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FOURTH SUNDAY IN
LENT

March 19, 2023 10:30 am
Sunday Worship Service

**Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. Anthony Bailey
Huda Kandalaft Kanawati, Bev Buckingham,
Dr. Keith Hartshorn-Walton**

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Welcome to Parkdale! We hope that this service will be a blessing to you wherever you are – in person or online. We welcome all to join us in worship!

We are glad you've joined us to celebrate the mystery and gift of God's love for the world in the gift of Jesus Christ, a rich Christian tradition, and a loving community of faith. We hope that in this time of worship we will experience at least a moment when God, who is Love, encourages us in faith, and breaks through the realities of everyday life surrounding us with the assurance of peace and joy which God so wants us to experience. With God, we long to be agents of justice, peace and hope.

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Our Vision Statement:

“To form followers of Jesus in such a way as to transform our community and our world.”

Are You New To Parkdale? To be added to our email list, please send your email address to Jo-Anne McGuire at pdale@trytel.com.

To sign up for our monthly eNewsletter, visit our website.

We acknowledge that the land on which we gather for worship is the traditional, unceded, unsurrendered territory of the Algonquin nation. We are grateful for their stewardship of this territory for thousands of years.

March 19, 2023
Fourth Sunday in Lent

We Gather to Worship God

Stewardship Thought: *As stewards of all that God provides, we celebrate thanksgiving every day because of the opportunity to make plain that all good things come from God.*

*please stand as you are able

Prelude: "Rock Of Ages, Cleft For Me" Piano
Dr. Keith Hartshorn-Walton
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*Lighting the Worship Candle Rev. Dr. Bailey

Life and Mission of the Congregation Anthony/Huda/Bev

Welcome and Call to worship Rev. Dr. Bailey

Prayer of Approach Bev Buckingham

Each and every single morning, God waits to greet us with joy, surprise and wonder.

While we slept and as we awake, we experience ourselves enveloped in grace.

As we go about our day, Jesus comes to invite us to serve.

We rise from our work and leisure to bring healing and hope to others.

In the shadowed evenings of our fears and worries, the Spirit is with us.

The Light of life shines on us in every moment of every day.

Hymn: Come, O Fount of Every Blessing VU#559

1 Come, O Fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing your grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing
call for songs of endless praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,

sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount; I'm fixed upon it,
mount of God's unfailing love.

2 Here I pause in my sojourning,
giving thanks for having come,
come to trust, at every turning,
God will guide me safely home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God,
came to rescue me from danger,
precious presence, precious blood.

3 O, to grace how great a debt
or daily I am drawn anew!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to you.
Prone to wander, I can feel it,
wander from the love I've known:
here's my heart, O, take and seal it,
seal it for your very own.

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Call to Confession:

Huda Kandalaft Kanawati

God invites us to loiter by the still waters of love, but too often we are distracted by busyness. Thrown off kilter, we find ourselves out of sync with whom we long to be. God knows how to get us back on track. And so, we will follow God's lead. God invites us to bring our regret, our wrongdoing, and our carelessness to God. And so, relishing God's goodness and mercy, we pray together, saying,

Confessing Together

Merciful God, holy and loving, we thank you for your grace and mercy. Deep down we long to be faithful. Be pleased to unclutter our lives, for there is too much with which we are occupied. We long to be more grounded in our faith and engagement with the world that you so love. Challenge those of us who have too much and consume too much, thereby impacting those who have so little. Forgive us for not taking the time to see this world through your eyes and the eyes of others

who suffer greatly. By your grace, entice us to open wide our hearts, our will, and our generosity, so that others may experience the life-giving abundance of hope, justice, love and peace. May you expose to us all that undermines our desire to be faithful to you. We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen

Silence

Receiving the Gift of God's Forgiveness (led by the choir)

It is Well With My Soul v.3

**My sin, O the bliss of this glorious thought:
My sin, not in part but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul.
It is well, with my soul,
It is well, it is well with my soul.**

Horatio Spafford, Philip Bliss 1873, Public Domain

Time to Wonder:

Huda Kandalajt Kanawati

Children's Hymn: Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

VU#357

**1 Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear,
things I would ask him to tell me if he were here:
scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea,
stories of Jesus, tell them to me.**

**2 First let me hear how the children stood round his knee,
and I shall fancy his blessing resting on me;
words full of kindness, deeds full of grace,
all in the lovelight of Jesus' face.**

**3 Tell me, in accents of wonder, how rolled the sea
tossing the boat in a tempest on Galilee!
And how the Master, ready and kind,
chided the billows and hushed the wind.**

**4 Into the city I'd follow the children's band,
waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand;
one of his heralds, yes, I would sing
loudest hosannas! Jesus is king!**

5 Show me that scene in the garden of bitter pain;
and of the cross where my Saviour for me was slain.
Sad ones or bright ones, so that they be
stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

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(Children and Youth may leave for their programs)

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD ...

First Scripture Lesson: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Helen Hayes

Responsive Lesson: Psalm 23

Helen Hayes

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters.

He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness
For His name's sake.

**Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff,
they comfort me.**

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my
life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord; Forever.**

Lenten Refrain: ***O Lord hear our prayer, O Lord hear our prayer
When we call, answer us; O Lord hear our prayer,
O Lord hear our prayer: Come and listen to us. (2x)***

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Gospel Lesson: John 9:1-41

(Many Voices)

*(Anthony Bailey, Bev Buckingham, Richard Hamley, Saad Kanawati,
Alex Stockwell)*

Anthem: "Lenten Carol"

Choir and Piano

One License Song #246026

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Message: **“Here’s Mud in Our Eyes”**

Rev. Dr. Bailey

WE RESPOND IN FAITHFULNESS ...

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

We are grateful for the prayers and financial support of Parkdale’s ongoing ministry. Please continue. The prayers and financial generosity helps Parkdale to bear witness to the gospel and provide support and care to those we serve.

Offertory: **“Gymnopédie No. 1”**

Piano

Dr. Keith Hartshorn-Walton

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Doxology: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

Dedication of Tithes and Offerings:

Rev. Dr. Bailey

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer:

Bev Buckingham

Come and Find the Quiet Centre (vs 1)

Choir

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

AND WE GO FORTH TO SERVE GOD

*Hymn: O God, How We Have Wandered VU#112

1 O God, how we have wandered and hidden from your face;
in foolishness have squandered your legacy of grace.
But how, in exile dwelling, we turn with fear and shame,
as distant but compelling, you call us each by name.

2 And now at length discerning the evil that we do,
by faith we are returning with hope and trust in you.
In haste you come to meet us, and home rejoicing bring,
in gladness there to greet us with calf and robe and ring.

3 O God of all the living, both banished and restored,
compassionate, forgiving, our peace and hope assured.
Grant now that our transgressing, our faithlessness may cease.
Stretch out your hand in blessing, in pardon, and in peace.

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Blessing and Sending

Now, may we go to share the love of God into the world.

We will go to model the way of God's grace.

Now, may we go to share the grace of Jesus in the world.

We will invite others to the still waters of peace.

Now, may we embody God's Spirit as we go into the world.

We will work to bless the lives of all whom we meet. Amen

*Choral Amen:

Postlude: "Somebody's Knocking at Your Door" Piano
Dr. Keith Hartshorn-Walton

African American Spiritual, Public Domain

ANNOUNCEMENTS – March 19, 2023

Confidential Phone Counselling – Contact information:
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LENTEN STUDY led by Rev. Dr. Bailey

This series continues in-person in the Ladies' Parlour on Wednesday, March 22 at 7pm. We will be reflecting on and discussing "*Parables from the Underside*". Theme "The Final Week". Please let the office know if you will be attending so that there will be sufficient worksheets for the session. See you there!

THE EASTER BLOOD DRIVE

DID YOU KNOW? As a result of the pandemic, the blood donor base has been reduced by 30% and the donation centres are operating at less than 50% capacity.

This is an opportunity for Christ followers to unite and demonstrate compassion in a practical way. During Easter, we reflect on how Jesus shed His blood to save us: "*God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood.*" (Rom. 3:25). Similarly, we can now help save others through donating our blood.

You can help in two ways:

1. Donate blood or plasma
2. Promote the Easter Blood Drive in your church or community

Love Ottawa, CHRI and Canadian Blood Services are working together in partnership to fill hundreds of blood donation appointments between now and Easter at the two Ottawa centres of Canadian Blood Services:

1575 Carling Ave (at Churchill Ave) - for Whole Blood and Platelets
110 Place d'Orléans Dr (beside Mark's Clothing) - for blood Plasma

Visit our website **blooddrive.loveottawa.ca** to follow the steps on how to donate blood or plasma with the "**Easter Blood Drive**" team. To contact us or ask questions, please email us at **blooddrive@loveottawa.ca**

FOR THE LOVE OF MUSIC

The Choir is looking to add new members, especially sopranos. If you are interested, please contact the Music and Worship Arts Director at keith@parkdaleunitedchurch.ca

OUR PARKDALE CAMINO 2023

Journeying together through Lent in reflection and prayer

From Ash Wednesday, February 22nd to Easter Sunday, April 9th

There are still more dates available for weeks 6 and 7 – signup online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C48AAAE22AAFBC43-camino>

EASTER LILIES

For many years it has been a tradition at Parkdale to decorate the sanctuary on Easter Sunday morning with beautiful Easter lilies in memory of loved ones who graced our lives. After the service, the flowers are delivered to our elder saints who are no longer able to come to services.

If you wish to donate a lily (suggested donation \$15.00), please contact the office with the name(s) of the person/people you wish to remember. Their names will appear on the list published on Easter Sunday. After the service, all the lilies will be delivered to pre-determined people.

If you would like to help deliver lilies, please contact Mary at McLeod.mm@gmail.com Any help is very much appreciated.

EASTER VIGIL 2023

A 24-hour Vigil has become part of our Easter tradition at Parkdale and we are pleased to announce that it will be held again this year, from 6am Holy Saturday, April 8 to 6am Easter Sunday, April 9. The Chapel will be open during this time for those who wish to spend an hour in prayer in this lovely space. For those who would prefer to participate from home, that option is also available this year. **Please indicate In-Person or Virtual in the comment section on the sign-up sheet so that we know all hours are covered and we can make sure a custodian is here when needed.** You can sign up at the following link:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c48aaae22aafbc43-easter2#

IT'S BACK! SPRING RUMMAGE SALE – April 29, 2023

We are currently planning to hold a Spring Rummage Sale from 9am to noon on Saturday, April 29, 2023.

We are looking for volunteers to help with set up on Thursday, starting at 8:30 am, and Friday until 4:30, as well as for the sale itself on

Saturday from 8:30 to 12, followed by clean-up. If you are able to help, even for a couple of hours, please advise Val Hum at Valerie.hum@rogers.com or at 613-728-8830.

For more information, please contact the office.



Parkdale Nursery: is staffed today with sister Joan and a youth volunteer. Children may be signed out of the nursery at the end of the service.



Sunday School: Wendy and Dolly and Liz are teaching today. If you are visiting please follow the crowd to the classrooms after our 'Time to Wonder'. Please register your children for Sunday school at:

<https://parkdaleunitedchurch.ca/wpcontent/uploads/2022/12/Sunday-School-Registration-form-2022-1.docx>



The Junior Choir – meets next on March 26, April 2, 16, 23, 30 with Melanie at **10:00 AM** in the small Chapel. New members are always welcome!



YOUTH Band - meets next on March 26 right after the worship service in the Upstairs Parlour. New members are always welcome!



Junior Youth (ages 10-12) will meet in the coffee shop with Camille today during the service. **and Senior Youth (ages 12- 17)** will be with Ellen in the Upstairs Parlour during the service.



Confirmation class for youth ages 12+ will meet today after the service in the Upstairs Parlor. **The retreat is on March 25-26, meeting with Council is April 2** after the service, and the confirmation worship service will take place on April 16.



IGNITE MEETINGS are for young adults. Our meetings are on Thursdays at 7:00 PM. Next meeting is on **March 23** in the Upstairs Parlour.



Kids' Church for young families. We gather from **5:00-7:00 PM** in the chapel. Our upcoming gatherings will be on the following dates: April 29, May 27. RSVP to Huda if you are able to join.

VBS Children's Summer Camp

Join us for this summer's biggest party! children are invited to a week of fun and learning. Using Matthew 6:11; "Give us this day our daily bread", children will



learn to pray as Jesus teaches. These words serve as a reminder that everything we have comes from God - and our daily needs are met by God. Through stories in both the Old and New Testaments, this VBS opens kids' eyes to the countless ways God provides, loves, and cares for everyone while inviting them to join God in providing, loving, and caring for others. Volunteers are needed. Please speak with Huda if you would like to be part of the fun!

Registration form is available at church entrances and at the links here.

Registration: for volunteers

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/B7S9T9Y>

Registration: for campers

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/B87TRGQ>

Days: Aug. 21-25 Age: Children 5-12 Time: 9AM-2PM

Suggested registration fee is \$50/child. After hours child care from 2-5 is available for a minimal fee. Please speak to Huda if you have a financial difficulty. We have no barrier policy and want every kid to have an opportunity to go to camp so finances should not be an obstacle. Registration fees can be dropped off at or mailed to the church office by May 31st.