Leaside
Presbyterian Church

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

25st Sunday after Pentecost
November 15, 2026 - 10:30 a.m.
*please stand as you are able

PRELUDE *Freu dich sehr, o meine Seele*
(tune of hymn 113) by Georg Bohm (excerpt)

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF CENTERING

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: To God we lift up our eyes, to the One who is enthroned in Heaven.

All: God's love and compassion enfold us.

One: God has been our dwelling place through all generations.

All: God's timelessness and faithfulness supports us throughout our lives.

All: Let us worship God.

***HYMN** *We praise you, O God No.425*

OPENING PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God of bounty and benevolence, thank you for all of your amazing generosity to us. For freedom of speech and movement in this

country, for health and medical care when we fall ill, for families that care for us and help us know we are not alone, for community that provides us with our identity, and for friends with whom we can laugh and cry and know of life's abundance.

Sadly, loving God, so often we take all our benefits for granted and complain about what we lack instead of rejoicing in what we have. We adopt a sense of scarcity that convinces us that we should have more and we fail to take advantage of all the possibilities that present themselves to us. Fill us with the depth of your love, we pray, that we may invest your compassion in all those we meet in order to spread out your reign of peace, love and justice throughout the world.

Love us and forgive us as we stand in your presence through the one who taught us to pray, 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

***HYMN** *God whose Giving no ending No.663*

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 123 OT pg.572

One: The grass withers, the flower fades,

All: But the Word of the Lord stands forever.

SPECIAL MUSIC *The Lord Is My Shepherd*
by John Rutter; Alba Chen, guest conductor

SCRIPTURE Matthew 25:14-30 NT pg.28

One: The Word of the Lord**.**

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON The whistleblower

***HYMN** *Thy kingdom come--on bended knee No.784*

OFFERING

One: As receivers of God's grace,
We offer our gifts to God in gratitude,

All: trusting God to multiply what we bring.

OFFERTORY *Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme*
(tune of hymn 127), BWV 645 by J. S. Bach

***DOXOLOGY** *O God beyond all praising NO.448 v.1*
O God beyond all praising,
we worship you today

and sing the love amazing
that songs can not 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 up on your word;
we honour and adore you,
our great and mighty Lord.

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

***HYMN** *She comes Sailing on the wind No.403*

***SENDING**

***BENEDICTION**

***SUNG BENEDICTION** *Amen No. 780*

Amen (x3)

POSTLUDE: *Toccata in F by C. M. Widor*

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.
- Special welcome to the **Rev. Harry Klassen** who is leading the worship this morning.
- **Thank you to Mary, all volunteers, and all of our silent auction donor**s for helping to make the **Merry Market** a success!
- **Blessed are you** is a Bible study series based on the Beatitudes led by the **Rev. Harry Klassen**. It takes place in the Glebe Community Room on Tuesday November 17and 24, December 1and 8 from 1:00 - 2:30pm. During this study we hope to discover who we are as a community blessed by the central focus of compassion and love. Please email **admin@leasidepc.ca** to sign up.
- **Soles4Souls Canada** is a program through **Bioped**, that **collects gently used shoes** that **help women and families, who are less fortunate,** start micro businesses that let these families earn money to send their kids to school, put shelter over their heads, and provide food for themselves. Please consider donating shoes you no longer wear or need. There will be a collection box outside the office **for 3 weeks** collecting shoes.
- **Centring prayer** takes place online every Wednesday at 9am. Praying in silence for twenty-minutes can help us live more fully in the present moment as we grow more conscious of God's presence abiding within us. Email paul@leasidepc.ca for details.

- The next **Learn to Play Mahjong** takes place on Friday **November 20th** at 7pm. Registration is full. Please email admin@leasidepc.ca if you would like to be added to the wait list.
- A reminder that **the service is being recorded** and will be available on the website and on Facebook.
- Happy birthday to **Elaine S.** and all who will be celebrating birthdays this week.

WORSHIP HOSTS

Vestry Elder: Nancy Scripture: Nancy
Usher: Kathy
Coffee Hour: Isobel and Caroline

MISSION MOMENT

"Our hope and passion for the future of the PCC can lie in international partnerships!" Supported by gifts to Presbyterians Sharing, 24-year-old Sophia Kim had the opportunity of a lifetime to work in Japan as a Young Adult Intern for the Korean Christian Church in Japan (KCCJ). While there, she heard many stories of adversity and courage told by Korean-Japanese Christians. Overwhelming gratitude was expressed by the KCCJ for the PCC's mission work in Japan, and continued support. The PCC and KCCJ are approaching the 100th anniversary of their partnership in 2027.

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.