



Northlea United Church

In the community. For the community.

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May 3, 2026
Fifth 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:

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

Alexandra Delle Donne – Soprano ✧ Karen Davidson – Alto

Joshua Clemenger – Tenor ✧ Andrew Gunpath – Bass

Jo Dullard – Livestream Production ✧ Donna Rutz – Social Media Support

June Cavers – 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:

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, May 3, 2026

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

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Acknowledgement of the Land

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. Toronto is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. We acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit, and the Willams Treaties signed with multiple Mississaugas and Chippewa bands.

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

Choral Introit: *Exsultate Justi (Rejoice You Just) – (Ps. 33:1-3)* Ludovico da Viadana (c.1560-1627)

Exsultate justi in Domino, rectos decet collaudatio.

Rejoice you just in the Lord, praise is fitting for the upright.

Confitemini Domino in cithara, in psalterio decem chordarum.

Praise the Lord with the harp, with the psalter of ten strings.

Psallite illi, cantate ei canticum novm, bene psallite ei in vociferatione.

Everyone sing, sing to him a new song, sing well with a loud voice.

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

Gracious God, we name this an opening prayer.

To call it an opening prayer suggests it's an opening into something more,

an opening of a door into this time of worship.

We ask your blessing, so that this is exactly what it is as we worship this morning.

Nurture our faith and our trust in the fullness of your gifts.

Open doors on our life's journey and reveal to us a room filled with life, hope, and promise,

a life we can genuinely call a journey of discipleship as followers of Jesus. Amen.

Bill Perry, Havelock-Trent River P.C., Havelock, Ont.

***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: This is the Feast of Victory**

Voices United 904

❖ **Listening** ❖

Prayer for Illumination:

June Cavers

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: John 14:1-14

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

Thanks be to God!

Anthem: Come My Way, My Truth, My Life (*The Call*) Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958
Words: George Herbert, 1593-1632. Arr. Tony Alonso

Sermon: Choosing a Path

The Rev. Bronwyn Corlett

***Hymn: Hallelujah, Give the Glory**

Ken Canedo, see page 7

❖ **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: O God Blessing of the Offering – (VU 256 Vs. 3)



3. Then, hear O gra - cious Sav-iour, this song of praise we sing. May we, who know your



fa - vour, our hum - ble ser - vice bring; and_ wheth - er our to - mor - rows be__



filled with good or ill, we'll tri - umph through our sor - rows and rise to bless you



still: to__ mar - vel at your beau - ty and glo - ry in your



ways, and_ make a joy - ful du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise.

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Blessing of the Offering

Prayers of the People

Prayer Refrain: Lord, hear our prayers,
And in your love, answer.

Lord's Prayer: (TLUS #70)



Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name, your king - dom come, your
will be done, on_ earth as it is in heav - en. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For -
give_ us our sins as_ we for - give those who sin_ a - gainst us.
Save_ us from the time of trial and de - liv - er_ us from e - vil. For the
king - dom, the pow'r and the glo - ry are yours now_ and for ev - er. A - men.

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*Closing Hymn: I Danced in the Morning

Voices United 352

*Blessing and Sending Forth

Amen

Ken Canedo & Bob Hurd



A - - men. A - - men. Now and for - ev - er, a - - men. A - - men. A - - men.
Now and for - ev - er, a - - men.

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Postlude

Music List

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*Hymn: Hallelujah, Give the Glory

Ken Canedo

Refrain

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Give the
glo - ry and the hon - or to the Lord! Hal - le
lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Give the
glo - ry and the hon - or to the Lord!

The musical notation is written on a single staff in 12/8 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of four lines of music. The first line begins with the word 'Refrain' above the staff. The lyrics are placed below the notes. There are accents over the first notes of 'Hal - le - lu - jah!' in each of the first three lines. The fourth line contains a fermata over the final note of the phrase 'to the Lord!'. There are also some breath marks (circles with a dot) above certain notes in the fourth line.

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Spring at Northlea:

May is National Caregiver Month!

TODAY –11:30 am – Council meeting in person after worship

Tuesday, May 5, 2026 – National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two-Spirit People:

- 10:30 am – Bible Study resumes online
- 6:30 pm – UCWN Potluck Dinner, Presentation and AGM. Please sign up on the flip chart in the Narthex and indicate your contribution. Be sure to bring your Thankoffering as well as your Loonies and Toonies for the Abiona Centre and Sparrow Lake Camp

Sunday May 10, 2026 – Christian Family Sunday - 10:30 am – Worship; Fire Drill Day

Tuesday, May 12, 2026 – 7:00 pm – Council Meeting

Sunday, May 17, 2026 – 10:30 am – Worship with the Rev. Warren McDougall; Bronwyn is away from the pulpit.

Monday, May 18, 2026 – Victoria Day – office closed – both Tricia and Bronwyn will not be in the office.

Tuesday, May 19, 2026 – 7:30 pm – Taizé with Marc McNamara

Wednesday, May 20, 2026 – 12:00 noon – Lunch & Learn: Retirement Living Roadmap; please register by noon on Friday, May 15, 2026 with the office.

Sunday, May 24, 2026 – Pentecost – 10:30 am – Worship with Communion

Saturday, May 30, 2026 – 10:00 am – Cook-A-Palooza for Youth Without Shelter

Sunday, May 31, 2026 – Trinity Sunday:

- 10:30 am – Worship
- 11:30 am – Northlea United Annual General Meeting
- 5:00 pm – Dinner for Youth Without Shelter

Ongoing Activities:

Tuesdays: 10:30 am - Bible Study on Zoom – begins this week - May 5 to June 23

Wednesdays:

- 11:00 am –Chair Exercise – to May 13
- 7:30 pm - For the Love of Singing Community Choir – Last session this week

Thursdays:

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

The Back Pew – Jeff Larson

Give away my wealth, then follow you?
HA, HA.. very funny, now seriously
what should I do?



The 'Rich Young Ruler' debates money management philosophies with Jesus Christ. **Matthew 19 , Mk 10**



Taizé at Northlea United



An evening of reflection & meditation



7:30 pm on Tuesday, May 19

Come for an oasis of prayer & music in your busy life!

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LUNCH & LEARN

YOUR RETIREMENT LIVING ROADMAP

Apartments, Home Care, or Retirement Home? Let's Compare



Wednesday, May 20 - 12 p.m.
Northlea United Church - 125 Brentcliffe Rd.
Register: 416-425-5252

Join us for an informative and relaxed session exploring:

- Seniors apartments & condos
- Staying at home with support / home care
- Retirement residences
- Long-term care

Plan ahead - ask questions. Explore your options.
Registration deadline May 15



Don't miss the excitement!

Sunday, May 10, 2026 at the end of service.

It's a learning opportunity!

It's a Fire Drill!

IF there was an emergency alarm sounded during service:

1. Do you know which door to exit?

Answer: Everyone goes out the doors at the back of the Sanctuary and out onto the front lawn.

2. Where should you sit for the best exit? Yes, in some cases it matters!

Answer: Sit where you have the clearest path to the required exit. If you need assistance, ensure you have someone to help you.

3. What happens with the kids?

Answer: The person appointed as caregiver will collect the children and exit with them.

4. Where do we meet once outside?

Answer: Once outside, go directly to the southwest corner of the property by the yellow hydro pole on the front lawn where Brentcliffe and Broadway meet. **Everyone will meet here.**

All this and more is available in a small booklet called "**Fire Alarm - Here's What You Do**". Contact the office for your electronic copy today.

Don't worry, because it's a drill – there will be coffee and cookies on the lawn (weather permitting).

Next Week's Readings

From Gathering

Acts 17:22-31; Psalm 66:8-20; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21

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