

Welcome Team

Assisting This Week: *Sanctuary Lead* John Wilton

Narthex – Karen Monk *Elevator* – Doug Hitchcock

Reader – Chris Monk *Coffee Hour* – Men's Group

Tech – Wally Bridel, Kate Sparrow

Assisting Next Week: *Sanctuary Lead* – Jennifer Honsa

Narthex – Murray Lewis *Elevator* – Kent Sweetman

Coffee Hour – Worship *Tech* – Bill Powell, Wendy Dowling

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. **Naloxone Kit** in the red First Aid box.

Sharing Our Offerings:

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)
- 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.
- Canada Helps (tax receipts provided by Canada Helps)

May 14, 2023
Mother's Day



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

Before the Service

Boomer Band

Prelude

God, Give Us Christian Homes

arr. Cindy Berry

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Call to Worship (by Chelsea Masterman, Grace U.C., Edmonton, Alta.)

One: Come, mothers and those who mother! Come, all who have mothers,

Many: through birth, adoption, fostering, or simply by being taken under the wing of someone with a kindly mothering soul.

One: Come, those for whom today is hard, those for whom today brings grief for many reasons, those who need to be enfolded in the care of this community.

Many: Today we worship in music and prayer the God who loves us with a maternal love, a love beyond anything we could ask or imagine, or hope for!

One: Come, let us worship God.

- Hymn VU 554 *God Made From One Blood*

Opening Prayer (adapted from *Celebrate God's Presence*)

Many: Today, O God, we celebrate Mother's Day and Christian Family Sunday to give thanks to you and to pray for our families. We thank you for families rooted in love, where character is formed and values are learned, where lives are filled with hopefulness and laughter. We acknowledge that families often disappoint us. People fight; people hurt one another. Forgive us, gracious God. Where there is pain, resentment, or bitterness, enter with your healing love. Open our hearts to families who suffer abuse and violence. Increase our compassion towards all with painful memories. We pray with hope that all families may be a source of blessing and abundant life. Amen.

Special Music

Boomer band

Time with God's Children

Prayer of Illumination

Chris Monk

Scripture

Acts 1:1-5, 12-14

Chris Monk

Anthem

The First Song of Isaiah

Jack Noble White

Sermon

Renewing Family

Rev. Joe Hopkins

Stewardship Moment

• Sung Dedication

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Community Prayers (from Marvelous Mums: An Intergenerational Worship Resource for Mother's Day)

The Lord's Prayer

- Hymn MU 145 *Draw the Circle Wide* see insert

Sending Words (Jim McKean, Severn Shores U.C., Severn, Ont.)

One: Each of us has a biological mother, that is true. Yet we are raised by many who are mother and father and parent figures in our life. As we go forth on this Christian Family Sunday, may we be aware of the voices of those who call to us, unconditionally and lovingly, to be—well, just to be us!

Many: We go forth in the love of God who loves us unconditionally and completely just as we are. Amen.

Benediction in Song Blessed Assurance (chorus)

This is my story, this is my song; Praising my Saviour all the day long; this is my story, this is my song; praising my Saviour all the day long.

Postlude

To God Be the Glory

Fanny J. Crosby, William H. Doane

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Mother's Day

Meetings

This Week

Tue. 1:00 pm – Sunshine Circle in the Fellowship Lounge.

Wed. 7:00 pm – Choir practice.

Upcoming

Mon. May 22 – Victoria Day

Announcements

Rev. Joe away – Mon. May 15 to Sun. May 21 - Emergency pastoral care during that time is **Rev. Debra McGill of St. Stephen's-on-the-Hill United Church**. Rev. McGill's phone number is **416-951-9025**.

SUC Community Promotional Pens – are available in the Narthex – by donation.

Summer Tidings – Please send submissions for the summer Tidings edition to Kelly by **Mon. Jun. 5** at info@streetsvilleunited.ca

***** Updated *** 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: ***Sugar, salt, canned beans-kidney beans, chick peas, black beans, baked beans, canned tomatoes, pasta sauce, jam, pancake mix, tea, any kind of canned vegetable, oatmeal, peanut butter, Kraft dinner, diapers - size 2, 4 & 6, ramen noodles and cereal***

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MV 145 Draw the Circle Wide

Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.
Let this be our song: no one stands alone,
standing side by side, draw the circle.

God the still-point of the circle,

'round whom all creation turns;
nothing lost, but held forever,
in God's gracious arms

Refrain

Let our hearts touch far horizons,
so encompass great and small;
let our loving know no borders,
faithful to God's call.

Refrain

Let the dreams we dream be larger,
than we've ever dreamed before;
let the dream of Christ be in us,
open every door.

Refrain