



# Laidlaw Memorial United Church

Celebrating our 114<sup>th</sup> 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

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## Summer Sundays at Laidlaw

Air Conditioned and Prayer Conditioned

### The Second Sunday after Epiphany

“That Grace Might Abound”

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

Sunday, June 7, 2026, at 11:00 a.m.

Livestream Starts at 10:55 a.m.

Livestream URL: <https://youtube.com/live/oEPFOSBtFW0>

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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!



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If you are online or in Person, 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](http://www.laidlawchurch.ca) Thank you for your support!

Ministers: All who follow Jesus Christ!

At the Keyboards Today: Olivia Brown

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

📖 *Matthew 10, Genesis 21*

*The Lord be with you! And, also, with you!*

*Isn't it true that two sparrows are sold for a penny? Yet not one falls to the ground without God noticing!*

*God will show us a well of water in a dry place! God will help us. God knows and cares for all of us!*

#### Hymn of Praise

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##### *Amazing Grace*

- 1 **Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.**
- 2 **'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.**
- 3 **Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;  
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.**
- 4 **The Lord has promised good to me, this word my hope secures;  
God will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.**
- 5 **When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.**

#### Prayer of Approach *(Unison)*

**God, you love us. Your help gives us hope. You guide us, showing us where there is water in the dry places!  
Lead us to water, God. Show us a path that will transform all our lives for the better. Help us overcome injustice  
that embitters us; and fear and despair that make us resist seeing the possibility of grace, peace, and joy.  
God, show us where we can see your love working to redeem our lives. In Jesus, show us the possibilities of love,  
justice, and joy. By the power of your Spirit, make us new creatures who live in joy and hope, Amen!**

#### Anthem

##### *Deliver Me*

Words and Music: *Traditional Gospel Song, Arranger: Mary Val Marsh*

#### **We Hear God's Word**

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

#### Youth and Scripture

📖 *Matthew 10:29*

Jesus Said that God's a Bird Watcher

#### Young People Praying Young People Singing

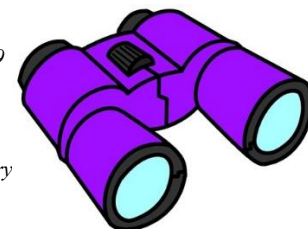
no. 588 in *The Hymnary*

##### *God Sees the Little Sparrow Fall*

Words: *Maria Strabu 1874* Music: *S. W. Straub*

1. **God sees the little sparrow fall, It meets God's tender view;  
If God so loves the little birds, I know God loves me, too.**
- Refrain:* **God loves me, too, God loves me, too, I know God loves me, too;  
because God loves the little things, I know God loves me, too.**
2. **God paints the lily of the field, Perfumes each lily bell;  
If God so loves the little flow'rs, I know God loves me well.**
  3. **God made the little birds and flow'rs, and all things large and small;  
God won't forget his little ones, I know God loves them all.**

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#### The Lord's Prayer *(unison)*

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 Hebrew Scriptures

📖 *Genesis 21:8-21 (Old Testament, page 17)*

*This is the Word of the LORD. Thanks be to God!*

#### Psalm Response

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##### 📖 *Psalm 86:1-11, 16-17*

1. **O LORD, bend your ear and hear me, for I'm poor and full of need.  
Save my life; I trust in you, God! Give me strength to serve you still!**
2. **You're my God, be gracious to me; LORD to you I cry all day!  
Make my heart glad, lift my soul, God; you are good, forgive my sins!**

3. You abound in love that's steadfast to all those who call on you!  
O LORD, give ear to my prayer now, listen when I cry for help!
4. In my troubles I will seek you. You help like no other god!  
You do great and wondrous deeds, God! All the nations praise your name!
5. You are great! Your works are wondrous! You alone are God, the LORD!  
Turn to me, favour your servant; let them see my God who helps!


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

### Lesson from the New Testament Letters

 *Romans 6:1b-4 (New Testament, page 156)*

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

### Lesson from the Gospel

 *Matthew 10:24-39 (New Testament, page 10)*

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

### Sermon

**That Grace Might Abound!**

### Gospel Hymn

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*O Love that Wilt Not Let Me Go*

1. O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.
2. O Light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee;  
my heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter, fairer be.
3. O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain that morn shall tearless be.
4. O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust  
life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red life that shall endless be.

**We Respond to God's Word**

### Prayers of the People

#### Invitation to Christian Life and Generosity

#### Offertory

*I'm On My Way*

Words and Music: Graig and Charles Reid

### 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

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*Shall We Gather at the River*

1. Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod;  
with its crystal tide for ever flowing by the throne of God?  
*Refrain: Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;  
gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.*
2. Ere we reach the shining river, lay we every burden down;  
grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. *refrain*
3. Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease,  
soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. *refrain*

### Commissioning and Benediction

#### Choral Response

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

#### 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

**Office Hours!** Tuesday, June 9, 2026, 9 a.m. till noon, coffee will be on, help is appreciated!—Rev. Doug will be late to the office Tuesday morning, about 10 a.m.

**Wednesday Office Hours!** Wednesday, June 10, 2026, 9 a.m. till noon! Coffee is on, help is welcomed!

**Thursday Office hours!** Thursday, June 11, 2026, 9 a.m. till noon! We will get the bulletin and church ready for Sunday, enjoy coffee together, and get the church ready for bingo on Saturday!

**Rhyme, Rhythm & Reason the open mic for writers...all writers!** Thursday, June 11, 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](mailto: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!

**RECITAL:** Saturday, June 13, 2026, after Bingo at 4 p.m. With Lara DeBeyer's students!

**Worship With Us at Laidlaw—THIRD SUNDAY after PENTECOST, Sunday, June 14, 2026, at 11 a.m.** "Ask for Help!" 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/wC5Sw9o2D3s>

### 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:** Nicole Christian, June 20; The Music Stand June 27! You're welcome to listen in!

**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!

**The 'The Women of Laidlaw' will gather for Lunch Out on Monday June 22, 2026 at noon!** Location to be announced!

**POPU LUNCH:** Sunday, June 28, 2026, after Worship—like a picnic! Plan to join us for Lunch!

**LAIDLAW CHURCH COUNCIL meets** Sunday, June 28, 2026, after popup lunch in the Stu Hamilton Room! Our last Council meeting before the summer break!

### 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 \$10 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](http://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](mailto: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!*



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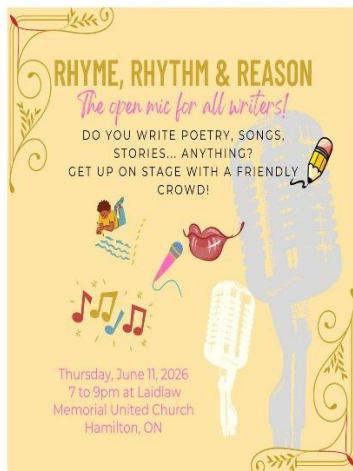
You are welcome to Join us for  
**Summer Sundays**  
At Laidlaw Church

We're open every Sunday for Worship  
In June, July and August—and online too!

 **Air Conditioned**  
and Prayer Conditioned 

Activities for Children every Sunday  
Coffee Hour Before and After Worship  
Games in the Gym after Worship

Join us for  
**Sundae Sunday July 19**  
Join us for  
**Christmas in August, August 23**



**RHYME, RHYTHM & REASON**  
*The open mic for all writers!*

DO YOU WRITE POETRY, SONGS,  
STORIES... ANYTHING?  
GET UP ON STAGE WITH A FRIENDLY  
CROWD!

Thursday, June 11, 2026  
7 to 9pm at Laidlaw  
Memorial United Church  
Hamilton, ON



Laidlaw Memorial United Church  
AT THE CORNER OF CANNON AND OTTAWA STREETS

**BINGO** 

Saturday, January 17, 2026  
Saturday, February 7, 2026  
Saturday, March 14, 2026  
Saturday, April 11, 2026  
Saturday, May 16, 2026  
Saturday, June 13, 2026

Doors Open at 12:00 p.m.  
Bingo starts at 1:00 p.m.  
Lunch and Refreshments Available  
**NEW, IMPROVED PRIZES!**  
\$10 for Ten 3up Sheets, \$20 Cash Prize per game.  
Two 50/50 3up Games, \$2 and \$3 to play.  
Cash Prize is half of game sheet sales.  
Family Friendly Area and Adult Friendly Area  
Children must be accompanied by a guardian at least 18 years old  
Held under Ontario Lottery License



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**Movie Night at Laidlaw Church**



**Friday, June 19, 2026**  
DOORS OPEN AT 6 P.M. MOVIE STARTS 6:30 P.M.  
NOTE: NEW, FAMILY FRIENDLY START TIME!

**Free Admission**

POPCORN, HOTDOGS, CHILI, NACHOS, PIZZA AND DRINKS  
WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE!  
AN ALL AGES EVENING OF FUN (RATED PG)  
Brought to you by the Young People at Laidlaw  
Shown under Church Video License—its all legal!



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**Penny Sale,  
Prize Raffle,  
Half and Half Draw  
Bake Sale**

**Saturday,  
September 26, 2026**  
Ottawa Street Sale Day  
Doors Open at 12 noon  
Draws begin at 2 p.m.

There is something for everyone!  
Great Penny Sale Items  
and Scrumptious Home Baking!

**Come in Time for LUNCH!**

# You Are Precious in His Sight

So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows. Matthew 10:31 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 10:24-39 (NIV)



God Cares for You

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