



Northlea United Church

In the community. For the community.

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March 29, 2026

Palm Sunday

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:

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

Nicole Leung – 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

Leave a Prayer / Take a Prayer

During Lent, there will be a gold bowl in the Narthex.
You are invited to write a short prayer and leave it in the bowl.
You are invited to take someone else's prayer from the bowl,
to hold and pray over.

Please respect the confidentiality of these prayers.

EASTER

@ 10:30 am or
online any time
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Palm Sunday March 29

Good Friday April 3

@ Leaside Presbyterian
In-Person - 670 Eglinton Ave E
For Zoom link - contact office

Easter Sunday

April 5



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Northlea United Church

Sunday, March 29, 2026

Welcome & Announcements

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: Hosanna to the Son of David

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Gospel: John 12:12-16

The Rev. Bronwyn Corlett

*Let us go forth in peace, praising Jesus our Messiah,
as did the crowds who welcomed him to Jerusalem.*

Procession with Palms: Hosanna (Pan African) – (TLUS 46)

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Lighting of the Christ Candle:

Christ is in the midst of us!

Christ is and Christ shall be.

Hosanna! Hosanna! (*Candle is lit.*)

Call to Worship & Opening Prayer:

On this Palm Sunday, we remember the words of the prophet:

Pay attention, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on a donkey.

We join the crowds who greeted Jesus:

Hosanna to the son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of God!

And we respond with praise:

Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Let us worship God, waving palm branches and singing together.

Catherine Elsdon, Sydenham Street and Faith United Churches, Kingston, Ont., GatheringWorship.ca

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)

❖ **Listening** ❖

Prayer for Illumination:

Anne Saunders

Eternal God, in the reading of the scripture, may your Word be heard;
in the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known;
and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown.
Amen.

Gospel: Matthew 21:1–11

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

Thanks be to God!

Anthem: Sing Hosanna

Michael Jothen

Reflection: Palm Sunday, K-Pop Demon Hunters Style

The Rev. Bronwyn Corlett

Hymn: My Love Colours Outside the Lines

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❖ **Responding** ❖

***A New Creed - (VU 918)**

**We are not alone,
we live in God's world.**

**We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

**We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,**

to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.

Invitation to the Offering

Offering Hymn: Walk With Me – (VU 649, Verse 4)



Walk with me, I will walk with you and build the land that God has planned where
love shines through. through. 4. And when you share your faith with me and work for life made
new, the wit - ness of your faith - ful - ness calls me to walk with you.

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Blessing of the Offering

Prayers of the People

God of open doors and boundless grace, you reach out to welcome us.
Forgive us when we take for granted the invitation, the blessing,
the abundance of Creation and our place within it.
Thank you for the times grace has opened up new possibilities for us.
May we offer such grace to others as a means of hope.

God of mercy:

Teach us to love.

Christ, you come to us, asking to be included, to share in our joys and sorrows.
Thank you for the gifts of compassion and hope.
We pray especially for those who grieve.
Help us to offer comfort to one another, to notice those who are hurting,
and to reach out to those who feel lonely or lost.
Create in us a humble and open heart.

God of mercy:

Teach us to love.

Spirit of life, move throughout the world.

We pray for the people who build peace, who work and long for justice.

Renew their strength.

Disturb the powerful with your compassion that they might use their power to enrich life rather than destroy it.

We remember soldiers and peacekeepers, aid workers and volunteers

who choose to trust in the midst of fear,

who seek to make the forgotten places in our world

a safe and welcome home.

God of mercy:

Teach us to love.

In the silence of this time,

we offer to you the joys and cares of our living,

inviting your guidance as we seek to live faithfully:

(a time of silent prayer)

Holy Mystery, beyond all understanding,

but as close as a friend's embrace, receive our prayers.

May we be open to your response and invitation this day and all days.

We pray in the name of Christ who calls us to heal, liberate, and proclaim your love,

gathering our hearts and voices together in the words Jesus taught his friends...

*Carrie Schmidt, Grace Lutheran Church, and Gaie Goin, Susan Silverthorne, and Ruth Lumax
(a.k.a. Wetaskiwin Writers), First United Church, Wetaskiwin, Alta., 2025, GatheringWorship.ca*

Lord's Prayer:

(Aramaic to English translation 1892 - rather than from Aramaic to Greek to Latin to English)

O cosmic Birther of all radiance and vibration,

soften the ground of our being

and carve out a space within us where your Presence can abide.

Fill us with your creativity

so that we may be empowered to bear the fruit of your mission.

Let each of our actions bear fruit in accordance with our desire.

Endow us with the wisdom to produce and share

what each being needs to grow and flourish.

Untie the tangled threads of destiny that bind us,

as we release others from the entanglement of past mistakes.

Do not let us be seduced by that which would divert us from our true purpose,

but illuminate the opportunities of the present moment.

For you are the ground and the fruitful vision,
the birth, power, and fulfilment,
as all is gathered and made whole once again.
And So It Is!

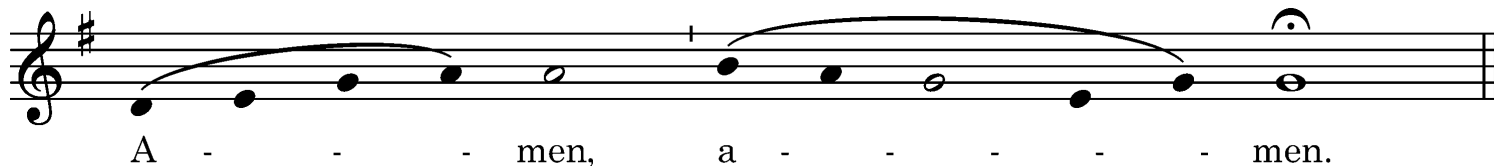
Closing Hymn: Glory in the Cross

Dan Schutte, see page 11

*Blessing and Sending Forth

Amen: Belmont

Christopher Walker



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Postlude

Next Week's Readings
From *The Gathering*

Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22; Hebrews 10:16-25, Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9; John 18:1-19:42

Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34-43; Jeremiah 31:1-6; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Colossians 3:1-4;
John 20:1-18; Matthew 28:1-10

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

Music List

From page 5:

Procession with Palms: Hosanna (Pan African) – (TLUS 46)

One ALL

Praise to Je - sus!
*Might - y Lord! Ho - - san - - na!
Glo - ry to you!
Cry a - loud!

One ALL

*Praise to Je - sus! Ho - - san - - na!

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Praise to Je - sus! Ho - - san - - na!

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Closing Hymn: Glory in the Cross

Dan Schutte



1. Let us e - ver glo - ry in the cross of Christ, our sal -
2. Let us make our jour - ney to the cross of Christ, who sur -
4. Let us stand to - ge - ther at the cross of Christ where we



- va - tion and our hope. Let us bow in ho - mage to the
- ren - dered glo - ry and grace to be - come a ser - vant of the
see God's boun - less love. We are saints and sin - ners who are



Lord of Life, who was bro - ken to make us whole. There is
great and small, that all peo - ple may know God's face. Though his
joined by faith here on earth and in heav'n a - bove. Nei - ther



no grea - ter love, as bless - ed as this: to lay down one's life for a
birth was di - vine, he knelt as a slave, to wash com - mon dust from our
wo - man nor man, not ser - vant or free, but one in the eyes of the



friend. feet. Let us e - ver glo - ry in the cross of Christ and the
Lord. tri - umph of God's great love.



tri - umph of God's great love.

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TODAY:



Be sure to put in the collection plate:

- Your Loonies for Lent boxes in support of sending Kids to camp in Thorncliffe Park!
- Your Flower Tribute donations and tributes to ensure your loved one's name is in the Easter bulletin!



Easter and Beyond at Northlea UC:

Wednesday, April 1, 2026 – 4:30 pm & 5:45 pm – Joyful Steps Line Dancing Classes begins for 5 weeks until April 29 – just \$50/person! Contact Jo to be put on the waiting list.

Friday, April 3, 2026 – Good Friday – 10:30 am – Worship at Leaside Presbyterian – 670 Eglinton Ave E.; office closed for the holiday.

Sunday, April 5, 2026 – Easter Sunday – 10:30 am – Worship and Communion

Monday, April 6, 2026 – Easter Monday – office closed for the holiday

Wednesday, April 8, 2026 – 11:00 am – Chair Exercise begins for 6 weeks until May 13.

Sunday, April 12, 2026 – 10:30 am – Holy Humour Sunday worship

Ongoing Activities

Tuesdays:

- 10:30 am - Bible Study – Lenten Devotional – until March 31 on Zoom, contact Bronwyn for information. Bible Study will break for April and resume May 5.

Wednesdays:

- 7:30 pm – For The Love of Singing Community Choir - \$75/person - until May 6
- Starting April 1 – 4:30 pm & 5:45 pm - Joyful Steps Line Dancing Classes - \$50/person - until April 29
- Starting April 8 – 11:00 am – Chair Exercise – until May 13.

Thursdays:

- 1:30 pm – Arts & Crafts Circle
- 7:30 pm – Northlea Choir Practice (and 9:30 am on Sundays)