



Northlea United Church

In the community. For the community.

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Image of St. Francis, stained glass window in minister's office
Dedicated "In Loving Memory of Patricia M. Fitzpatrick, 1951-1988"

October 5, 2025 World Communion Day

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

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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:

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

Thank you for helping with today's service:

The Rev. Bronwyn Corlett – Presiding

David Jafelice – Music Director

Kaisha Lee – Soprano ✧ Karen Davidson – Alto

Joshua Clemenger – Tenor ✧ Andrew Gunpath – Bass

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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, October 5, 2025**

** Indicates where the congregation is invited to stand as they are comfortable and able.*

Prelude

Welcome

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Jesus said, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there."

(The Christ Candle is lit.)

We light the Christ candle, sign and symbol of Christ's presence among us.

Karen MacNeill, Whycomomagh-East Lake Ainslie P.C., Whycomomagh, N.S

Acknowledgement of the Land

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Response:

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

Introit: Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord

Words from 7th C. Latin

Trans. by John Mason Neale (1818-1866); Melody from Song 46 of Orlando Gibbons;

Arr. by S. Drummond Wolff

***Call to Worship & Opening Prayer:**

Christ is with us.

Christ is in our midst.

We have been called the salt of the earth.

Let us remain distinctively salty.

We have been called the light of the world.

Let us shine brightly in the midst of pain or confusion.

We have been called a city on a hill.

Let us lift our gates, lift our hearts,

Lift our voices in the world of God.

(Compilation of prayers from Celebrate God's Presence)

*The Gift of Peace:

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us exchange words and gestures of peace

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

*Opening Hymn: A Place Called Home – (FINLANDIA – Jean Sibelius 1899)

Michael Joncas



1. A place called home with com - fort for the wea - ry; a place called home of
2. A place called home where ten - der - ness can flour - ish; a place called home, a
3. A place called home, a prom - ise for to - mor - row; a place called home, a
4. A place called home for ev - 'ry hu - man be - ing; a place called home, where



nour - ish - ment and rest; a place called home that wel - comes in the stran - ger,
ha - ven from all harm; a place called home where chil - dren sleep in safe - ty,
vi - sion hand - ed down; a place called home for all God's sons and daugh - ters,
arms are o - pened wide; a place called home where all ex - tend the wel - come,



where one un - known be - comes a wel - come guest, where love can find a
where hurts are healed, a shel - ter from the storm, where peace can find a
where love pre - vails and peace is ev - er found, where hope can find a
where none are lost, a - lone or cast a - side, but mem - bers of a



hu - man hab - i - ta - tion; God grant us all this grace: a place called home.
hu - man hab - i - ta - tion; God grant us all this grace: a place called home.
hu - man hab - i - ta - tion; God grant us all this grace: a place called home.
sin - gle hu - man fam - 'ly; God grant us grace to build a place called home.

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❖ Listening ❖

Prayer for Illumination:

David Jafelice

O God, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that as scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed,
we may hear what you are saying to us today. Amen.

Scripture: Lamentations 3:19–26

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

This is the Word of God, for the People of God!

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Anthem: Now the Table Is Set

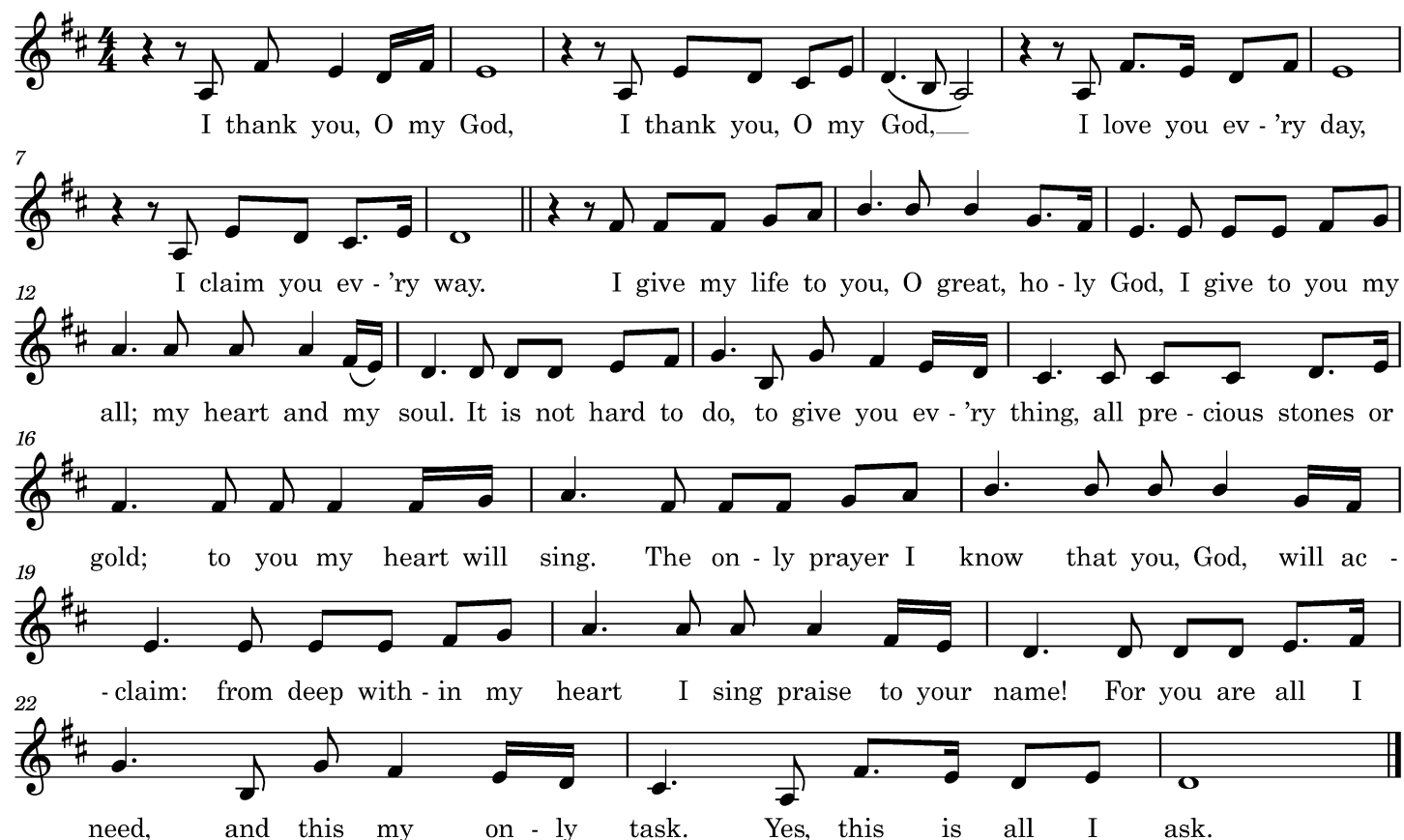
Jay Althouse

❖ **Responding** ❖

Invitation to the Offering

In the bulletin and on our website, you will find the various ways that you can donate to Northlea. When we gather in-person, we have a plate at the entrance where people can place their givings. At this time, that plate will be brought forward and blessed acknowledging the many and varied gifts that are generously shared in and for this community, from those online to those who volunteer their time. All of these gifts allow us to have the resources to be in the community and for the community.

Offering Hymn: I Thank You, O My God – (TLUS 43)



I thank you, O my God, I thank you, O my God, I love you ev - 'ry day,
7 I claim you ev - 'ry way. I give my life to you, O great, ho - ly God, I give to you my
12 all; my heart and my soul. It is not hard to do, to give you ev - 'ry thing, all pre - cious stones or
16 gold; to you my heart will sing. The on - ly prayer I know that you, God, will ac -
19 - claim: from deep with - in my heart I sing praise to your name! For you are all I
22 need, and this my on - ly task. Yes, this is all I ask.

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Blessing of the Offering

Prayers of the People

❖ The Celebration of Holy Communion ❖

Invitation to Communion

***Communion Hymn: All Who Hunger**

Voices United 460

Communion Prayers:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God,

Creator of light, Giver of all life, Source of love.

You guide the sun, cradle the moon, and toss the stars.

At your word the earth was made and spun on its course among the planets.

You breathe life into us and set us among all your creatures,

in a covenant of love and service.

Even when we turn away from you, you do not forsake us.

You send your prophets to proclaim your justice, to remind us of your promise of peace,
and to call us back to you.

Creator, Christ, and Spirit, we praise you for your love revealed to us in Jesus,

who walks with us, our Wisdom and our Way, sharing joy and sorrow, healing the sick,
feeding the hungry, and setting the captive free.

So it is that we join the song of all creation to proclaim your goodness:

♪ **Holy, Holy, Holy** – *(call and response after the choir)*



Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

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Let us remember together that vision of God's reign shown to us in Jesus at table:

He shared food with followers and friends,

with saints and sinners,

With crowds of thousands on the hillside,

and a few friends in an upper room.

On the night before he died,

he had supper with his companions.

He took a loaf of bread, and after giving thanks,
he broke it, and gave it to them, saying:

"Take, eat. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then, he took a cup, and after giving thanks,
He passed it among them, saying:

"Drink this.

Do this in remembrance of me."

Through this loaf and cup, Jesus lives with us.

In word and deed, Jesus lives among us.

From Celebrate God's Presence 14D006

Loving God, we rejoice in the gift of your grace, remembering Christ's life and death, proclaiming his resurrection, waiting in hope for his coming again. Grant that, in praise and thanksgiving, we may so offer ourselves to you that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith:

♪ **Memorial Acclamation** – *(call and response after the choir)*



Christ has died, Christ is ris - - sen, Christ will come a - gain.

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Send, O God, your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who share in this loaf and cup may be the body of Christ: light, life, and love in the world. In this hope and as your people, we praise you.

Help us to love as Christ loved. Knowing our weakness, may we stand with all who stumble. Sharing in his suffering, may we remember all who suffer. Held in his love, may we embrace all whom the world denies. Rejoicing in his forgiveness, may we forgive all who sin against us.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, God most holy, now and forever.

Service taken from Celebrate God's Presence

♪ **Great Amen** – *(call and response after the choir)*



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We gather these and all our prayers and lift our voices in the prayer Jesus taught:

**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 not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

Bread for the Journey, broken for you. *(The bread is broken.)*

The Cup of the New Covenant, poured out for you. *(The cup is filled.)*

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Come and be nourished at Christ's table.

Please come forward for communion, as you are able.

Please raise your hand if you would like to receive communion in your pew.

Once everyone has the elements, we will take them at the same time.

Prayer After Communion

For the bread we have eaten, for the wine we have tasted, for the life we have received,

We thank you God.

Grant that what we have done and have been given here, may so put its mark on us

that it may remain always in our hearts.

Grant that we may grow in Christian love and understanding,

and that ours may be lives of faithful action, in Christ's name. Amen.

***Closing Hymn: For Everyone Born – (TLUS 23)**

sing verses 1, 2, 5 & 6

Verses



1. For ev' - ry - one born, a place at the ta - ble,___
2. For all who share life, a place at the ta - ble,___
5. For you and for me, a place at the ta - ble,___
6. For ev' - ry - one born, a place at the ta - ble,___



for ev' - ry - one born,___ clean wa - ter___ and bread,___
re - vis - ing the roles,___ de - cid - ing___ the share,___
though wound - ed and sore,___ with need to___ for - give,___
to live with - out fear,___ and sim - ply___ to be,___



a shel - ter, a space,___ a safe place___ for grow - ing,___
with wis - dom and grace,___ di - vid - ing___ the pow - er,___
in an - ger, in hurt,___ a mind - set___ or mer - cy,___
to work, to speak out,___ to wit - ness___ and wor - ship,___



for ev' - ry - one born,___ a star___ o - ver - head,
for all who share life,___ a sys - tem that's fair,
for you and for me,___ a new___ way to live,
for ev' - ry - one born,___ the right___ to be free,

Refrain



and God___ will de - light when we are cre - a - tors___ of jus - tice___



and joy,___ com - pas - sion and peace: yes, God___ will de - light when we are cre-



- a - tors___ of jus - tice,___ jus - tice and joy!

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Blessing and Sending Forth

Amen

Ken Canedo & Bob Hurd

A - - men. A - - men. Now and for - ev - er, a - - men. *rit. poco a poco al fine* A - - men. A - - men. *rit. poco a poco al fine.* Now and for - ev - er, a - - men.

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Postlude

HOW SWEET IT IS!
Coffee & Conversation
with Your Northlea Neighbours

Joining us will be The Rev. Bronwyn Corlett

Contact the office or sign up on the flip chart in the foyer.

- 10:00 am - Noon
- Monday, October 6, 2025
- In the Community Room

Enjoy Coffee, Tea & Sweets as we get together!

Free Will Offering

Autumn at Northlea United...

Monday, October 6, 2025:

- 10:00 am – How Sweet it is – Coffee & Community Conversation
- 7:30 pm – Trustee Meeting and Group Photo

Sunday, October 12, 2025 – Thanksgiving Sunday – 10:30 am – Worship; Now is the time to order your cheese from Empire Cheeses.

Monday & Tuesday, October 13 & 14, 2025 – Thanksgiving – the office will be closed for the holiday.

Tuesday, October 14, 2025 – 7:00 pm – Council Meeting on Zoom

Wednesday, October 15, 2025:

- 11:00 am – Chair Exercise is back for 6 weeks! (No class on Nov. 12, class extended to Nov. 26) – Let the office know if you plan to attend. You can join any time.
- 11:00 am – All Staff meeting
- 12:00 noon – Ministry & Personnel Meeting

Sunday, October 19, 2025 - World Food Sunday – 10:30 am – Worship

Monday & Tuesday, October 20 & 21, 2025: The office will be closed as Tricia attends a conference. She will be responding to email and voicemail.

Tuesday, October 21, 2025 – 7:30 pm - Taizé

Food Drive for Thorncliffe Park with drop off sites at Northlea United, Leaside United, St Augustine of Canterbury:

- Saturday, October 25, 2025 – 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
- Sunday, October 26, 2025 – 10:00 am – 12:00 noon
- Northlea – you don't have to wait! You can bring dry and canned goods to every Sunday morning worship service in October and just put them in the bins provided.

Sunday, October 26, 2025 – Peace Sunday – 10:30 am – Worship; last day to order your cheese!

Tuesday, October 28, 2025 – 6:00 pm – Congregational Pot Luck

Ongoing Activities:

Tuesdays: Bible Study on Zoom - 10:30 am – everyone is welcome. Let Bronwyn know if you would like to receive the link.

Wednesdays:

- Chair Exercise – 11:00 am – starting October 15 until November 26 (no class November 12)
- For the Love of Singing Community Choir – 7:30 – 9:00 pm – continues until November 26, 2025 - \$75/person.

Thursdays:

- 1:30 pm – Arts & Crafts Circle
- 7:30 pm – Northlea Choir Practice

Next Week's Readings

From *Gathering*

Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 100; Philippians 4:4-9; John 6:25-35

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

Fall Community Food Drive

In support of

TNO Food Collaborative

Sat. Oct. 25 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Sun. Oct. 26 10:00 am - Noon

3 Drop Off Locations!



Leaside United - 822 Millwood Rd.

Northlea United - 125 Brentcliffe Rd.

St. Augustine of Canterbury Anglican - 1847 Bayview Ave.



Can't make it this weekend? Donate financially:

tno-toronto.org/services/child-family-and-wellness-programs/food-collaborative-2/