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THORNHILL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
To Discover, Celebrate and Share God's Love

Sunday July 23, 2023
We Prepare for Worship

Prelude

Preparing our Hearts

*I will praise you with all my heart, glorify your name forever, Lord my God.
Psalm 86:12*

Welcome and Community Life News

*Opening Hymn: Praise my soul the God who crowns you **#467**

We Worship God

The Call to Worship

Arshida Taghizadeh

L.: We gather in the presence of God;

P: We have come to worship and praise God's name.

L.: We gather in joy and expectancy;

P: We have come to encounter God in beauty and wonder.

L: Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening;

P: Speak your Word of life to us, O God.

L: Let us worship God.

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Lord's Prayer (*debts*)

The Assurance of Pardon

Minister: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

We Listen for God's Word

*Children's Hymn: Sing them over again to me

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Children's Time

Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Dr. H. Vais

Scripture Reading: Genesis 28:10-19a

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Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: A Picture of Grace
Solo

Rev. Dr. H. Vais

We Respond to God's Word

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

*Doxology

#830

Dedication of Offering

*Closing Hymn: *O God of Bethel by whose hand*

#654

We are Sent Out as God's People

*Charge and Benediction

*Musical 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**

Postlude

** if you are able, please stand*

Welcome

We welcome everyone who is worshipping here with us today. We hope that you feel comforted in our fellowship and that you leave here refreshed and inspired in your

personal life. You are invited to fill out a pew card.

****We welcome all children in worship. If you need to take a child out during the worship service, the service can still be heard in the lobby. Our ushers are available to assist you.**

*Please feel free to appreciate the Postlude
at the end of the service!*

*If you do leave the sanctuary during the postlude,
please do so quietly. Thank you!*



Sunday School Classes!

A one-room Sunday School class is available for our junior youth today after the children's story.

All children grades 1 - 6 are welcome.

***Thank you to those who are assisting
in today's service.***

***If you wish to help reading scriptures contact the
church office or speak with Garth Low
or Rev. Heather***

Summer Worship

Please join us for worship every Sunday
through the
summer months at 11:00 a.m.

There will be a Sunday School offered in July.
Holy Communion will be on Sunday July 30.



Summer Sunday School *NEWS!*

***Come and learn how God's design for us to
THRIVE results in good fruit.***

*Weather permitting, we will be outside this morning to
see how good fruit and blooms
are a good sign of a thriving plant.*

*And we will learn about David's patience,
self control, peace, love and kindness
when he chose not to attack his enemy, Saul.*



The administrator's summer office hours
will be Wednesday to Friday
from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Messages will be checked regularly.

***In case of pastoral emergency, please
contact Rev. Heather
at 416-949-3465***

Administrator Away

Our Administrator, Nadine, is away on
Holidays from Wednesday July 12th.

She'll return on Wednesday, July 26th.

Messages will be checked regularly.

In case of an emergency,
please contact Rev. Heather at 416-949-3465
or Sheila Gault, Clerk of Session at 905-751-6568.



TPC Lost and Found Box

The box contains a pair of black framed glasses
and a broken gold chain.

There are also men's leather winter gloves
and a shawl.

Please contact Nadine in the Admin. Office
if you have lost one of these items.

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UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS AT A GLANCE

Sunday July 23, 2023

11:00 am Worship Service

Sunday July 30, 2023

11:00 am Worship Service - Communion

Weekly Offerings and Gifts

To continue to support the church through your regular offerings there are several options available to do so.

Offerings may be placed in the offering plate as you enter the Sanctuary.

Offerings can be mailed (address below) or dropped off at the church mail slot in the old wooden doors to the right of the entryway any time.

You may also donate on-line at Canada Helps through our web site at www.tpchurch.net or directly to Canada Helps.Org at

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/thornhill-presbyterian-church/>

Pre-Authorized Debit (PAR) If you are interested in joining the PAR program contact Nadine at the church.

Thank you for your support!



Do you like to Sing and Learn new things?

You are invited to
Sing Sessions!

When?

The last Sunday of the month, from July until December.
In Fellowship Hall 15 minutes after service end.

What?

30 minutes of instruction by Dan plus Psalm, Hymn, and
Spiritual Song singing

July 30

Congregational singing for worship in general. Brief history of how and when early, European, non-clergy church goes began singing in worship services. What they sang in the main Christian traditions, Roman Catholic, Lutheran, Reformed continental, Reformed British Isles "high" church and "low" church.

August 27

Psalms of David, Moses, etc. The three major categories of songs for singing in worship as mentioned in the New Testament. Examples of sung Psalms in the major Christian traditions.

September 24

Hymns. Brief discussion of church doctrine and theology vs. personal songs of faith. Examples of hymns of the major Christian traditions as mentioned above.

October 29

Spiritual songs. Brief discussion of the meaning of personal faith songs. Pros and cons of their use. Performance vs. personal faith expression. Examples of spiritual songs.

November 26

Liturgical elements. The purpose of liturgy in worship, "pericopes," and the 3-year Scripture cycle vs. free-form worship or "no plan." Examples of liturgical songs or elements in worship.

December 31

Christmas carols. Classic hymn forms and spiritual song versions. Why "carols" are oftentimes a little bit different from standard hymns and Psalms. Examples of various kinds of Christmas carols.

At each session, we will end with 10 minutes of participants choosing their favorite hymns/songs for us to sing!

Hymn

Praise my soul the God who crowns you

Praise, my soul, the God who crowns you,
crowns with mercy all your days;
bless the God whose good surrounds you,
rescues, heals, forgives, reclaims.
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
all within me, bless and praise.

Praise God's mighty works of justice,
for, as far as east from west,
God removes transgression from us
and restores the sore-oppressed.
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
may the Holy One be blest!

Mortal days are few in number;
soon our place is known no more.
God eternal will remember,
and the faithful will restore.
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
children's children will adore.

Praise the Lord in highest heavens,
mighty ones who do God's will;
angels, cry through all dominions,
God is sovereign over all.
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
praise your Maker, O my soul.

Hymn

Sing them over again to me

Sing them over again to me,
wonderful words of life;
let me more of their beauty see,
wonderful words of life;
all so freely given,
wooing us to heaven.

Refrain:

Beautiful words, wonderful words,
wonderful words of life,
beautiful words, wonderful words,
wonderful words of life.

Christ, the blessed one, gives to all,
wonderful words of life;
sinner, list to the loving call,
wonderful words of life;
all so freely given,
wooing us to heaven.

Refrain:

Sweetly echo the gospel call,
wonderful words of life;
offer pardon and peace to all,
wonderful words of life;
Jesus, on Saviour,
sanctify forever.

Refrain:

Hymn

O God of Bethel, by whose hand

O God of Bethel, by whose hand
thy people still are fed,
who through this weary pilgrimage
hast all thy servants led,

our vows, our prayers, we now present
before thy gracious throne;
as thou hast been our faithful God,
so always be our own.

Through each perplexing path of life
our wandering footsteps guide;
give us each day our daily bread,
and raiment fit provide.

Oh spread the covering wings around,
till all our wanderings cease,
and at our God's own loved abode
our souls arrive in peace.

Such blessings from thy gracious hand
our humble prayers implore,
and thou shalt be our chosen God
and portion evermore.