Welcome Team

Assisting This Week: Sanctuary Lead – Bev Mathew Narthex – Karen Monk Elevator – Doug Hitchcock Reader – Doug Hitchcock Coffee Hour – Finance

Tech – Megan Sweetman

Assisting Next Week: Sanctuary Lead – Jennifer Honsa Narthex – Ev Courtney Elevator – Charlie Walsh Reader – Dianne Nowoselski Coffee Hour – Pastoral Care

Tech - 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 <u>info@streetsvilleunited.ca</u>) or the UCW (use <u>stvlucw@bell.net</u>)
- 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)

August 27, 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 We Gather Together Arr. Edward Kremser

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Call to Worship (by Jim McKean, Severn Shores, U.C.) One: For God is here, calling us to be present and awake.

Many: Calling us to a life restored and renewed in the Spirit.

One: Encouraging us through word, silence...and song.

Many: Collected, we come with skills and talents, needs and questions,

willing to experience this holy time again.

One: Then let us worship God.

• Hymn MV 1 Let Us Build a House (All are Welcome) See insert

Opening Prayer

O Holy One, You eternally exist as Divine Community-

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;

Creator, Christ, and Holy Comforter;

Lover, Beloved, and Love Loving.

Together as One, You crafted the entire cosmos, populated our planet Earth with innumerable life-forms, and maintained the delicate and beautiful balance of space, time, and matter. In this time of worship remind us who worship You of the beauty of relationship and the hard work that healthy relationship requires. As we pray, sing, and share life in this sabbath space embolden us to join the cause of creation and to intentionally create together. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Special Music Sanctus by Charles Gounod

(Organ Solo -Michelle Chung)

Time with God's Children:

Prayer of Illumination Doug Hitchcock

Scripture

2 Chronicles 2:1-16

John 4:19-26

• **Hymn VU 578** As a Fire is Meant for Burning

Sermon: Intentionally Creating Together

Rev. Joe Hopkins

Doug Hitchcock

Stewardship Moment

• Sung Dedication VU 242 Let All Things Now Living (verse 1 only)

Community Prayer & The Lord's Prayer (adapted from collect in the

Anglican Book of Common Prayer)

One: Creator God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

Many: That we all may be one.

One: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve

you;

Many: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

One: We pray for all ministers, licensed local worship leaders, and

deacons;

Many: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

One: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the

world;

Many: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

One: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

Many: That our works may find favor in your sight.

One: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

Many: That they may be delivered from their distress.

One: Give to the departed eternal rest.

Many: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

One: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; Many: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

One: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

One: We thank You and praise You, God of Holy Community. Open our eyes to Your faithful responses to our prayers, even as we pray in the way that Jesus taught his followers...

• **Hymn VU 586** We Shall Go Out with Hope of Resurrection

Sending Words:

One: We have worshiped God the Creator, reveled in God's good creation, and reaffirmed God's creative Spirit within us. Let's go from this time and place to fill God's canvas with greater beauty, deeper compassion, and enthusiasm for the good news of Jesus Christ.

Many: We are God's creatures, and we go forth to create with God! Amen.

Benediction in Song:

MV 217 Hey Ney Yana

Refrain:

Hey ney yana, hey ney yana, hey ney yana, hey ya hey yo, hey ya hey yo.

- 1 I walk in beauty, yes I do, yes I do, I talk in beauty, yes I do, yes I do, I sing of beauty, hey ya hey yo, hey ya hey yo. [Refrain]
- 2 I leave in beauty, yes I do, yes I do, I sleep in beauty, yes I do, yes I do, I dream of beauty, hey ya hey yo, hey ya hey yo. [Refrain]

Postlude Jesus Shall Reign Arr. Cindy Berry



1 MV Let Us Build A House (All Are Welcome)

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine, and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet.

Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the feast that free us:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place

Meetings

This Week

PUBlic Theology gather with Christian friends, enjoy a fav beverage or pub grub, and talk about God! Cuchulainn's Irish Pub at 158 Queen Street South. Thursday dates include **Aug. 31**.

Announcements

WL St. Joseph's Parish Council 2023 Fall Dinner & Dance Fundraiser scheduled Nov 10, 2023. Check out the flyer at the welcome table for more information. Scan the QR Code or Click the following link https://forms.gle/A8dCHiMA24MajraE8 to book your ticket. We have promos for Table bookings too - look for options while booking online.

*** 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, flour, cookies, crackers, jam, baked beans, mixed beans, Kraft dinner, tomato sauce, pasta, condensed soup, chunky coup, cereal, canned meat, salmon and Diapers - size 4,5,&6.

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