

Order of Worship
Sunday August 29, 2021



God Invites Us to Gather

Prelude *As The Deer With Fairest Lord Jesus* arr. Mark Hayes
Performed by Robin Dalgleish

Welcome from the Maritimes

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 we pray that the communities we create will be spaces of peace and respect for all.

Call to Worship

One: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is, and is to come. Who in reconciling love and risen life has called us together for worship.

Many: O come, let us sing to the Lord: let us come into God's presence with Thanksgiving. Let us worship God.

Prayer of Approach and Lord's Prayer

Hymn 260 *God Who Gives to Life Its Goodness* Voices United

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, You are a shade in the heat, rest for the weary, a firm foundation in weak and uncertain places.

In Jesus, you came to our insecurity and tiredness, our intemperate world, that we might know you and your peace.

Forgive us that we seek rest where there is no rest; forgive us that we live from broken hearts and not from your healing.

Fill us with your Holy Spirit, who is with us and for us; draw us to Jesus, that we might draw closer to those we love and closer to those you love.

That freed from your grace working in our lives freed from Sin that separates and shadows that frighten; we will be free for you, oh God, for our neighbour, and for abundant and eternal life.

Renew us on this day of freedom in this season of restoration. In Jesus' name, Amen.

The Assurance of Forgiveness

Jesus reminds us to go to him when we are laden and heavy burdened. His yoke is easy and his burden, light. The past is truly finished and gone. God has provided this wonderful refreshment for our souls and for our whole being. Let us rejoice in the beauty of this peace and this love.

Special Music *I Know Who Holds Tomorrow* Ira Stanphill
Duet – Kim Perrin, Alicia Perrin

Gospel Lesson Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Sermon *Clean Living* Rev. Maryann Skinner

Hymn 144 *Like A Healing Stream* More Voices
Duet – Kim Perrin, Dee Hopkins

Prayers of the People

Hymn 330 *Jesus Shall Reign* Voices United

Blessing and Benediction

Postlude *It Is Well With My Soul* arr. John Purifoy
Played by Michelle Chung

About Rev. Maryann Skinner

Maryann's ministry in congregations and chaplaincy has unfolded over time and led her to journey with people in hospitals, schools, churches, and now: prison. For many of the years since graduating from Emmanuel College, Maryann served in congregational ministry, and often specialized in ministry with children and youth. Five years ago Maryann began working as a chaplain in Federal Prisons for Women. Her ministry has also "geographically" led her from her birthplace in Nova Scotia to engage in congregations and chaplaincy settings in Ottawa, Quebec, Toronto, Kitchener, Oakville, Mississauga and now, most recently- back in Nova Scotia. Maryann and her husband, Dale, have a daughter who is studying Education in Ontario. For recreation Maryann loves to play golf. And from time to time she'll dabble with arts and crafts, do creative writing, go skiing, and build flower gardens- (not all at once, and very rarely in the same season.) ☺

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/>

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

Rev. Jessica is on vacation from Aug. 1 to Sep. 4 inclusive. Please call or email the office for emergency pastoral care contact information. Non-emergency issues will be handled upon her return.



August/September Finances

Brief Update: Streetsville United Church

	2021 ACTUAL	2021 BUDGET	COMMENTS
TOTAL REVENUE	139,291	145,789	Down 4.5% overall
TOTAL EXPENSES	146,905	154,426	Under budget by 4.9%
NET INCOME	(7,614)	(8,639)	Ahead of deficit position

We are all looking forward in returning for “live” services hopefully sometime in September, providing it is “safe” to do so.

But, we have a challenge...

To work towards a “zero” deficit position while being challenged by a change in Ministerial and Musical Leadership.

The above chart is the Actual revenue vs. Budget as of July 31st. All the bills are paid as of this date. We can keep expenses within budget estimates for day to day expenses, but we could be faced with additional ministerial expenses and possible expenses for musical leadership. While we have received Emergency Wage Subsidies in the past, this program ends in September and the amounts we receive have gone from \$3,000/month to under \$1,000/month

Our challenge is to improve our revenue intake to meet these expected new expenses over the next number of months. Meeting the revenue budget is a key issue for our church. You can contribute via [Direct deposit to our bank account via email](#) or mailing/leaving cheques in our new secure mailbox at the office door.

We have collectively met our revenue challenges in the past and it is hoped with these pending changes, we will do so again.

Best wishes to all and KEEP SAFE!

Finance Committee
August 24/21