



# Leaside Presbyterian Church

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

**Fourth Sunday in Lent**

**March 15 - 10:30 a.m.**

\*please stand as you are able

## **PRELUDE**

*Chorale Prelude on Herzlich tut  
mich erlangen (hymn 239) by Johannes Brahms*

## **WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **TIME OF CENTERING**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Please see insert: Fourth Sunday in Lent

## **\*HYMN**

*Oh for a thousand tongues to sing  
(tune 730 AZMON) No.374*

## **OPENING PRAYER**

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

## **PEACE OF CHRIST**

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

## **\*HYMN**

*Open our eyes, Lord  
(with hand motions)No.445*

## **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** John 9:1-17 NT pg.102

One: The grass withers, the flower fades,

**All: But the Word of the Lord stands forever.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *Hide not thou thy face from us,  
O Lord by Richard Farrant*

**SCRIPTURE** John 9:18-41 NT pg.102

One: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** Sight Restored

**\*HYMN** *Precious Lord, take my hand No.675*

## **PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS**

### **OFFERING**

One: We offer our gifts to God in gratitude,

**All: trusting God to multiply what we bring.**

**OFFERTORY** *O Lamm Gottes unschuldig  
(O Spotless Lamb of God), BWV 1095 by J. S. Bach*

**\*DOXOLOGY** *Give thanks for life, the measure  
of our days, NO.613 v.1*

*Give thanks for life, the measure of our days;  
mortal, we pass through beauty that decays,  
yet sing to God our hope, our love, our praise:  
hallelujah!*

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### 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

*When Jesus the healer passed  
through Galilee No.203*

#### \*SENDING

One: May the Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Light of the world,

**All: open our eyes to truth,  
strengthen our hearts for the journey,  
and lead us in love.**

#### \*SUNG BENEDICTION *Go ye, go ye into the world No. 755*

Go ye, go ye into the world,  
and make disciples of all the nations.

Go ye, go ye into the world,  
and I will be with you there!

Go ye, go ye into the world  
and take the gospel to all the people.

Go ye, go ye into the world,  
and I will be with you there!

Go ye, go ye into the world,  
and tell the story to all believers.  
Go ye, go ye into the world,  
and I will be with you there!

**POSTLUDE:**

*Vater unser im Himmelreich*  
(Our Father in heaven), BWV 636 by J. S. Bach

**WORSHIP HOSTS**

Vestry Elder: Paul Scripture: Jo  
Usher: Mary  
Coffee Hour: Isobel and Paola

**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.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Welcome** to Leaside Presbyterian Church. Whether you have come to worship in person or online, we are grateful to be connected as we worship together.
- A special welcome to the **Rev. Don Muir**.
- A warm welcome to **Padma's family** who have come to honour their mother's memory. Padma died one year ago on March 14, 2025 at the age of 89. The flowers in the church are in memory of **Padma**, a beloved child of God.
- **Election elections** end today. Members can vote by paper ballot or online. Speak to any elder if you have questions.
- The **Lenten lunch-and-learn** is at 12:30pm as we learn about the "Holy Troublemaker" Mary Oliver.
- Today we celebrate **Nowruz (Iranian new year)** with Eli during the coffee hour.
- **LPC Reads... Theo of Golden**, by Allen Levi. We will discuss Theo at our meeting to be held on Zoom at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, March 25. If you have any questions, please check the Friday email.
- Please save the date for our **LPC BOARD GAMES NIGHT!** Friday April 24 from 7 - 9 pm (doors open at 6:45) in the church basement. Join us for an evening of fun! Bring your favourite game or play one of ours. Meet new friends, learn new games, have lots of fun! Snacks and drinks provided. Email [LPC.gamesnight@gmail.com](mailto:LPC.gamesnight@gmail.com) for more information or talk to Nancy or Liz.

- **Centering prayer** takes place online every Wednesday at 9am. Learn how to pray with others for twenty-minutes, deepening our relationship with God not through words but in silence. Email [paul@leasidepc.ca](mailto:paul@leasidepc.ca) for details.
- A reminder that **the service is being recorded** and will be available on the website and on Facebook.
- Happy birthday to **Ava K.** and to those who will be celebrating birthdays this week. If we didn't know it was your birthday, please let the office know.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Sunday March 15, 10:30am**

- Fourth Sunday in Lent with Rev. Don Muir
- Celebrating Nowruz - Iranian New Year
- Lenten lunch-and-learn - Session 4 (12:30pm):  
Holy Troublemaker: Mary Oliver

### **Sunday March 22, 10:30am**

- Fifth Sunday in Lent
- Lenten lunch-and-learn - Session 5 (12:30pm):  
Holy Troublemaker: Gustavo Gutierrez

### **Sunday March 29, 10:30am**

- Palm / Passion Sunday
- Lenten lunch-and-learn - Session 6 (12:30pm):  
What Kind of Holy Troublemaker Are You?