

Welcome Team

Assisting This Week: *Sanctuary Lead* – Nadean Harley *Narthex* – Nanci Anderson *Elevator* – Murray Lewis *Reader* – Dianne Nowoselski
Coffee Hour – Finance *Tech* – Wally Bridel
Communion - Bill & Katie Powell, Nanci Anderson

Assisting Next Week: *Sanctuary Lead* – Bev Mathew *Narthex* – Ruth Kochanuk
Elevator – Doug Hitchcock *Reader* – Bill Powell *Coffee Hour* – Property
Tech – Wendy Dowling

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) or the UCW (use 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 or 905-826-5005.
 - Canada Helps (tax receipts provided by Canada Helps)
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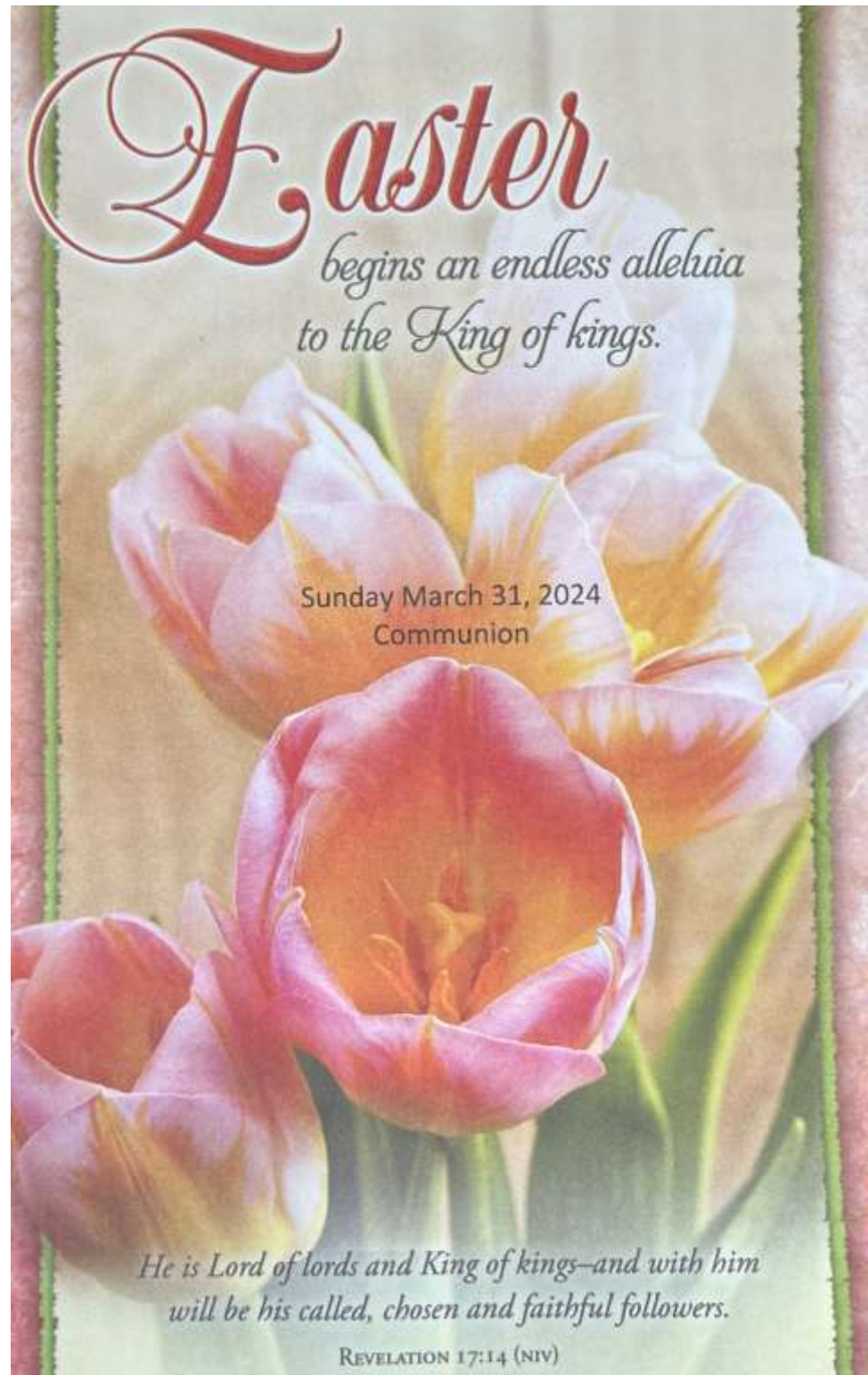
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Order of Worship

God Invites Us to Gather

- *indicates standing for all who are able*

Prelude *Christ Triumphant* George Blake

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

The Story of the Resurrection - Mark 16:1-8

One: You would be right to be bewildered by the empty tomb. Yet hear the good news and believe: Jesus is not dead; he is risen!

Many: We believe and we rejoice!

One: If you are in Jesus Christ, then you are a new creation.

Many: The old has passed away; God has renewed everything!

Alleluia!

- **Hymn VU 155** *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

Opening Prayer (by Nora Vedress, Calvary U.C., Prince Albert, SK)

Many: We gather on this holiest of days, Living God, to remember one moment in time that changed everything. Thousands of years ago Your Spirit burst out of the grave and placed into our hands the promise of resurrection. Through Jesus' resurrection, You gifted us with freedom, not just from death, but from sin, fear, uncertainty, and loneliness. You moved and shattered the shadows of death. Today we rejoice! Even though we so often forget, today we remember. We remember that You are here among us. We remember You are more than a story. We remember that, in You and because of You, we are not alone. Move among us and lift our hearts as we praise Your name this glorious morning. We pray in the name of the risen Christ, who taught us to pray...

Lord's Prayer

Anthem *Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord*
Donald Fishel, arr. Joel Raney

Time with God's Children

Scripture *Revelation 21:1-5a* Dianne Nowoselski

Message: *Resurrection (re)Makes All Things New*

Rev. Joe Hopkins

Song of Preparation:

MV 18 *Lord, Prepare Me to be a Sanctuary*
Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy tried and true;
with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

Easter Communion (adapted from prayers by J. Mary Luiti from her "Sic Locutus Est" blog: <https://sicutlocutus.com/2013/03/29/a-liturgy-for-easter-day-with-holy-communion/>)

One: Easter people, come now to the table with Christ!

Many: For he is risen! He lives, and presides at this Feast!

One: Come, eat together the Bread of Life!

Many: For he is risen, and nothing separates us from God's love!

One: Come, drink together from the Cup of Gladness!

Many: For Christ is risen! Risen as he said! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

One: Praise to you, God of glory! You created the universe and all living things... We too proclaim it, as with the angels of heaven we sing together...

- **Hymn VU 942** *Holy, Holy, Holy*

One: Now, O God, with grateful hearts we remember Jesus. We remember that he was laid in a borrowed grave.

Many: A heavy stone sealed up the tomb.

One: We remember that the women came, early in the morning, on the third day.

Many: They did not find him among the dead.

One: We remember that his disciples met him on the road.

Many: He opened the scriptures, explaining everything; and their hearts burned within them.

One: They said to him, 'Stay with us, for it is evening.' So he went in with them. And while they were at table, he took bread, gave thanks, and broke it for them to share.

Many: Then their eyes were opened, and they knew him in the breaking of the bread.

One: This we remember; this we believe:

- **Hymn VU 943** *Memorial Acclamation*

One: Come, Holy Spirit...Make them the food and drink of everlasting life, body surrendered, blood poured out.

Many: As we rejoice in the resurrection, give us love for each other, and make us servants of peace, until your New Realm is revealed, and every creature beholds it. We pray in the name of Jesus, who lives and presides at this table, our host and our feast.

• Hymn VU 943 *Great Amen*

Sharing Bread and Cup

Worshippers should wait to eat and drink until all have received their elements, then worshippers should repeat after the minister:

One: The body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

All eat together.

One: The blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

All drink together.

Stewardship Moment

Musical offertory *I Know my Redeemer Liveth* G.F. Handel
(Sharon Smale, solo)

Dedication in Song:

• Hymn VU 958 *Halle, Halle, Halle*

Prayer of Dedication and for Others

Concluding Song:

• Hymn VU 703 *In the Bulb There Is a Flower*

Sending Words:

One: May the power of the risen Christ renew your minds, hearts, and bodies to be living examples of God's transformative love.

Many: We go forth as new creations in Jesus' name! Alleluia!

Benediction in Song:

• Hymn VU 703 *In the Bulb There Is a Flower*
(v. 1 only)

Postlude *Fanfare Postlude* Gilbert M. Martin

Meetings

This Week

Wed. 7:00 pm – Choir practice.

Thu. 7:00 pm – Joy Givers in the Fellowship Lounge.

Upcoming

Sun. Apr. 7 after worship – UCW Exec meeting in the FL.

Thu. Apr. 11 7:00 pm – Friendship Circle meeting in the FL.

Announcements

Save the Date - Tuesday April 16!

*** **Giving Envelopes** *** for people requesting giving envelopes – you can find some on the welcome table in the Narthex (where the Sunday School activities are). Take a box or only as many as you need. Make sure to write your name on the envelope. The dates and numbers on the envelopes are irrelevant.

Noon Hour Recital Series – Wed. Apr. 10 12:30 to 1 pm. We are pleased to announce that our **Director of Music, Michelle Chung**, has been invited and rescheduled (cancelled due to covid last fall) to play again at Yorkminster Park Baptist Church in Toronto. She will perform in the Noon Hour Recital Series on Wednesday, April 10th. This concert series has been a long tradition at YPB and has attracted the finest organists locally and beyond. Everyone is welcome. Church parking is available, and admission is free.

Volunteer drivers needed: If you come to church on a regular basis and have room in your car, you can take a turn transporting people in need to and from church. This would be an occasional opportunity to put your faith into action. Speak to any member of the Pastoral Care committee or contact Kate: katherine.sparrow@gmail.com (905-302-4549).

*** **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:** Diapers - size 4, 5, & 6, salmon, canned fruit, juice, canned pasta, alternative milk, cookies, baking items, dish soap, and sugar.

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after Worship service.

GARAGE SALE

Saturday April 27, 2024

DONATIONS:

Donations are now being accepted and can be placed on the stage in the auditorium. During the week of April 22 – April 26 donations will be accepted at the church from 9:30 – 4:00 and 6:30 – 8:00. If you wish to drop off before then, please call Kelly in the office to arrange a time for drop off. We are accepting small household items, electronics, small kitchen appliances, linens, sports equipment, books, jewelry, puzzles, games, children's toys, children's clothing, tools, etc. Jewelry donations can be given directly to Lorraine Treanor or Deanna Hodges.

Please note that we do not accept adult clothing or large furniture.

VOLUNTEERS:

We will be looking for lots of volunteers to help with the garage sale (set-up, cashiers, general help, clean up, etc.) during the week of April 22 – April 26 and on April 27, the date of the sale. Sign-up sheets will be available in the narthex starting next week.

YARD SIGNS:

Signs will be available starting next Sunday so please take one and advertise our garage sale on your front lawn!

If you have any questions, please contact Lorraine Treanor (ltreanor12@hotmail.ca) or Deanna Hodges (deannahodges@rogers.com).