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September 1, 2024 Fifteenth 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:

Facebook:

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

www.northleaunited.ca:

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Thank you for helping with today's service:

Rev. Kerri Hagerman – Presiding David Jafelice – Music Director Andrew Gunpath – Leader of Song Jo Dullard - Livestream Production ∻ Donna Rutz - Social Media Support Diana Bennett - Reader

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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:

- 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*);
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- 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: <u>office@northleaunited.ca</u>

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 <u>office@northleaunited.ca</u>

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Northlea United Church Sunday, September 1, 2024

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship:
God's Spirit calls to our spirit, inviting us to worship,
calling us by name.
God's Spirit calls to our spirit, inviting us to love,
calling us to grow in faith.
God's Spirit calls to our spirit, inviting us to follow,
calling us to be doers of God's Word.
Let us persevere in faith as we seek to be followers of Jesus. Together, let us pray.

Opening Unison Prayer:

God of Life, we praise you.

You are the heartbeat of our deepest longings for connection, community, love, and peace. Gather us in for worship today and prepare us to meet you once again that we may know your peace in our hearts, in our homes, in our neighbourhoods and in our world. This we pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

Lighting the Christ Candle

Opening Hymn: Gather Your People

✤ Listening ◆

Prayer for Illumination:

Great Gardener, you plant seeds of understanding, so that we might discern your wisdom. You plant seeds of interpretation so that we might receive your ancient stories and recognize your vision of new possibilities. Help us to be the water bearers, so that the soil of truth and wisdom is not scorched. We offer this in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.

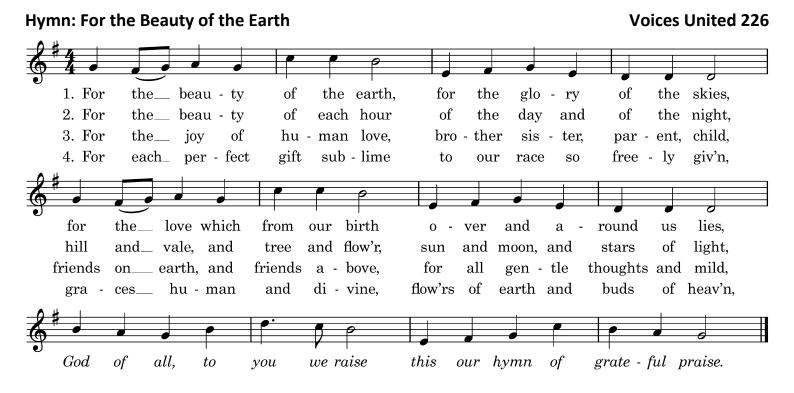
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Scripture:	
Gospel Reading: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23	Diana Bennett
Anthem: Teach Me, O Lord. (Ps. 119:33)	Thomas Attwood (1765-1838)
Second Reading: James 1:17-27	Rev. Kerri Hagerman

Diana Bennett

Bob Hurd, see page 7

Responding *



Words of Thanks and Invitation to the Offering

Offering Prayer

There is a time for planting...

and, Loving God, you have planted with us the seeds of compassion, the seeds of faith formation, the seeds of justice, the seeds of hope.

There is a time for harvest...

and, Loving God, you have harvested with us new friends, a renewal of faith, courage to confront the powerful, and strength for the journey.

Accept our offerings as symbols of our thanks.

Amen.

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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: Sent Forth by God's Blessing

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Commissioning & Blessing:

Go into the world:

Dance, laugh, sing and create.

We go with the assurance of your blessing, O God.

Go into the world:

Risk, explore, discover, and love.

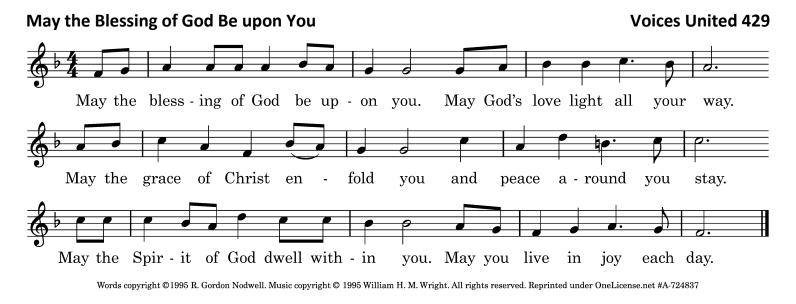
We go with the assurance of your grace, O God.

Go into the world:

Believe, hope, struggle, and remember.

We go with the assurance of your love, O God.

Sung Blessing



Postlude

Everyone is invited to enjoy cake and lemonade in the Narthex as we say thank you and good by to Kerri!

From the Gatherings for next week: Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23; Psalm 125; James 2:1-10, 11-13, 14-17; Mark 7:24-37

Music List

From page 3: **Opening Hymn: Gather Your People Bob Hurd** With a gospel swing $\downarrow = c. 112$ 🛠 Refrain 8 Gath - er your Lord, peo - ple, 0 Gath - er your 0 Lord. bread, peo - ple One___ one_ bod - y, one___ spir - it of 1-3. to Verses || Final Fine | Gath - er your peo - ple, 0 Lord. Lord._ love._ Verses ta - ble 1. Draw us forth to the of life: broth - ers and sis ters, 2. We of the bod of Christ, need - ing each are parts У oth er, 3. No more of God: swords in - to harm on the moun - tain plow - shares. **D.S.** al Fine 1. each of called to walk in light. us your 2. each of gifts vides._ the the Spir - it pro -3. Free 0 Lord, from hard - ness of us, heart._

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What's Happening at Northlea...

- Friday, September 6, 2024 2:30 pm Bible Study beings weekly online
- Sunday, September 8, 2024 10:30 am Sunday Worship we welcome Rev. Liz Mackenzie to the pulpit at Northlea!
- Thursday, September 12, 2024 7:30 pm Northlea Choir Practice begins weekly
- Saturday, September 14, 2024 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm Harvest Festival at Northlea
- Sunday, September 15, 2024:
 - o 10:30 am Sunday Worship
 - 5:00 pm Love Jazz with Faith Amour
- Wednesday, September 18, 2024 7:30 pm A Festival of Prayer 2024 Taizé service
- Thursday, September 19, 2024 1:30 pm Art Circle begins weekly
- Clothing Drive for Flemingdon Park:
 - o 7:00 8:00 pm Tuesday & Thursday, September 17 & 19, 2024
 - 9:00 am 1:00 pm Saturday, September 21, 2024
- Sunday, September 22, 2204 10:30 am Sunday Worship
- Wednesday, September 25, 2024:
 - o 4:00 pm Nothing But Treble youth choir begins weekly
 - 7:30 pm For the Love of Singing community choir begins weekly
- Sunday, September 29, 2024 Orange Shirt Sunday:
 - o 10:30 am Worship
 - 5:00 pm Youth Without Shelter Dinner delivery
- Tuesdays, October 1, 8, 15, 2024 1:00 pm Lecture series:
 - October 1: Downsizing To Uplift Your Life
 - October 8: The How To's To Move Forward
 - October 15: Coach Houses of Toronto
- Sunday, October 6, 2024 5:00 pm Bach to Broadway musical afternoon with Marc McNamara