



Leaside Presbyterian Church

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

September 28, 2025 - 10:30 a.m.

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost - Orange Shirt Sunday

*please stand as you are able

🎵 **PRELUDE** *Organ Sonata VI by Felix Mendelssohn*
(Variations on "Our Father in heaven")

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF CENTERING

The Time of Centering: We use this time to make the transition between "getting here" and "being here." Take these few moments of quiet to get in touch with the calm places, the still, deep places in you where God dwells. Relax your body; quiet the inner dialogue of your mind. Take a deep breath in and say "Jesus." Take a deep breath out and let go of any thoughts. Repeat. Be aware of being with others. Feel the spirit of community in this moment of silence.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God is very near to us.

**All: We come together to praise God who lives
and dwells among us.**

One: Bring your songs and your praises and let the
Spirit of God be heard in this place!

**All: We praise God with song and voice: with
dance and laughter, and we greet one
another with love.**

One: Praise be to God!

All: Alleluia! Amen.

*🎵 **HYMN** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty No.321*

OPENING PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: In Jesus Christ, God broke the barrier of sin and pain which separates us from our neighbour, ourselves, and our God. We seek God's grace so we might move from alienation to new life

ALL: So God, grant us new life in you.

One: When we deny your presence in our busy days –

ALL: O God, grant us new life in you.

One: When we feel justified in our anger and resentment towards others –

ALL: O God, grant us new life in you.

One: When we judge others before looking at ourselves –

ALL: O God, grant us new life in you.

One: When we occupy ourselves in worldly matters and reject your peace and assurance –

ALL: O God, grant us new life in you.

One: When we refuse to follow your will because we are fearful and untrusting –

ALL: O God, grant us new life in you.

One: When we seek the security of false gods and turn our faces from your Light –

ALL: O God, grant us new life in you. (*silent confession*)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

*🎵 HYMN

Father, I adore you No.292



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

Psalm 91:1-6,14-16 OTpg.548

One: The grass withers, the flower fades,

All: But the Word of the Lord stands forever.



SPECIAL MUSIC

*The Lord Is my Shepherd
by Goodall*



SCRIPTURE

Luke 16:19-31 NTpg.79

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rich man, poor man

*🎵 HYMN

When we are living No.630



OFFERING

View me, Lord by Richard Lloyd



DOXOLOGY 448 O God beyond all praising (vs. 1)

O God beyond all praising,
we worship you today
and sing the love amazing
that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder
at every gift you send,
at blessings without number
and mercies without end:
We lift our hearts before you
and wait upon your word;
we honor and adore you,
our great and mighty Lord.



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

*  HYMN *Who's goin' to tell the story No.761*

*SENDING

*BENEDICTION

*  SUNG BENEDICTION

*Thanks we give and adoration
for the gospel's joyful sound;
may the fruits of your salvation
in our hearts and lives abound.*

*May your presence, may your presence
with us evermore be found*

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.

 POSTLUDE *Organ Sonata VI by Felix Mendelssohn
(Variations on "Our Father in Heaven")*

 : Choir/Organ/Piano music

 : Congregational music

 : Prayer

 : Scripture Reading

WORSHIP HOSTS

Vestry Elder: Mary Kopman

Scripture: William Usher: Nancy Weir

Coffee Hour: Caroline Cassin and Liz Pang Engels

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Welcome to worship at Leaside Presbyterian Church. We hope you had a wonderful summer. Whether you have come to worship in person or online, we are grateful to be connected as we worship together. A reminder that **the service is being recorded** and will be available on both the website and on Facebook.
- Please join us following worship for the **church BBQ** on the front lawn. A special thank you to Nancy, Doug, Mike (grill master) and all who helped make this BBQ happen.
- Today is **Orange Shirt Sunday** in the Presbyterian Church in Canada in honour of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in Canada (September 30), which began as Orange Shirt Day, a Survivor-led movement lifting up the need for reconciliation and honouring all the Indigenous children who were taken to residential schools.
- We have a **new church sign** thanks to a generous donation made by one of our members and a grant provided by presbytery. We will dedicate the church sign during the church BBQ. Thank you **Sylvia** for designing the sign.
- Today we are taking up a special offering for **Tarikwa**. Tarikwa is a grade 8 student from Ethiopia whom our church has sponsored through "Children Believe" for more than 8 years. Please use the special envelope in your bulletin if you feel moved to give.
- Next Sunday October 5th is **World Communion Sunday** when we celebrate the Lord's Supper. All are welcome to participate.

- **New members' classes** will be offered starting next Sunday October 5th after coffee hour. Please see the handout "Eldership" outside the church office to learn about the meaning of membership or speak to Paul.
- The **Fall Food Drive** begins in the month of October. Every Sunday in October, please bring non-perishable food items and hygienic products and bring them forward during the offering and place them in front of the Communion Table. All donations are in support of the Thorncliffe Neighbourhood Organization (TNO) Food Collaborative. (For a list of items to donate, please see your Friday email).
- Come join us online for a **twenty-minute guided meditation** every Wednesday at **9:00am**. Discover the gift of inhabiting the present moment more fully as we seek to grow more aware of God's loving presence that abides with us. Please email paul@leasidepc.ca for a Zoom link.
- Happy birthday to **Weida M., Cynthia D., Rosetta (Joyce) D. Jisu K.**, and to all who will be celebrating birthdays this week.

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.