



Northlea United Church

In the community. For the community.

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**God's steadfast love
endures forever**

Cowan Heights United Church, St John's NFLD

June 23, 2024 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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:

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Simply sign on to Facebook and search for the Northlea United page. You will find links there.

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Visit our website. Links will be posted to our homepage for easy access.

Thank you for helping with today's service:

Rev Kerri Hagerman – 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

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Sharing what we have:

We give as an expression of gratitude for all that God has done and is doing in and through us.

Ways to give financially:

1. Cash or cheque made payable to Northlea United Church – this can be mailed in or put into an envelope available in the foyer and dropped in the collection plate (*be sure to include your contact information in order to receive a tax receipt at the end of the year*);
2. Online via Canada Helps (just scan this QR code to be brought to the secure online donation form);
3. Through automatic monthly Pre-Authorized Remittance – Forms are available from the church office: office@northleaunited.ca



We are thankful for all your gifts as they sustain the life and work of this church.

Please contact the church office if you would like more information.

416 425 5252 or office@northleaunited.ca

Northlea United Church
Sunday, June 23, 2024

Choral Prelude: Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me

Voices United 637

Welcome

Acknowledgement of the Land

Response:

We believe that our relationship with the Creator, the land, the people, the plants and the animals are sacred.

Call to Worship:

We gather to share in God's dream of abundant life and to give thanks for God's wondrous works for all peoples and all creation.

We gather to give and receive gifts of deep wisdom and steadfast love.

We gather as a community of faith in Christ Jesus to sing and make melody to God in our hearts.

We come to worship God.

Gathering Hymn: God of the Bible (*Fresh as the Morning*)

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Candle lighting

~ Light candles ~

Response: Open Our Hearts

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O - pen our hearts, _____ o - pen our minds. _____ O - pen our

lives to you O lov - ing God. _____ O - pen our hearts. _____

Last time

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 12/8 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics. The second staff contains the melody for the second line of lyrics, including a repeat sign and a 'Last time' bracket over the final phrase.

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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 Responsive Prayer:

God in our struggles, when the storm clouds threaten, our faith alerts us; when the storm breaks around us, our faith protects us.

When the storm will not let up, our faith embraces us; when it seems that all is lost, our faith keeps hope alive.

When there is the hint of calm, our faith reassures us; when the storm dies down, in faith we express our relief.

In all the storms of life, the storms we face with family, with friends, or alone, you never leave us.

In all the storms of life, the storms we face in our neighbourhood and in our faith community, you never leave us.

Thanks be to you, our Loving God. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

David Sparks, *Called to Act*, 2023

Hymn: God, Reveal Your Presence

Voices United 391



1. God, re - veal your pres - ence: as we now a - dore you and with awe ap -
2. God, re - veal your pres - ence: hear the harps re - sound - ing; see the crowds the
3. O great Fount of bless - ing, pu - ri - fy my spir - it, trust - ing on - ly



- pear be - fore you. Here in this your tem - ple: all with - in keep si - lence,
throne sur - round - ing. "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!" Hear the hymn as - cend - ing,
in your mer - it; like the ho - ly an - gels gath - ered all be - fore you,



gath - er now with deep - est rev - 'rence. You a - lone God we own,
an - gels, saints, their voic - es blend - ing. Bow your ear to us here;
may I cease - less - ly a - dore you. Let your will ev - er still



you, our God and Sav - iour: praise your name for ev - er.
heark - en, O Lord Je - sus, to our hum - ble prais - es.
rule your church ter - res - trial, as the hosts cel - es - tial.

Music by: Gerhard Tersteegen 1729. Lyrics by: Joachim Neander 1680.
translation: Frederick William Foster and John Miller 1789, William Mercer 1854, alt.

❖ Listening ❖

Prayer for Illumination:

Ray Murril

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

Scripture: Psalm 107: 1-3, 23-32
Mark 4:35-41

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

Reflection: Faith through Stormy Ways

❖ Responding ❖

Anthem: It is Well with My Soul

Music: Gary Matheny
Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828-1888, alt.

Words of Thanks and Invitation to the Offering

Offering Prayer

**Holy One, we offer you the blessings you have already given us—
our time, our talents, our finances, and our hopes—
Use them and transform them for the good of your church and your world.
May these gifts be a blessing to the people of this community and beyond. Amen.**

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: I Feel the Winds of God Today

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Sending Forth:

Go into God's world
in the name of Christ, Creator and Spirit
May the road rise to meet you
May the wind be always at your back

May the sun shine bright upon your face
And may you be held in the palm of God's hand.

Sung Amen:

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

Next Week's Lectionary Readings

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

To find out what's happening at Northlea United, visit northleaunited.ca.

Music List

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Gathering Hymn: God of the Bible (*Fresh as the Morning*)

More Voices 28

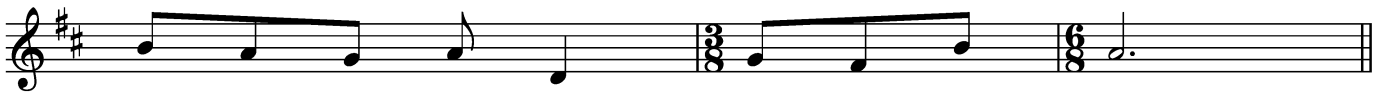
Verses



1. God of the Bi - ble, God in the Gos - pel, hope seen in Je - sus,
 2. God in our strug - gles, God in our hun - ger, suf - fer - ing with us,
 3. Those with - out sta - tus, those who are noth - ing, you have made roy - al,
 4. Not by your fin - ger, not by your an - ger will our world or - der
 5. Hope we must car - ry, shin - ing and cer - tain through all our tur - moil,



1. hope yet to come, you are our cen - tre, day - light or dark - ness,
 2. tak - ing our part, still you em - pow'r us, moth - er - ing Spir - it,
 3. gift - ed with rights, cho - sen as part - ners, mid - wives of jus - tice,
 4. change in a day, but by your peo - ple, fear - less and faith - ful,
 5. ter - ror and loss, bond - ing us glad - ly one to the oth - er,



1. free - dom or pris - on you are our home.
 2. feed - ing, sus - tain - ing, from your own heart.
 3. birth - ing new sys - tems, light - ing new lights.
 4. small pa - per lan - terns, light - ing the way.
 5. till our world chang - es fac - ing the Cross.

Refrain



Fresh as the morn - ing, sure as the sun - rise,



God al - ways faith - ful, you do not change. Fresh as the morn - ing,



sure as the sun - rise, God al - ways faith - ful, you do not change.

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Closing Hymn: I Feel the Winds of God Today

Voices United 625



1. I ___ feel the winds of God to - day; to - day my sail I lift,
2. It ___ is the wind of God that dries my ___ vain re - gret - ful tears,
3. If ___ ev - er I for - get your love and ___ how that love ___ was shown,



though heav - y oft with drench - ing spray and ___ torn with man - y a rift;
un - til with brav - er thoughts shall rise the ___ pur - er, bright - er years;
lift ___ high the blood - red flag a - bove; it ___ bears your name a - lone.



if ___ hope but light ___ the wa - ter's crest, and ___ Christ my ___ bark will use,
if ___ cast on shores of self - ish ease or ___ pleas - ure ___ I should be,
Great pi - lot of ___ my on - ward way, you ___ will not ___ let me drift.



I'll ___ seek the seas ___ at ___ his be - hest, and ___ brave an - oth - er cruise.
O ___ let me feel ___ your fresh - 'ning breeze, and ___ I'll put back to sea.
I ___ feel the winds of ___ God to - day; to - day my sail I lift.

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What's Happening at Northlea...

- **Friday, June 28, 2024** – 2:30 pm Bible Study in person in the Community Room – last one before summer break.
- **Sunday, June 30, 2024** – 10:30 am – Worship with Rev. Kerri Hagerman – Pride Sunday!
- **Sunday, July 7, 2024** – 10:30 am – Worship and Communion with Rev. Lee-Ann Ahlstrom - Lee-Ann's last day in the pulpit. The service will be followed by a lunch with sandwiches and strawberry cake.
- **Sunday, July 14, 2024** – 10:30 am – Worship with Rev. Kerri Hagerman - Last in-person worship service at Northlea United until September 1, 2024.
- **July 19 - August 19, 2024** - the office will be closed for vacation and will reopen on August 20. Emails and voicemail will be periodically reviewed and forwarded as needed.

SUMMER SERVICES & PASTORAL CARE

Northlea United will offer pre-recorded online services on our website at northleaunited.ca for the 6 Sundays Northlea is closed: July 21 & 28; August 4 & 11, 18 & 25. Northlea United is invited to attend in-person worship with Leaside United at 10:30 am for July 21, 28 and August 4.

Rev. Kerri Hagerman will preach in-person at Leaside United at 822 Millwood Rd on July 28th at 10:30 am and at Leaside Presbyterian at 670 Eglinton Ave E. at 10:30 am for August 11, 18 and 25. For those who would like to attend Leaside Presbyterian on Zoom, please contact the LPC office at 416 422 0510.

Rev. Kerri Hagerman will be available for pastoral care this summer by email at kerri@northleaunited.ca.

Things to look forward to in September

Be sure to save the dates!

- **Sunday, September 1, 2024** - 10:30 am - Worship with Rev. Kerri Hagerman - we are back at Northlea for the start of the season!
- **Friday, September 6, 2024** - 2:30 pm - Bible Study resumes on Zoom.
- **Thursday, September 12, 2024** - 7:30 pm - Northlea choir rehearsal resumes
- **Saturday, September 14, 2024** - 12:00 - 2:00 pm - Harvest Festival
- **Sunday, September 15, 2024** - 5:00 pm - Love Jazz with Faith Amour
- **Wednesday, September 18, 2024** - 7:30 pm - Taizé
- **Thursday, September 19, 2024** - 1:30 pm - Art Circle resumes weekly
- **Wednesday, September 25, 2024** - 7:30 pm – For the Love of Singing Community Choir begins weekly!
- **Sunday, September 29, 2024** – 5:00 pm – Dinner delivery to Youth Without Shelter