

Welcome Team

Assisting This Week: *Sanctuary Lead* – Nanci Anderson

Narthex – Kate Sparrow *Elevator* – Doug Hitchcock

Coffee Hour – Worship *Reader* – Bill Powell *Communion* – Katie and Bill Powell

Assisting Next Week: *Sanctuary Lead* – Bev Mathew

Narthex – Laura Mara *Elevator* – Kent Sweetman

Coffee Hour – UCW *Reader* – Kate Sparrow

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.

January 15, 2023



*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

God Invites Us to Gather

- *indicates standing for all who are able*

Prelude *Brightest and Best* Lani Smith

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Call to Worship (from 'The Timeless Psalms' RCL Psalms Year A)

One: O God, you called us by name to come, and we respond with delight and gladness.

Many: In joyful obedience, we come to worship our God.

One: Rising out of the depths of despair, we gratefully gather for worship.

Many: In joyful hope, we come to worship our loving God.

One: Our God had given us a new song of praise to sing to our Awesome God!

Many: In joyful trust, we come to worship our God. Amen.

Opening Prayer

- Hymn VU 402 *We Are One*

Opening Prayer (written by Susan Durber)

Many: Open our eyes, Lord Jesus, to the world around us.

Show us what we should see but from which we hide our eyes.

Show us how people live in this world and the reality of their days.

Give us courage to do what you ask and to 'Come and see'.

Open our eyes, Lord Jesus, to the shape of your Kingdom.

Show us what life could be like if only we could see in wisdom.

Show us what we could do to change things forever with you.

Give us courage to have a vision and to 'Come and see'.

Open our eyes, Lord Jesus, to the people all around us.

Show us what we should see, but what we fail to notice.

Show us what people are saying to us and what they long for.

Give us courage to be where you are and to 'Come and see'.

Amen.

Anthem *Come To The Banquet* Joseph M. Martin

Time with God's Children – Invitations

Prayer of Illumination

Bill Powell

Scripture *John 1:29-42*

Bill Powell

• Hymn VU 65 *Jesus Calls Us*

Sermon *Come and See* Rev. Joe Hopkins

Service of Holy Communion (prayers by Alydia Smith)

One: God is with us!

Many: We are not alone!

One: Lift up your hearts.

Many: We lift them up to God.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: Holy Mystery that is Wholly Love...

We rejoice with all your people of every time and place, and with angels and archangels, to proclaim the glory of your name:

Many: Holy, holy, holy are you. Holy, holy, blessed are you.

One: It is Jesus, God incarnate, the Risen Christ...

In sharing this meal, we live out the mystery of our faith:

Many: Christ has died Christ has risen Christ will come to us again.

Breaking the Bread, Pouring the Cup

One: The body of Christ,

Many: the bread of life.

One: The lifeblood of Christ,

Many: the cup of blessing.

One: The gifts of God for the people of God.

Many: Thanks be to God!

Sharing the Meal

Stewardship Moment

Prayer after Communion

Many: Thank you, O Christ, for this feast of life.

We are fed by your love; we are strengthened by your life.

We are sent forth into this world to live into the visions God has laid on our hearts. We are now commissioned to: feed as we have been fed, forgive as we have been forgiven, love as we have been loved.

Thanks be to God. Amen.



• **Hymn VU 512** *Lord, You Give the Great Commission*

Blessing and Sending Forth (Nathan Nettleton LaughingBird.net)

One: Go now and celebrate God's justice. Take the Lord's teachings to heart and commit yourselves to pleasing God. Boldly declare God's truth and care and let others know that you have found the Messiah. And may God's maternal love surround you; May Christ Jesus move you to trust in the Lord; And may the Holy Spirit enrich you with all spiritual gifts and strengthen you to the end. We go in peace to love and serve the Lord,

Many: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude *Let All things Now Living* arr. Cindy Berry

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

Announcements

Save the Date: Sunday February 12th Potluck Luncheon in Heritage Hall. Please join us for a warm time of fellowship. Bring a food item to share and your own plate/cutlery if able.

Coldest Night of the Year 2023 - Streetsville United Church is once again entering a team in the Coldest Night of the Year event which takes place Feb. 25th. Please visit <https://cnoy.org/home> to join the team, donate or learn more. Please contact Murray Lewis (416-278-4493) murrayelewis@gmail.com with any questions.

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Meetings

Today

After worship – Church Council Meeting in Heritage Hall.

This Week

Tue. 1:00 pm – Sunshine Circle Potluck in Heritage Hall.

Thu. 7:00 pm - Joy Givers in the Fellowship Lounge.

Thu. 8:00 pm - Boomer Band practice.

Fri. 8:30 – 10 am – Men's Breakfast in HH (snow date Jan. 27)

Upcoming

Tue. Jan. 31 7:00 pm – United Fresh Start - At the November meeting of Church Council approval was given to participate in the United Fresh Start Program. A key premise of United Fresh Start is that both communities of faith (congregations) and leaders are most open to new learning during times of transition. Consequently, a change in pastoral relations is an ideal time for a congregation and the new minister to develop a common knowledge base for the challenges they will face during their time together. While all members of the congregation are encouraged to participate in this exciting initiative, we would also welcome and value participation by those who are perhaps new(er) to worship at Streetsville United.

The first session will be held **Tuesday, January 31st** starting with coffee and dessert at 6:45 pm with the session to start at 7:00 pm facilitated by Rev Kathi Phillips. A sign up sheet can be found in the Narthex or email kjboulton@rogers.com directly if you would like to be added to the list. In this first session, "Transition", participants will; gain an understanding of the difference between change and transition, help them recognize individual dynamics in times of change and equip them to respond accordingly.