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Fairlawn Avenue United Church
Sunday, November 17, 2024
Worship Service 10:30am

Rev. Rob Metcalf
Guest Speaker: Lin Sallay, Executive Director, StreetHealth
Eleanor Daley, Director of Music
Fairlawn Avenue Senior Choir

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*Indicates when the congregation is to stand, as able.

Congregational responses, singing and readings in unison are indicated in bold text.

Welcome and Acknowledgement

***Processional Hymn** Song of Hannah (My Soul is Filled with Joy)

VU page 878

**My soul is filled with joy in my Redeemer,
for God has lifted me and set me high.
There is no Holy One, no Rock like our God,
who answered my request, who heard my cry.**

**All those who talk with pride now see who God is,
who weighs our deeds and knows our every move.
Proud ones are humbled, but the poor are lifted;
all might and power are yours, O God of love.**

**The strong have fallen, but the weak are strengthened;
those who were hungry have enough to spare.
She who was barren sees her children's children;
all things are ever in your loving care.**

**O God, you set the earth on sure foundations;
help for your saints is found in you alone.
Those who oppose your truth will fall in judgement,
but you will strengthen your anointed one.**

***Gathering Prayer**

***Introit** Holy Spirit, Source of Love

E. Daley

Holy Spirit, source of love,
who, to us, came from above,
gift of blessing to bestow
on your waiting church below:
once again in love draw near
to your servants gathered here.
(William D. Maclagan, 1826-1910)

Lighting of the Christ Candle

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Anthem

Lead Me, Lord

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness,
make thy way plain before my face.

For it is thou, Lord, thou Lord, only,
that makest me dwell in safety.

(Psalm 5:8, 4:9)

Reflection

Hannah's Song

Rev. Rob Metcalf

***Hymn**

Your Work, O God, Needs Many Hands

VU #537

**Your work, O God, needs many hands
to help you everywhere,
and some there are who cannot serve
unless our gifts we share.**

**Because we love you and your work,
our offering now we make:
be pleased to use it as your own,
we ask for Jesus' sake.**

Introduction of Offering

Offertory Anthem O For a World

William Jones (1726-1800)/Daley

O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways,
where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise.

O for a world where goods are shared and misery relieved,
where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved.

We welcome one world family and struggle with each choice
that opens us to unity and gives our vision voice.

The poor are rich, the weak are strong, the foolish ones are wise.
Tell all who mourn: outcasts belong, who perishes will rise.

O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace,
where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.
(Miriam Therese Winter b. 1938)

***Presentation of Offering**

In gratitude and humble trust
 We bring our best today,
 To serve your cause and share your love
 With all along life's way.
 O God, who gave yourself to us
 In Jesus Christ, your Son,
 Teach us to give ourselves each day
 Until life's work is done.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father and Mother, who art in heaven,
 hallowed by 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 let us not fall into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil;
 for thine is the kingdom,
 the power, and the glory
 forever and ever. Amen.

***Recessional Hymn** Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

VU #681 (verses 1-4)

Where cross the crowded ways of life,
 where sound the cries of race and clan,
 above the noise of selfish strife,
 we hear your words of life again.

In haunts of wretchedness and need,
 on shadowed thresholds, dark with fears,
 from paths where hide the lures of greed,
 we catch the vision of your tears.

6.

**The cup of water given for you
still holds the freshness of your grace;
yet long these multitudes to view
the strong compassion of your face.**

**O Jesus, from the mountain side,
make haste to heal these hearts of pain;
among these restless throngs abide,
and tread the city's streets again.**

***Blessing**

***Choral Commissioning**

E. Daley

(The choir will sing through once, and then the congregation is invited to join in.)

**May God's love surround you,
may God's wisdom guide you,
may God's light shine upon you,
until we meet again.**

Postlude



Lin Sallay joins us today as the Executive Director of Street Health Community Nursing Foundation in Toronto. Lin has dedicated her career to developing and leading quality, accessible healthcare to support people experiencing homelessness, poverty, mental health, and addictions challenges. She possesses 19+ years of leadership experience within provincial community-based organizations. She has delivered street outreach services, administered harm reduction and overdose prevention programs, and overseen several multi-disciplinary teams in her career. Lin also has a wealth of experience administering supportive housing programs in Toronto and York Region. Lin holds a Master of Arts in

Education, a Mini-MBA from McGill University and taught for 13 years at Humber College's School of Social and Community Services. Lin strives to ensure strength-based and trauma-informed approaches are central to supporting people to live well in their communities.



Group 65 of Amnesty International will have petitions to sign at the table at the front of the sanctuary during Coffee Hour. The petitions concern events in Mexico, Yemen, Saudi Arabia and Colombia. Thank you for your support.

Deepening Our Understanding of Medical Assistance in Dying

Guest Speaker
Tekla Hendrickson

Sunday, November 24 at 1:00pm
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- baby formula & diapers (size 5 and 6)
- women's hygiene products & toiletries
- new unwrapped toys for children to age 13
- new children's winter clothing:
 - coats, snowpants, boots, hats, scarves and mittens

Donation drop-off Nov. 10 to Dec. 1

Monday-Thursday 9:00am - 4:00pm Office

Sunday 10:00am Nook (SE Sanctuary Door)

CAROLS AROUND THE CRÈCHE



Bring a mug for hot chocolate
and join us on the lawn

Sunday, December 1 4:45pm - 5:30pm

Fairlawn Avenue United Church

28 Fairlawn Avenue

We invite you to support

Fairlawn's Annual Red Door Holiday Gift Drive with donations of women's hygiene products & toiletries, baby formula and diapers (size 5 and 6), new unwrapped gifts for children to age 13, new children's winter clothing (coats, snowpants, boots, hats, scarves and mittens)



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The Senior Choir of Fairlawn Avenue United Church

Eleanor Daley, Director of Music

presents the Ontario premiere of

Magnificat

by Taylor Scott Davis

with chamber orchestra

Sunday, December 1 at 10:30 am