



Northlea United Church

**In the community. For the community.**

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## **June 4, 2023**

### **Trinity Sunday**

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](mailto: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  
Sunday, June 4, 2023**

**Leads Prelude:** God, Whose Almighty Word

Voices United 313

**Welcome All My Relations**

Donna Rutz

**Joys and Concerns**

Donna Rutz

**Call to Worship:**

Donna Rutz

God our Creator,  
we call You Father, Mother, Author of Life:  
**Draw us closer to You, Creator God.**

Christ our Savior,  
we call You the Son, the Messiah, the One who Saves:  
**Draw us closer to You, Christ Jesus.**

Holy Spirit,  
we call You the Advocate, the Inspirer, Breath and Wind of God:  
**Draw us closer to You, Spirit of Life.**

**Draw us in, Spirit, Christ and Creator,  
that we might journey with You more fully and deeply,  
in this life and beyond. Amen.**

**Opening Hymn: We Join in Proclaiming**

**Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, see next page for music**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle:**

Alison Dixon

~ light the candle~

The light of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God**

**The Gift of Peace**

Donna Rutz

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

# Opening Hymn: We Join in Proclaiming

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette



1. We join in pro - claim - ing the faith we be - lieve in -  
2. O God, we have pon - dered through years of our hist' - ry



That God is Cre - a - tor and we are God's own.  
How you can be Fa - ther and Spir - it and Son.



We trust in Christ Je - sus and glad - ly re - ceive him,  
We've prayed and we've stud - ied and called it a myst' - ry



For we have been blessed by the love he has shown.  
That you are three per - sons and yet you are one.



Christ died and is ris - en and, one with the Fa - ther,  
Cre - at - ing and sav - ing, your church here re - new - ing,



He reigns now in heav - en, still lov - ing the earth.  
You still are one God work - ing man - y good ways.



The Spir - it of God that moved o - ver the wa - ters  
May we hum - bly thank you for all you are do - ing!



Now moves here a - - mong us, em - pow'r - ing God's church.  
O God in three per - sons, we of - fer you praise.

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Biblical References: Genesis 1-2; Galatians 3:26; 1 Corinthians 15:1-4; John 15:13; Matthew 28:6; Acts 1:6-11; Acts 2; John 10:30; 2 Corinthians 13:14

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**Opening Prayer:**

Josh Clemenger

(based on Psalm 8, a paraphrase by Nan C. Merrill in *Psalms for Praying*)

O Beloved Love,  
How powerful is your Name in all the earth!  
You, whose glory is sung in heaven by the angels and saints,  
Who with the innocence and spontaneity of a child,  
confound those who are mighty and proud.  
You comfort the unloving and fearful.  
When I look up at the cosmos,  
at the work of Love's creation,  
at the infinite variety of your plan,  
what is woman that You rejoice in her,  
and man that You delight in him?  
You have made us in your image,  
You fill us with your Love;  
You have made us co-creators of the earth! . . .  
guardians of the planet! . . .  
to care for all your creatures,  
to tend the land, the sea,  
and the air we breathe;  
all that You have made,  
You have placed in our hands.  
O Beloved Love,  
How powerful is your Name in all the earth!

**Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy**

**Voices United 315**

~ Listening ~

**Prayer for Illumination:**

Sue Earl

Holy Spirit, stir us with your word,  
as we listen for inspiration in your sacred story.  
Amen

**Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20**

Sue Earl

In this reading we hear God's voice,  
**The Spirit is still speaking, thanks be to God.**

**Reflection:**

Donna Rutz

~ Responding ~

**Anthem:** Jesus Calls Us

Austin C. Lovelace

**Offering our Gifts: How shall we respond?**

Diana Bennett

**Prayers of the People**

Diana Bennett

**Lord's Prayer:**

Diana Bennett

**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.**

**Closing Hymn: Praise with Joy the World's Creator**

Voices United 312

**Sending Forth:**

Donna Rutz

**Sung Amen: (new!)**

Bob Dufford, SJ.

A - - men, hal - le - lu - - jah, for\_ ev - er and ev - er, for\_

ev - er, hal - le - lu - jah, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.\_\_\_\_\_

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**Postlude**

# Northlea News

## All that's happening this June...

### TODAY!!

- 11:45 am – Dessert and Learn with Michele McMaster and Habitat for Humanity in the Community Room after service
- 5:00 pm - Youth Without Shelter Dinner

Lee-Ann is on Retreat this weekend.

- Tuesday, June 6, 2023 – All Staff meeting in person
- Wednesday, June 7, 2023 – 7:00 pm – Taizé in the Pines
- Saturday, June 17, 2023 – 11:00 am – Healing Forest Dedication
- Sunday, June 18, 2023 – 10:30 am – Worship with Rev. Linda Levin, Father's Day
- Wednesday, June 21, 2023 – 7:00 pm – Council Meeting on Zoom
- Sunday, June 25, 2023 – 9:30 am – last Sunday Choir practice before summer break
- Monday, June 26, 2023 – all day – Municipal Election – Main Floor
- Tuesday, June 27, 2023 – 11:00 am – All Staff
- Tuesday, July 11, 2023 – 12:00 noon – All Staff Lunch

**Reading Next Week**

From *The Gathering*

Genesis 12:1-9; Psalm 33:1-12; Romans 4:13-25; Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

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