

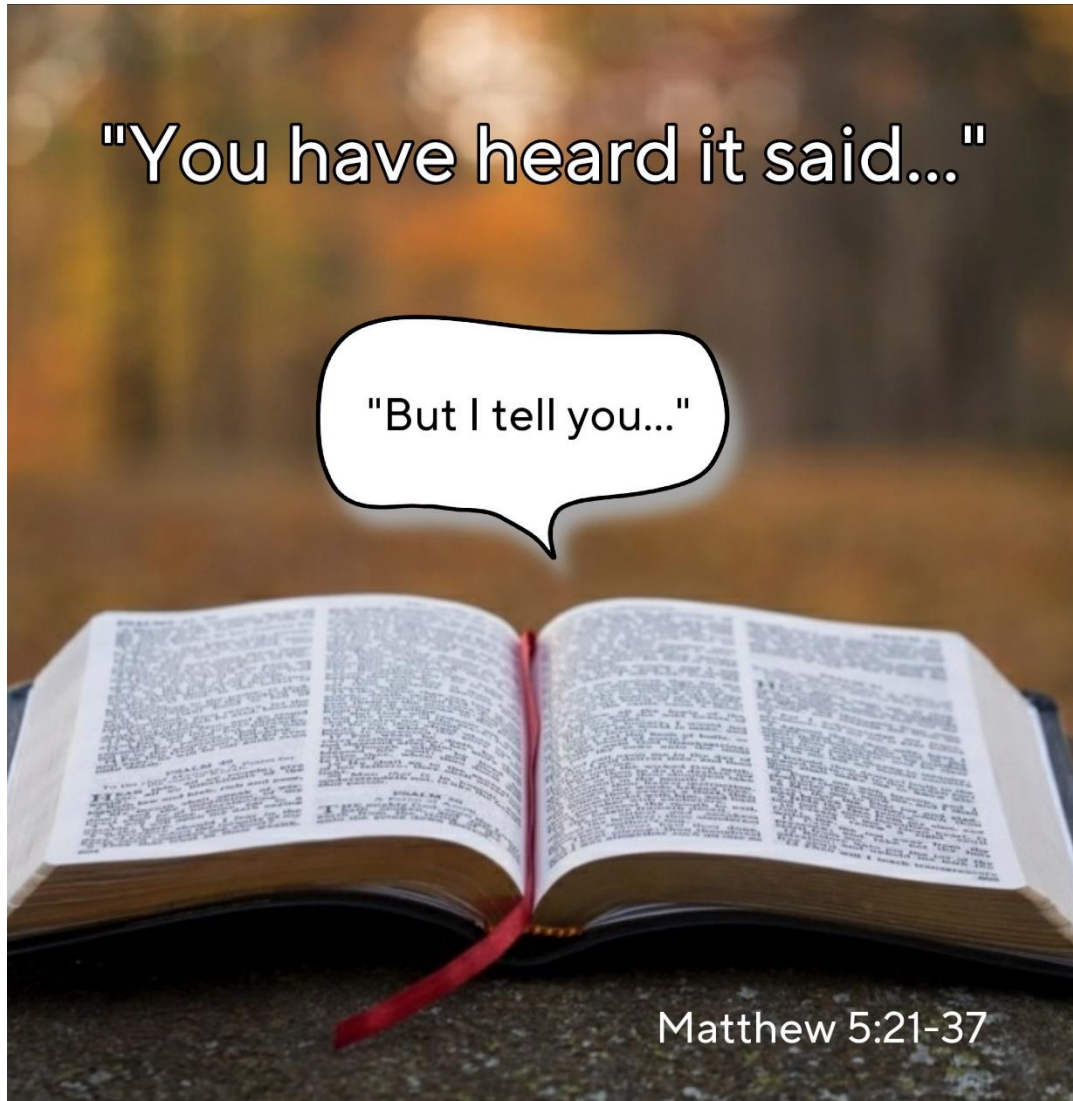


Northlea United Church

In the community. For the community.

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February 12, 2023
Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

At Northlea United Church,
we encourage one another as we:
Love God ~ Connect with others
Nurture the spirit ~ Serve the world

Thank you for joining us for service today whether in-person or online. If there is anything we can do to improve your experience, please let us know by calling the church office at 416 425 5252 or emailing us at office@northleaunited.ca. There are many ways to access online videos whether live streamed or pre-recorded. The Northlea United Facebook page or our website will have links to our services:

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Thank you for helping with today's service:

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**Northlea United Church
February 12, 2023**

Prelude

Acknowledgement:

We acknowledge that we worship on traditional land entrusted to us but belonging to the Creator. We are called to respect the history, spirituality, and culture of the many First Nations, who came to this place long before us, and our responsibility for the treaty territory wherein our church resides. May we not take the land, its first people, and all its many gifts for granted.

Welcome

Joys and Concerns

Call to Worship:

Happy are those who walk in God's ways.

**Blessed are those who observe God's
commandments.**

Faithful are those whose eyes are fixed
on righteousness.

**Joyful are those whose hearts are filled
with praise.**

Come, let us love the Lord our God.

**We come to worship and adore the One who leads us
in the ways of life.**

Opening Hymn: Joyful, Joyful We Adore You

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Lighting of the Christ Candle

~ light the candle~

The light of Christ.

Thanks be to God

The Gift of Peace:

(Take a moment to turn and greet the gathered community with a smile and a bow of greeting)

Opening Prayer:

Come, Holy One:

teach us your ways,

lead us in your paths,

guide us on our journey.

Speak to us your words of life,

for you offer us direction and wholeness

when we hear your voice and follow.

You bless us with your love,

shower us with your grace,

and help us grow in faith.

We seek you, O God,

with all our hearts.

Be near us this day. Amen.

~ Listening ~

Prayer for Illumination:

Holy Spirit, stir us with your word,

as we listen for inspiration in your sacred story.

Amen

Scripture: Matthew 5:21-37

Stephen Popiel

In this reading we hear God's voice,

The Spirit is still speaking, thanks be to God.

Reflection: Healthy Standards

~ Responding ~

Anthem: God Be In My Head

Anna Laura Page

Offering our Gifts: How shall we respond?

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer:

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us away from temptation and deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Sending Forth:

The grace of Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

Sung Amen:

Ken Canedo / Bob Hurd

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Postlude

Reading Next Week

From *The Gathering*

Exodus 24:12-18; Psalm 2; Psalm 99; 2 Peter 1:16-21; Matthew 17:1-9

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