Welcome Team

Assisting This Week: Sanctuary Lead – Laura Mara Upper Lobby – Tony Tadros Elevator – Peter Mara Tech – Kate Sparrow Reader – Bill Powell Coffee Hour - Outreach Communion Bill Powell / Katie Powell

Assisting Next Week: Sanctuary Lead – Gail Boulton Upper Lobby – Nadean Harley Elevator – Ken Sweetman Tech – Megan Sweetman Reader – Chris

Monk 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 in the lower lobby outside the Fellowship Lounge. Naloxone Kit in the red First Aid box at the back of the sanctuary.

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) 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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April 6, 2025 Series: "Centered on Christ" - Lent 2025



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 Nun danket alle Gott (Now Thank We All Our God)

Georg Friedrich Kaufmann

Mit Fried und Freud ich Dahin

(With Peace and Joy, I Depart) Johann Christoph Bach

Announcements and Centering Ritual

Call to Worship

One: God calls us to share the stories of the Bible and timeless teachings of Christ's church.

Many: God calls us to share God's truth!

One: As a body of believers and those seeking to believe, let's orient ourselves toward God's vision for our lives and community life.

Many: Let's worship Christ, our spiritual centre.

• Hymn VU 371

Open my Eyes, That I May See

Prayer of Confession

Many: Eternal Truth, trusting in Your compassion, we come before You. We admit that we are frail, and that we are wounded. We admit that we keep this woundedness to ourselves, afraid to tell the truth because of the shame we feel. We know that we let our fear reduce us to rubble, when You would have us build Your kingdom. We let our anger fester into hate and let that take the place of wisdom. We let the fear of pain stop us from revelation, and we let that isolate us from each other. In hope, in faith, and in trust, we bring You the hidden parts of ourselves, so that they will no longer be hidden, but free.

(a time of silent prayer)

Many: Eternal Truth, Your mercy frees us from judgment and guilt; Your healing frees us from pain and sorrow. Your compassion frees us from anger and hate and isolation. Your wisdom brings us peace. You are the God of our secrets and the God of revelation. Create in us new hearts, and let our spirits be Your spirit in the world. Amen.

Choir Anthem *Lead Me Lord* Samuel Sabastian Wesley

Time with God's Children

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture John 8:31-36 Bill Powell

Sermon Sharing God's Truth Rev. Joe Hopkins

• **Hymn VU 628** *Come My Way, My Truth*

Holy Communion**

One: God is with us!

Many: We are not alone! One: Lift up your hearts.

Many: We lift them up to God.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: Holy Mystery that is Wholly Love...

We rejoice with all your people of every time and place,

and with angels and archangels, to proclaim the glory of your name:

Many: Holy, holy, holy are you. Holy, holy, blessed are you.

One: It is Jesus, God incarnate, the Risen Christ...

We remember his life of love, his friendship, his teaching, his dying, and

his rising to life again.

In sharing this meal, we live out the mystery of our faith:

Many: Christ has died

Christ has risen

Christ will come to us again

One: Holy Mystery, God the Spirit... All glory is yours, God most holy,

now and forever.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Let's share our communion elements together using the responsive words written in our bulletin.

One: The body of Christ, the bread of life.

Many: The body of Christ, the bread of life.

One: The lifeblood of Christ, the cup of blessing.

Many: The lifeblood of Christ, the cup of blessing.

Stewardship Moment

Sung Dedication MV 166 *Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ*

Offertory Machs mit mir, Gott, nach deiner gut

(Do it With Me God According to Your Good)

Johann Gottfried Walther

Prayer of Dedication & for Others

The Lord's Prayer

• Hymn MV 172 God Says

Sending Words

(Based on Streetsville UC Mission Statement)

One: Keep Christ at the centre of your life, and Jesus will always lead you with truth and love.

Many: Keeping Christ at our centre, we go forth to serve God and our neighbours. Amen.

Benediction in Song: Jesus at the Centre (chorus only)

Jesus at the centre of it all, Jesus at the centre of it all, From beginning to the end, It will always be; it's always been You, Jesus, Jesus (2 times)

Postlude How Firm a Foundation Arr. By Hal Leonard

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after Worship service

Meetings

This Week

Sun. April 6 – 11:30am – 1:00pm – UCW Exec. Meeting, in FL Mon. April 7 – 7:00pm – 8:00pm – Lenten Prayer Hour, in FL Tues. April 8 – 7:00pm – 9:00pm – Church Council, in FL Wed. April 9 – 7:00pm – 8:30pm - Choir Practice in Sanctuary

Wed. April 9 – 7:00pm – 8:30pm - Choir Practice, in Sanctuary Thurs. April 10 – 1:00pm – 3:30pm – Friendship Circle, in FL Sat. April 12 – 2:00pm – 4:00pm Prayer Workshop, in HH

Upcoming

Mon. April 14 – 7:00pm – 8:00pm – Lenten Prayer, in FL Tues. April 15 – 1pm – 3:30pm – Sunshine Circle, in FL

Wed. April 16 - 8:30pm - Boomer Band Practice, in Sanctuary

Thurs. April 17 - 6:30pm - 8:00pm - Maundy Meal and Worship, in FL

Announcements

Eden Food for Change Donations - Please bring your non-perishable donations to the church and place them in the bin in the Lobby/Narthex. **Things they need:** Juice, jam, coffee, tea, sugar, flour, canned pasta, any soup but vegetable or chicken noodle, canned meat, canned fruit and dish soap.

Sweets and Treats Fundraiser - Palm Sunday April 13th at Coffee Hour. Yummy baked goods provided by the Joy Givers UCW group. Cash only...thank you in advance!

Good Friday Breakfast – Sign up sheets will be available starting this Sunday. Arrival is 8:30am and breakfast will run until 9:45am. Free will offerings are greatly appreciated. Please join us for the Good Friday Service in the Sanctuary at 10am after breakfast.

Easter Sunday after worship the Men's Group will be serving hot cross buns **GARAGE SALE**

Saturday April 26, 2025 - 9:30am - 2:00pm

VOLUNTEERS - Sign-up sheets are available in the narthex today. We are looking for lots of volunteers to help with the garage sale (set-up, cashiers, general help, clean up, etc.) Tuesday April 22 – Friday April 25 and on April 26, the date of the sale.

YARD SIGNS - are available today so please take one and advertise our garage sale on your front lawn!

MEN'S GROUP - will be selling muffins & coffee and hot dogs & drinks at the garage sale. Please come out and support their efforts!

DONATIONS - Donations are now being accepted and can be placed on the stage in the auditorium. During the week prior to the garage sale, donations will be accepted Mon April 21 10:00 – 3:00 and Tues April 22 to Thurs April 24 9:30 – 4:00 and 6:30 – 8:00. Prior to this, you may also drop off on Sunday mornings or contact Lorraine Treanor (905-826-3761) or Deanna Hodges (deannahodges@rogers.com) to arrange a time for drop off during the week. Jewelry donations can be given directly to Lorraine or Deanna.

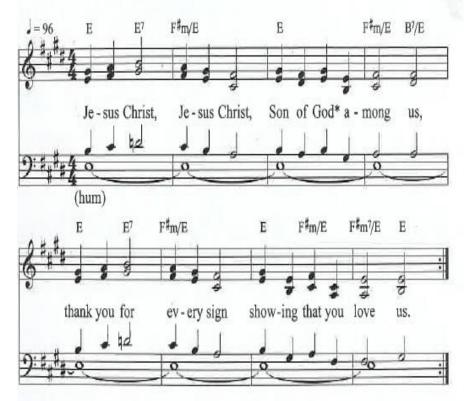
Please note that we do not accept adult clothing or large furniture. If you have any questions, please contact Lorraine or Deanna.

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^{**}Holy Communion prayers written by Alydia Smith, "A Communion Liturgy for the Whole People of God," United Church of Canada. Used with permission.

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* alternatives: "Child of Earth," "Word made Flesh"

