

Welcome Team

Assisting This Week: *Sanctuary Lead* – Tony Tadros *Narthex* – Ruth Kochanuk
Elevator – peter Mara *Tech* – Wally Bridel *Reader* – Leslie Guimond
Coffee Hour – Pastoral Care

Assisting Next Week: *Sanctuary Lead* – Wendy Johnson *Narthex* – Jean Stopa
Elevator – Terry Stopa *Tech* – Megan Sweetman *Reader* – Dianne
Nowoselski *Coffee Hour* – Men's Group

Assisting Christmas Eve: *Sanctuary Lead* – Gail Boulton *Narthex* – Karen Monk
Elevator – Doug Hitchcock *Tech* – Ken Boulton *Reader* – Cathy Hitchcock

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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December 15, 2024
Third Sunday of Advent
Senior Choir Service

Glory
to God
in the
highest!

Order of Worship

God Invites Us to Gather

- *indicates standing for all who are able*

Prelude *He Shall Feed His Flock* George Frideric Handel
Arr. Mary L Williams
Angels We Have Heard on High
arr. Robert Edward Smith

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Announcements & Centering Ritual

Advent Responsive Reading* & Lighting Three Candles (by Megan Sweetman and John Sparrow)

Reader 1: The desert will sing and rejoice

Many: and the wilderness blossom with flowers.

Reader 2: All will see the Lord's splendour,

Many: see the Lord's greatness and power.

Reader 1: Tell everyone who is anxious:

Many: 'Be strong and don't be afraid.'

Reader 2: The blind will be able to see;

Many: the deaf will be able to hear;

Reader 1: the lame will leap and dance,

Many: those who can't speak will shout.

Reader 2: They will hammer their swords into ploughs;

Many: They will turn their spears into pruning-knives.

Reader 1: The nations will live in peace;

Many: no more will they train for war.

Reader 2: This is the promise of God.

Many: God's promise will be fulfilled.

Three candles are lit.

Readers 1 & 2: We light three candles for joy.

Many: Come, Lord Jesus.

- **Congregational Carol VU 59**

Joy to the World

Scripture *Psalms 5:7-8, 11* Leslie Guimond

Come and Worship by Alan Bullard

In the Beginning by Alan Smith
Duet, Karen and Rob Gravelins

Away With Your Sorrows arr. Alan Bullard

Scripture *Zephaniah 3:14-15* Leslie Guimond

Ding Dong! Merrily on High arr. Alan Smith

A Babe Is Born by Antony Baldwin
Duet, Kim Perrin and Sharon Smale

Scripture *Philippians 4:4-5* Leslie Guimond

Good Christians All, Rejoice arr. Alan Bullard

One Small Child by David Meece

Hallelujah, Amen by George Frederick Handel
Arr. Thomas Hoekstra

Stewardship Moment

Offertory *O Holy Night* arr. Alan Bullard
Kim Perrin, Cathy Hitchcock, Roy Kho, Joe Garcia

- **Song of Dedication:** *Cloth for the Cradle* see insert
(chorus, verse 1, chorus again)

Prayer of Dedication & for Others

- **Congregational Carol** arr. Antony Baldwin
What Child is This see insert
Solo, Antonette Clarke (first verse)

Advent Blessing**

One: God of the watching ones, the waiting ones, the slow and suffering ones, the angels in heaven, the child in the womb,

Many: Give us Your benediction, Your good word for our souls, that we might rest and rise in the kindness of Your company. Amen.

Benediction in Song: *Hallelujah, Amen*
by George Frederick Handel
Arr. Thomas Hoekstra

Postlude *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* arr. Lani Smith

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after Worship service.

*Advent Responsive Reading 3: "The Desert Will Sing and Rejoice," Cloth for the Cradle: Worship Resources and Readings for Advent, Christmas, & Epiphany, Wild Goose Worship Group, 1997, p. 37

**Advent Blessing, Cloth for the Cradle: Worship Resources and Readings for Advent, Christmas, & Epiphany, Wild Goose Worship Group, 1997, p. 53.

Chorus:

CLOTH FOR THE CRADLE, CRADLE FOR THE CHILD,
THE CHILD FOR OUR EVERY JOY AND SORROW:
FIND HIM A SHAWL THAT'S WOVEN BY US ALL
TO WELCOME THE LORD OF EACH TOMORROW.

1. Darkness and light and all that's known by sight,
silence and echo fading,
weave into one a welcome for the Son.
set earth its own maker serenading.
2. Hungry and poor, the sick and the unsure,
wealthy whose needs are stranger,
weave into one a welcome for the Son,
leave excess and want beneath the manger.
3. Claimant and queen, wage earners in between,
trader and traveling preacher,
weave into one a welcome for the Son,

CLOTH FOR THE CRA - DLE, CRA - DLE FOR THE CHILD, THE
FIND HIM A SHAWL THAT'S WO - VEN BY US ALL TO

dum dum etc.

CHILD FOR OUR EV - ERY JOY AND SOR - ROW.
WEL - COME THE LORD OF EACH TO - MOR - ROW. *fine*

v.1 Dark - ness and light and all that's known by sight,
ah

si - lence and e - cho fa - ding,
ah

weave in - to one a wel - come for the Son, set
ah

earth its own ma - ker se - re - na - ding. *d.c*
dum dum etc.

Christmas and Advent Services

During this Advent and Christmas seasons we will use some prayers and activities from the book, Cloth for the Cradle, which comes from the ecumenical Iona Community of Scotland. Not all the prayers feature cloth, but the primary, interactive activity does, and we will engage this “Cloth for the Cradle” activity on the fourth Sunday of Advent. I love this idea of sanctifying ordinary things like cloth during a sacred season. So, I also challenge you to wear some extra cloth during the Sundays of Advent.

I challenge you to bring an extra toque, pair of mittens, scarf, or sweater for each of the corresponding Sundays, which we will then give to the Open Door ministry of Square One.

Dec. 1 is “Toque Sunday”

Dec. 8 is “Mitten Sunday”

Dec. 15 is “Scarf Sunday”

Dec. 22 is “Sweater Sunday” (ugly Christmas sweaters encouraged!)

How to get ready for Christ(mas)

- List five things that bring you Joy
- Give someone an unexpected compliment
- Write a Joyful email to a friend
- Make a list of ways that you bring Joy to your community

Streetsville United Church Senior Choir



Soprano

Carol Beattie
Antoinette Clarke
Karen Gravelins
Dee Hopkins
Kim Perrin
Sharon Smale

Alto

Eva Cummins
Heather Drew
Cathy Hitchcock
Andrea MacLean
Dianne Nowoselski

Tenor

Joe Garcia
Roy Kho
Diane Wilton

Bass

John Collins
Rob Gravelins
Joe Hopkins

What Child is This

- Why lies He in such mean estate,
where ox and ass are feeding?
Come, have no fear, God's Son is here,
his love all loves exceeding.
Nails, spear shall pierce Him through,
the cross be borne for me, for you;
Hail, hail the Saviour comes,
the Babe, the Son of Mary.
- So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh,
come, peasant, King to own Him;
The King of Kings salvation brings,
let loving hearts enthrone Him!
Raise, raise your song on high,
Mary sings a lullaby,
joy! for Christ is born,
the Son of Mary.



Christmas Services

Sun. Dec. 15 – Senior Choir Christmas Service, Advent 3

Sun. Dec. 22 – Family Christmas, Advent 4

Christmas Eve Service

7:00 pm – Christmas Eve Communion Service

Meetings

This Week

Wed. 7:00 pm – Choir practice.

Upcoming

Sun. Dec. 22 7:00 pm - Christmas SUC Carolling in Streetsville Square!

Celebrating Christmas in public by singing all time favourite Christmas Carols mixed with Christian based and secular songs. This is another way to celebrate and connect with Streetsville Community. We invite everyone who wants to celebrate Christmas with Joy and tell Good News by singing to our Neighbours. We also need some volunteers to help with the setting up. Contact Rev. Joe or Music Director Michelle if you can come early to help with setting up.

Announcements

Caretaker - Our long-time caretaker, Barbara Kopera, is leaving us on January 31st. The role is part-time, after-hours work, cleaning and taking care of our church home. If you know someone who may be suitable, or can recommend a good cleaning service company, please let Rob Gravelins know ()

***** PARKING** – Mississauga Christian Assembly, worshipping in Heritage Hall each Sunday, has been allotted the third bay of the parking lot bordering Victoria St. **Please park in the two bays closest to the church** on Sundays.

Book cart: The book cart is available in the narthex featuring books related to the season. 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, pasta sauce, ramen noodles, any kind of soup, canned pasta, jam, salmon, dried red lentils, canned lentils, canned chickpeas, canned fruit, dish soap and cooking oil.