

## Welcome Team

**Assisting This Week:** *Sanctuary Lead* – Bev Mathew    Narthex – Jean Stopa    *Elevator* – Terry Stopa    *Reader* – Chris Monk  
*Coffee Hour* – Worship    *Tech* – Dave Moase

**Assisting Next Week:** *Sanctuary Lead* – Gail Boulton    Narthex – Nanci Anderson    *Elevator* – Kent Sweetman    *Reader* – Bill Powell  
*Coffee Hour* – Finance    *Tech* – Ken Boulton

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**Our Prayer Chain is available.** When you have a prayer concern, call Kate Sparrow @ 905-302-4549 or the church office.

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## 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.

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## 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)
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*Series: Intercultural October*



*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.*

## God Invites Us to Gather

- Many: God of hope, you promise peace and joy and unfailing love. We wait for you, Lord, our souls wait with deep yearning for you to act to bring hope to lives that are caught in despair, to make peace in cities wounded by so much violence, to move us toward joy and love. You are more patient with us than we are with you, Lord. You work in our hearts and our minds and our spirits, changing us in deep places so we become the place where your hope and peace and joy and love can come to birth. Give us grace to slow down enough to pay attention to the work you are doing in us and among us. Give us grace to face the hard truths that make a way for your transforming power and healing presence. Give us grace to yield to you. We pray in the name of Jesus, who has set us on this Way of Life. Amen.**

**Postlude**      *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*      arr. Faye Lopez

## 73 MV    Oh God, Why Are You Silent?

O God, why are you silent? I cannot hear your voice.  
The proud and strong and violent all claim you and rejoice.  
You promised you would hold me with tenderness and care.  
Draw near, O Love, enfold me, and ease this pain I bear.

Now lost within my grieving, I fall and lose my way,  
my fragile, faint believing so swiftly swept away.  
O God of pain and sorrow, my compass, and my guide,  
I cannot face the morrow without you by my side.

My hope lies bruised and battered, my wounded heart is torn;  
my spirit spent and shattered by life's relentless storm.  
Will you not bend to hear me, my cries from deep within?  
Have you no word to cheer me when night is closing in?

Through endless nights of weeping, through weary days of grief,  
my heart is in your keeping, my comfort, my relief.  
Come, share my tears and sadness, come, suffer in my pain;  
O, bring me home to gladness, restore my hope again.

May pain draw forth compassion, let wisdom rise from loss.  
O, take my heart and fashion the image of your cross.  
then may I know your healing, through healing that I share,  
your grace and love revealing, your tenderness and care.

## For Everyone Born

For everyone born, a place at the table,  
for everyone born, clean water and bread,  
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,  
for everyone born, a star overhead,

### **Refrain:**

and God will delight when we are creators  
of justice and joy, compassion and peace:  
yes, God will delight when we are creators  
of justice, justice, and joy! joy!

For all who share life, a place at the table,  
revising the roles, deciding the share,  
with wisdom and grace, dividing the power,  
for all who share life, a system that's fair,

For those we neglect, a place at the table,  
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,  
the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,  
for those we neglect, the right to belong,

For all who have breath, a place at the table,  
a covenant shared, a welcoming space,  
a rainbow of race and gender and color,  
for all who have breath, the chalice of grace,

For you and for me, a place at the table,  
though wounded and sore, with need to forgive,  
in anger, in hurt, a mindset of mercy,  
for you and for me, a new way to live,

For everyone born, a place at the table,  
to live without fear, and simply to be,  
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,  
for everyone born, the right to be free.

## ***Meetings***

**Today after worship in Heritage Hall – Potluck Lunch** - Enjoy food items from cultural heritages and celebrate! Remember plate and cutlery...see you there!

### ***This Week***

**Tue. 7:00 pm – Church Council** meeting in the Fellowship Lounge.

**Wed. 7:00 pm – Choir** practice.

**Thu. 7:00 – 9 pm (2nd of 3) - Intercultural and Christian: an October Class** - Rev. Joe will lead a three-session class about intercultural church in the FL. We will explore the intercultural church statement of the UCC, thoughts from leading theologians, and discuss the opportunities and challenges of adapting to an intercultural reality. **Please sign up in the narthex or contact with Rev. Joe.**

**Thu. Oct. 19 8:00 pm – Boomer Band** practice.

### ***Upcoming***

**Thu. Oct. 19 7:00 – 9 pm (final of 3) - Intercultural and Christian: an October Class** – in the FL.

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## ***Announcements***

**Macgregor Meat Fundraiser returns** – an email was sent this week. **Orders are due on Thu. Nov. 1**, with **pickup on Thu. Nov. 9**. Please share this with friends and family for quality meals this fall and winter!

**It's October - Time for Harvest of Crafts – Sat. Oct. 28** Please save the date and bring along family and friends to enjoy the wonderful variety of baking and preserves, crafts, and various products of the vendors. Items to be donated to the Craft room go to Kerry Poulsen (905-826-1933) or Lorraine Treanor (905-826-3761). Preserves go to Sandy Hayashi for labelling (905-569-9966) and baking comes to the church Friday Oct 27 before 2pm or Sat 28th before 9am. The Men's Group will be serving coffee and muffins for your enjoyment. Lawn signs will be available after Sunday Oct 15 - help us spread the word!

**\*\*\* 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:** Crackers, cookies, cereal, Kraft dinner, canned fruit, pasta, chunky soup, chickpeas, salt, juice, canned meat, dish soap, large peanut butter and pasta sauce.

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