Welcome Team

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

Assisting Christmas Eve: Sanctuary Lead – Laura Mara Narthex – Karen Monk *Elevator* – Peter Mara *Tech* – Megan Sweetman *Reader* – Cathy Hitchcock Assisting Next Week: Sanctuary Lead – Anna Loughlin Narthex – Jennifer Honsa Elevator – Kent Sweetman Tech – John Sparrow *Reader* – Kate *Coffee Hour* – Outreach Sparrow

Our Prayer Chain is available. When you have a prayer concern, call Kate Sparrow @ 905-302-4549 or the church office.

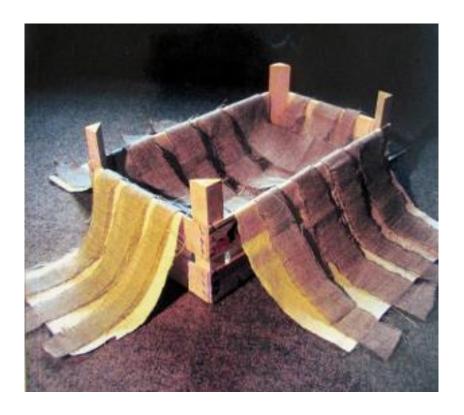
Emergency Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Onsite

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.

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December 22, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Advent



Centred on Christ, serving God and our neighbours.

To be a vibrant multigenerational congregation within our diverse community sharing God's truth and unconditional love.

Order of Worship God Invites Us to Gather		BCB 86	The Little Drui	
		Prayer of Illumination		
 indicates standing for all who are able (BCB = Blue Chorus Book) 		Scripture	Luke 2:3	
		• Hymn MV 120	My Soul Cr	
Before the Service	The Little Drummer Boy How Many Kings	Boomer Band	Sermon	Carrying
	My Soul Cries Out		Cloth for the Crad	e Activity
	Mary's Boy Child		Stewardship Mom	-
Prelude			•	
Welcome and Land A	Acknowledgement		Offertory	How Many
Bevan Jutzen) Reader 1: Prepare th Many: Make a path f Reader 2: Each valley Many: Every mounta Reader 1: The crooke Many: rough places a Reader 2: The glory c	Reading* & Lighting Four Candl e way of the Lord; for our God in the desert. y shall be exalted; ain and hill be made low. ed shall become straight; shall become plain. of the Lord shall be revealed;	les (by Sandy and	 Prayer of Dedication Each phrase ends, " "Hear our prayer". One: May we known others day by day. we celebrate at Ch saying Lord's Prayer Hymn VU 91 Wave your candles 	"Lord of love," an Your love this A We pray in the n ristmas and who The First I
Many: all people shall see it together. Readers 1 & 2: This is the promise of the Lord; Many: God's promise shall be fulfilled. Four candles are lit. Readers 1 & 2: We light four candles for love. Many: Come, Lord Jesus.		Advent Blessing** One: God of the wa suffering ones, the Many: Give us You we might rest and	atching ones, the angels in heaver r benediction, Y	
• Christmas Carol VU 60 O Come, All Ye Faithful		Benediction in Son	g: Cloth for the C	

Opening Prayer**

whose name we pray. Amen.

Many: O God, we marvel at the amazing works of Your world as we go

through this Advent season. The earth is full of Your glorious creations and wondrous images. O God, we are all part of Your magnificent design. We are Your creations, a marvel that is life from our birth to

the time that is now. We praise and give thanks to You, O God. We offer gratitude for the miracle that is the birth of You Son, Jesus, in

ummer Boy **Boomer Band** Dianne Nowoselski 39-45 Dianne Nowoselski Cries Out see insert **Rev. Joe Hopkins** a Jesus **Boomer Band** ny Kings

and worshipers should respond,

Advent season and share it with name of Jesus Christ, whose birth o taught his followers to pray by

Nowell ack and forth while we sing!

e waiting ones, the slow and en, the child in the womb, Your good word for our souls, that Iness of Your company. Amen.

Benediction in Song: Cloth for the Cradle	see insert
(chorus, verse 1, chorus again)	

Postlude

After the Service	(various songs)	Boomer Band

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after Worship service.

*Advent Responsive Reading, Cloth for the Cradle: Worship Resources and Readings for Advent, Christmas, & Epiphany, Wild Goose Worship Group, 1997, p. 41. **Opening prayer by Tony Tuck, First U.C., Mount Pearl, Nfld. and Lab. Gathering, Advent/Christmas/Epiphany 2024/2025, page 30-31. Used with permission. ***Prayer of Dedication and for Others adapted from prayer written by Sarah Brownlee, Castlegar U.C., Castlegar, B.C. Gathering, Advent/Christmas/Epiphany 2024-2025, page 31. Used with permission.

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Meetings

Tonight!

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.

Announcements

January-February Worship Series & Class - during the months of January and February our worship services will focus on "Good News for Diverse Communities," which comes from a phrase in our congregational vision statement. To supplement the worship content, Rev. Joe will also lead a discussion group about the podcast series, "Open Out," which is about intercultural ministry in 21st century Canada. Please sign up on the sheet in the lobby/narthex or get into contact with Rev. Joe for more information.

New members' class - Rev. Joe plans to lead a class for anyone interested in becoming a full member of Streetsville United Church. The class will be a 2-hour session that will be scheduled at a date and time that suits all interested people. Please get into contact with Rev. Joe for more details.

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, cereal, pasta sauce, ramen noodles, any kind of soup, canned pasta, jam, salmon, canned meat, canned fruit, dish soap and cooking oil.

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.

- 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.
- 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.
- Claimant and queen, wage earners in between, trader and traveling preacher, weave into one a welcome for the Son, whose word brings new life to every creature.
- Wrinkled or fair, carefree or full of care, searchers of all the ages, weave into one a welcome for the Son, the Savior of shepherds and of sages.



