Order of Worship Sunday February 14, 2021 Transfiguration



God Invites Us to Gather

Prelude Blessings L. M. Story

Welcome & Announcements

Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that our church is on the Treaty Lands and Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit. For thousands of years the first peoples gathered, loved, celebrated, created, and overcame great obstacles on this land. We give thanks that we can create community here too and pray that the communities we create will be spaces of peace and respect for all.

Call to Worship

Lord, you have called us to the mountaintop.

Help us to look forward to where you would have us go.

Help us to listen carefully to the words of your healing love.

Open our hearts and spirits to receive your encouragement and your hope.

Place your trust in the Lord in all your ways.

Lord, we have come here to give our lives to you. AMEN.

Prayer or Approach and Lord's Prayer

Hymn 104 We Have Come At Christ's Own Bidding Voices United

Prayer of Confession

Forgive us, Lord, when we are stubborn and willful. Remind us that you are with us, wherever we are. You call us from the mountaintop to go to the valley where there is struggle and pain; where healing is needed.

Prepare us, Lord, for the journey.

Help us to listen to you. Heal us, Lord.

For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

Assurance of Pardon

Get up and do not be afraid. Listen to Jesus. He will guide and care for you. And having forgiven us, and offered new life, He will help you find your way. Thank be to God.

Boomer Band

Better Is One Day

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson Matthew 17:1-9

Sermon Everything Under the Sun Rev. Jessica McCrae

Hymn 102 Jesus On The Mountain Peak Voices United

Our Response to God

Prayers of the People

Hymn **258** O World of God Voices United

Blessing and Benediction

Postlude Be Thou My Vision Irish Melody

We warmly welcome Robin Dalgleish as guest musician!



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Announcements

Study Group for Lent - Rev. Jessica will be doing another study group by Zoom for Lent on **March 1**, **March 15**, and **March 29** at 7 pm. We will be exploring the stories of the Temptation of Jesus, the Anointing of Jesus and the Betrayal of Jesus. If you are interested please contact Rev. Jessica to sign up. Zoom links will be sent out before each session.

Coldest Night of the Year 2021 - We will once again be participating in the Coldest Night of the Year walk to support the DAM which takes place on February 20th. This will be an all virtual event with creative opportunities to make it fun! Please go to cnoy.org to learn more, sign up, or donate. To donate to the SUC team please visit https://secure.e2rm.com/registrant/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID =933495&langPref=en-CA

Deliveries – Pastoral Care has had an individual offer to make deliveries to members of our congregation during this current lockdown and time of extreme Covid numbers. If you could use this service please contact Bev Mathew for further information at Bev.mathew@rogers.com or 905-826-5005.

Meetings

Today (Sunday)

Virtual Coffee Hour - Gather at your computer, tablet or smartphone on Zoom for coffee hour at **11:00 am** Sunday. We can support up to 100 participants on this. For more information click on https://www.streetsvilleunited.ca/events/virtual-coffee-hour-2/

This Week

Wed. 11:00 am – Virtual Café Join us on your computer, tablet or smartphone on Zoom for coffee! Every Wednesday morning. For more information click on https://www.streetsvilleunited.ca/events/virtual-cafe/

Wed. 7:00 pm – Ash Wednesday Service – Streetsville United and 4 other United Churches joining together for a Zoom service. An email with the link for the zoom service has been sent and on the website at https://www.streetsvilleunited.ca/events/ash-wednesday-service/ See below for poster and information.

Sunday School

This Week's Sunday School Activities – Coming through the Cloud The revealing of Jesus' glory marks the end of Jesus' ministry in Galilee and the beginning of his journey towards Jerusalem. Mark describes Jesus' transfiguration and with the disciples, we sense the sacred moment; we will see things in a new way from this time forward. This week, we also catch Elisha's vision of the sacred as Elijah is caught up to heaven; and with Paul and the psalmist, we give thanks that God's light shines forth through us.

- 1) The focus Bible Reading this week is Mark 9: 2-9. Days before this reading took place, Peter declares that Jesus is the Messiah.

 Questions to consider about after reading this Bible passage:

 a) What happened to Jesus on the mountain top? (verse 2), b) What questions would you like to ask Jesus after this experience? c) What does this amazing experience tell us about Jesus? d) What is it about this experience that would make the disciples want to listen carefully to Jesus? e) How might we listen to Jesus today? Think about what you do in the church services and then in Sunday School.

 Additional Scripture Readings: 2 Kings 2: 1-12, Psalm 50:1-6

 "Epiphany" means " showing forth ". During this season, we explored ways in which God's glory is revealed in the life and work of Jesus and the disciples. Where and when have you sensed the sacred or caught glimpses of God's presence? How do such moments define your life as a disciple and a church?
- 2) Prayer: We hear of your divine voice, transforming God and hope for new and deeper understandings of the ministries to which you call us. As we inherit the mantle of ministry from those who have proceeded us, may we experience a broader understanding of what it means to be disciples of the Christ. Amen

ASH WEDNESDAY DUST AND ASHES SERVICE



You are warmly invited to join us Wed. February 17th, 2021 7:00 p.m. Joint Ash Wednesday Service

(Live by ZOOM)

Rev. Irene Ty (Westminster)

Rev. Brenna Baker (Erindale)

Rev. Jessica McCrae (Streetsville)

Rev. Debra McGill (St. Stephen's on-the-Hill)

Rev. Morar Murray-Hayes (Christ First)

Rev. Kate Young (Munn's)

The zoom link will be forwarded to you by your church leadership earlier in the week.

There will be an opportunity to mark your forehead or palm with ashes and to write your laments on a paper "tear" for placing into a bowl. (your minister will provide full details of this element of the service)

Please join us if you are able.

This Dust and Ashes service is meant to be a time of personal reflection as we prepare to enter into the season of Lent. This night is between you and God.

Please let Rev. Jessica know when any of our members or friends are in hospital or in need of pastoral attention – 647-222-9683 (cell); 905-826-1542 (office); revjmccrae@gmail.com

Our Prayer Chain is available. When you have a prayer concern, call Kate Sparrow @ 905-302-4549 or the church office.

Givings - We continue to have expenses, such as utilities and salaries. If you are not on PAR, offering can be provided by:

- You can e-transfer directly to the church. From your online banking, add a recipient using the name Streetsville United Church and email address <u>info@streetsvilleunited.ca</u> E-transfers are automatically deposited in the church account with no need for a password. Please note that e-transfers will be included on your tax receipt. <u>More guidance here.</u>
- You can e-transfer directly to the UCW. From your online banking, add a recipient using the name UCW Streetsville United Church and email address ucw@streetsvilleunited.ca. E-transfers are automatically deposited in the church account with no need for a password. Please note that e-transfers will be included on your UCW tax receipt. In the comment line please add the name of the UCW group. More guidance here.
- Canada Helps (tax receipts provided by Canada Helps) at https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/13238
- Mailing in a cheque (or post-dated cheques to Streetsville United Church at 274 Queen St. South, Mississauga, ON L5M 1L8
- Pre-Authorized Remittance: We also now have over ten years' experience with United Church PAR, which automatically makes monthly deposits to the church. For more details, contact Ken Boulton at kjboulton@rogers.com or 647-938-3350.
- Cheques/envelopes can also be dropped off in the mailbox at the front doors of the church. It is a secure, locked mailbox.