

Welcome Team

Assisting This Week: *Narthex* – Gail Boulton, Anna Loughlin
Sanctuary – Nanci Anderson *Elevator* – Doug Hitchcock
Coffee Hour – Property *Reader* – Ken Boulton

Assisting Next Week: *Narthex* – Laura Mara, Tony Tadros
Sanctuary – Ruth Kochanuk *Elevator* – Peter Mara
Coffee Hour – Worship *Reader* – Cathy Hitchcock
Communion – Bill & Katie Powell

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.

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 info@streetsvilleunited.ca) or 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.
- When attending in person, dropping your offering in one of the two wooden boxes at the entrance to the sanctuary.

November 20, 2022
Christ the King Sunday



Christmas Services

Sun. Nov. 27 — Advent 1, Communion

Sun. Dec. 4 — Sunday School White Gift, Advent 2

Sun. Dec. 11 — Choir Christmas Service, Advent 3

Sun. Dec. 18 — Boomer Band, Advent 4

Christmas Eve Services

4:00 pm – Noisy Nativity!

10:00 pm – Christmas Eve Communion Service

Sun. Dec. 25 10 am – Christmas Day Service

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

God Invites Us to Gather

- *indicates standing for all who are able*

Before the Service Boomer Band

Prelude *Ach Gott, vom Himmel Sieh darein* John Pachelbel
(Ah God, Look Down From Heaven)
Allein zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ John Pachelbel
(On You Alone, Lord Jesus Christ)

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Call to Worship – from *MinistryMatters*

One: Christ asked Peter if he loved him.

Many: Peter affirmed three times his love of the Lord.

One: Christ asks us if we love him.

Many: We affirm our love of the Lord in our worship.

One: Christ calls us to demonstrate our love in service.

Many: Lord, help us to witness to your love in the ways in which we care for others. Amen.

- **Hymn VU 330** *Jesus Shall Reign*

Opening Prayer

Many: Lord Jesus, You are the good shepherd. We hear Your voice, and we recognize Your invitation to unconditional love. Yet Your love scares us sometimes; Your love is so unlike the rest of the world we know—so broad, so sincere, so costly. Cast out our fear today by the power of Your perfect love and embolden us to walk Your way of sacrificial giving, that all the world may see You at work and believe. We pray in Your holy name, Lord Jesus. Amen.

Special Music Boomer Band

Time with God's Children - *More than Enough, Not Nearly Enough*

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture *Jeremiah 23:1-6* Ken Boulton
John 21:15-19

Anthem *Many Gifts, One Spirit* Mary Lyn Lightfoot

Sermon *Shepherds and Stewards* Rev. Joe Hopkins

Time of Stewardship Commitment

Sung Dedication VU 541

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

Community Prayer – from *Called to the Church, United Church of Canada, adapted by Joe Hopkins*

Creating God, we thank you for the gift that is life: for the changing seasons, for the tiny seed that in your Holy Mystery become life-sustaining food, cleansed air, beauty to behold, and lift itself. Most generous God,

We thank you for the gift of life.

Loving God, we thank you...Most generous God,

We thank you for the gift of love.

Compassionate God, we thank you...Most generous God,

We thank you for the gift of compassion.

Challenging God, we thank you...Most generous God,

We thank you for the gift of challenge.

God of all time and place, we thank you...Most generous God,

We thank you for the gift of our call to discipleship.

The Lord's Prayer

- **Hymn VU 506** *Take My Life and let It Be*

Commissioning & Benediction – from *Called to the Church, United Church of Canada*

One: Our worship is over, but now our service begins. We are called to go and live God's love in the world.

Many: We go in faith and in hope to feed Christ's sheep and care for Christ's lambs.

One: Go in peace, and may the love of God embrace us, the compassion of Christ challenge us, and the Holy Spirit guide us.

Many: Amen.

- **Musical Amen** *Go Now In Peace* Don Besig

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.

Postlude *The Solid Rock* arr. Cindy Berry

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

Meetings

Today

2:00 pm Covenanting Service for Rev. Joe Hopkins - A covenant is a relationship between two partners who make binding promises to each other and work together to reach a common goal. They're often accompanied by oaths, signs, and ceremonies. Covenants define obligations and commitments, but they are different from a contract because they are relational and personal. In addition to Regional Council, our neighbouring United Churches, Rev. Don Gibson and other supply ministers who have preached here over the last several months have all been invited. Light refreshments will be provided afterwards in Heritage Hall.

This Week

Wed. 7:30 – 9:30 am – Men's Breakfast in HH.

Wed. 7:00 – Senior Choir practice.

Upcoming

Mon. Nov. 28 7-8 pm Devotional Gathering 1st of 4 with Rev. Joe hosting advent based meetings in the Fellowship Lounge for all who are interested. Please sign up in the narthex.

Announcements

Pledge Forms – Place pledge forms in an envelope and leave them in the donation boxes in the sanctuary. Or in either of the locked mailboxes (front and back) at the church. **Please return by Nov. 27.**

Christmas Donations – Please see separate insert for how you can help Streetsville United Church help others this Christmas.

Christmas Donations

After the success of last year's Christmas donations from our congregation to various local organizations, we are looking forward to contributing again this year. The following information is about the specific organizations, what they would appreciate receiving and how you can help if you wish.

1. The Elizabeth Fry Society - They we would appreciate receiving gifts for their women and girls who are working on re-integrating into society. They accommodate 10 youth females and 15 adult women in their residential programs for a total of 25. They would prefer gift cards and small hygiene items for them, as their program has high turnover, and it is easier for the women and girls to access outside stores once they leave their program. They look for Walmart, Shopper's Drug Mart and Dollar Store cards.

2. The Salvation Army - The Salvation Army has been an organization that our Sunday School has contributed to for many years. They would appreciate receiving gift certificates from Claire's, Shopper's Drug Mart and Dollar Stores. They would be happy to receive certificates for food stores. Once again they are accepting new toys and games as well. With each gift basket given out to their clients is included an age appropriate hat and mittens. These items whether store bought or hand knit would be much appreciated, especially for older youth.

3. The Open Door - For years, our congregation has been supporting The Open Door with gifts, clothing and meals for their clients. This year due to continued Covid, they are only looking for gift certificates and toiletry items. They always appreciate small gift bags with these items. They would appreciate cards for grocery stores and various coffee shops as well as Walmart. This would give the families an opportunity to have their Christmas meal in their own homes.

4. Pathway Housing - Toys for boys aged 7-9 years would be appreciated as wold gift cards to Tim Hortons and Starbucks.

5. Eden Food for Change - This is an opportunity to continue to donate non-perishable items. The box is located in the Narthex.

6. Cash - If you would prefer to donate cash, it would be appreciated.

How you can help!

a) If you have gift certificates or cash and are attending in-person services, you can place them in an envelope with the organization's name on the front and put in the collection box which is located as you enter the Sanctuary.

b) If you have food or games and toys, there will be baskets in the Narthex. Please label the organization for which they are intended.

c) Gift certificates or cash in an envelope may also be placed in one of the two secure mail boxes at the church. You may bring the food and toys or games to the church during the week when Kelly is in the office Tues – Fri 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. Ring the bell outside the office door and she can take your donations.

The **last day for donations to be accepted will be Thursday December 8th** and will be delivered that week. If you have any questions or need assistance with your deliveries, please call Cathy Hitchcock at 905-564-0139. Thank you in advance for your assistance once again this year.