Welcome Team

Assisting This Week: Sanctuary Lead – Jennifer Honsa Narthex – Karen Monk Elevator – Kevin Dowling Tech – Wally Bridel Reader – Chris Monk

Coffee Hour – M&P/CE

Assisting Next Week: Sanctuary Lead – Murray Lewis Narthex – Nanci Anderson Elevator – Terry Stopa Tech – John Sparrow Reader – Leslie

Guimond Coffee Hour – Worship

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 bev.mathew@rogers.com or 905-826-5005.
- Canada Helps (tax receipts provided by Canada Helps)

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September 15, 2024 Series: Breakthrough



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 His Guiding Hand Bertha R. Frick

The Lord's My Shepherd arr. Robert J. Hughes

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Announcements & Centering Ritual

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 121)

One: Let's look to the horizon. Where will our help come from?

Many: Our help comes from God, who has made heaven and earth.

One: Yes! It is God who protects us, our defense at our right hand.

Many: The sun shall not strike us by day, nor the moon by night.

One: God protects us from all evil; God protects our life together.

Many: God protects our coming in and going out, now and forever.

• **Hymn VU 660** How Firm a Foundation

Opening Prayer*

Many: God of prophecies, we are not always comfortable with the messages you send us. Sometimes the changes they require scare us. It is hard to turn around completely. It is easier to listen to messages that cost us less. The world is still a place of pain and turmoil because we have not fully embraced the changes to which your prophets have called us. Help us find the courage to prepare the way for a new heaven and a new earth where all may live in peace unafraid. Amen.

Choir Anthem Do Not Fear, For You Are Mine David Lantz III

Time with God's Children

Prayer of Illumination Chris Monk

Scripture Isaiah 41:1-10 Chris Monk

• **Hymn MV 90** Don't Be Afraid

Don't be afraid. My love is stronger, my love is stronger than your fear. Don't be afraid. My love is stronger and I have promised, promised to be always near.

Sermon Be Not Afraid Rev. Joe Hopkins

Stewardship Moment

Offertory Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense arr. Roger C. Wilson

Sung Dedication

VU 661 *Come to My Heart* (V1 & 3)

Prayer of Dedication and for Others

• **Hymn VU 567** Will You Come and Follow Me

Sending Words**

One: Because we know that God is with us, working through us, have the courage to advocate for what you believe, the strength to seek possibilities with those oppressed, and the wisdom to keep quiet if the situation merits it. But also have the patience to work quietly and persistently for justice and the willingness to share your faithful endeavours with others. Have the grace to thank God for all the good people with whom you have been blessed.

Many: We go now with the love of God, the grace of Christ, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

• Benediction in Song

From This Place of Prayer and Praising
From this place of prayer and praising,
Cross and table, well-worn pews,
God, we leave to work and witness,
Living every day for you.
Bless your people as we journey,
Loving Parent, Holy Friend;
Spirit, guide your people onward
Till once more we meet again.

(use tune Holy Manna)***



Gilbert M. Martin

Postlude Fanfare Postlude

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after Worship service.

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Meetings

This Week

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

Tue. 7 - 8 pm – September Prayer Group – sanctuary.

Wed. 7:00 pm – Choir practice.

Wed. 7:45 pm – Boomer Band practice.

Announcements

IPADS/TABLETS! Sunday School is looking for donations of gently used iPad or tablets. If you or family members have updated and have an older one on hand...we would love to give it a home. Contact leslieguimond95@gmail.com or the Church office.

Fall Tidings Newsletter is an important communication tool! Anyone can submit a news item about a past or upcoming event, or perhaps an interesting article or a prayer. Send your item to Kelly by Monday September 23 deadline so they can be sent out October 4th.

Book cart: We continue to offer books related to the sermon series. You will find a number of books on prayer today, as well as a selection of children's books. Borrowing is on an honour system, and we welcome all to seek out items of interest.

September Prayer Group - Rev. Joe will lead an in-person prayer group each Tuesday of September to accompany our worship series, "Breakthrough." If you have questions about what a prayer group is like, you can ask Rev. Joe or Antoinette Clarke for more information. Sep. 17.7 - 8 pm, Sep. 24.2 - 3pm.

*** 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: Juice, tomato soup, pasta sauce, cookies, cereal, canned black beans, baked beans, canned kidney beans, flour, sugar, salt, canned pasta, jam, salmon, canned fruit, dish soap and cooking oil.