

## Welcome Team

**Assisting This Week:** *Sanctuary Lead* – Tony Tadros    *Narthex* – Karen Monk    *Elevator* – Kevin Dowling    *Reader* – Cathy Hitchcock  
*Coffee Hour* – Men's Group    *Tech* – Wendy Dowling

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

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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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October 8, 2023  
*Thanksgiving Sunday*  
*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.*

## ***Order of Worship***

### **God Invites Us to Gather**

- *indicates standing for all who are able*

<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Thanksgiving</i>	Albin C. Whitworth
	<i>Thanksgiving Prayer</i>	Gilbert M. Martin

### **Welcome and Land Acknowledgement**

### **Announcements**

### **Call to Worship**

Voice 1: There are many ways to express gratitude... Rev. Joe (V1)

Voice 2: Writing a thank-you card Antoinette Clarke (V2)

Voice 3: Returning a favor Cathy Hitchcock (V3)

Voice 2: Giving a hug

Voice 3: Offering a prayer

Voice 1: There are many languages in which we express our gratitude.

Let's shout "thank you" in the language that you grew up speaking.

Ready? Go!

*Worshippers shout their gratitude in various languages*

Voice 1: God rejoices at the sight and sound of God's people giving thanks.

**Many: We worship God with thanksgiving—today and always!**

- **Hymn VU 516** *Come, You Thankful People, Come*

**Opening Prayer** (by Robin Wardlaw, Toronto, ON)

One: Creator of all, You fill us with good things:

**Many: joy, peace, grace, hope, and love.**

One: In this harvest season, we revel in the things of all:

**Many: crops coming in, colours changing, the land getting ready for rest.**

One: You pour contentment in Your people, and also an ache.

**Many: We have an emptiness for your kin-dom come on earth as it is in heaven.**

One: In this season of plenty, give us hunger, we pray:

**Many: hunger for right relations, hunger for a community of love, hunger for a world of justice.**

One: Holy One, receive our prayers.

**Many: Amen.**

<b>Anthem</b>	<i>Our Grateful Song</i>	Nancy Price, Don Besig
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### **Time with God's Children**

<b>Prayer of Illumination</b>	Cathy Hitchcock
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<b>Scripture</b>	<i>Psalms 65</i>	Cathy Hitchcock
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- **Hymn MV 181** *Lord, Your Hands Have Formed* see insert

<b>Sermon:</b>	<i>Thanksgiving Far and Wide</i>	Rev. Joe Hopkins
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### **Community Prayers & Thanksgiving Praise**

*Worshippers will sing the first two lines of VU 519 "Sing to the Lord of Harvest" between spoken prayers offered by the minister.*

### **Stewardship Moment & Prayer of Dedication with Lord's Prayer**

- **Hymn VU 231** *I Sing the Mighty Power*  
(use tune Ellacome VU 123)

**Sending Words** (adapted from words by Very Rev. Richard Bott)

**Many: In the midst of God's ordinary miracles, we came today to celebrate wonder!**

One: Through the Christ, God calls us out to new places, to new hopes, to new lives! Through the Spirit, God sends us out with spirits open to the divine presence, with lives filled, ready to share God's love.

**Many: May God bless our moments of rest and our times of work.**

**May God bless our journey, today and always!**

One: In Christ's name, go forth ready to notice God's ordinary miracles. Amen.

### **Benediction in Song:**

<b>VU 646</b>	<i>We Are Marching (Siyahamba)</i>
	Si-ya-hamb' e-ku-kha-nyen' kwen-khos
	Si-ya-hamb' e-ku-kha-nyen' kwen-khos (2x)
	We are marching, we are marching, oh!
	We are marching in the light of God! (2x)

### **Postlude**

*Now We All Our God with Come, Ye Thankful People*  
arr. Cindy Berry

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## ***Meetings***

### ***This Week***

**Wed. 7:00 pm – Choir practice.**

**Thu. 1 pm – Friendship Circle** meeting in the FL.

**Thu. 7:00 – 9 pm (first 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. 7 pm – Joy Givers** meeting in the choir room.

### ***Upcoming***

**Sun. Oct. 15 after worship – Potluck Lunch** - Bring a food item from your cultural heritage or your favourite to share and celebrate! Remember plate and cutlery...see you there!

**Tue. Oct. 17 7:00 pm – Church Council** meeting in the FL.

**Thu. Oct. 19 7:00 – 9 pm (2nd of 3) - Intercultural and Christian: an October Class** – in the FL.

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

**Fri. Oct. 13 10:00 am – UCW Exec** meeting in the Fellowship Lounge.

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## ***Announcements***

**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, tomato soup, salmon, tuna, flour, sugar, salt, juice, canned meat, and Diapers - size 5 & 6.

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## 181 MV Lord, Your Hands Have Formed

- 1 Lord, your hands have formed this world,  
every part is shaped by you.  
Water tumbling over rocks, air, and sunlight  
each day's signs that you make all things new.
- 2 Yours the soil that holds the seed,  
you give warmth and moisture, too.  
Sprouting, crops and blossom buds, trees and plants:  
the seasons' signs that you make all things new.
- 3 We search out new ground to weed,  
even mountain fields will do.  
You up-root the toughest sins from our souls:  
both steward signs that you make all things new.
- 4 Like a mat you roll out land,  
space to build for us and you  
earthly homes and in our midst, homes for Christ,  
the truest sign that you make all things new.