

Welcome Team

Assisting This Week: *Sanctuary Lead* – Gail Boulton

Narthex – Jean Stopa *Elevator* – Terry Stopa

Coffee Hour – Outreach *Reader* – Bill Powell *Communion* – Bill & Katie Powell

Assisting Next Week: *Sanctuary Lead* – Jennifer Honsa

Narthex – Ruth Kochanuk *Elevator* – Doug Hitchcock

Coffee Hour – Men's Group *Reader* – Cathy Hitchcock

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.

March 5, 2023

Communion

Lent 2



Streetsville
UNITED CHURCH

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 *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* Michael Larkin
 Amazing Grace Joel Raney

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Call to Worship (adapted from prayer by Jani Francis, St. Andrew's U.C., Indian Head, Sask.)

One: The Spirit of God is in you.

Many: And also in you.

One: In the Spirit, let us worship together. Let us praise and magnify all that is God—

Many: all that is beautiful, all that is love, right here, right now, in us and all around us.

- Hymn VU 582 *There's a Spirit in the Air*

Opening Prayer (by R. Mark Guiliano)

Many: Mighty God, whose Spirit, like the wind, blows where it wants, shaping and transforming our lives, you drove the fearful disciples into the world with the bold proclamation of Your good news. So, too, move us beyond our self-centred anxieties that we might reach out and reach others. Help us hoist a sail and catch the breeze You send our way. Teach us to trust Your Spirit not only when it lifts us, but also when it roars into our lives taking us in new directions. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Anthem *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* Larry Shackley

Time with God's Children

Prayer of Illumination Bill Powell

Scripture *Acts 10:44-48* Bill Powell

- Hymn VU 376 *Spirit of the Living God*

Affirmation of Faith

Many: God is Holy Mystery, beyond complete knowledge, above perfect description. Yet, in love, the one eternal God seeks relationship. So God creates the universe and with it the possibility of

being and relating. God tends the universe, mending the broken and reconciling the estranged. God enlivens the universe, guiding all things toward harmony with their Source. Grateful for God's loving action, We cannot keep from singing. With the Church through the ages, we speak of God as one and triune:

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We also speak of God as Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer; God, Christ, and Spirit; Mother, Friend, and Comforter; Source of Life, Living Word, and Bond of Love; and in other ways that speak faithfully of the One on whom our hearts rely, the fully shared life at the heart of the universe. We witness to Holy Mystery that is Wholly Love....

Sermon *We Sing of the Spirit* Rev. Joe Hopkins

Holy Communion (prayers written by Rt. Rev. Richard Bott)

One: God is with you.

Many: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts!

Many: We lift our hearts to God.

One: Let us give thanks to God, our God.

Many: We give God our thanks and praise!

One: We give you thanks and praise, God of all creation...and brought order: light, water, earth, plants, animals, and humankind!

Many: And you declared it was good. Very good.

One: You gave things new life with the breath of the Spirit...

...and called us back to you, again and again and again!

Many: And you declare it is good. Very good.

One: When the time was right, you sent Jesus, the One...

So, with all of creation, we shout our praise...

Many: Holy, holy, holy, God, Creator of all that is, everything shouts, "Thank you!" Everything sings, "Thank you!" Everything lives, "Thank you, loving God!"

One: On the night before Jesus was taken away to his death..."Each time you drink this, remember me."

Many: Blessed is the Holy One of Israel! We eat. We drink. We remember. And it is good. Very good!

One: Creator, Christ, and Spirit, three-in-one and one-in-three, unite us in this promise, unite us as disciples, unite us through the bread and the cup.

Many: In that unity, we give ourselves to you, committed to your service, for all your creation.

One: So may our life and our breath proclaim the mystery of faith:

Many: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

One: Breathe, O God, your Holy Spirit...And let the disciples say, "Amen!"

Many: Amen.

One: Let the disciples sing, "Amen!"

Many: Amen!

One: Let the disciples shout, "Amen!"

Many: AMEN!

Sharing the Bread & Cup

Stewardship Moment & Prayer after Receiving

Many: For what we have eaten, for what we have sipped, for what we have received— bread, wine, and life— thank you, God! May this moment fill us and change us. May this moment fill and change your world. In Christ's name. Amen.

• **Hymn VU 380** *She Comes Sailing on the Wind*

Sending Words:

One: God puts a song in our hearts, So let's go forth from this time and place. Singing of untamable Holy Spirit.

Many: We cannot keep from singing. Glory to God! Amen.

Benediction in Song: *How Can I Keep from Singing* (chorus only)

No storm can shake my in-most calm

while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.

Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth,

how can I keep from singing?

Postlude

Spirit of Praise

Edward Broughton

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Meetings

Today

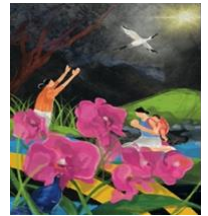
After worship – UCW Exec. in the Fellowship Lounge.

After Worship - Christian Education invitation! Rev Joe along with M&P, are hosting an opportunity for anyone who might be interested in sharing ideas on how we might build a Christian Education program at Streetsville United, one which encompasses children, youth and adults, all ideas are welcome! The meeting will be held in the library. Looking forward to your input!

This Week

Mon. 7 – 8pm - Lenten study of *A Song of Faith* (United Church statement of faith) Mondays in Lent (Feb. 27 to April 3) in the Fellowship Lounge.

Tue. 7:00 pm World Day of Prayer - Streetsville United Church warmly invites you to join us in the 2023 World Day of Prayer Service. The writing country this year is Taiwan, where the message "I have heard about your faith" based on Ephesians 1:15-19 is celebrated. Come to enjoy light refreshments after the service which will celebrate a tropical vibe!



Wed. 11:30 am – noon via Zoom - Midweek devotional time – Please call or email the office for the Zoom link.

Wed. 7:00 pm – Choir practice.

Thu. 1:00 pm – Friendship Circle in the FL.

Thu. 7:00 pm – Joy Givers in the FL.

Thu. 8:00 pm – Boomer Band practice

Upcoming

Tue. Mar. 14 1:00 pm – Sunshine Circle in the FL.

Tue. Mar. 14 :00 pm – Church Council in the FL.

Announcements

Garage Sale Update – See insert.

Easter Tidings – Please email submissions to Kelly for Easter Tidings by Mon. Mar. 13.

Eden Food for Change Donations - Please bring your non-perishable donations to the church and place in the bin in the Narthex. Things they need: *laundry detergent (small bottles preferred), dish soap, shampoo, shower gel/body wash, crackers, cookies, canned good (flip top lids), tuna, applesauce cups, size 6 diapers, any food item that is already proportioned (snack packs).*

Streetsville United Church's Garage Sale is Back!

When: Saturday, April 29, 2023

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Where: Lower floor of the church, 274 Queen St. S., Mississauga

What's for sale: household items, linens, sporting goods, children's toys, jewelry, plants

Payment: cash is preferred

Masking: masks are optional

Barbecue food is for sale: muffins, hot dogs, drinks

We Need LOTS and LOTS of Help

How Can You Help:

- Your items for sale: household items, linens, sporting goods, children's toys, jewelry, plants. NO FURNITURE.
- Helpers: A list of the types of help required and information about how to sign up will be made available in a separate announcement.

We will be accepting items at the church starting in mid-March. A separate announcement will be made about the drop off details.

If you need additional information, you can contact one of the coordinators:

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