

Welcome Team

Assisting This Week: *Sanctuary Lead* – Bev Mathew Lobby/Narthex – Gail Boulton *Elevator* – Doug Hitchcock *Tech* – Megan Sweetman

Reader – Cathy Hitchcock *Coffee Hour* – UCW Sunshine Circle

Assisting Next Week: *Sanctuary Lead* – Laura Mara Lobby/Narthex – Wendy Johnson *Elevator* – Peter Mara *Tech* – Ken Boulton *Reader* – Bill Powell

Coffee Hour – Ministry & Personnel and Chrisitan Education

Communion – Bill & Katie Powell, Wendy Johnson

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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Streetsville United Church Leadership Team

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January 26, 2025
UCW Sunday
Series: Good News for Diverse
Communities



*Anchored in God's Word...
Moving into God's Future*

*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

- indicates standing for all who are able

Prelude *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* arr. Cindy Berry
 My Heart Ever Faithful J. S. Bach

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Announcements and Centering Ritual

Call to Worship*

One: God calls us all to faith.

Many: In faith, we come to worship.

One: God calls us all in love.

Many: In love, we come to worship.

One: God calls us all to prayer.

Many: In prayer, we come to worship.

One: God calls us all to share our praise.

Many: In praise, we come to worship.

One: Let us worship with all that we are as we gather this day.

- Hymn VU 580 *Faith of Our Fathers*

Opening Prayer**

Many: Loving God, you call us to faithfulness, not to perfection.

Seeking God, you call us to be open to one another, without trying to make the other person just like us. Persistent God, you continue to issue the invitation: "Come home; you are my beloved." Rejoicing God, we seek to share in your happiness when any who feel lost and alone are searched for and found and guided on their way home. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Choir Anthem *Above All Else* Joel Raney

Time with God's Children – Flinch Test of Faith

Prayer of Illumination Cathy Hitchcock

Scripture *Matthew 15:21-28* Cathy Hitchcock

Sermon *The Great Faith of Women* Rev. Joe Hopkins

- Hymn MV 178

Who Is My Mother (Kindred in Spirit Through Jesus Christ)

see insert

Installation of UCW Leaders

Stewardship Moment

Sung Dedication VU 541

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Offertory *Go, Tell it On the Mountain* arr. Cindy Berry
 (Diane Wilton, solo)

Prayer of Dedication & for Others

- Hymn VU 595 *We Are Pilgrims (The Servant Song)*

Sending Words

One: God calls us to be a vibrant, multi-generational congregation within our diverse community

Many: sharing God's truth and unconditional love. Glory to God! Amen.

- Benediction in Song MV 145

Draw the Circle Wide (chorus only)

see insert

Postlude *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus* arr. Mark Hayes

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**Opening prayer written by Beth W Johnston, Bridging Waters P.C., Nipawin, Sask., 2022. From GatheringWorship.ca. Used with permission.

The fresh flowers placed in the sanctuary today are in memory of,
and to honour our former UCW members.



Please join us for coffee and fellowship after Worship service.

Who Is My Mother

(Kindred in Spirit through Jesus Christ)

SWING

♩ = 104

G G⁷ C⁹ G C⁶ C⁹

1 Who is my moth - er, who is my broth - er?
 2 Dif - ferent - ly a - bled, dif ferent - ly la - belled,
 3 Love will re - late us col - our or sta - tus
 4 Bound by one vi - sion, met for one mis - sion

G Bm/F[♯] Em A⁷ D⁷sus⁴ D⁷

All those who gath - er round Je - sus Christ:
 wid - en the cir - cle round Je - sus Christ:
 can't seg - re - gate us round Je - sus Christ:
 we claim each oth - er, round Je - sus Christ:

G G⁷ C⁹ B⁷ Em E^{b7}

Spir - it blown peo - ple born from the Gos - pel
 crutch - es and stig - mas, cul - ture's e - nig - mas,
 fam - i - ly fail - ings, hu - man de - rail - ings
 here is my moth - er, here is my broth - er,

G/D Em A⁹ D⁹

sit at the ta - ble, round Je - sus
 all come to - geth - er round Je - sus
 all are ac - cept - ed round Je - sus
 kin - dred in Spir - it, through Je - sus

G G⁷/B C C[♯]dim⁷ D⁷sus⁴ A^{b7} G/D

Christ.
 Christ.
 Christ.
 Christ.

A-men!

145

Draw the Circle Wide

(Traçons un grand cercle)

Unison

♩ = 132

E^b A^b B^b E^b A^b B^b

Draw the cir - cle wide. Draw it wid - er still.

E^b A^b B^b Gm Cm Fm⁷ A^b

Let this be our song, no one stands a - lone, stand - ing side by side,

B^bsus⁴ B^b E^b A^b E^b A^b B^b E^b

To verses Last time
 draw the cir - cle wide.

Announcements

Coldest Night of the Year 2024 - Streetsville United Church is once again entering a team in the Coldest Night of the Year event which takes place Feb. 22nd. Please visit <https://cnoy.org/home> to join the team, donate or learn more. Please contact Murray Lewis (416-278-4493) murrayelewis@gmail.com with any questions.

Potluck Luncheon Save The Date – Sunday, February 9th

Join us for lunch after worship service. Bring a food item to share, plate and cutlery, and your appetite!

Pancake Supper - Save the date: Tuesday, March 4, 5:30 - 9:00 pm. Come to our pancake supper and enjoy a delicious meal courtesy of the men's group and youth volunteers. Your goodwill donation is appreciated by the local Pathways Breakfast Programme for children. Please **sign up** on sheets in the narthex.

January-February Worship Series & Class – Feb. 13, Feb. 27 7:00 pm in the choir room - 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 is leading 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.

Exploring Prayer and Anti-Racism Practices: 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, 18, 25 at Westminster United Church. Each session will explore different ways of praying, watch a video on anti-racism and discuss written reflections of the United Church's 40 Days of Engagement on Anti-Racism. Facilitated by Adele Halliday, lead staff on Anti-Racism of the United Church of Canada. Please let us know if you are attending: westminsteruc@bellnet.ca

Eden Food for Change Donations - Please bring your non-perishable donations to the church and place in the bin in the Lobby/Narthex.
***** UPDATED *** Things they need:** Juice, cereal, pasta sauce, any soup but vegetable, canned pasta, jam, salmon, canned meat, canned kidney beans, canned chickpeas, canned lentils and dish soap.

Meetings

This Week

Wed. 7:00 pm – Choir practice.

Upcoming

Thu. Feb. 6 7:30 pm – Boomer Band practice.

FINANCE UPDATES: BENEVOLENT FUND:

This fund is one made available to the minister for his discretionary use in helping members of the congregation or those in need from our community. This help is often in the form of grocery gift cards or occasionally gas cards. Due to the significant increase in requests for support in these economic times, we are requesting the assistance of our congregation to help support this fund. Previously, loose change once a month, usually on Communion Sunday, was used for this purpose. Beginning February 2, we are going to suggest that if you are able, you add an extra Loonie or Toonie to the offering plate, to support this important outreach. Donations could also be made by cheque or e-transfer to info@streetsvilleunited.ca marked Benevolent Fund. These will be tax receiptable.

PAY IT FORWARD: Over the next few weeks, you will receive a \$200 cheque, or more, from the Ontario government. The suggestion has been made, even by Doug Ford, that you might consider donating this to charity. We would love to be that charity! If you are able and would like to make a special donation to SUC, donations made by Mar. 31, will have 25% go to the Benevolent fund. The other 75% will be used for our operational expenses to help reduce the projected deficit for 2025. Please mark your donation “PAY IT FORWARD”.

Thank you for supporting these projects and helping those in need.