#### Welcome Team

**Assisting This Week:** Sanctuary Lead – Anna Loughlin Narthex – Jennifer Honsa Elevator – Doug Hitchcock Tech – John Sparrow Reader – Cathy Hitchcock Coffee Hour – Men's Group

Assisting Next Week: Sanctuary Lead – Ev Courtney Narthex – Laura Mara

Elevator – Peter Mara Tech – John Sparrow Reader – Bill Powell Coffee Hour – Finance Communion – Bill & Katie Powell, Laura Mara

**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 <u>bev.mathew@rogers.com</u> or 905-826-5005.
- Canada Helps (tax receipts provided by Canada Helps)

## **Streetsville United Church Leadership Team**

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# October 27, 2024 Series: Cycling Through Suffering



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

arr. Martha Mier Prelude Amazina Grace Lowell Mason

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Sung Dedication

Do, Lord, Remember Me (v1 sung twice)

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** 

 Hymn MV 79 Spirit, Open My Heart

**Sending Words** 

One: Take heart for God goes with you. Therefore, May your heart love fully and boldly May your heart love loudly and actively May your heart love faithfully and miraculously. Go in peace and love.

Many: We go in peace and love, now and always.

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

Be Thou My Vision Postlude

arr. Phillip Keveren

\* (From: Ministry Matters, United Methodist Church USA, Nancy Townley www.ministrymatters.com adapted)

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after Worship service.

We warmly welcome Rev. Evelyn McLachlan as guest Minister this morning. See insert for her bio.

**Welcome and Land Acknowledgement** 

**Announcements & Centering Ritual** 

Call to Worship\*

One: Are there people who have influenced your life in negative ways?

Many: There are people who only want to see the sorrow and sadness.

One: Are there people who have tried to bring you into despair?

Many: There are people so entrapped in their own misery that they cannot think in other ways.

One: Come to Jesus, whose brightness and truth, will give you new light and insight.

Many: We stand in His light, strengthened to withstand the shadows and bring that light to others.

• Hymn MV 28

God of the Bible

see insert

**Opening Prayer** 

Many: Loving God, it is good to be with you in the presence of those gathered here this day. When we seek you, we find you. When we pray, you respond. When we listen, your voice sounds. May your presence be tangible in the places we gather. We come to be formed, informed, and transformed by your lavish and bountiful love as we continue our series of cycling through suffering. May all that we do during worship and beyond, be a reflection of your love and grace. Amen.

Choir Anthem

Delight Yourself in the Lord

Michael Barrett

Time with God's Children

**Prayer of Illumination** 

Cathy Hitchcock

Scripture

Job 42:1-6, 10-17

Cathy Hitchcock

• Hymn VU 286 If You Will Trust in God to Guide You

Sermon

Happily Ever After...Maybe...

Rev. Evelyn McLachlan

**Stewardship Moment** 

Offertory

Allein Gott in der Hoh sei Her

G. Ph. Telemann

(To God Alone on High Be Glory)

**UMH 527** 

See insert

Rev. Evelyn McLachlan has been retired from active full-time ministry since January 2018, but she finds herself in various pulpits around the area helping a variety of congregations when they are in need. Evelyn grew up in Timmins with four brothers and a sister, attended the University of Windsor and Queen's Theological College. She has served five pastorates from Guysborough NS to Dutton ON to Sarnia, Mississauga and King City. She is married to Earle Laycock who is doing the power point and livestream with Nobleton UC this morning. They have three grandchildren, two of whom live in Germany and the other one is a bit closer, in Huntsville. They enjoy live theatre, Murdoch Mysteries, walking, playing Scrabble, reading, cooking and solving the world's problems. Evelyn is an avid scrapbooker, novice quilter and plays handbells with the Bronze Foundation Academy. She is now thinking she might learn the ukulele ... just because.

# Meetings

This Week

Wed. 7:00 pm – Choir practice.

**Upcoming** 

Sun. Nov. 3 11:30 – UCW Executive – in the Fellowship Lounge

Thu. Nov. 7 10 am - Trustees meeting in the FL.

Tue. Nov. 12 7 pm - Church Council meeting in the FL.

Thu. Nov. 14 1 pm - Friendship Circle meeting in the FL.

Thu. Nov. 14 7 pm - Joy Givers meeting in the FL.

Thu. Nov. 14 7:45 pm – Boomer Band practice.

#### **Announcements**

Heritage Hall today and next week - We would like to welcome Mississauga Christian Assembly. They are renting the hall today and next week as an experiment to see if both services can occur simultaneously. This group currently worships in a Mississauga Community Centre and are looking for a more permanent home. If the experiment is a success they would like to become weekly Sunday tenant.

Christmas 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 the Monday November 11 deadline.

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 <a href="mailto:john.wilton2@sympatico.ca">john.wilton2@sympatico.ca</a>. 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.

**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, soup, cookies, cereal, sugar, flour, salt, pasta sauce, pasta, canned pasta, jam, salmon, canned fruit, dish soap and cooking oil.

### 28 MV God of the Bible

1. God of the Bible, God in the Gospel, hope seen in Jesus, hope yet to come, you are our centre, daylight or darkness, freedom or prison, you are our home.

## Refrain: (repeat 2 times)

Fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise, God always faithful, you do not change.

- 2. God in our struggles, God in our hunger, suffering with us, taking our part, still you empow'r us, mothering Spirit, feeding, sustaining, from your own heart.
- 3. Those without status, those who are nothing, you have made royal, gifted with rights, chosen as partners, midwives of justice, birthing new systems, lighting new lights.
- 4. Not by your finger, not by your anger will our world order change in a day, but by your people, fearless and faithful, small paper lanterns, lighting the way.
- 5. Hope we must carry, shining and certain through all our turmoil, terror and loss, bonding us gladly one to the other, till our world changes facing the Cross.

# 79 MV Spirit, Open My Heart

#### **Chorus:**

Spirit open my heart to the joy and pain of living. As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving, Spirit, open my heart.

- 1. God, replace my stony heart with a heart that's kind and tender. All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender.
- 2. Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story. In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you glory.
- 3. May I weep with those who weep, share the joy of sister, brother. In the welcome of Christ, may we welcome one another.