Welcome Team

Assisting This Week: Sanctuary Lead – Nanci Anderson Narthex – Karen Monk Elevator – Kent Sweetman Reader – Chris Monk Coffee Hour – Outreach

Tech – Megan Sweetman

Assisting Next Week: Sanctuary Lead – Laura Mara Narthex – Murray Lewis Elevator – Peter Mara Reader – Kate Sparrow Coffee Hour – UCW

Tech – John 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. 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 <u>bev.mathew@rogers.com</u> 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 17, 2023 September of Service



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 *Give Thanks Blessings*

William H. Monk Laura Mixon Story

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Call to Worship (by Robert Cosbey, Trinity U.C., Thunder Bay, Ont.) One: God is always with us, but in the stuffy confines of our lives,

Many: sometimes we don't notice.

One: While puzzling out the logistics of our lives,

Many: sometimes we don't notice.

One: In our desires and attachments to things of this world,

Many: sometimes we don't notice.

One: God calls us together on this day...

the body of Christ knit together by God's love.

Many: We are here today to notice God's loving presence.

One: Come, let us rejoice with thanks and praise for God's life-giving

love. Come, let us worship.

• Hymn VU 593 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Opening Prayer

Many: Restless God, we are ready for Sabbath time. In this pause between "to-do" and "what if," fill us with your peace. Disturb our complacency with your passion. Renew our commitment to your service. We turn to you, trusting that love and life defeat hatred and death. It is still your world, and we live in it with joy. Amen.

Anthem Be The Light Of Christ Wes Cameron

Time with God's Children - Blessing Backpacks and Paying it Forward

Prayer of Illumination Chris Monk

Scripture Luke 10:25-37 Chris Monk

Homily: Giving and Receiving Care Rev. Joe Hopkins Paraphrase of A.J. Levine: The point of Jesus' parable of the Good Samaritan is not actually about imitating the Samaritan. The point of the parable is that we need to recognize our neighbour in the class or category of people that we don't particularly like.

Presentation by RootsCS – Danielle Palmer, Jamaul Taylor, community health ambassadors

Stewardship Moment

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

Community Prayers (adapted from prayer by the Faith and Unity Department of the Baptist Union of Great Britain)

The Lord's Prayer

• **Hymn VU 594** O Christian, Love

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 Holy Ground arr. Mark Hayes

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



Inspiration. Empowerment. Action.

Meetings

This Week

Wed. 7:00 pm – Choir practice led by Kim Perrin.

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

Thu. 8:00 pm – Boomer Band practice.

Upcoming

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

Announcements

Men's Breakfast! All are welcome. Join us in Heritage Hall on Thursday Sep. 28 from 8:30 – 10 am for breakfast and fellowship.

Save the Date! Sunday October 15th Fall Potluck Luncheon - Plan to attend the Fall Potluck Luncheon on Sunday October 15th in Heritage Hall, right after worship service. This year's even will take on a Cultural theme...bring a food item from your cultural heritage to share with others! More info to come.

*** 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, canned corn, cooking oil, sanitary napkins, canned chickpeas, and Diapers - size 4, 5, & 6.

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