



Laidlaw Memorial United Church

Celebrating our 114th Year—1912-2026

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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

The Day of Pentecost

We Celebrate the Sacrament of Communion

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

Sunday, May 24, 2026, at 11:00 a.m.

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Ministers: *All who follow Jesus Christ!*

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

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

Welcome and Announcements

God Gathers Us Together

Chimes and Candles Call Call to Worship

📖 Acts 2, First Corinthians 12

The Lord be with you! And, also, with you!
The Risen Christ calls us to be bound together in faith, hope, and love!
God's Spirit is given to each of us, for the common good!
Rejoicing in God, we seek the variety of gifts given by the Holy Spirit!
Let everyone seek God's help—God will help all who seek God!

Hymn of Praise

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I Feel the Winds of God Today

1. I feel the winds of God today; today my sail I lift, though heavy oft with drenching spray and torn with many a rift; if hope but light the water's crest, and Christ my bark will use, I'll seek the seas at his behest, and brave another cruise.
2. It is the wind of God that dries my vain regretful tears, until with braver thoughts shall rise the purer, brighter years; if cast on shores of selfish ease or pleasure I should be, O let me feel your freshening breeze, and I'll put back to sea.
3. If ever I forget your love and how that love was shown, lift high the blood-red flag above; it bears your name alone. Great pilot of my onward way, you will not let me drift. I feel the winds of God today; today my sail I lift.

Prayer of Approach *(Unison)*

LORD God, this is the day you fulfill your promise—your Holy Spirit poured out on each and all! We're amazed and confused by what you're doing in the world—calm our anxieties. Teach us to trust the leading of your Spirit. Show us the common good, that we may work toward it together in peace! We rejoice that you pour out your Spirit on each and all, giving us new lives! As we follow Jesus, show us what is good for everyone. Let your Spirit put cheer and courage in our hearts! Amen.

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Invitation to the Table

Anthem

Come Share the Lord

Words and Music: Bryan Jeffery Leech Arranger: Roland Bell

Greeting

The Lord be with you! And Also with you!
Lift up your hearts! We lift them up to the Lord!
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God! It is right to give God thanks and praise!

Words of Institution for the Bread and Wine

Great Thanksgiving Prayer

Creator God, we give you joyful praise! You created us with the ability to fill the world with grace and joy! Your Holy Spirit calls us to embrace joy and peace. We are, sometimes, proud, and selfish, forgetting that our skills and talents are for the common good. Call us back to the common good that brings the common joy.

We thank you for Jesus! In the light of Jesus, we see your love at work in this world, forgiving, healing, setting free. Jesus teaches us that we are all your children. Jesus told us that we will do great things, if we act in love with joyful hearts.

*We share this bread and wine. In remembering Jesus' body and blood, you strengthen our hearts to welcome each other, and our various gifts, in Holy Communion with you, and each other. When we call on you, you redeem our lives, and the life of your creation! **נא יהוה שׁעֵרָה** Save us, we pray!*

*We wait as you pour out your Holy Spirit. By water, wind and fire, your Spirit, dries our tears and quickens our pulse. Kindle the fire of loving and serving one another with joyful hearts. With visions and dreams, heal those who are sick, help those who are troubled, and comfort those who mourn. Show us the joy and peace you intend! **Μαράνα θά!** Come quickly, Lord Jesus!*

We give you our highest praise! Confirm our trust in you by the presence of your Spirit in each and all of us. All praise and glory belongs to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord, now and forever, Amen.

Please hold your communion until everyone is served. We will partake together.

The Lord's Prayer

We Hear God's Word

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

📖 Acts 2:17



Youth and Scripture

Young People Praying Young People Singing

We All Breathe the Same Air!

no. 9 in *All God's Children Sing*

You Got to Move When the Spirit Says Move

Words and Music: *Traditional American*

1. **You got to move when the Spirit says move! You got to move when the spirit says move!**
‘Cause when the Spirit says move, you got to move, O Yeah! You got to move when the Spirit says move.
2. **You got to love when the Spirit says love! ...**
3. **You got to sing when the Spirit says sing! ...**
4. **You got to pray when the Spirit says pray! ...**
5. **You got to live when the Spirit says live! ...**

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Children are welcome to go upstairs with Drew for Sunday Bible Lessons, there are colouring pages and puzzles in the Quiet Room

Lesson from the Acts of the Apostles

📖 Acts 2:1-21 (New Testament, page 119)

This is the witness of the Church. Thanks be to God!

Psalm Response

Tune: MELCOMBE L.M. *moderate*

📖 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

1. **O LORD, how manifold your works! In wisdom you have made them all!**
The earth is full of those you've made, in seas, on land things small and great!
2. **The ships sail where Leviathan plays, both look to you for all their food!**
When you give food, they gather up, your open hand provides good things!
3. **But when you hide, they are dismayed, without your breath, they turn to dust!**
When you send forth your Spirit's power; creation's new, the dust alive!
4. **Forever let God's glory shine! May God rejoice in all God's works!**
Earth trembles when God casts a glance! God touches mountains; and they smoke!
5. **I'll sing to God my whole life long! I'll sing God's praise while I endure!**
May joyful praise please God this day! O my soul, bless the LORD, our God!

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

Lesson from the New Testament Letters

📖 First Corinthians 12:3b-13 (New Testament, page 174)

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Lesson from the Gospel

📖 John 7:37-39 (New Testament, page 100)

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

Sermon

Good for Everything

Gospel Hymn

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

1. **Make me a channel of your peace: where there is hatred, let me bring your love;**
where there is injury, your healing power, and where there's doubt, true faith in you:
2. **Make me a channel of your peace: where there's despair in life, let me bring hope;**
where there is darkness, only light; and where there's sadness, ever joy.
O Spirit, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.
3. **Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,**
in giving to all that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

We Respond to God's Word

Prayers of the People

Invitation to Christian Life and Generosity

Offertory

Spirit in the Sky

Words and Music: *Norman Greenbaum*

Doxology

57 in Songs for a Gospel People, vs. 1-2

1. Of all the Spirit's gifts to me, I pray that I may never cease To take and treasure most these three: love, joy and peace.
2. God shows me love is at the root of every gift sent from above, of every flower of every fruit, that God is love.

Dedication Prayer

In Jesus' Name We Go to Serve

Closing Hymn

In the Garden

(no. 23 in Songs of the Gospel)

1. I come to the garden alone, While the dew is still on the roses;
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear, The Son of God discloses.
*Chorus: And He walks with me, and He talks with me, And He tells me I am His own,
And the joy we share as we tarry there, None other has ever known.*
2. He speaks, and the sound of His voice Is so sweet the birds hush their singing;
And the melody that He gave to me, Within my heart is ringing.
3. I'd stay in the garden with Him Though the night around me be falling,
But He bids me go; through the voice of woe, His voice to me is calling.

Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Response

Go now in peace, go now in peace. May the love of God surround you, Everywhere, everywhere you may go.

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Sharing the Peace of Christ

The Peace of Christ be with you! And also with you!

Join us for Coffee Hour!

At 10 a.m. before worship And Also:
After Worship Coffee and Games in the Gym!
Join us for Wii and Games in the gym and conversations!

Everyone is Welcome!

*Celebratory Cakes are always welcomed at Coffee Hour!
If someone you love or admire needs a celebration, bring a cake!*



Announcements

OFFICE HOURS: Regular Office Hours for Rev. Doug are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays, 9 a.m. till noon! Rev. Doug is 'on call', so, if there is a need for pastoral care anytime, call 905 547 2021! Coffee is on during office hours; you are always welcome to come by! We appreciate lots of help! Rev. Doug, now officially 'half time' will consider Mondays and Fridays a 'day off'. You may always call if there is an urgent need!

Meeting at Laidlaw: Phoenix AA (Wed 7 p.m.), Al Anon (Thurs 10 a.m.) and Narc Anon (Thurs noon)

This Week at Laidlaw

TODAY: Canadian Orpheus Male Choir presents Great Canadian Folk Songs, with special guests, the Alexia Castiglione Jazz Trio, Sunday, May 24, 2026, at 3 p.m. at Laidlaw Church. Tickets are \$30 at the door! Everyone is welcome!

Office Hours! Tuesday, May 26, 2026, 9 a.m. till noon, coffee will be on, help is appreciated!

Wednesday Office Hours! Wednesday, May 27, 2026, 9 a.m. till noon! Coffee is on, help is welcomed!

Thursday Office hours! Thursday, May 28, 2026, 9 a.m. till noon! We will get the bulletin and church ready for Sunday, as well as set up for the Penny Sale this Saturday!

PENNY SALE at Laidlaw, Saturday May 30, 2026—we have the prizes we need for this sale, if you have prizes, we will put them toward the September Penny Sale! *We will need baking for the sale—your donations are appreciated!*

Doors open at noon. Draws will take place at 2 p.m. Winners must be present at the draws! There will be a Penny Table with 75 prizes, a Raffle Table with 25 big prizes, and a Half and Half Draw. A children's table ensures a prize for every child, there will be a Bake Table by the Women of Laidlaw, and our famous Laidlaw Food Table! Join us for lunch, bring a friend! Your donations are appreciated! Please give gift cards to Kathy Rodrigue! New items only (a rule under our License!) Penny prizes \$15-25; Raffle Prizes \$35 and up. Thanks! **Thanks for your support!**

Worship With Us at Laidlaw—TRINITY SUNDAY, Sunday, May 31, 2026, at 11 a.m. "The Joy of Creation" Steve McRae is at the keyboards. Bring the children to Church! —there are activities for the children every Sunday. Join us for Coffee Hour before worship at 10 a.m., and after worship, with games in the gym! **Livestream at** <https://youtube.com/live/a8CeMD1T1x0>

Upcoming Events

The 'The Women of Laidlaw' will gather in June! Date to be announced! The plan is to have an annual day out!
RECITAL SEASON AT LAIDLAW: *East Hamilton Strings, May 31; Long and McQuade, June 5,6; Lara DeBeyer, June 13; Nicole Christian, June 20; The Music Stand June 27!* You are always welcome to listen in!
Rhyme, Rhythm & Reason the open mic for writers...all writers! Thursday, June 4, 2026, 7-9 p.m. at Laidlaw! Do you write songs, poetry, stories, fiction, pretty much anything? This is your open mic! And if you would like to just listen—it's a great night for that too! Refreshments available at modest prices! For more info, email anyamodel@yahoo.ca
BINGO! Saturday, June 13, 2026, doors open at noon, Bingo at 1:00 p.m. Lunch will be available! Join us! **Bigger Prizes!** 10 games for \$10, with a \$20 prize, two half and half specials, the first for \$2, the second for \$3. Children are welcome to play if they have a parent or guardian with them!
FAMILY FRIENDLY MOVIE NIGHT, Paramount Studios 'SMURFS' Friday, June 19, 2026, doors open at 6 p.m., movie starts 6:30 p.m. Wii, food and drink for sale—and POPCORN! —Fun for all—bring your family!

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Accessible Entrance: Please see Rev. Doug if you would like to use one of the lifts, for safety and training purposes.
We appreciate help! with supplies... **We need regular coffee for Coffee Hour and weekdays!** We need flour, Tenderflake Lard for baking, thanks! Speak to Carol or Kathi if you'd like to help with these fundraising efforts!
Book Korner—\$1 hardcovers, 50¢ softcovers, 25¢ magazines, children's books, there are DVDs, they are \$1 each!
LARGE PRINT BULLETINS? **We have Tablet Computers, for those who need large print!**
Donation Box for Wesley Centre, etc.! Rose McGowan is making 'kindness kits' for men and women experiencing housing and health issues. Hygiene products, towels, soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, etc., are needed!
The Women of Laidlaw make meat pies and shepherd's pies. Ask about the next batch, and get yours! Meat Pies are \$7 each, Shepherd's Pies are \$8 each! A great meal at a great price! Speak to Nancy Scacchi!
OFFERING ENVELOPES for 2026 are at the back of the church today, please pick yours up! If you would like to have offering Envelopes for 2026, we are happy to provide you with a set—speak to Rev. Doug!
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 auto deposit, no password needed)! Call the Church Office at 905 544 6536 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.***
BUDGET NEWS! We are truly blessed by the generosity of our members and friends, and the good people who attend events and fundraisers at Laidlaw. ***Donations to the general fund are a great help,*** from those in person, and online! We appreciate everyone doing what they can to help us meet the challenge! **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 (call the Church Office at 905 544 6536). ***We deeply appreciate when those who are gathering with us online also make a donation to help keep the Laidlaw Beacon shining!*** Sincere thanks to everyone for their generosity! If you would like Envelopes and don't have a set, call the Church Office at 905 544 6536.
GRANT PROGRESS: A Grant from the Ontario Anti-Hate Program has been confirmed for this season! We will continue to improve the security at the church, including replacing the rest of the window coverings, as well as a new camera monitor in the church hall for those waiting for a ride! We are grateful for this help from the Ontario Government! **Presbytery Mission Council** is helping to create the '**Artword Studio at Laidlaw**' *The studio is ready now—we are looking forward to welcoming events in the space in 2026!*



Filled with the Holy Spirit

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Acts 2:4 (NIV)

Based on Acts 2:1-21 (NIV)



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