



**P**ARKDALE  
UNITED CHURCH  
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**First Sunday of Lent**

**March 9, 2025 10:30 am**  
**Sunday Worship Service**

**Worship Leaders:**

**Bev Buckingham**

**Huda Kandalaft**

**Dr. Keith Hartshorn-Walton**

**Special Guest: Isaac Andrews**

**Sound : Richard Hamley    Video : Danica Rogers**

**Slides : Rhonda John-Huggins**

*As a community of Christ followers:*

*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.*

*Parkdale United Church welcomes all. We support and  
celebrate diversity, inclusion and equity with regard to  
race, colour, ethnicity, national origin,  
gender, sexuality, and level of ability.*

**March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

## **We Gather to Worship God**

Justice Thoughts for Lent: *If you want peace, work  
for justice.*

Pope Paul VI

\*please stand as you are able

Prelude: *“An Die Musik”*

Piano

Dr. Keith Hartshorn- Walton

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Land Acknowledgement and Words of Welcome  
Keith

Life and Mission of the Congregation  
Bev & Huda

\*Lighting the Worship Candles  
Chris and Ellie Tait

Call to Worship

Who makes the desert bloom?

**God makes the desert bloom.**

Who turns stones to bread?

**God turns stones to bread.**

How shall we offer thanks to God?

**We will offer the best of what we have been given.**

Come, let us worship God.

\*Hymn: **Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah**  
VU#651

Choir

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Prayer of Approach  
Huda Kandalajt

God of Lent, shape this moment with us  
**Call us again in this time of challenge**  
God of wilderness, journey with us once more through  
this land,  
**and speak to us of ancient promises breaking  
open once more.**  
This is our journey, O God, and you are our guide.  
**May we travel together, assured of your  
continuing presence. Amen.**

Prayer of Confession  
Bev Buckingham

*Silent Confession*

**Kyrie Eleison**  
VU#946

**Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison x2**

*Russian Orthodox Liturgy, Public Domain*

Receiving the Gift of Forgiveness

Choral Response: **Halle, Halle, Halle**

\*Hymn: **Over My Head**  
MV#88

Choir

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Time to Wonder  
Huda Kandalajt

The Lord's Prayer: **Our Father Who Art in  
Heaven** VU#960

Choir

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*(children and youth may leave for their programs)*

**WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD**

First Scripture Lesson: **Deuteronomy 26:1- 11**

Dante Vignuzzi

Responsive Lesson: **Psalm 91**

VU#807 (with refrain)

Bev Buckingham

You who dwell in the shelter of your God,  
who abide in God's shadow for life,

**say to your God: 'My refuge, my rock in  
whom I trust!'**

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,  
and famine will bring you no fear:

**under God's wings your refuge,  
God's faithfulness your shield.**

**Choir: And I will raise you up on eagle's  
wings,**

**bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of my hand**

You need not fear the terror of the night,  
nor the arrow that flies by day;

**though thousands fall about you,  
near you it shall not come.**

For to the angels is given a command to guard you  
in all your ways;

**upon their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you dash your foot against a stone. R**

'Because they have set their love upon me I will  
deliver them,

**I will uphold them because they know my  
name.**

When they call to me I will answer,

**I will be with them in trouble;  
I will rescue and bring them to honour.  
With long life I will satisfy them,  
and show them my saving power.' R**

The Gospel Lesson: Luke 4: 1-13  
Bev Buckingham

Reflecting Through Music: **Sonata in C minor,  
Op. 1, No.1**

Piano - Isaac Andrews

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## **WE RESPOND IN FAITHFULNESS**

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings  
Bev Buckingham

Offertory: *“Sonata in C Minor”*

Piano - Isaac Andrews

*F J Haydn, Hob. XVI/20*

Doxology: **In Gratitude and Humble Trust**  
VU#544

Choir

**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.**

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Dedication of Tithes and Offerings:

**WE JOIN IN COMMUNION TOGETHER**

**\*Communion Hymn    Let Us Break Bread  
Together        VU#480**

Choir

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The Invitation

Bev:        Come and see the gifts of God's love,  
laid on this table waiting for you.

Huda: Come and see the gifts of God's love,  
love expressed in bread and cup.

Bev:        Come and taste the goodness of God,  
broken open and poured out for you in Jesus' life  
and death;

Huda: Come and share the goodness of God, in  
Jesus' name.

Wherever you've come from, whatever your age or  
stage of belief,

Bev:        Come and know that all this is for you  
Whoever you are, wherever you've been, whatever  
you've done,  
all this is for you when you receive these gifts  
with all your heart, strength, mind and soul.

Breaking the Bread, Pouring the Cup

Bev:        God is with us!

**We are not alone!**

Huda: Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to God.**

Bev:        Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Huda: Holy Mystery that is Wholly Love,  
**you are beyond complete knowledge,  
above perfect description.**

Bev:        Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;  
Source of Life, Living Word, and Bond of Love,  
**you are creative and self-giving,  
generously moving.**



Huda: In all the near and distant corners of the universe.

nothing exists that does not find its source in you.

*(based on A Song of Faith )*

Bev: Even when we turn away from you, you are with us;

**your presence never fails us,**

**your gifts of hope and new life transform us.**

Huda: We praise you for Jesus Christ,

eternal as your love, our bond to one another.

Bev: We rejoice with all your people of every time and place,

to proclaim the glory of your name:

Sanctus and Benedictus: **Holy, Holy, Holy**

VU#942

Dr. Keith Hartshorn-Walton and Choir

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Huda: It is Jesus, God incarnate, the Christ who knew and

overcame temptation, who joins us together as a community of broken but hopeful believers:

**loving what he loved**

**living what he taught, and**

**striving to be his faithful servants**

**in our time and place.**

Bev: In this meal we remember Jesus, his promises,

and the price he paid for who he was, what he said, and what he did.

Huda: On the night before Jesus died, he took a loaf of bread,

gave thanks, broke it, and said,

“Take and eat; whenever you do this, remember me.”

Bev: After supper, Jesus took the cup, and poured, saying,

“This is the new covenant, whenever you drink of this,  
remember me.”

**We do remember.**

**We remember his life of love, his friendship,  
his teaching,  
his dying,  
and his rising to life again.**

Huda: In sharing this meal, we live out the mystery of our faith:

Holy Mystery, God the Spirit,  
we call on you to transform these familiar things,  
as you continually transform the world around us.

Bev: Bless this bread and this cup,  
the wheat and the grape,

So that in the sharing of these simple elements in community,

**we may taste and see your goodness,  
so that we might catch a glimpse of what it  
is to be  
in communion with you and with one  
another.**

Agnus Dei:  
VU#940

**Lamb of God**

Dr. Keith Hartshorn-Walton and Choir

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Sharing the Meal

Bev: Come now, for the table is set. As the bread is passed, please hold it in silence until we are able to share together, one body in Christ.

*(servers come and receive the plates and then pass them, returning to be served)*

The body of Christ,  
**the bread of life.**

Take, eat and remember



Huda: As we receive the cup, please hold it in silence until we are all able to share together in the new covenant.

*(servers come and receive the trays and then pass them, returning to be served)*

The lifeblood of Christ,  
**the cup of blessing.**  
Drink together and remember

Prayer After Communion  
Bev Buckingham

For the wine we have tasted, for the bread we have shared, for who we have been, who we are, and who we are becoming, thank you, God! May the life that is in us, be answer and question, be way-station and light-house, be hope and wonder, for us and for the world. Amen.

Benevolent Offering  
Huda Kandalaft

**AND WE GO OUT WITH COURAGE AND  
FAITH TO BLESS THE WORLD**

\*Hymn: **O Jesus, I Have Promised**  
VU#120

Choir

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Benediction  
Bev Buckingham

At the beginning of the world,  
**God was there**  
At the end of the world,  
**God will be there.**  
In our time, in this place,  
**God is here.**

Go out into the world to serve God, to listen for the nudges of the Spirit, and to bring the Light of Christ to the world.

**May it be so! Amen.**

**The Great Amen “Danish”**

VU#967 Choir

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Postlude: *“When In Our Music God is Glorified”*

VU#533

Organ – Dr. Keith Hartshorn-Walton

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ANNOUNCEMENTS – March 9, 2025

**LENTEN STUDY 2025**

*“Something Sacred – Reflecting on Worship”*

**Join Bev for discussion on the**

**Sacred Elements of Worship**

**– Music, Prayer, Scripture, Message and**

**Our Shared Meal**

**Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 – 2:30 in the**

**Parlour**

**March 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>**

**April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>**

*A time to share our experiences of worship and  
explore*

*what the different elements mean*

Caring for Caregivers

Parkdale’s **Caring for Caregivers** group is for caregivers to share our stories and experiences as caregivers for children, spouses, parents and others.

We meet monthly on Zoom to offer each other support, encouragement and prayers, usually at 7:30pm on the second Friday of the month. If you are a caregiver and would like to join us, please contact Alex Stockwell at [greatbooks\\_ta@hotmail.com](mailto:greatbooks_ta@hotmail.com)



### **Actions For Aging**

We have gathered a group at Parkdale to co-ordinate and offer opportunities in the community around "**Actions for Aging**". If you have any suggestions about what information or programs would be helpful for you, please email Bev at [bev@parkdaleunitedchurch.ca](mailto:bev@parkdaleunitedchurch.ca)

The Parkdale Prayer Group invite you to join them in "**Praying the Psalms**" from now until the end of June.

There is more information available in the Prayer Corner that outlines how we will read through the first 50 Psalms and use them as our daily meditation and prayer starter.



### **Mark Your Calendars!**

**March 23 ZOOM Information Session 4 pm**

### **Your Property Development Working Group**

(PDWG) is aware that there may be some amongst us who are not fully aware of the work that we have done over the past 7 1/2 years. You may have read the reports from your PDWG and the Housing Sub-group that were shared with the congregation on February 20 and were tabled at the AGM on March 2, and now you are wondering about how this initiative started and how our thinking evolved over the years. If you are curious about the details, please register with Jo-Anne in the office for a ZOOM meeting on Sunday, March 23 at 4pm when Barry Hobin will lead us through a visual overview of where we have been and where we hope to

be going. This continues to be a work in progress and the ultimate solution has not been determined, but it promises to be an informative session. You will not be disappointed!

### **March 30 - Q and A session**

Join representatives of your PDWG and the Housing Sub-group for a quick lunch after church and time for engaging in conversation with members of your PDWG and the Housing Sub-group. We welcome feedback on the two reports and look forward to hearing your concerns and answering your questions, to the extent that we can.

**Note: The two reports were sent via the congregational e-mail on February 20. If you did not receive them, you can access them on the Parkdale website, or you can contact Jo-Anne in the office at 613-728-8656 or [pdale@trytel.com](mailto:pdale@trytel.com)**  
CONTACT – Have you been missing out on the Sunday bulletins and other events sent out via the congregational email? Is it possible that we don't have your contact information? Please let us know if you want to receive messages. Contact the office at [pdale@trytel.com](mailto:pdale@trytel.com)



's of Faith

**Question 75 answer:** The word 'minister' means 'servant'. As servants of God, ministers are called in Christ's name, to present God's message, celebrate his sacraments, and care for God's people. To this office Christ calls both men and women. The church's task is to confirm the validity of this call, to educate and examine candidates for the office and work of the ordained ministry.

**Question 76:** Why does the Church have elders?

The answer will be in our next Sunday's bulletin.

Here are some clues: Num 11:16, Acts 14:23, 1 Tim 5:17, Titus 1:5

See also: Ex 3:16, 4:29, 12:21; 2 Chr. 19:8-10; Acts 11:30, 15:4, 6,23; 16:4, 20:17; Rom 12:8; 1 Cor 12:27-28; Jas 5:14-15; 1 Pet 5:1-5; 2 Jn 1; Rev 4:4,10.



**The Nursery**: is staffed today. Parents are welcome to use it for their babies and toddlers.



**Christian Education & Faith Formation:**

for ages **4-18** is offered during the service every Sunday. Please help us keep our records up to date. Register online for Sunday school and youth groups:

<https://form.jotform.com/242651912769061>



**IGNITE:** (Young Adults Group)

Will meet today **March 9** after the service - 2:00 PM in the upstairs parlour. Please join us as we study the Beatitudes through the book: *The Message of Jesus* by Adam Hamilton. All are welcome. Contact Jenna Bondo for information: [jennabondo@outlook.com](mailto:jennabondo@outlook.com)



**Summer Camp:** Buckle up for exciting destinations with the pup Scout at our Summer Camp **2025**. It will be on **Aug.18- 22**. Through engaging Bible stories, interactive games, and fun challenges, we'll discover that God is always with us. **Road Trip VBS** is more than just fun — it's a journey of faith, friendship, and unforgettable memories! Registration opens in May.

**Lunch and Learn: Drama Triangle**



**April 6 in the upstairs parlour after the service.**

Have you ever found yourself stuck repeatedly in disagreement that has very little resolution? You might find that you're repeating the same old reactions time and time again. You might be trapped in the Drama Triangle where there is plenty of role confusion and a lack of healthy boundaries. Come and join Susan Carlton in the upstairs parlour as we learn how to shift from being helpless victims and self-sacrificing rescuers and move towards attunement and compassion. **Please register in the office by March 30<sup>th</sup>.**



**Confirmation class: for youth ages 13+**

will meet this year on Sundays March 30<sup>th</sup>-May 25. The retreat will be May 17-19 at Gracefield camp center, and the confirmation worship service and celebration will take place on June 1. Please speak with Huda if you need more information.

### **Fundraising for the Legacy of Hope Foundation**

Join us in supporting the Legacy of Hope Foundation, an Indigenous-led organization committed to raising awareness about the ongoing impacts of the Residential School System. Throughout March, we will be hosting events to raise funds and educate the community:

### **Children's PowWow at Carleton University – March 16, 2025**

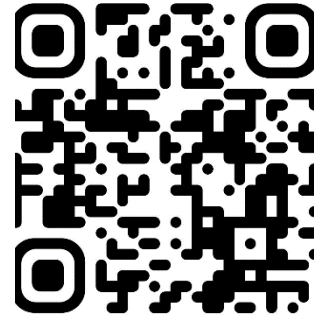
The Legacy of Hope Foundation will have a booth selling merchandise to support its mission. Stop by



to learn more and contribute to this important cause.

**Comedy Night Fundraiser – March 23, 2025**

Enjoy a night of laughter at Yuk Yuk's Comedy Club! Proceeds from this event will go toward the Legacy of Hope Foundation

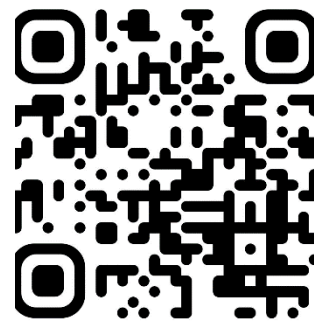


**TICKETS**

**Exhibition at Parkdale United Church**

**– March 9-30, 2025**

Visit our exhibition featuring Legacy of Hope Foundation materials to learn more about Indigenous history and reconciliation efforts. LHF merchandise will also be available for purchase, with all proceeds supporting the cause.



**DONATE**