

Welcome Team

Assisting This Week:

Sanctuary Lead – Wendy Johnson **Upper Lobby** – Heather Drew **Elevator** –
Doug Hitchcock **Tech** – John Sparrow **Reader** – Dianne Nowoselski **Coffee**
Hour – Outreach **Communion** – Doug / Cathy Hitchcock +1

Assisting Next Week:

Sanctuary Lead – Peter Mackintosh **Upper Lobby** – Nanci Anderson **Elevator** –
Charlie Walsh **Tech** – Megan Sweetman **Reader** – Cathy Hitchcock **Coffee**
Hour – UCW Sunshine Circle

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 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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Sunday Aug 3, 2025

Series – Praying Though the Bible
Sermon – Praying with Wisdom



*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 *We Gather Together* Arr. Victor Labenske
 Be Thou My Vision Arr. Victor Lebenske

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Our in-person worship occurs on the traditional land of Indigenous peoples including the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe, and Mississaugas of the Credit.

Announcements & Centering Ritual

Call to Worship*

One: We gather in this place, open to new wisdom, seeking something greater than ourselves.

Many: We gather to worship.

One: Here, may you find what you need.

Many: Here, in the presence of God, may we all be renewed for the week ahead.

One: Here, may God be glorified.

Many: We must worship. We need to worship. Let us worship now.

- **Hymn VU 642** *Be Thou My Vision* (v. 1, 2, & 5)

Prayer of Confession**

Holy God, You share Your wisdom with us, the wisdom that will shape our lives, so we may fill Your creation with joy. Yet we stumble and grumble, muttering that it's too hard a path to follow. We prefer our golden calves rather than Your wisdom. We fear that Your wisdom will separate us from the world around us, and we don't want to be noticed for our faith. Loving God, in this time of prayer, let our hearts be open to Your wisdom, so we may be bold in our faith and let Your grace shine anew amongst us. We pray in Jesus' name.

Time of silent reflection

Words of Assurance

One: The wisdom of God is that we are loved by God...a love we are invited to share with others and with all of creation.

Many: Thanks be to God for this good news. Amen.

Time with God's Children Smarties vs. Wise-ies

Prayer of Illumination

Dianne Nowoselski

Scripture

Ecclesiastes 5:1-7

Dianne Nowoselski

Sermon

Praying with Wisdom

Rev. Joe

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: Most holy and most powerful God...We join in the eternal words of praise that all the company of heaven sing and say continually:

Many: Holy, holy, holy are you.

Holy, holy, blessed are You.

One: We remember that You, O God, sent Your Son Jesus...In sharing this meal, we live out the mystery of our faith which we proclaim together now:

Many: Christ has died

Christ has risen

Christ will come to us again.

One: God the Holy Spirit, bless this food and drink...to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Eating & Drinking Together

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

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

One: Let's eat together.

(All worshipers eat)

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

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

One: Let us drink together.

(All worshipers drink)

What Can I Do?

♩ = 88 G C G

What can I do? What can I bring? What? What can I do? What can I bring?

D G

What can I say? What can I sing? I'll sing with What can I say? What can I sing?

C G

joy.(I'll sing with joy.) I'll say a prayer. I'll bring my I'll say a prayer,

D D⁷ G G

love. I'll do my share. share. I'll bring my love. I'll do my share. share.I'll do my share.

Repeats *Last time*

Stewardship Moment & Offering (See Sharing Our Offerings Note)

Sharing Our Gifts & Offertory *Ave Maria*

Giulio Caccini
Singer: Sharon Smale

Sung Dedication MV 191 *What Can I Do?* (Twice)

Prayer of Dedication & for Others

Lord's Prayer

• **Hymn MV 10** *Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom*

Sending Words:

One: God's Word is a lamp unto our feet and light unto our path.

Many: To whom can we go for the words of eternal life but God in Jesus Christ?

One: May the eternal Word, our Lord Jesus, guard and guide you. Amen.

Benediction in Song VU 672 *Take Time to Be Holy* (Verse 1)

Postlude *Great is the Lord* Michael Smith

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**Prayer of Confession by Sandy Ferguson. GatheringWorship.ca. Used with permission.

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

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the Worship service

Meetings

Mon August 11 – 7:00pm Praying Through the Bible Discussion Group, in the Choir Room

Announcements

Summer Reading Series is another reading opportunity for anywhere you happen to be during the summer months! Praying through the Bible booklets are available in the Narthex, and on-line at <https://www.streetsvilleunited.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Praying-through-the-Bible-booklet1.pdf>. In-person gatherings to enhance the series are planned for August 11th and 25th, 7 pm, in the Choir Room.

Eden Food for Change Donations - Please bring your non-perishable donations to the church and place them in the bin in the Lobby/Narthex. Tea, coffee, jam, sugar, salt, 900gm size pasta, canned pasta, pasta sauce, salmon, canned meat, baked beans, cookies, any kind of soup, canned chickpeas, canned fruit and dish soap.

Summer Worship Service Child Care

Thank you to those who have signed up for helping with summer childcare during the worship service. There are still some Sunday's free and having two people per Sunday is preferable, so there are many opportunities! The list is in the Narthex, and will be available throughout the summer for additions, changes, etc.

Library Book Cart

The cart is in the Narthex and the books are available to borrow on an honour system. As often as possible, books are selected to support the sermon or seasonal themes, but we also have children's books as well as bibles. So, borrow, read, enjoy, return!

10 Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom

Unison
♩ = 54

F C/F B^b/F F Gm⁷ F/A

1 Come and seek the ways of Wis- dom, she who danced when
2 Lis - ten to the voice of Wis- dom, cry - ing in the
3 Sis - ter Wis- dom, come, as - sist us; nur - ture all who

Gm C F C/F B^b/F F

earth was new. Fol - low close - ly what she teach - es,
mar - ket - place. Hear the Word made flesh a - mong us,
seek re - birth. Spir - it - guide and close com - pan - ion,

Gm F/A Gm/B^b Dm Am Gm⁷

for her words are right and true. Wis - dom clears the
full of glo - ry, truth, and grace. When the word takes
bring to light our sa - cred worth. Free us to be -

A Dsus⁴ Dm Gm F/C C⁷ F

path to jus - tice, show - ing us what love must do.
root and rip - ens, peace and righ - teous - ness em - brace.
come your peo - ple, ho - ly friends of God and earth.

A hymn which seeks to express a trinitarian theology based on scriptural Wisdom images.