 7 9 pm at the church. We will promote the event around Leaside / Davisville. Please tell your friends and neighbours -- it'll be a lot of fun! More details to come. Please talk to Nancy, Liz or Paul if you have questions or suggestions
- We would like to invite anyone who would like to join Leaside 's Prayer Circle to feel welcome. Every evening at 8pm, wherever we may find ourselves, we

say a prayer for individuals in our church family who have asked for prayer. We pray for God's healing power to sustain them so they know that nothing can separate them from God's love in Christ Jesus (Rom 8:38-39). If you would like to be added to the list of people receiving prayer, please contact Rev. Paul, Marg, or your elder.

- Following the sung benediction, feel free to make your way to the Glebe Community Room for refreshments or to the back of the sanctuary to greet the minister or to remain seated to listen to the postlude.
- Please join us following worship for refreshments and fellowship in Glebe Community Room and 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.

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.