Welcome Team

Assisting This Week: Sanctuary Lead – Tony Tadros Narthex – Jean Stopa Elevator – Terry Stopa Tech – Wally Bridel Reader – Leslie Guimond

Coffee Hour – UCW

Assisting Next Week: Sanctuary Lead – Ev Courtney Narthex – Nanci Anderson Elevator – Charlie Walsh Tech – Dave Moase Reader – Dianne Nowoselski

Coffee Hour – Pastoral Care

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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October 13, 2024 Series: Cycling Through Suffering Thanksgiving



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 All Creatures of Our God and King

Music from Celistliche Kirchengesang

Give Thanks Henry Smith

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Announcements & Centering Ritual

Call to Worship*

One: Come into this space of contemplation, of prayer, and of gratitude.

Many: We come in from the cruel ironies and suffering of our world.

One: Come into this gathering as those seeking wholeness and

relationship.

Many: We come as those weary and uncertain from a puzzling world.

• Hymn VU 236 Now Thank We All Our God

Opening Prayer*

One: Our minds are full of worries, distractions, and needs.

Many: Hold us, Loving God, we pray, as we breathe deeply of your healing power in reverent silence.

(a time for deep breaths)

One: We continue our prayers in one voice, more deeply aware of your grace, O God:

Many: You assure us we are not alone, for we live in your good Creation. In Christ, through Christ, and by Christ, we become one in your love. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may you integrate us into wholeness, that we may carry others as we are also carried by you in this suffering world. We offer our gratitude this day for all that you mean to our lives. Amen.

Choir Anthem O Give Thanks Joseph M. Martin

Time with God's Children – When to Speak Up, When to Keep Quiet

Prayer of Illumination Leslie Guimond

Scripture Job 23:1-9, 16-17 Leslie Guimond

• Hymn MV 73 (see insert)

O God, Why Are You Silent (v. 1, 3 & 5)

Sermon Suing God (and Making a Scene) Rev. Joe Hopkins

Stewardship Moment

Offertory Thanks Be to Thee G.F. Handel

Sung Dedication

UMH 527 Do, Lord, Remember Me (v1)

Do, Lord, do, Lord, do, Lord, remember me; do, Lord, do, Lord, do, Lord, remember me; do, Lord, do Lord, do, Lord, remember me; singing do, Lord, remember me.

Prayer of Dedication and for Others

Each phrase will end, "This we pray," and worshipers should respond, "with thankful hearts."

• Hymn VU 697 O For a World

Sending Words**

One: This can be a week to count our past blessings.

Many: Which ones were truly great, and which ones disappointing? Which ones were received by grace, and which by our own force?

One: This can be a week to take stock of past woes.

Many: Which ones were truly awful, and which had silver linings? Which ones did we give to God, and which were guarded as our own problems?

One: This is a week to trust in God with all your heart,

Many: and perhaps lean a little less on our own understandings.

One: Let us go forth counting on the blessing of God in our lives.

• Benediction in Song: VU 422 God be with You till We meet Again (v. 1)

Postlude With Praise and Thanksgiving Lani Smith

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after Worship service.

^{*}Call to Worship and Opening Prayer by Gord Dunbar, Kincardine P.C., Kincardine, Ont., GatheringWorship: Creation Time 1 to Reign of Christ Sunday, 2024.

^{**}Sending Words by Karen Boivin, Osgoode-Kars U.C., Ottawa, Ont., GatheringWorship: Creation Time 1 to Reign of Christ Sunday, 2024.

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.

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?

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.

Meetings

This Week

Mon. - Thanksgiving

Tue. 1:00 pm - Sunshine Circle in Heritage Hall.

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

Wed. 7:00 pm - Choir practice.

Thu. 7:00 pm – Boomer Band practice.

Upcoming

Thu. Oct. 17 7 – 8 pm on Zoom - "Understanding Job: An Evening with a Bible Scholar". Join us for a special event with Dr. John McLaughlin, professor of Hebrew Bible at St. Michael's College, University of Toronto, to learn about the Book of Job! This class accompanies our October worship series, "Cycling through Suffering." Register for this free event by signing up in the narthex or by emailing us at info@streetsvilleunited.ca with the subject line "Job class," and we will send a Zoom link to you shortly before Oct. 17."

Sun. Oct. 20 Potluck Luncheon – Join us for lunch in Heritage Hall after worship service. Bring a food item to share, plate and cutlery, and your appetite!

Announcements

Macgregor Meat – Once again available for order. A Seller's Order Form was emailed to the congregation (limited paper copies available in the narthex). Summarize your orders here then submit ONE order form to john.wilton2@sympatico.ca. Order deadline is Noon, Thu. Oct. 31 with delivery on Thu. Nov. 7 5:30 pm. Questions? Contact John Wilton 905-826-2672 or email as above.

The UCW once again brings you the **HARVEST OF CRAFTS SALE** on **Saturday, October 26.** Please help us get the word out to friends, neighbours and the community. Lawn signs are now available for you to take, please find them in the lobbies at the Fellowship Lounge and the Elevator door. Flyers are in your bulletin, please share with friends and neighbours, more flyers are available on the Welcome table in the Narthex. And do SAVE THE DATE! This is the largest fundraiser of our church year – help SUC, our community and the many missions that we support!

Exciting News! Our Director of Music, Michelle Chung, has been invited to play Canada's largest pipe organ at Metropolitan Church in downtown Toronto. She will perform in the Noon Hour Recital Series on **Thursday, October 24**. This series features organists locally and beyond. The recital begins at 12:00 noon and lasts 45 minutes. Everyone is welcome. Free-Will Offering. (Using TTC- get off at the Queen Street Subway stop and walk two blocks east.)

Book cart: The book cart is available in the narthex featuring books related to the sermon series, *Cycle of Suffering, 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.

*** 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, any soup but vegetables, cookies, cereal, flour, salt, pasta sauce, canned pasta, jam, salmon, canned meat, canned fruit, dish soap and cooking oil.