
Welcome Team

Assisting This Week: *Narthex* – Kate Sparrow *Sanctuary* – Ev Courtney
Fellowship Lounge – Bev Mathew *Elevator* – Anna Loughlin
Communion – Katie and Bill Powell

Assisting Next Week: *Narthex* – Nanci Anderson *Sanctuary* – Ruth Koचाunk
Fellowship Lounge – Karen Monk *Elevator* – Charlie Walsh

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

Emergency Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Onsite

Located in the sanctuary on the landing going up to the balcony on the center of the wall.

*Inviting and welcoming all people into a growing relationship with God through Jesus Christ.
Serving God and our neighbours in the local community.*

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Streetsville United Church June 5, 2022



Confirmation Class 2022



Order of Worship
Sunday June 5
Pentecost
Communion

God Invites Us to Gather

Gathering Music *Let Us Build A House* Hymn 1, More Voices
Come Now Is The Time to Worship Brian Doerksen

Prelude
Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart with O Breath of Life
Arr. Cindy Berry

Announcements

Land Acknowledgement Emily Hodges
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 Pierson Judd

Leader: We are the Easter people!

People: We have witnessed the Resurrection of our Lord.

Leader: We are now called to be the people of the Pentecost.

People: We are called to boldly share the good news of God's love.

Leader: Open your hearts, O people, to God's great power and love.

People: We open our hearts to hear God's word for us and to joyfully proclaim Jesus Christ as our Saviour. Amen.

Prayer #197 Voices United James McLellan

God, Holy Spirit, come to us, come among us;
come as the wind, and cleanse;
come as the fire, and burn;
come as the dew, and refresh:
convict, convert, and consecrate many hearts and lives to our great good and your greater glory. Amen

Scripture Readings *Acts 2:1-6* Christine Ratnaraj
Acts 2:7-13 Lara Santos
Acts 2:14-17 Madeleine Tume

Anthem *One Step He Leads* Pepper Choplin

Confirmation

Hymn 382 *Breathe On Me, Breath of God* Voices United
(Children leave for Sunday School, Confirmands remain)

Sermon *Holy Commotion* Rev. Don Gibson

Call to Offer Our Gifts

Prayer of Dedication Lily Wilkins

Hymn 625 *I Feel The Winds of God* Voices United

Communion

Hymn 376 *Spirit of the Living God* Voices United

Blessing

Postlude *The Church's One Foundation* arr. Cindy Berry

This week, we warmly welcome Michelle Chung as guest musician.



Confirmation

One: Many of you were welcomed into the church through baptism, when you were a baby. Now you are old enough to make your own faith commitments. You have taken time to learn, discuss and discern what you know and believe about God, Jesus and a life of Christian faith. Today, I ask you: do you wish to confirm those baptism promises your parent made on your behalf?

Confirmands: I do, by the grace of God.

Affirmation of Faith

One: Do you believe in God, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile or make new, and who works in us and others by the Spirit?

Confirmands: I do, by the grace of God.

One: Will you follow in the way of Jesus Christ, resisting oppression and evil, seeking justice, and witnessing to God's love for all Creation?

Confirmands: I will, God being my helper

One: Will you proclaim Jesus, crucified and raised, in your words and actions?

Confirmands: I will, God being my helper

One: Will you join with your brothers and sisters in this community of faith to celebrate God's presence, live with respect in Creation and love and serve others?

Confirmands: I will, God being my helper

Congregational Covenant

One: Let us pledge to these people our continued love and support.

All: We will continue to support you, walk with you and grow with you. With God's help, we will live out our baptism as a loving community in Jesus Christ: Nurturing one another in faith, holding one another in prayer, encouraging one another in God's work.

Presentation of the Confirmands

Laying on of Hands

One: Confirm, O God, this, your servant, ... by the Holy Spirit that s/he may hear your words, speak your praise and live in your way forever.

Meetings

Today

Refreshments will be served after the service to celebrate the Confirmands and families.

This Week

Tue. 1:30 pm – Sunshine Circle in the FL.

Thu. 11:00 am – Midweek Connection – Zoom/phone meeting for fellowship.

Announcements

Summer Tidings – Please send submissions for Tidings to Kelly by Mon. **June 6**. Pictures are welcome!

Harvest of Crafts Sale - Save the Date! The Harvest of Crafts Sale is returning! **Saturday October 29 from 9:30 – 3 pm**. This will be a new and revised format for these times. We look forward to seeing you again!

We are also collecting the jam jars used over the last 2 years. These are the 250 ml size that require 2 piece sealing lids. They may be dropped off in the Fellowship Lounge

Eden Food for Change Donations - Please bring your non-perishable donations to the church and place in the bin in the Narthex.

Tech Team Volunteers needed! Help is needed to add to our team of volunteers who run the sound/video board for Sunday services each week. If you think you could offer your time during a service, even occasionally, or have any questions, please email the office at info@streetsvilleunited.ca Training will be provided.

Sunday School

This is the last lesson until the fall. You are encouraged to continue to read the scripture readings that are part of each week's Service throughout the coming months. Have a relaxing and fun summer.

This Week's Sunday School Activities - A Spirit-Powered

Faith. Pentecost Sunday is a day to celebrate the breath and fire of the Spirit that lives and moves and acts among God's people. The Spirit of liberation and freedom poses an inevitable challenge to a spirit of domination so present in the world. The Spirit gives us a new identity, one infused by God's desire for the world.

1) The focus Scripture reading is Acts 2: 1-21. In sharp contrast to the notion of identity politics, Acts gives an identity faith. It is a rejection of the uniformity in favour of the rich and textured group distinctions that make up the diversity of humanity. No one is forced to take Hebrew, Greek or English to understand the power of the Spirit at work. No one is forced to submerge or deny their group identity to be part of a movement. The embrace of diverse voices weaves through this Pentecost text. Those gathered from every nation under heaven hears of God's saving acts in their own language. No matter the group, culture, gender, age, social economic status or any other bias by which groups are identified, all can hear and feel the Spirit.

Paul describes the ongoing presence of the Spirit in Roman 8:14-17. By the Spirit, each one becomes part of God's family and is sustained by the Spirit in all situations, including suffering.

In John 14: 8-17, Jesus describes just before his death, the role of the Holy Spirit as "his presence in his absence". The Spirit has given Jesus' followers gathered at Pentecost the power to speak in many languages and will give the disciples the means to bear witness to Jesus.

Additional Scripture Readings: John 14:18-17, Romans 8:14-17, Genesis 11:1-9 and Psalm 104:24-34 and 35b

Reflections on the readings from this Sunday.

a) What symbols does the writer of this story use to tell us about God's Spirit? b) According to this story, how did the disciples experience the Holy Spirit? c) What is one word that you would use to describe this story? d) What helps us to have courage to speak out for the things that we believe? e) Why do you think it is good to have people of

different ages in the church? f) What is God's Spirit helping our church to do?

Pentecost Sunday celebrates the animating and sustaining presence of God's Spirits within the church. Perhaps it is for this reason we celebrate the "birthday of the Christian church" on this day. The Spirit gives the church its mission and the power to undertake it. As you look into the future, what mission is the Spirit giving to you and your church?

2) Come Spirit, come, for the birthing and re-birthing of our faith. Come Spirit come, for the renewal of all creation. Come Spirit, come, to gather us and form us in your word and ways. Come Spirit, come, to empower us all as agents of God's liberating love. Amen

Support those who support you

Giving thanks is an important part of living faithfully. We are extremely grateful for your past and continuing support. Without you, our mission to spread God's word and support our communities would be impossible. It is a way to sow, to *invest* in the church, so that all may reap the blessings to come.

Streetsville United Church needs you now more than ever. Please consider any of the many ways to invest in our church to continue supporting our congregation and surrounding communities. Small changes like a slight weekly or monthly increase or more regular giving go a long way. All giving methods are on the website or contact the office for help.

- You can e-transfer directly to the church (use info@streetsvilleunited.ca) or to the UCW (use stvlucw@bell.net).
- Canada Helps (tax receipts provided by Canada Helps).
- Mailing in a cheque or post-dated cheques to the church (or drop off at secure mailboxes front and back of the church)
- Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) - automatic monthly deposits to the church. For more details, contact Bev Mathew at bev.mathew@rogers.com or 905-826-5005.