

## Welcome Team

**Assisting This Week:** *Sanctuary Lead* John Wilton

Narthex – Ruth Kochanuk    *Elevator* – Doug Hitchcock

*Reader* – Cathy Hitchcock    *Coffee Hour* – Property

*Tech* – Wally Bridel    *Communion* – Bill & Katie Powell

**Assisting Next Week:** *Sanctuary Lead* – Nanci Anderson

Narthex – Karen Monk    *Elevator* – Kent Sweetman

*Reader* – Chris Monk    *Coffee Hour* – Outreach

*Tech* – Megan Sweetman

---

**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](mailto:info@streetsvilleunited.ca)) or the UCW (use [stvlucw@bell.net](mailto: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](mailto: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)

September 10, 2023  
*September of Service*  
Communion



*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** *Abide With Me*

### **Welcome and Land Acknowledgement**

### **Announcements**

**Call to Worship** (adapted from words written by Bruce Pewer)

One: We come here today not because we are clever but because God welcomes the slow learners.

**Many: We come here not because we are wise, but because God loves us in spite of our folly.**

One: We come knowing that the greatest persons will be found among those who humbly serve like Jesus did, and that the brightest ideas and the deepest truth will come from those who see themselves as little children in Christ's school.

**Many: We open up our minds and our hearts and enable our lives to declare God's praise.**

- **Hymn VU 560** *O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee*

**Opening Prayer** (from Revised Common Lectionary Prayers copyright © 2002)

**Many: God of unsearchable mystery and light, your weakness is greater than our strength, your foolishness brings all our cleverness to naught, your gentleness confounds the power we would claim. You call first to be last and last to be first, servant to be leader and ruler to be underling of all. Pour into our hearts the wisdom of your Word and Spirit, that we may know your purpose and live to your glory. We pray in the name of our Servant-Lord Jesus Christ, who also taught his followers to pray...**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Anthem** *Until He Comes* Jim Ailor

**Time with God's Children**

### **Prayer of Illumination**

Cathy Hitchcock

### **Scripture**

*Mark 9:33-37*

Cathy Hitchcock

### **Sermon:**

*Who Is The GOAT?*

Rev. Joe Hopkins

### **• Hymn 473**

*Let All Mortal Flesh*

### **Holy Communion**

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**

One: Holy Mystery, God the Spirit, ...We pray all these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

### **Eating & Drinking Together**

One: The body of Christ, the bread of life. Let's eat together.

***All worshipers eat.***

One: The lifeblood of Christ, the cup of blessing. Let us drink together.

***All worshipers drink.***

### **Stewardship Moment & Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Many: We thank You, gracious God, for this little miracle of food and drink in which You are present to us. Animate our hearts with You covenanting love that we may share the good news of Jesus with others. Bless our giving to our church and others in need that the world may see Your saving and liberating action. In Jesus' name. Amen**

- **Hymn VU 701** *What Does the Lord Require of You*

### **Sending Words** (based on Philippians 2:1-8)

One: May the grace of Christ comfort you; may God's love console you; may you partner with the Holy Spirit and enjoy tender affection and sympathy for one another.

**Many: We look not only to our own interests but even more to the interests of others. May we share the mindset of Christ—our humble Lord and servant of all.**

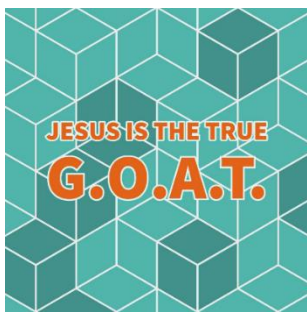
### **Benediction in Song:**

**VU 595**                      *The Servant Song* (verse 1 only)

**Postlude**                      *All Creatures Great and Small*                      Larry Shackley

---

This week, we warmly welcome Robin Dalglish as guest musician.



---

### **Meetings**

#### **Today**

**After worship – UCW Exec** meeting in the Fellowship Lounge.

#### **This Week**

**Tue. 7:00 pm – Church Council** in the FL.

**NO Choir** practice this week.

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

**Thu. 7:00 pm – Joy Givers** in the FL.

#### **Upcoming**

**Sun. Sep. 17 – Blessing** of students and backpacks at service.

**Tue. Sep. 19 1:00 pm – Sunshine Circle** in the FL.

**Thu. Sep. 21 8:00 pm – Boomer Band** practice.

**Sun. Sep. 24 – Food Justice** – Please bring food donations for our Eden Food for Change Bin. The list of what they need each week is always updated in the bulletin.

### **Announcements**

**Please consider donating your used stamps.** There is a box on the bookshelf in the narthex, beside the box for donating used eyeglasses. The stamps are collected and sent to the Canadian Bible Society to use for their Canadian prison ministry. The stamps collected are combined from those across the country and sold to stamp collectors and vendors. Ten pounds of stamps will provide 6 Key to Freedom Bibles. The following link will take you to information on this:

[www.biblesociety.ca/project/canada-correctional-institutions-bible-distribution/](http://www.biblesociety.ca/project/canada-correctional-institutions-bible-distribution/)

Leave the stamps on the envelope and cut around each by ¼ inch. There is no time limit on this project. We have been doing it for years!

**\*\*\* 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: Salt, sugar, canned fruit, pasta sauce, jam, chunky soup, Kraft dinner, tea, crackers, cookies, cereal, kids pasta, dried kidney beans, dried green peas, dried pearly barley, canned chickpeas, dried green lentils, and Diapers - size 4, 5, & 6.

---

### **Streetsville United Church Leadership Team**

Minister: Rev. Joe Hopkins                      [revjoehopkins@streetsvilleunited.ca](mailto:revjoehopkins@streetsvilleunited.ca)

Music Director: Michelle Chung                      [music@streetsvilleunited.ca](mailto:music@streetsvilleunited.ca)

Church Council Chair: Neil Beattie                      [nbeattie@rocketmail.com](mailto:nbeattie@rocketmail.com)

Admin Assistant: Kelly Crewson                      [kellycrewson@streetsvilleunited.ca](mailto:kellycrewson@streetsvilleunited.ca)

Office: [info@streetsvilleunited.ca](mailto:info@streetsvilleunited.ca)                      Tel: 905-826-1542

Website: [www.streetsvilleunited.ca](http://www.streetsvilleunited.ca)                      Press 1 Office

Address: 274 Queen St. S, Mississauga, ON, L5M 1L8                      Press 2 Rev. Joe

---