

Sunday, June 20th, 2021

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Based on Psalm 9)

One: Sing praises to the Lord, sing praises.

All: We will declare God's deeds among the people.

One: Shout for joy, you children of the Most High.

All: God remembers the needy and gives hope to the poor.

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Lighting the Christ Candle

Hymn: **VU# 714** “Come We That Love The Lord”

Prayer of Approach (said together)

When the storms of life crash around us, O God, be our quiet centre. When adversaries gather against us, holy one, be our refuge and our strength. Give us the confidence of David, that we might place our trust entirely in you.

And give us the assurance of the psalmist, that we might know the glory of our salvation. With joyful hearts and ready minds, we pray for your grace this day. Amen.

Old Testament Reading: 1 Samuel 17: 32-49

Gospel Reading: Mark 4: 35-41

Hymn **VU# 669** “Jesu, Lover Of My Soul”

The Lord's Prayer

Good News Time

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, be with us in our hour of need. When lashed by the winds of life, we long to hear you speak words of grace, “Peace! Be still!” When frightened by the waves of woe, we yearn to have you by our side, calming our fear.

Reveal your presence, in the eye of the storm, and give us the courage to call out in our need, for you are our calm centre and our hope when all hope seems lost.

(A time of quiet reflection on the prayer we have just shared)

Assurance of Pardon

One: God listens; God helps.

All: We rejoice that now is the day of our salvation. Amen.

Anthem: The Gettys and Fernando Ortega – *“My Worth Is Not in What I Own”*

Sermon: Ancient Storms

Hymn **VU# 659** “Eternal Father, Strong To Save”

The Offering

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Hymn: **VU# 674** “Fight The Good Fight”

The Blessing and Benediction

Go now in peace, never be afraid;
God will go with you each hour of every day;
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true;
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe;
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there, watching from above!
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen. Amen. Amen.

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Postlude: Leaside United Church, Toronto – *“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”*