



Northlea United Church

In the community. For the community.

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May 24, 2026 Pentecost 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

Alexandra Delle Donne – Soprano ✧ Karen Davidson – Alto

Joshua Clemenger – Tenor ✧ Andrew Gunpath – Bass

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

Jim Hartley – 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

Annual General Meeting

Sunday, May 31, 2026 at 11:30 am

Worship and the meeting will be held in the Community Room. Meeting documents will be available online and printed packages will be available in the foyer or can be requested through the church office.

This will be a hybrid meeting. If you are unable to attend in-person, please contact the office to register and receive the Zoom link.

Annual Meeting Question & Answer session

Have questions about the Annual Meeting? Get some answers!

In-Person session:

Today - Sunday, May 24, 2026 at 11:30 am
following service in the Sanctuary.

Zoom session

Monday, May 25, 2026 at 10:00 am

Please contact the office to register and receive the Zoom link

office@northleaunited.ca

416 425 5252 x1

Northlea United Church
Sunday, May 24, 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 Williams 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: Come, Holy Spirit

Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

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

Jesus invites us, saying,

“Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink.”

Indeed, our spirits thirst for you, Jesus,

for from your word and your life the grace of God flows into our lives.

So come, drink your fill, be refreshed as we welcome the Spirit in this time of worship.

Rod Sykes, Calgary, Alta.;

Gathering - <https://gatheringworship.ca/prayer/complete-set-prayers-worship-pentecost-1-2026>

Anniversary Blessing:

O God, you call all people to be one, and here we are as one congregation, one community of faith. Your guiding presence during the ongoing process of our united congregations is greatly appreciated.

We admit that along the way, there are times when we have to hold on to our trust in you in order to believe in our churches, in our communities.

We are so grateful for the wisdom, strength, courage, and hope you pour into your church. We are grateful to our siblings in Christ who took on the work needed for amalgamation, and for those who were willing to make compromises so that we could continue to worship and serve you together.

Thank you for the people outside this congregation whom you inspired to help us. We take the time now to pause and step back from this holy work.

We ask for your Spirit to help us discern further meaning from our journey, wisdom that we can apply as we travel forward together in Christ’s name. Amen.

*Karen Boivin, Osgoode-Kars U.C., Ottawa, Ont. (Edited);
Gathering - <https://gatheringworship.ca/prayer/prayer-amalgamation-anniversary>*

***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: Send Down the Fire**

Marty Haugen

Refrain

Send down the fire of your jus - tice,____ Send down the rains of your love;____ Come,
send down the Spir - it breathe life in your peo - ple and we shall be peo - ple of God.____

The musical notation for the Refrain is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. It consists of two lines of music. The first line contains the lyrics 'Send down the fire of your jus - tice,____ Send down the rains of your love;____ Come,'. The second line contains the lyrics 'send down the Spir - it breathe life in your peo - ple and we shall be peo - ple of God.____'. There is a '2' above the final measure of the second line, indicating a second ending.

Verses

1. Call us to be your com - pas - sion,____ teach us the song of your love;____ Give us
2. Call us to learn of your mer - cy,____ teach us the way of your peace;____ Give us
3. Call us to an - swer op - pres - sion,____ teach us the fire of your truth;____ Give us
4. Call us to wit - ness your King - dom____ Give us the pres - ence of Christ;____ May your

The musical notation for the Verses is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. It consists of a single line of music with four lines of lyrics underneath it. The lyrics are: '1. Call us to be your com - pas - sion,____ teach us the song of your love;____ Give us', '2. Call us to learn of your mer - cy,____ teach us the way of your peace;____ Give us', '3. Call us to an - swer op - pres - sion,____ teach us the fire of your truth;____ Give us', and '4. Call us to wit - ness your King - dom____ Give us the pres - ence of Christ;____ May your'.

D.C.

hearts that sing, give us deeds that ring, make us ring with the song of your love.____
hearts that feel, give us hands that heal, make us walk in the way of your peace.____
right - eous souls, 'till your jus - tice rolls, make us burn with the fire of your truth.____
ho - ly light Keep us shin - ing bright, Ev - er shine with the pres - ence of Christ.____

The musical notation for the D.C. section is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. It consists of a single line of music with four lines of lyrics underneath it. The lyrics are: 'hearts that sing, give us deeds that ring, make us ring with the song of your love.____', 'hearts that feel, give us hands that heal, make us walk in the way of your peace.____', 'right - eous souls, 'till your jus - tice rolls, make us burn with the fire of your truth.____', and 'ho - ly light Keep us shin - ing bright, Ev - er shine with the pres - ence of Christ.____'.

❖ Listening ❖

Prayer for Illumination:

Jim Hartley

O Great Dreamer, you dreamed up the stars in the sky. You dreamed up a dream for your people—a dream of hope and justice, a dream for hearts wide open both to the world's suffering and to the world's beauty. So today, as we read scripture, we ask that you would plant that same dream in us. Pour out your Spirit on our hearts and minds so that we may notice what you notice and dream what you dream. Gratefully, we pray. Amen.

*Beverly Brazier, MacDermott U.C., Pool's Cove, Nfld. and Lab. (edited);
Gathering - <https://gatheringworship.ca/blogs/o-great-dreamer-prayer-illumination>*

Scripture: Acts 2:1-21

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

Thanks be to God!

Anthem: O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God

Words: Edwin Hatch, 1835-1889, alt.

Music: Chaz Bowers

Sermon: We encourage one another

The Rev. Bronwyn Corlett

❖ 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 you



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

❖ The Celebration of Holy Communion ❖

❖ Communion ❖

Open Table

Communion Hymn: Alleluia, Give the Glory

Ken Canedo & Bob Hurd, see next page

Communion Hymn: Alleluia, Give the Glory

Ken Canedo & Bob Hurd

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 in 12/8 time, featuring a melody with eighth and quarter notes, rests, and dynamic markings like accents and slurs. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

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Invitation to Communion:

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.

Thanksgiving

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

The musical notation is in 6/8 time, featuring a melody with eighth and quarter notes, rests, and dynamic markings like accents and slurs. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

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Remembering Jesus

Remembering Jesus at Table:

On the night before he died, gathered with his disciples,
Jesus took bread, blessed it, and broke it,
Saying: "Take, eat; whenever you do this, remember me."
Then he took the cup, blessing it and pouring it out,
He said, "Take, drink; this is the cup of the new covenant.
Whenever you do this, remember me."

Mystery of Faith



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.

Prayers of the People

Concluding Praise:

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
In the unity of the Holy Spirit,
All glory is yours, God most holy,
Now and forever.

Amen



A - - men, a - - men, a - - - - men.

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

Communion is Served - Breaking the Bread and Filling the Cup:

Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life.
Jesus Christ, the True Vine.
The gifts of God for the people of God.
Come, for all things are now ready.

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.**

(This Communion Prayer is a compilation of prayers from Celebrate God's Presence, 268-302).

***Closing Hymn: Go Make a Difference**

More Voices 209

***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

Almost Summer at Northlea!

Today after worship: 11:30 am – AGM Q&A session – ask your questions!

Monday, May 25, 2026 – 10:00 am – AGM Q&A on Zoom, contact the office to register and receive link.

Tuesday, May 26, 2026 – 7:00 pm – Lay Worship Circle meeting on Zoom

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 – don't miss it. Also available on Zoom, email the office to register and receive link.
- 5:00 pm – Dinner for Youth Without Shelter

Sunday, June 7, 2026 - Union Sunday - 10:30 am – Worship

Tuesday, June 9, 2026 - 7:00 pm - Council Meeting

Sunday, June 14, 2026 - 10:30 am - Worship and Communion - Pride Celebration

Sunday, June 21, 2026 - 10:30 am - Worship - outside weather permitting; Father's Day, Indigenous Day of Prayer

Sunday, June 28, 2026 - 10:30 am - Worship - The Rev. Warren McDougall; Bronwyn will be away from the pulpit.

Ongoing Activities:

Tuesdays: 10:30 am - Bible Study on Zoom – continues to June 23 and will resume September 15. contact Bronwyn for information.

Thursdays:

- 1:30 pm – Arts & Crafts Circle – continues to June 18 and will resume on September 17.
- 7:30 pm – Northlea Choir Practice – – continues to June 18 and will resume on September 17

Summer Service schedule:

All services are at 10:30 am on Sunday mornings. Contact each church office for online attendance information.

Northlea @ 125 Brentcliffe Road - July 5, 12, 19 & September 6, 2026 - Live Streamed at northleaunited.ca.

Leaside Presbyterian @ 670 Eglinton Ave E - July 26, August 2, 9, 2026 - 416 422 0510 or admin@leasidepc.ca

Leaside United @ 822 Millwood Rd - August 16, 23, 30, 2026 - 416 425 1253 or robert@leasideuc.com.

Next Week's Readings

From *Gathering*

Genesis 1:1-2:4; Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; Matthew 28:16-20

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