Streetsville United Church Fall Tidings 2022



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CALENDAR

Sunday Services 10 am **In person and streaming!**

Special Services

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WELCOMING REVEREND JOE HOPKINS TO STREETSVILLE UNITED CHURCH!

The Search Committee of Streetsville United would like to introduce to you Reverend Joe Hopkins. Reverend Joe began his Ministry position with our church on Sunday October 2, 2022, having recently been a Supply Minister at Windermere United Church in Toronto.

Reverend Joe is an ordained Methodist Minister and is currently completing his admission process for the United Church of Canada. This admission process should be completed early in 2023.

Prior to his work at Windermere United, Reverend Joe has served as Lead Paster in Curwensville, Pennsylvania, Lead Pastor at Avis United Methodist Church in Avis, Pennsylvania and worked with Ministry Staff in Chicago.

Reverend Joe's ministry involves leading faith development within and outside the church, with strong ties to Worship, Pastoral Care, Christian Education, music, and building strong relationships with those in his congregation and the surrounding community.

Reverend Joe has a Master of Divinity Degree from Chicago Theological Seminary, a Bachelor of Arts from Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania and several Continuing Education Programs in United Church of Canada Theology and Policy at St. Andrews College in Saskatoon. He is currently working through the admissions orientation though the Centre of Christian Studies, Winnipeg.

We welcome Reverend Joe Hopkins and his wife, Kacie, to our church and community. Please take the opportunity to introduce yourself to them.



IMPORTANT DATES

SUNDAY OCTOBER 16



Save the Date: Sunday October 16th Fall Potluck Luncheon

Join our Church family for a Potluck lunch in Heritage Hall, after Worship Service. Pastoral Care is hosting and will follow health safety measures, so we can gather for food and fellowship. Enjoy the company of others and meet Reverend Joe Hopkins and his wife Kacie. Bring your choice of potluck food to share, plate and cutlery. Hope to see you there!

SUNDAY NOV. 6 2:00 AM



Set your clocks back 1 hour

SATURDAY OCT. 29



AN UPDATE OF OUR SYRIAN REFUGEES

It's been 7 years since our church, along with 2 other churches, started the journey to help Syrian refugees. Early on we had to suspend our sponsorship for one family but shortly after we were able to sponsor another family, the Naddafs, and a single man, Tarek Youzbashi. Our constituent group also assisted in the sponsorship of another family and we are currently working with a group in Kitchener to sponsor 2 sisters and their four children.

The Naddaf family is doing very well. The daughter, Lelas, is now in grade 4 and loves school. The son, Ahmed, is in senior kindergarten and loves going to the same school as his older sister. The father, Nadeem, who is an IT specialist, has a very good job in his field, working for a large international company. The mother, Oula, has completed a course in academic English and is currently staying at home, but planning to take additional courses in the next year. Nadeem is to get his Canadian citizenship next month and the rest of the family will get theirs within the next few months.

Tarek Youzbashi has just completed a certificate course in Journalism at Humber College. He's really enjoyed the course and completed an internship at The Globe and Mail. He became a Canadian citizen earlier this year and was thrilled with the experience. Here are Tarek's comments in his own words "all of this wouldn't have been possible if it wasn't for all of you guys. It feels safe having all of you by my side. Please tell everyone that I'm beyond thankful. Take care!"

Both the Naddafs and Tarek were able to spend a few days together at Lake of Bays, this year and last, and loved the cottage experience and are looking forward to it again next year.

Thanks to everyone at SUC for your support of our refugee families.



REV. JOE AND KACIE

We welcomed Reverend Joe and his wife Kacie on Sunday October 3rd with a special coffee hour celebration. Cake and refreshments were served and it was a cheerful time of fellowship with our church family.



WELCOME!

HODGEPODGE

Has your personal information changed?

If any of your information has changed (address, phone, email), please let the office know. Up to date information is needed for tax receipts, tidings, etc. Call the office 905-826-1542 or send an email to info@streetsvilleunited.ca

OUR PRAYER CHAIN is available. When you have a prayer concern, call Kate Sparrow @ 905-302-4549 or the church office.

UCW News

On Tuesday September 20, the Sunshine Circle had a meeting which included a tribute to the Queen. Paddington bear came to visit and for refreshments we had sponge cake and marmalade sandwiches. It was a wonderful event!



As a reminder, there are three UCW Units who meet monthly in the Fellowship Lounge. Everyone is invited to share in a time of fellowship with our UCW Units.

Friendship Circle

Meets the 2nd Thursday at 1:00 pm

Sunshine Circle

Meets the 3rd Tuesday at 1:30 pm

Joy Givers

Meet the 3rd Thursday at 7:00 pm



THE HARVEST OF CRAFTS SALE IS BACK!!

The UCW units are busy preparing for the return of the **Harvest of Crafts Sale on Saturday October 29 from 9:30 – 3 pm.**

The sale this year will be in a revised format. The Heritage Hall will be the location for you to find Church crafts – fall and Christmas decorations, knitting, quilted items and many other things that you will love! The Country Kitchen will be in the Fellowship Lounge with a room full of baking – delicious pies, tarts, cookies muffins etc as well as jams, jellies and other preserves of the fall harvest. Community vendors are looking forward to returning to the Auditorium. The traditional Café is being replaced with a safer form of food service for these times with an outdoor barbeque being hosted by the Men's Group of our church.

For those of you who have been jamming or preserving and have donations for the Country Kitchen, please contact Sandy Hayashi (905-569-9966) to arrange for pickup /delivery to her for labelling of your jars. If any of you have been passing Covid times by knitting or crafting and have donations for the Craft room please contact Lorraine Treanor (905-826-3761) or Kerry Poulsen (905-826-1933).

All donations are greatly appreciated! Baking of all types will be accepted in the Fellowship Lounge on Friday October 28 – please be sure to use new storage containers and please package cookies and squares in 6's or 12's for ease of pricing.

We have also been fortunate to have a valuable donation of an artistic piece which will be raffled. You may be the winner of a framed 21"x25" "vrafil" embroidery by nationally recognized Mississauga artist Lilianne Lear. The piece will be available to view at coffee hours in October. Raffle tickets are available at \$5.00 each or 3/\$10.00. The draw will be held at the end of the Harvest of Crafts sale on October 29.

Lawn signs are now available for pickup so please help to spread the word.

We look forward to seeing you one and all on October 29!

Changes on Church Council

In September, Church Council welcomed Neil Beattie into the position of Council Chair. Bill Powell has taken on the role of Treasurer. Thank you Neil and Bill for your dedication and devotion to the life and work at Streetsville United Church.



SAD NEWS ABOUT EDEN FOOD BANK

Eden Food for Change has been operating a food bank at the church for the past year and a half. Unfortunately, during this time, they have seen very little growth in the number of families making use of the facilities, in spite of several awareness campaigns and social messaging.

In July, they had only 15 households come to the Streetsville site - averaging less than 4 per week. The previous July in 2021 they had 14 households come. Although they really had hoped that the site would take off, and have a greater impact in the community, this has not come to fruition. Regretfully, the Eden team and their board have decided to close down their operations on Wednesday, October 5th. They have appreciated the opportunity to serve the partnership community in us. However, the resources (people) required to operate this outreach seems to not justify the level of impact they are having in the community.

We will be being assessing what else Streetsville United Church can do going forward.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Greetings to all the students and their families. We have begun small group, age based Sunday School classes and we hope that you will join us.

Rev. Joe Hopkins began his Ministry with us on Sunday October 2nd and we hope that you had a chance to watch the Service or be with us in person. He led the children's time and he is excited to do so each Sunday.

Your teachers are ready for your return and hopefully we can get back to regular classes soon.

Registration forms will be available at the welcome desk outside the Sanctuary and it would be much appreciated if you would fill one out and return it the next Sunday.

The second Sunday in Advent, December 4th, has been designated White Gift Sunday. This is also traditionally the Sunday School Christmas presentation and all the students are involved.

We hope that the whole family can join us and we look forward to seeing you soon.

The Christian Education Committee.

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AN UPDATE FROM PATHWAY COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Pathway Community Programs is committed to providing nutritional support for children and their caregivers residing in the Pathway Non-profit Community Development buildings and surrounding communities.

Over the summer, we distributed over 240 food packages to families in the Forest Ridge and Arbour Mill communities. These weekly food packages included nutritious breakfast supplies such as eggs, milk, cheese, yogurt, bread, granola bars, and seasonal fruit. Hunger and food insecurity are a year-round concern, and we were happy to partner with the YMCA Student Nutrition Program to provide this service. At the end of June, we were able to provide the children with a summer essentials kit of carefully curated items from the UCW Joy Givers group.

School and the Pathway Breakfast Clubs are now in full swing! Nutritious, hot breakfasts are served every weekday morning from 7 am during the school year. We also provide lunches and snacks that the children take to school. We are currently serving 30+ children daily at Forest Ridge and 20+ children daily at Arbour Mill. Our coordinators — Cristina and Nicole — do wonderful work!

Pathway Community Programs also facilitates and oversees the operation of free programs for children and caregivers during the school year:

- **Aspire Tutoring** Online tutoring is available to children in the buildings via the Aspire Tutoring program.
- **School Watch** Safe City Mississauga invites teens in the buildings to look out for one another and their school. The program focuses on identifying local issues, educating students on crime prevention and increasing the reporting of suspicious activity and crime to improve student safety and well-being.
- **Share the Bounty** Free community BBQs for tenants at Arbour Mill (October 2nd) and Forest Ridge (October 23rd).

Streetsville United Church members of the Pathway Community Programs Board are Nicole Santos (Co-Chair), Randa Tadros (Treasurer), and Bev Mathew (Coordinator Liaison).

We are looking for volunteers to help the coordinator at Arbour Mill and to pick up food from the Mississauga Food Bank. If you would like to get involved, please contact a member of the Board.

No Child Goes to School Hungry





Other ways to become involved!

Some of the hard working crew that helped at the successful Garage Sale held in May of 2022. Watch for news about next year's garage sale!

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

The Worship Committee has continued to support the Worship services within the church throughout the summer months. Services have continued with guest Ministers and Lay Preachers providing leadership to the congregation. The new Minister assumed the responsibility on October 2, 2022. Rev. Sue Hertell, Rev. Lynn Workman and Rev. John Ambrose along with Mary Parsons, and Brian Packham have provided pulpit supply in June, July, August and September. The guest Minsters and Lay Preachers have been warmly welcomed by the congregation each Sunday.

Wendy Dowling and I have met with Rev. Hopkins to discuss plans for the fall up until Christmas. The Welcome Team continues to have a role in the service and a new schedule has been distributed with the modifications needed to be compliant with the Covid guidelines. Many thanks go to Kelly Crewson, the Church Administrative Assistant, for her support with the weekly services, downloading the services to You Tube when needed and her communication with each guest minister to ensure that there is a planned and documented church service each Sunday. A big thank you to Wally Bridel (a member of the Worship Committee) for his faithful service during the summer months in managing the soundboard with help twice from David Heeney and most recently Kate Sparrow.

The Welcome team and the Sound Board team are in need of volunteers to help out over the year. Anyone who is interested should contact Anna Loughlin or Wally Bridel for further information. The Welcome Team's format has changed from previous years to fewer responsibilities at each service resulting in fewer scheduled Sundays each month. Please contact Wendy Dowling if being a member of the Welcome Team interests you.

Both Wendy and I can be reached by calling or emailing Kelly for phone numbers.

Submitted by Anna Loughlin



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MACGREGOR MEAT FUNDRAISER IS BACK!

After a most successful fundraiser this spring we are back with the fall/winter fundraiser of delicious Macgregor meat products!

Macgregor Meat Products are restaurant quality FROZEN products that include steaks, roasts, burgers, fish, ribs etc – something for everyone!

Products are sold by the case and support SUC at the same time. You can purchase for yourself, but also ask family, friends and neighbours to join us. As you look at the order form you may be hesitant to purchase due to the quantity involved. I would encourage you to partner up with someone and share an order. Many of the items are vacuum packed individually or in small packages and so would be very easy to split with someone. Please ask about this if you have questions.

There are 3 documents (which can be picked up in the Narthex):

- 1. PRODUCT INFORMATION SHEET this outlines the products available to order, pricing, quantity and nutritional values
- 2. CUSTOMER ORDER FORM this will allow you to compile your customers orders
- 3. SELLERS ORDER FORM Summarize your orders here then **submit ONE order form to william.powell@sympatico.ca**
- 4. PAYMENT All payments will go through the church. The office will confirm when payment is received so the order is finalized. Payment may be by:
 - cheque payable to Streetsville United Church Memo: Meat Order
 - etransfer to Streetsville United Church <u>info@streetsvilleunited.ca</u>: Memo: Meat order
 - cash

ORDER DEADLINE - NOON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 2

DELIVERY – Delivery is <u>THURSDAY NOVEMBER 10 AT 5:30PM</u> in the church parking lot. You will pick up your FROZEN cases and can then deliver to your family and friends or have them meet you there to pick up. Only the person (or alternate) who orders can pick up the order.

Questions? Contact Chris Monk at 905-826-6184 or email at ginzalites@rogers.com

SHARING OUR OFFERINGS

As we come to the sharing of our offerings, let us recall that in the faith community, giving is not an obligation but an opportunity, not a requirement but a desire, not a burden but a blessing. 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.

Streetsville United Church needs you now more than ever. Please consider any of the several ways to support our congregation and our work in the surrounding communities. Small changes, like a slight weekly or monthly increase, or more regular givings, can 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 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. Contact Bev Mathew <u>bev.mathew@rogers.com</u> or 905-826-5005
- When attending in person, dropping your offering in one of the two wooden boxes at the entrance to the sanctuary.

FALL AND THANKSGIVING WORD SEARCH

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APPLE CIDER AUTUMN LEAVES BLESSINGS CHESTNUTS CRANBERRY SAUCE FALL **FAMILY FOOTBALL HARVEST NOVEMBER OCTOBER** HAM **PINECONE PUMPKIN PIE RAKING SHARING THANKFUL THANKSGIVING THANKSLIVING TURKEY**