Welcome Team

Assisting This Week: Narthex – Murray Lewis Sanctuary – Kate Sparrow Elevator/Host – Charlie Walsh Coffee Hour – Christian Education

Assisting Next Week: Narthex – Laura Mara Sanctuary – Jean Stopa Elevator/Host – Terry Stopa Coffee Hour – Property

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.

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 <u>info@streetsvilleunited.ca</u>) or to the UCW (use <u>stvlucw@bell.net</u>).
- 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 <u>bev.mathew@rogers.com</u> or 905-826-5005.

September 18, 2022



Anchored in God's Word... Moving into God's Future

Inviting and welcoming all people into a growing relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Serving God and our neighbours in the local community.

Order of Worship Sunday September 18, 2022 10:00 am God Invites Us to Gather

• indicates standing for all who are able

Gathering	Let Us Build A House Come Now is the Time to Worsh	Marty Haugen ip Brian Doerksen
Prelude	Be the Centre Blessed Be Your Name	Michael Frye Matt/Beth Redman

Welcome and 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

Praise the name of the Lord.

Blessed be the name of the Lord!

From the rising of the sun to its setting, praise the name of the Lord.

We will bless God's holy name now and evermore.

The glory of the Lord is high above the heavens, but God raises up the poor and needy on the earth.

So we will sing God's praise.

Let us worship God.

• Hymn VU 256 O God Beyond All Praising

Opening Prayer

Prayer of Confession:

Generous God, You have enriched us with life worth living, but we confess we often squander your good gifts.

We have wasted our time and energy, but held tightly to things we think we need.

Forgive our foolish priorities and those times we overlooked the needs of others.

Inspire us to live more generously, trusting your goodness to sustain us always. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Anthem	Ascribe to the Lord	Dan R. Edwards
Prayer of Illumination		Cathy Hitchcock
Scripture	Luke 16:1-13	Cathy Hitchcock
Sermon	l Raise You	Brian Packham

• Hymn VU 651 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Our Offerings

Sung Dedication VU 541

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People:

Leader will say: God, speak to us a word of ???

People will respond with: Embrace us with your love.

The Lord's Prayer

• Hymn VU 288 Great is Thy Faithfulness

Blessing & Benediction:

Sung Blessing: Go Now In Peace Go now in peace, never be afraid, God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen, amen, amen. Paul Baloche/Lenny LeBlanc Postlude Above All

This week, we warmly welcome Robin Dalgleish as guest musician.

Don Besig

Welcoming back Brian Packham - Brian was born and raised in Niagara Falls, ON. He has been a member of the historic Lundy's Lane United Church in Niagara then more recently transferred his membership to Kingsway – Lambton United (Etobicoke) and then to Humbercrest United (Toronto). Brian has had many roles within the church but currently is Chair of the Devotions Team where he guides the Worship, Outreach, Christian Education and Affirming teams for Humbercrest. Brian loves music and sings in the tenor section of the choir at Humbercrest. Brian officially became a Licenced Lay Worship Leader with Shining Waters Regional Council in October 2020 and with Horseshoe Falls Region in May 2022. Since then, he continues to craft and sharpen his preaching skills at his home church and others. Outside of the many things Brian does for the church, he is the fulltime Office Manager for The Riverwood Conservancy just downstream from Streetsville United.

In his spare time, Brian loves learning about local history, travelling (when it's possible), charting his family tree, preparing food for his friends and family, and being out in nature.



Please join us each week after Sunday worship service for a time of fellowship in the Auditorium.

Over the next few weeks, weather may permit outdoor courtyard gathering.

Meetings

Today

After worship – Coffee Hour – weather permitting in the courtyard, otherwise in the auditorium.

This Week

Wed. 7:00 – Senior Choir practice.

Tue. Sep. 20 1:30 pm – Sunshine Circle meeting in the FL.

Thu. Sep. 22 7:00 pm – Joy Givers meeting in the FL.

Thu. Sep. 22 8:00 pm – Boomer Band practice.

Announcements

Rev. Joe Helpers – As Rev. Joe and his wife Kacie prepare to move to their new condo on Oct. 1, they could use some help moving some things. Particularly, a metal filing cabinet to a storage unit. They would appreciate help from someone with a pickup truck. Please email the office if you can help.

Village of Love – You may recall the congregation donated to this charity in appreciation of Rev. Don and his work at SUC. There is an upcoming fundraiser that benefits Village of Love on Sep. 28 at 7 PM. It is a Zoom lecture by Dr. Tom Axworthy, distinguished political strategist, esteemed academic, author, commentator and philanthropist: "CANADA IN THIS NEW AND DANGEROUS WORLD." All proceeds will support women and children in the slum community of Kibera, Kenya, to build secure livelihoods and promising futures through education, entrepreneurship, community support and the power of love. Registration is by Donation. You can find details on their website at <u>www.villageoflovecanada.org/tom-axworthy-lecture</u>.

Fall Tidings – Submissions for Fall Tidings are due Mon. Oct. 3 – Please send any submissions to Kelly at info@streetsvilleunited.ca