

Assisting This Week: *Welcome Team:* Lead – Gail Boulton
Lower Hall – Bev Mathew, Teresa Judd *Welcome Table* – Ev
Courtney *Balcony* – Charlie Walsh *Elevator* – Kent Sweetman
Reader – Kate Sparrow *Coffee* – Christian Education
Communion – Ken & Maisie McMullen, Karen & Chris Monk, Randa
Tadros, Murray Lewis

Assisting Next Week: *Welcome Team:* Lead – Clarke Mills
Lower Hall – Jean Stopa, Ev Courtney *Welcome Table* – Anita King
Balcony – Doug Hitchcock *Elevator* – Terry Stopa
Readers – Choir Members *Coffee* – UCW

Pre-school Room for your children up to JK age is available with an audio/video feed of the service. Attendants are glad to show you where the pre-school room is located.

Parents: For safety reasons, please ensure your children are supervised while in the balcony.

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

Hospital Visits: Please let Rev. John know when any of our members or friends are in hospital – 647-522-9483 (cell); 905-826-1542 (office); john.tapscott@streetsvilleunited.ca

Emergency Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Onsite

Located in the sanctuary on the landing going up to the balcony on the center of the wall.

Streetsville United Church Leadership Team

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December 2, 2018
Advent 1
Holy 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 and the wider world.*

Order of Service

Prelude *Aria* F. Ritter

- Standing for all who are able
- **Call to Worship** (responsively) from Philippians 4

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord always.

All: I will say it again: Rejoice!

Leader: Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near.

All: We rejoice in the hope of Christ's coming. Let us worship God!

- Prayer of Approach (followed by the Lord's Prayer)
- Our Father, Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

- Assurance of Pardon
- Passing of the Peace
- Hymn **1** *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

Lighting of the First Advent Candle of Hope –
Vincent, Pamela, Caroline & Madeleine Tume

Announcements

Offering (Loose offering today is directed to our Benevolent Fund)

Offertory *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel!* Arr. F. Peters

- Presentation of Offerings
- Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Scripture Readings: Malachi 3:1-4
Luke 3:1-6

- Hymn **20** *On Jordan's Bank*

Sermon: *The Way is Prepared*
Luke 3:4

'As it is written in the book of the prophet Isaiah, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" Luke 3:4

Anthem *O Come Emmanuel, Come Soon* arr. H. Hopson

- The Apostles' Creed (in unison) **p. 918**

Invitation to Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer after Communion (in unison): **We give You thanks, Almighty God, for You have renewed our faith, our hope, and our love in this sacrament through the presence of the living Christ. Empower us by Your Spirit to serve Christ in our daily tasks, and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, Come, Lord Jesus! Amen.**

- Hymn **2** *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

Benediction

Moment for Reflection

Postlude *Sleepers, Wake!* D. Paxton

Christmas Services

Sun. Dec. 9 — Choir Christmas Service Advent 2

Sun. Dec. 16 – Sunday School White Gift– Advent 3

Sun. Dec. 23 – Christmas Celebration – Advent 4

Christmas Eve Services

7:00 pm – Contemporary Service – music by our bands!

10:30 pm – Christmas Eve Communion Service



Meetings

Today

Christmas Wreaths – 1st Streetsville Venturers are selling 20" Christmas wreaths at coffee hour.

Christmas Tidings – out last Sunday. Those remaining were mailed. Copies for our guests at the Welcome Table.

After worship – Junior Choir practice in the Fellowship Lounge.

This Week

Tue. 7:15 pm – UCW Christmas Meeting - The Notables will be the guest artists and bring very special music to this evening of worship and fellowship. All are welcome.

Wed. 9:30 – 11 am – The Café - Join us in the Fellowship Lounge.

Wed. 7:00 pm - Senior Choir Practice.

Thu. 7:00 – 8:30 pm – Group 1 Bible Study – last of 6 in the FL.

Sat. 10 – 11:30 am – Group 2 Bible Study – last of 6 in the FL.

Upcoming Events

Tue. Dec. 11 7:00 pm – Church Council meeting in the FL.

Wed. Dec. 12 11:45 am – “The Café” Luncheon – final meeting for Dec.

Thu. Dec. 13 12 pm – Friendship Circle Potluck in Heritage Hall.

Fri. Dec. 14 7:00 am – Men’s Breakfast in HH.

Streetsville United Church.....What It Takes!

It Takes a Christian Education Committee!

Chair: Cathy Hitchcock

Elder: Teresa Judd, Linda McKenzie

Sunday School Leader: Richard Wilkins

High School Teacher: Amir Majid

Resource People: Antoinette Clarke, Wendy Dowling

Responsibilities include:

- Sunday School
- High School Sunday School
- Library – Maintenance and reading material update
- Adult Education studies in conjunction with Rev. John
- Nursery/Toddler room in conjunction with the Worship Committee



Announcements

2019 Giving Envelopes – will be available soon. Please inform the church office if you **do not want** to have envelopes for 2019. Another option to keep your weekly givings current and help the church meet its financial obligations is PAR (Pre Authorized Remittance). The forms are available at the Welcome Table or through the church office. Questions? Please speak to our PAR Administrator Ken Boulton.

Blood Donor Drive – continues - there are **9** out of our goal of **30**. Help us meet our goal – you will be helping save a life!

Book Sale – has raised **\$986.25** (not including craft sale and garage sale). The goal for 2018 is \$1,000. Please help make this goal a reality by visiting the book sale on the stage. Children’s books in good condition are needed. Thanks for your HELP!

Church Food Pantry – In November, we helped 12 people. This week we are LOW: canned baked beans, beef/chicken stew, salmon, carrots, peas, beans, rice mayonnaise, jam, canned milk, coffee, granola bars, cereal, 1L juice. We are completely OUT OF: cookies, hot chocolate, canned pasta, canned chicken.

Christmas Food Request – help to give those in need a Christmas dinner! Canned gravy, instant potatoes, canned vegetables, canned pie fillings and any other special Christmas dinner items. (we have enough cranberries and stuffing in stock). Thank you.

“Streetsville Home” Christmas Outreach – Please HELP us make Christmas brighter for the 26-28 residents of this home (2 locations in Streetsville). All of these residents have some form of physical/mental disability. TODAY and for the next 2 Sundays, there will be a donation box in the narthex for your much appreciated and needed monetary donations. Thank you for helping with this annual outreach to our neighbours. Please speak to Adelaide if you have questions 905-812-9483.

