

Welcome Team

Assisting This Week: *Sanctuary Lead* – Gail Boulton *Narthex* – Nadean Harley
Elevator – Kent Sweetman *Tech* – Ken Boulton
Coffee Hour – UCW Joy Givers

Assisting Next Week: *Sanctuary Lead* – Tony Tadros *Narthex* – Ruth Kochanuk
Elevator – peter Mara *Tech* – Wally Bridel *Reader* – Leslie Guimond
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 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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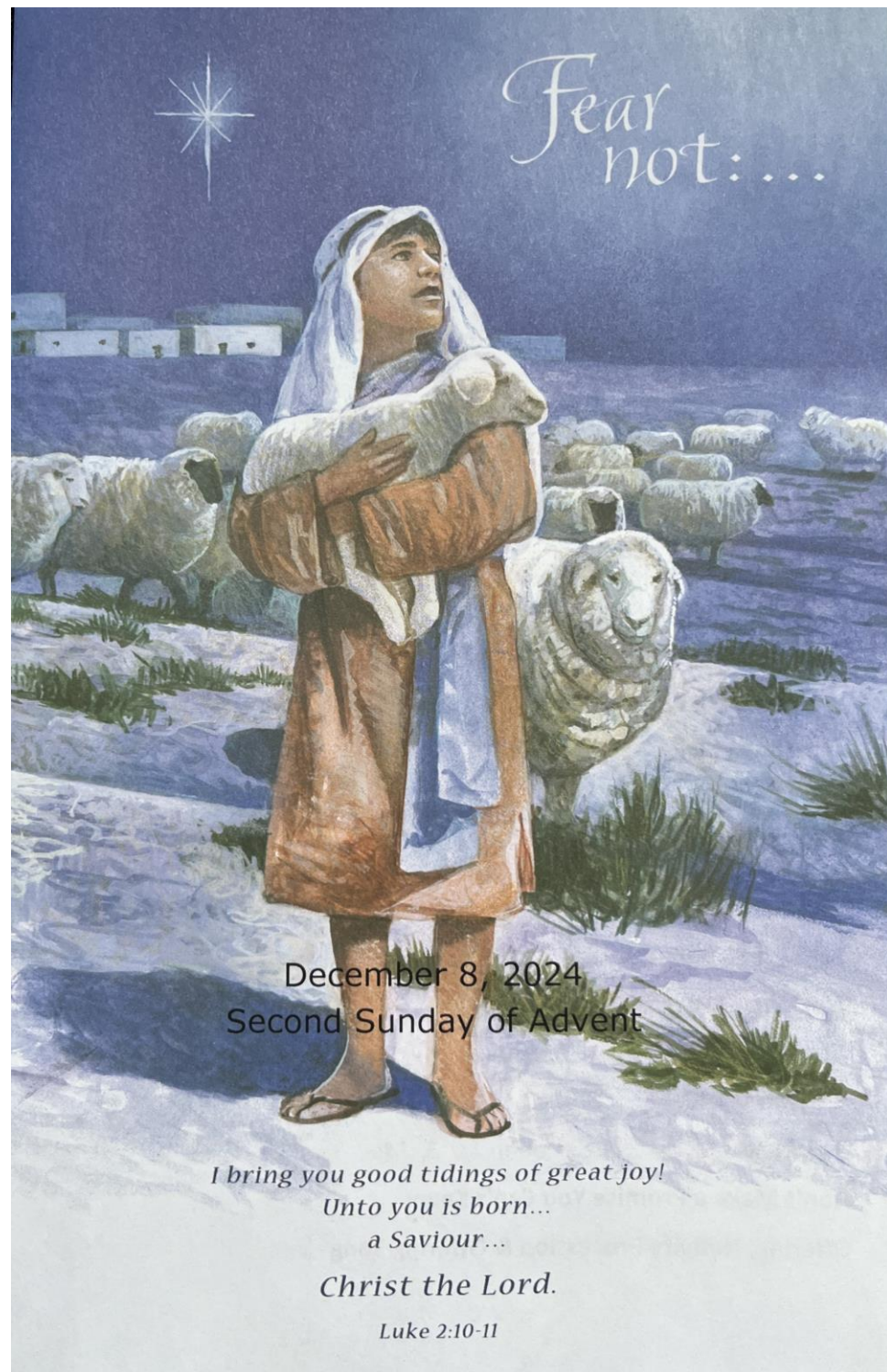
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Order of Worship

God Invites Us to Gather



- indicates standing for all who are able

Prelude *Allegro in C minor* Hudson Lim
José António Carlos de Seixas (1704-1742)
O Holy Night arr. Julie A. Lind

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement Rev. Joe

Call to Worship (Isaiah 9:2,6)

Leader: The people walking in darkness have seen a great light;

All: On those who lived in a land of deep darkness – on them light has shined.

Leader: For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders;

All: And he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Prayer of Approach

- Hymn VU 46 *Gentle Mary Laid Her Child*

Christmas Bells *Christmas Bells* see insert
Five Little Bells
Ring the Bells see insert

The Gift written by Leslie Guimond

Children's Choir *Snowy Flakes are Falling Softly* see insert

Scripture *Luke 2:1-20*

Not What I Wanted

Scripture *Matthew 2:1-2, 10-11*

- Hymn VU 43 *Go Tell it On the Mountain*

Scripture *John 1:1-5, 14a*

Don't Make a Promise You Can't Keep

Offering, Nativity Procession & Offering Song



Offertory

Away in a Manger

Hudson Lim
arr. Julia A. Lind

Advent Responsive Reading & Lighting Second Candle

(Judd family)

Reader 1: Last Sunday we lit the candle of HOPE

Reader 2: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing so that by the power of the holy spirit you may abound in hope.

Reader 1: Today we are lighting the candle for PEACE,

Reader 2: We light this candle during a service that celebrates the youth of our congregation, and so let us remember the words of the song sung by Christian youth choirs around the world.

Many: Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me, let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

(lighting two candles)

Reader 1: And in the words of Jesus from scripture, John 14 verse 27a:

Reader 2: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you.

- Hymn VU 59 *Joy to the World*

Thanks

- **Benediction in Song:** *Cloth for the Cradle* (Chorus only)

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 tomorrow.



Postlude *Joyous Etude*

Hudson Lim
Melody Bober

See all citations on insert

Please welcome Hudson Lim – piano student of SUC Music Director Michelle Chung.

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after Worship service.

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)

- a) Pray for the wisdom to find paths to peace
- b) Consider joining an organization whose goal is to bring peace to the World
- c) Work towards peaceful solutions to problems
- d) Find a time for reflection and quiet in your personal life

Christmas Bells (tune of “Jingle Bells”)

Christmas bells, Christmas Bells,

Ring them all the day.

God the Father sent His son on that first Christmas Day.

Oh, Christmas bells, Christmas bells,

Ring them all the day.

God the Father sent His son on that first Christmas day.

Ring the Bells (tune of Row, Row, Row Your Boat)

Ring, ring, ring the bells, Ring them loud and clear,

To say to people everywhere, that Christmas time is here.

Snowy Flakes are Falling Softly

Snowy flakes are falling softly

Clothing all the world in white

High above the stars are shining

Twinkling through the wintry night

Was it just like this, we wonder,

Starry bright and crisp and cold

On that Christmas night of old On that Christmas night of old

Angels spread their wondrous story:

Jesus Christ is born today

“Peace on earth,” they sang, “and glory

Be to God on High alway”

So we sing the sweetest carols

Telling how the King of love

Came to save from heaven above Came to save from heaven above

Jesus, Name Above All Names

Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Saviour, glorious Lord,

Emanuel: God is with us, blessed Redeemer, living Word



Christmas Services

Sun. Dec. 8 — White Gift, Advent 2

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

Tue. Dec. 10 7:00 pm – Church Council in the Fellowship Lounge

Wed. 7:00 pm – Choir practice.

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 Gravelsins know (rgravelsins1@gmail.com)

Sun. Dec. 22 7:00 pm Save the Date! 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.

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

Prayer of Approach: www.lords-prayer-words.com

Christmas Bells: <https://www.sandrasark.com/2021/11/ChristmasBellsChristmasBells.html>

Five Little Bells: http://www.prekfun.com/themes/prekthemes/a-f/christmas/Bells/Bells_SongsPoems.htm

Ring the Bells: http://www.prekfun.com/themes/prekthemes/a-f/christmas/Bells/Bells_SongsPoems.htm

The Gift: Leslie Guimond

Snowy Flakes are Falling Softly - Polish Carol / Tune – Infant Lowly, Infant Holy - Hymnary.org -

Snowy Flakes are Falling Softly **Author: Frances B. Wood**

Not What I wanted: Kids Sunday School Place - <https://www.kidssundayschool.com/>

Don't Make a Promise You Can't Keep & Message: Children's Ministry Deals

Jesus, Name Above All Names - Sing Out! Songs for Children Volume 1 – 1988 Augsburg

Fortress / 1974, 1978 Scripture in Song

Christmas Blessing: Cara Heatley - <https://worshipwords.co.uk/tag/christmas-benediction/>

Administrative Assistant Position at Streetsville United

Kelly Crewson, as our administrative assistant since 2014 has been a friendly welcoming face in the SUC office. She has provided support to three of our ministers, the congregation and community at large. The time has come for Kelly to embrace new change in her life, and we wish her well!

A job description for the Administrative Assistant position has been posted to the SUC website. The position is part-time, 16 hours per week, 4 hours per day – currently Tuesday to Friday. We are hoping to have the new candidate start March 1 with training and transition time with Kelly.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in applying for the position, you are invited to send your resume to:

search@streetsvilleunitedchurch.ca

Inquiries and questions concerning the opportunity are welcomed and can be directed to:

Gail Boulton, Teresa Judd or Martha Heeney