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## "Love one another" John 15:12 **REDress Project created by Jamie Black** Christine Rondeau

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#### May 5, 2024 Sixth Sunday of Easter

At Northlea United Church, we encourage one another as we: Love God ∻ Connect with others Nurture the spirit ∻ Serve the world Northlea rests on the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. We also acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit.

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:

#### Facebook:

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Visit our website: **northleaunited.ca.** Links will be posted to our homepage for easy access.

#### Thank you for helping with today's service: Rev. Ruth Noble – Presiding David Jafelice – Music Director Kaisha Lee – Soprano ∻ Karen Davidson – Alto Joshua Clemenger – Tenor ∻ Andrew Gunpath – Bass Jo Dullard - Livestream Production ∻ Donna Rutz - Social Media Support David Jafelice - Reader

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#### Northlea United Church Sunday, May 5, 2024

#### We welcome Rev. Ruth Noble as our guest minister today.

Choral Prelude: The Love of God Comes Close

John L. Bell

Rev. Lee-Ann Ahlstrom

#### **Call to Worship:**

Welcome

The Spirit is coming to bless us all with a new song:

Let our joy be complete!

Gifts for the good of all, poured out on all to teach us a new song:

#### Love one another!

Strangers and neighbors, foreigners and family will join in the new song:

#### No longer servants but friends!

Come, let our worship make a joyful noise,

Rejoicing in the friendship of God.

#### Gathering Hymn: All Creatures of Our God and King

Voices United 217 vs. 1, 4, 5

#### Lighting the Christ Candle

May the Spirit of Christ be with you all.

~ Light candle ~

The light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

#### The Gift of Peace

(Take a moment to turn and greet one another in the peace of Christ—a smile, a bow, a wave)

#### **Opening Prayer:**

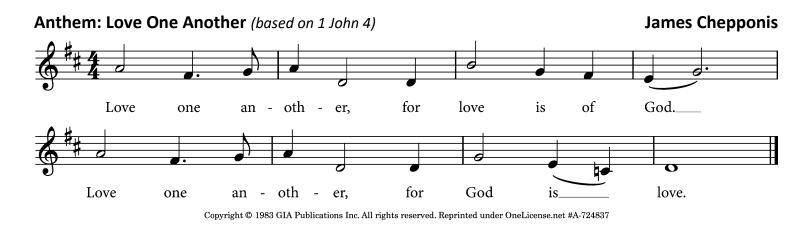
Holy One, we are gathered here today as one body, because you chose to call us your friends. We come as we are. We have had our share of good days and bad days. We may be tired and less able, or preoccupied with life's demands; but in your sight, we are exactly who you need. Despite all our distractions, we made it here to worship. May the love we experience today restore us, revive us, refresh us. God, use our questions and laments as tools of hope and love on this day. We love you. Thank you for loving us and calling us your friends. Amen.

#### ✤ Listening ◆

# Prayer for Illumination:David JafeliceHoly Spirit, stir us with your word,<br/>as we listen for inspiration in your sacred story.<br/>AmenDavid JafelicePsalm 98: Shout for Joy to the LordWords and music by Douglas Nolan (BMI)Scripture John 15:9-17<br/>In this reading we hear God's voice,<br/>The Spirit is still speaking, thanks be to God.Words and music by Douglas Nolan (BMI)

#### Reflection: The Colour of Love is Red

✤ Responding ◆



#### **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.

**Closing Hymn: Love Divine All Loves Excelling** 

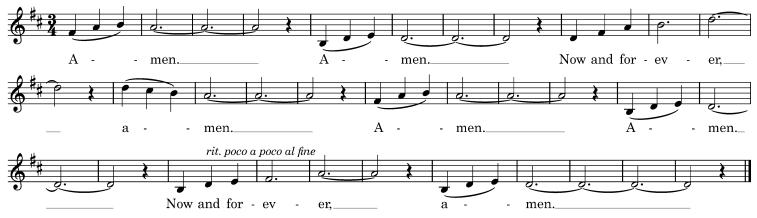
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Rev. Ruth Noble

Sending Forth:

#### Sung Amen:

#### Ken Canedo / Bob Hurd



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Postlude



#### **Rev. Ruth Noble – Biography**

Ruth has been part of the United Church of Canada her entire life. She is a preacher's kid as her Father Ken Noble was a minister in the west end of Toronto as well as in Timmins area and Brampton. Ruth is passionate about justice for all. She is a lifelong learner who is constantly honing her skills in marketing and diversity and inclusion. Ruth volunteers her time with Five Oaks Education Centre in Paris Ontario as a co-chair on the Board of Directors as well as volunteering with Pride Toronto and the Inside Out LGBTQ+ Film Festival. Ruth is blessed to

have a network of people who have become her chosen family.

#### What's Happening at Northlea...

Tuesday, May 7, 2024 – 6:30 pm – UCW Potluck Dinner and presentation

Sunday, May 12, 2024 – 10:30 am – Worship with Rev. Ruth Noble; Mother's Day

Tuesday, May 14, 2024 – 7:30 pm - Taizé

Sunday, May 19, 2024 – 10:30 am - Worship with Rev. Lee-Ann Ahlstrom; Anniversary celebration after service; Victoria Day Weekend – Office closed on Monday, May 20, 2024

Sunday, May 26, 2024 - - 10:30 am - Worship & Communion with Rev. Lee-Ann Ahlstrom

**Tuesday, May 28, 2024** – 12:00 noon – Lunch and Learn with Free Geek – Technical computer information for seniors

Friday, May 31, 2024 – 7:00 – 8:00 pm - Campfire Sing-A-Long with josh Clemenger

**Saturday, June 1, 2024** – 10:00 am - Cook-a-Palooza in the downstairs kitchen for Youth Without Shelter – New Date!

Sunday, June 2, 2024 – 10:30 am - Worship with Rev. Kerri Hagerman; 5:00 pm – Youth Without Shelter dinner - New Date!

#### Ongoing:

- Sundays 10:30 am Worship until July 14
- Wednesdays:
  - 11:00 am Chair Exercise continues to May 8 L
  - 4:00 pm Nothing But Treble youth choir extended to May 8
- Thursdays:
  - 1:30 pm Art Circle until May 30; returning September 19;
  - 7:30 pm Northlea Choir Practice final practice May 16; returning September 5
- Fridays 2:30 pm Bible Study on Zoom until July 5; returning September 6

#### Next Week's Readings

From *The Gathering* Ascension Day: Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47; Psalm 93; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53 Sunday: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Psalm 1; 1 John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19

To find out what's happening at Northlea United, visit <u>northleaunited.ca</u>.

### Taízé



an evening of reflection & meditation.

With Andrew & Wendy Donaldson Tuesday, May 14, 2024 7:30—8:15 pm Looking for an oasis of prayer, meditation & music in your busy life?

Come to Northlea for Taizé in the Pines

(weather permitting)

You are welcome to bring a chair. Seating is available.

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