



Leaside Presbyterian Church

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

Third Sunday in Easter

April 19 - 10:30 a.m.

*please stand as you are able

PRELUDE *Prelude in C Major, BWV 545 by J. S. Bach*

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF CENTERING

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: You take us seriously

All: You listen to our questions

One: You walk alongside us

All: You share our journeys

One: You surprise us and bless us

All: You fill us with wonder

One: You call us together

All: You call us to life

One: Open our eyes to see you amongst us

All: Burn in our hearts and fill us with joy

One: Open our minds to the truth of your story

All: Reveal to us the joy of your love

***HYMN**

Christ is alive No.251

OPENING PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We begin in silence

God of birth, God of joy, God of life, we come to you as people hungry for good news. We have been so dead to miracles that we have missed the world's rebirth. We have preoccupied ourselves with distractions and have overlooked the joy you offer us. We have been so concerned with making a living that we have missed the Life you set among us. Forgive us, gracious God. Open our eyes and our hearts to receive your gift; open our lips and our hands to share it with all humanity, in the name of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

***HYMN**

Now the green blade rises No.256

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 116:1-4, 12-19 OT pg.564

One: The grass withers, the flower fades,

All: But the Word of the Lord stands forever.

SPECIAL MUSIC

*All in the April Evening
by Hugh Robertson*

SCRIPTURE

Luke 24:13-35 NT pg.90

One: The grass withers, the flower fades,

All: But the Word of the Lord stands forever.

SERMON

Do Tell!

***HYMN**

Tell Me The Stories of Jesus No.348

Ruling Elders - A Service of Ordination

There are varieties of gifts,

but the same Spirit;

There are varieties of services,

but the same Lord;

There are varieties of activities,

but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.

To each one is given a gift by the Spirit,

to use it for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ,

and individually members of it.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

NARRATION OF STEPS

THE VOWS

ORDINATION PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER

**God of Grace, who baptized us into a common ministry
as ambassadors of Christ;
who called us to be a priesthood of all believers;
who entrusted to us the message of reconciliation;
we pray for courage and discipline to follow where your
elders rightly lead us, that together we may declare
your mighty acts and show your love to the world;
through Jesus Christ who is ruler of all. Amen.**

DECLARATION

THE RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERING

One: We offer our gifts to God in gratitude,

All: trusting God to multiply what we bring.

OFFERTORY

My Lord, What a Morning
arr. Mark Hayes; Neal Armstrong, soloist

***DOXOLOGY** *Jesus is risen from the grave*No.254 (vs. 1, 7)

Jesus is risen from the grave;

Jesus is risen from the grave;

Jesus is risen from the grave.

Hallelujah!

Jesus will live forever;

Jesus will live forever;

Jesus will live forever.

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

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My
Song As I Journey No.665

*SENDING

one: Today and tomorrow,

All: Today and tomorrow

one: Lo, I am with you always

All: When we try to do your will

one: I am with you always

All: When we go where we do not know

one: I am with you always

All: When we meet one we do not recognise

one: I am with you always

All: Where faith ends and doubt begins

one: I am with you always

All: And should we forget you ...

one: I am with you always

All: Today and tomorrow

Today and tomorrow

You are with us always

to the end of the world.

BLESSING

***SUNG BLESSING** *New life has bloomed here Tune: 814*

New life has bloomed here, God's love has warmed us;

Now the world calls us, go spread God's love

God's peace go with you, may it sustain you,

Bring us together, praise God again.

POSTLUDE: *Fugue in C Major, BWV 545 by J. S. Bach*

WORSHIP HOSTS

Vestry Elder: Marg Scripture: Jo

Usher: Sylvia

Coffee Hour: Caroline and Weida

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.
- Today an **ordination of elders** will take place. We feel blessed that Sylvia, Alex, Susan, and Peggy sense God's call to serve as a ruling elder of LPC.
- Next Sunday, **April 24th**, a special offering will be held to **support our Community Time program**. In this initiative, we **partner with Northlea United** to help those who are struggling to buy groceries. About 30 people join us each month to enjoy refreshments and fellowship and receive a grocery store voucher for \$20 and a two-way TTC Prestocard. Special envelopes will be available in the pews for cash or cheque donations and e-transfers are also welcome.
- **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 for details.
- **LPC Reads...** We will meet to discuss **The Queen Who Came In From The Cold**, by S. J. Bennett on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 7:00 PM, on Zoom. If you have any questions, email **Barry and Peggy**.
- Our **LPC BOARD GAMES NIGHT** is coming very soon!! Please join us on 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 for more information or talk to Nancy or Liz.
- The flowers on the communion table are in memory of **Bob Elliott's mother, Catharine Elliott**.

- A reminder that **the service is being recorded** and will be available on the website and on Facebook.
- Happy birthday to those who will be celebrating birthdays this week. If we didn't know it was your birthday, please let the office know.

UNCEASING PRAYER

Every Sunday, you'll find an updated prayer for specific PWS&D programs and emergency responses, new prayers from PWS&D's global partners, Canada-wide volunteers and ecumenical coalitions, as well as prayers taken from the Bible or the Book of Praise. Thank you for continuing to pray for people affected by conflict, climate change, inequality and systemic cycles of poverty around the globe.

God of hope, we pray for PWS&D partners working in dangerous circumstances amid conflict. We pray for peace knowing that, beyond its impact on people's security, war is one of the major causes of hunger around the globe. God, give us compassionate hearts, open our eyes to injustice and guide us to truth, so that in understanding, we can build a better world together. Amen.

Written by Sharyl Eaglesham, PWS&D committee member and Champion at First Presbyterian Church in Winnipeg, Man.

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.