



Laidlaw Memorial United Church

Celebrating our 112th Year—1912-2024

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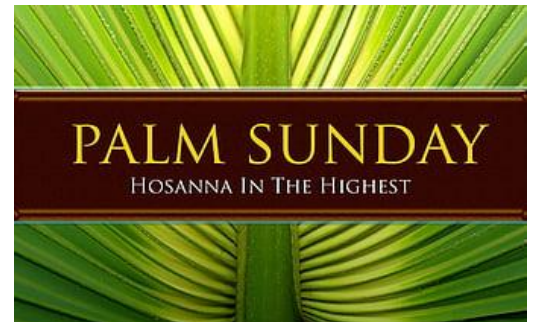
Our Mission: With respect, cooperation, and joy, through acts of love that build each other up, we seek to share the light of Christ as a Beacon from our corner in East Hamilton

Laidlaw Memorial United Church

Palm and Passion Sunday

...watch with me this hour...

Worship with us In Person, or by Livestream on YouTube, search "Laidlaw Live"



Sunday, March 24, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.

Livestream Starts at 10:55 a.m.

Livestream URL: <https://youtube.com/live/AhDfgl8qhtk?feature=share>

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Worship in Person, or Live from Laidlaw on YouTube!

Please Log in to Chat; or send a text to 905-547-2021

Request a prayer, send your greetings, light a candle!

(Rev. Doug will try to keep up with the messages!)

Don't Forget to 'Like Us' on YouTube!

'Subscribe' and get notified of upcoming livestreams!

Ministers: *All who follow Jesus Christ!*

On Tech: *Ben Moore*

With the Children: *Drew Walker*

Acolytes: *Children, Youth, and James Hawkes*

Offering: *Keith Greeniaus*

Musician: *Steve McRae, B. Mus, A.R.C.T., Dipl. A.A.*

Minister: *Rev. Douglas C. Moore, B.Th., B.A. (Phil), M.Div.*

Back to normal...we'll pass the offering plates during service...

If you are online, please consider making an offering in one of two ways:

send an Interac e-transfer to 'laidlawuc@bellnet.ca'

or press the 'On-Line Donation' button at www.laidlawchurch.ca

Thank you for your support!



Laidlaw Memorial United Church

The Easter Lilies in the Church today are placed...



In Loving Memory of

My Loved Ones
by Myrtle DiBartolo

Molly McDonald
by Heather Shaw

My Beloved Husband, Wayne
My sister, Linda
by Evelyn Folk

My Husband Albert Redburn
by Audrey Redburn

Doris Oldfield, Shirley Moore,
Larry Padfield, Don Muir, Joan Bond,
Gail Craig, & Gillian Howarth,
Sharon Larocque, Brian Craig
Janice Ellis, Bill McKee, Joan Redburn
Dave Pashko, Nicky Judiciani
Maurice Bond
by Janet Bond

Gwen and George Appleyard
Velma and Robert Havens
(Our Parents)
George Appleyard (brother)
by Barb and Ken Havens

Alex Jr. Gillis
Jack and Stella Naves
Sandra Naves, Jackie Naves
Roy Saunders
by Estelle Naves

Leonard Ferguson, my loving husband
by Merily Ferguson

Rhea Usher-Finch, Harris Usher
mother and father
by Carol Courtney and family

Patrick Rodrigue (My Brother)
by Kathy Rodrigue

My Husband, Wayne
by Colleen McNally



Mary, Ray, and Pat
by Donna Hancock

Annaleigh
by Sam and family

Leanna Valasakos
by Leanne Childs

Shirley Marie Moore
Our Parents
by Rev. Doug Moore

Ferry and Connie Rowsell
Charlene Conkey
by Kathi Austin

Bryan and Edna Blair
by Peter Blair

Geoffrey Lawrence, my Husband
Died March 16, 2022
by Dorothy Lawrence

The Hon. D. William Dandie
Died February 18, 2024
by Betty Murdoch

Bryan and Edna Blair
by Peter Blair

Frank Whitehead, my beloved Husband
by Marjorie Whitehead

Evelyn & Eileen Burris
Eileen & Jack McLean,
Ian & Evelyn Campbell

Julie and Larry Martin, Fred Clarkson
Aunt Kay, Aunt Molly
Mr. and Mrs. Dyna, Violet

Pam & Gordy Carey
Wendy and Bob Southall


Barb Lawrence, Josie and Tibor Chontos
Kay Southall, Grandma Imrie
Stella Naves, my best friend.
by Elizabeth Chontos and Family

Welcome and Announcements

God Gathers Us Together

Call to Worship

The Lord be with you! And also with you!

 *Mark 11:1-11 (New Testament, page 47)*

The Gospel of Christ. Praise to you, O Christ!

Palm Parade Hymn

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Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

A Socially Distanced Palm Parade as we all sing, then return to your pew!

1. **Hosanna, loud hosanna the happy children sang; through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang; to Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to his breast, the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.**
2. **From Olivet they followed 'mid an exultant crowd, the victory palm branch waving, and singing clear and loud; the Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, content that little children should on his bidding wait.**
3. **'Hosanna in the highest!' That ancient song we sing, for Christ is our Redeemer; earth, let your anthems ring. O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, and in his humble presence eternally rejoice!**


Prayer of Approach and Confession *(Unison)*

God, we pray, asking you to save us! But you help us before we know enough to ask for help!

We confess: No matter how hard we try; we fall asleep when we should stay awake. We imagine so much that is good; but accomplish a great deal less. Fear, jealousy, and violence betray us.

Hosanna! Save us, we pray! In Christ, fulfill the Scripture! By your Spirit, call us again to love and forgive, even after the third time. Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace

 *Psalm 31, Mark 11, Philippians 2*

For Jesus, equality with God wasn't something to exploit.

Jesus set that aside; became like us; died for our sins.

If we turn, God helps us, and there is no shame or guilt.

Hosanna! Save us, we pray! Bless the one God has sent!

Anthem

The Laidlaw Music Project

Gethsemane

Words: Rob Little **Music:** David Catherwood

We Hear God's Word

Children and Youth may gather at the front, or by your screen!

Youth and Scripture

 *Philippians 2:5*

How to Be Powerful

Young People Praying

Young People Singing

no. 22 in *Joyful Noise*

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

Words and Music: African American Spiritual


1. **Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart, in-a my heart;**
Lord I want to be a Christian in-a my heart. In-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord I want to be a Christian, in-a my heart.
2. **...to be more loving...**
3. **...to be more holy...**
4. **...to be like Jesus...**

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The Lord's Prayer

There are colouring pages and puzzles at the back, and in the Bulletin, there is Sunday School Class with Drew too!

Lesson from the Hebrew Scriptures

 *Isaiah 50:4-9a (Old Testament, page 681)*

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!




 Psalm 31:9-16

1. Be gracious unto me, O my LORD, for I am distressed, my eyes now burn in grief;
My soul, my body now wastes in deep grief, my life is sorrow; my years are a sigh!
2. My strength now fails from my miseries, my bones are all thin, my enemies all scorn;
my life is horror to all my neighbours, all dread and flee from me when they see me!
3. I've passed from mind, like one who is dead, I am like a pot that's broken—good as gone.
I hear the whispering, feel the terror, they scheme against me, and plot my death too.
4. But I will trust in you, O my LORD, For you are my God, my times are in your hands;
Deliver me from the hands of my foes, Let your face shine, save me in steadfast love!


Adapted from the Scripture and set in metre by Rev. Doug Moore

Lesson from the New Testament Letters

 Philippians 2:5-11 (New Testament, page 197)

This is the Witness of the Church! Thanks be to God!

Lesson from the Gospel

 Mark 14:26-50 (New Testament, page 52)

The Gospel of Christ. Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Watch With Me This Hour

Gospel Hymn

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Awake, O Sleeper

1. Awake, O sleeper, rise from death, and Christ shall give you light;
so learn his love, its length and breadth, its fullness, depth, and height.
2. To us on earth he came to bring from sin and fear release,
to give the Spirit's unity, the very bond of peace.
3. There is one body and one hope, one Spirit and one call,
one Lord, one faith, and one baptism, one God who made us all.
4. Then walk in love as Christ has loved, who died that he might save;
with kind and gentle hearts forgive as God in Christ forgave.
5. For us Christ lived, for us he died, and conquered in the strife.
Awake, arise, go forth in faith, and Christ shall give you life.

We Respond to God's Word

The Prayers of the People

Invitation to Christian Life and Generosity

Offertory

The Laidlaw Music Project

Lean on Me

Words and Music: Bill Withers

Doxology

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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.

Prayer of Dedication

In Jesus' Name We Go to Serve

Closing Hymn

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Were You There?

1. Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
3. Were you there when the sun refused to shine? Were you there when the sun refused to shine?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when the sun refused to shine?
4. Were you there when they pierced him in the side? Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
5. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Benediction and Commissioning

Sharing the Peace of Christ

A hand-drawn illustration of a wooden bowl filled with dumplings. Two purple fish-shaped dumplings are on the left, and five yellow round dumplings are on the right. The bowl is made of wood with visible grain.



Easter Worship

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Wednesday Gathering **Wednesday, March 27, 2024, 9:30 a.m. till noon!** Join in crafts, conversation, coffee, and any project you can think up!

GREEN VENTURE LAIDLAW GARDEN PRESENTATION Thursday, March 28, 2024, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Laidlaw. Refreshments will be served! Come and learn about the plans for new Gardens around Laidlaw Church, and what you can do to help make it all happen! We will need help to serve refreshments, and donations of baked goods for the evening would be amazing and much appreciated!

THE LAIDLAW MUSIC PROJECT— will take a break Easter Sunday—we have hot cross bun breakfast! We will resume Sunday, April 7, 2024, at 9:45 a.m. The Music Project has evolved! We are rehearsing Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. We hope this will allow more people to join us both regularly, and occasionally. *Everyone is welcome, young, and not as young people are welcome—bring your instrument!*

Worship at Laidlaw—Easter Celebration, Sunday, March 31, 2024, 11 a.m. ...seeking Easter... Join us every Sunday in person, or catch the service by Livestream, **Bring the children to Church!**—there is a class for the children every Sunday, and Coffee Hour at 10 a.m. and after Worship (coffee hour is suspended on Easter Sunday—so we can get home for dinner!) with games in the gym! Invite a friend!

Easter Services

Sunday, March 31, 2024: *HOT CROSS BUNS* and Coffee at 10 a.m.

There will not be a coffee hour after service Easter Sunday!

BINGO! Saturday, April 13, 2024, doors open at noon, Bingo at 1:00 p.m. Lunch will be available! Join us! There has been an adjustment to Bingo pricing, \$7 for 10 regular games (three cards per sheet) for a \$10 prize, and two 50/50 games, the first for \$1, the second for \$2.

Concert: Myke Hutchings—Half Alive for Half a Century Saturday, April 20, 2024, 7 p.m. Tickets are \$20 each, see the poster online!

SEW Hungry at Laidlaw: Pulled Pork! Saturday, May 11, 2024, 10 a.m. till sellout! Pulled Pork Sandwich and Cole Slaw, drink included, \$10 per person. For Sale from the Church Kitchen downstairs, tables inside and out, check out the Marketplace while your have your lunch at Sew Hungry!

SEW Hungry Community Market Place at Laidlaw – Table Sale—Saturday May 11, 2023, Rent a table for \$35.00, bring and sell your stuff, buy other people's stuff, keep the money! If you would like a table, go to the 'Community' tab on the church website—***book your table soon!***

Penny Sale—Saturday May 25, 2024—please keep an eye out for prizes for the penny and raffle tables, and the kid's table—your donations make the difference! We need 75 Penny Prizes valued between \$15 and \$20, and 25 raffle prizes valued at \$25 and up! Gift Cards are always a hit—please give donations of gift cards to Kathy Rodrigue! New items only (that's a rule under our License from the City of Hamilton)! We will need lots of baking for the bake table, your donations are appreciated! Thanks!

A New Venture with Green Venture! We are happy to announce that Laidlaw Church has been chosen as a site for a community garden, in cooperation with Green Venture! It began with the garden along the back fence, and plans are now being drawn up to make permanent improvements to facilitate a community garden at Laidlaw, with the cost being granted through Green Venture. We will need volunteers to help build and then help tend the new gardens. The plan calls for the gardens to be installed by June of this year! If you are interested to know more or help out, speak to Rev. Doug!

We appreciate help! help with supplies... thanks for all your donations! **The coffee, tea and cookies are low again!**

Speak to Carol or Kathi if you'd like to provide something baked for coffee hour—celebratory cakes are welcomed!

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS? *We have Tablet Computers, for those who need large print!*

Donation Box for Wesley Centre! Hygiene products, towels, soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, etc, needed!

Book Corner—\$1 hardcovers, 50¢ softcovers, 25¢ magazines, children's books—new additions regularly!

Change for Lent Coin Boxes Coin boxes are at the back today!

Offerings and Donations to Laidlaw Memorial United Church, 155 Ottawa Street North, Hamilton, Ontario, L8H 3Z2 can be made by mail, Electronic donations can be made through Canada Helps, go to laidlawchurch.ca and click the "Donation" button (*a form will pop up on our website, and allow you to make the donation without leaving the Laidlaw Website!*); or by Interac E-transfer, use the church email address, laidlawuc@bellnet.ca (we have set this up for automatic deposit—no password needed)! This is a great time to go on PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance)! Call Keith Greeniaus at 289 941 3654 if you would like to go on PAR, or have a set of offering envelopes. *Please note: Offerings through 'Canada Helps' are receipted separately by Canada Helps.*

WEBSITE: www.laidlawchurch.ca works on computer, phone, tablet—The Sunday Bulletin is there!

BUDGET NEWS! The goal in 2024 is balance our budget for 2024, and 'catch up' the unfunded deficit of \$6,588.25 from 2023. The Wheelchair Lifts are now paid for in full. We continue to live 'hand to mouth'. Regular giving is critical to ensuring cash flow to meet expenses! The Penny Sale proceeds will be needed to meet annual insurance costs that come due June 1. We appreciate everyone doing what they can to help us meet the challenge of the new year! **You can help us in several ways. Participate and promote fundraising events at Laidlaw. Helping with donations for events is a great help. Encourage people to come with you to Bingo, Penny Sales, Movie Nights, Concerts, and Sunday Worship. Consider increasing or starting a regular monthly gift for the General Fund at Laidlaw by PAR (speak to Keith Greeniaus). Inflation has affected us all, and our church too. Please consider an increase in your offerings to Laidlaw. Sincere thanks to everyone for their generosity!**

Offering Envelopes for 2024 are available! If you would like Envelopes and don't have a set, Contact Keith Greeniaus at 905 312 4945. Please note: Offerings through 'Canada Helps' are receipted immediately, by Canada Helps.

Accessible Entrance: The lifts have been TSSA inspected and passed. Laidlaw is now, officially, accessible, the lifts are available to the general public! Please see Rev. Doug if you would like to use one of the lifts, for safety and training purposes. Rev. Doug would love to do some training with people needing to use the lifts!

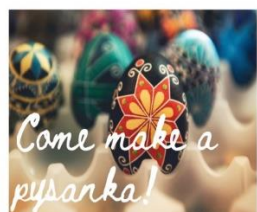
EASTER WORSHIP
at Laidlaw Memorial United

Palm Sunday Parade
SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024, 11:00 A.M.
"Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024, 11:00 A.M. The parade will start at 10:30 A.M. and will end at 11:00 A.M. The parade will be held on the main street of the church grounds." (Note: The parade will be held on the main street of the church grounds.)

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE
FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2024, 11:00 A.M.
"The service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, March 29, 2024. The service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, March 29, 2024. The service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, March 29, 2024." (Note: The service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, March 29, 2024.)

EASTER COFFEE & HOT CROSS BUNS
SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024, 10:00 A.M.
"The service will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Sunday, March 31, 2024. The service will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Sunday, March 31, 2024. The service will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Sunday, March 31, 2024." (Note: The service will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Sunday, March 31, 2024.)

EASTER SUNDAY COMMUNION
SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024, 11:00 A.M.
"The service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Sunday, March 31, 2024. The service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Sunday, March 31, 2024. The service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Sunday, March 31, 2024." (Note: The service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Sunday, March 31, 2024.)



Learn to write a Ukrainian Easter egg
Date: Sunday, March 24
Time: 4:30-9:30pm
Location: Laidlaw United Church
Registration: \$5-15
Space is Limited!
Register in advance:
lara.debeyer@gmail.com
This event is BYO Egg!
All other materials provided.

JOIN THE
LAIDLAW UNITED CHURCH
COMMUNITY PLANNING
WORKSHOP

Let us know what you want to see at our next community greening site on Ottawa St

28 MARCH 2024
6 PM - 7 PM
Laidlaw United Church
155 Ottawa Street North

• Refreshments will be provided.
• Kids activities available.

SCAN HERE TO RSVP

Green Venture

LAIDLAW MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH
AT THE CORNER OF CANNON AND OTTAWA STREETS

BINGO

Saturday, January 13, 2024
Saturday, February 10, 2024
Saturday, March 9, 2024
Saturday, April 13, 2024
Saturday, May 4, 2024
Saturday, June 15, 2024

Doors Open at 12:00 p.m.
Bingo starts at 1:00 p.m.
Lunch and Refreshments Available
Cash Prizes, Two 50/50 Games
Family Friendly Area and Adult Friendly Area
Children must be accompanied by a guardian at least 18 years old
Held under Ontario Lottery License

SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH 2024 @ 7 PM
MYKE HUTCHINGS
HALF ALIVE FOR HALF A CENTURY

LAIDLAW MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH
155 OTTAWA ST. N. HAMILTON, ON

\$20.00
TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR
PARKING SPOTS AND PARKING PERMITS AVAILABLE

Laidlaw Memorial United Church
A Reunion in East Hamilton since 1912

Sew HUNGRY

AT LAIDLAW CHURCH
Saturday, May 11, 2024
Inside or Outside, depends on the weather!

10:00 A.M. TILL SELL OUT!
PULLED PORK AND COLE SLAW, WATER, POP, TEA OR COFFEE

\$10.00 PER PERSON

TABLES & CHAIRS INSIDE AND OUT!
JOIN US FOR THE COMMUNITY MARKETPLACE!
BROUGHT TO YOU BY LAIDLAW UNITED CHURCH WOMEN
PROCEEDS TO LAIDLAW CHURCH ACTIVITIES!

community marketplace

At Laidlaw Church
At the corner of Ottawa and Cannon Streets
In the Ottawa Street Shopping District
www.laidlawchurch.ca

SEW Hungry on Ottawa Street Sale
Saturday, May 11, 2024

Welcome to Fall Sale
Saturday, September 14, 2024
10:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m.
FREE ADMISSION—Free Parking!

Refreshments and Lunch Available
Local Arts, Crafts, Makers and Vendors
Gathered at Laidlaw for your Shopping Convenience
Support your Local Artisans!

To Rent a Table, or for more information
go to www.laidlawchurch.ca—there's a fillable form
or Contact the church office, 905 544 8536

Laidlaw Memorial United Church
A Reunion in East Hamilton since 1912
at the Corner of Cannon and Ottawa Streets

Penny Sale Prize Raffle, Half & Half Raffle, Bake Sale
Saturday, May 25, 2024
at 12 noon

Draws begin at 2 p.m.
There is something for everyone!
Great Penny Sale and Raffle Items
Scrumptious Home Baking!

Come in Time for LUNCH!
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
(with the children's table—a prize for every child!)

The Triumphal Entry

Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, "Hosanna!"
"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" Mark 11:9 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Mark 11:1-11



L W T F I F Z S B L E S S E D
Z V R B S Z K P N N B A P R V
H E G P W D H R T Q R C Z J Y
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