

## Welcome Team

### Assisting This Week:

**Sanctuary Lead** – Ev Courtney **Upper Lobby** – Ruth Kochanuk **Elevator** – Doug Hitchcock **Tech** – John Sparrow **Reader** – Kate Sparrow **Coffee Hour** – Finance

### Assisting Next Week:

**Sanctuary Lead** – Bev Mathew **Upper Lobby** – Jean Stopa **Elevator** – Terry Stopa **Tech** – Wendy Dowling **Reader** – Cathy Hitchcock **Coffee Hour** – Worship

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

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**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](mailto: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](mailto:bev.mathew@rogers.com) or 905-826-5005.
- Canada Helps (tax receipts provided by Canada Helps)

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Sunday Aug 24, 2025

## Series – Praying Through the Bible



*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.*

Arr. By Tomas Hoekstra

## Order of Worship

### God Invites Us to Gather

- *Indicates standing for all who are able*

**Prelude**                      *Living Hope*                      Arr. Phillip Keveren  
    *Speak O Lord*                      Arr. Phillip Keveren

### 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: As we gather for worship, we seek God’s direction for our lives.

**Many: May God lead and guide us.**

One: As we lift our voice and hearts in song and praise, we seek Christ’s truth for our lives.

**Many: May Christ encourage us and inspire us.**

One: As we seek to serve through our mission and ministry, we need the Spirit’s wise presence in our lives.

**Many: May the Spirit empower us and transform us.**

- **Hymn VU 217** *All Creatures of Our God and King*                      (v. 1, 4, & 5)

#### Opening Prayer\*\*

**Many: Creator god, we come today in the light of Your message to love You, to love ourselves, and to love each other. For this time, help us to take all things that worry us and place them aside into Your care, to relax in Love’s holy presence and be at peace so that we may absorb Your healing love. We worship You, gracious God, both as individuals and as one people. Worship is part of our spiritual quest. So, here we are, welcomed and together for worship. Amen.**

**Time with God’s Children**    David Curry

**Prayer of Illumination**    Kate Sparrow

**Scripture**    *1 Peter 5:1-11*    Kate Sparrow

**Special Message**    Jess Brand, Indwell

**Stewardship Moment & Offering**                      (See Sharing Our Offerings Note)

**Offertory**    *Jerusalem*    Charles H. H. Parry

**Singers:** Karen Gravelins, Rob Gravelins and Dianne Nowoselski

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

#### Prayer of Dedication & for Others\*\*\*

Holy One, Giver of blessings that nurture the earth and feed our bodies and souls, we offer now our thanks for the abundance that surrounds us:  
 For the harvest of which we partake,  
 For the many hands that make light the work of helping our sisters and brothers,  
 For those who are in need, who gladden our hearts by allowing us to be of use.  
 With spirits raised by all this, we are so bold as to ask even more:  
 We pray for more caring hands,  
 For the equitable sharing of the riches of the harvest,  
 For more affordable housing,  
 For more people of faith willing to put their faith into action,  
 And for our lives to be constant prayers that all may be safe, warm, and loved.  
 Embolden us to live lives of constant prayer, even as we pray in the way that Your Son Jesus taught his followers to pray... (*Continue with Lord’s Prayer*)

#### Lord’s Prayer

- **Hymn VU 681** *Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life*                      (v. 1, 4, & 5)

#### 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**    *Fanfare Postlude*    Gilbert M. Martin

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\*\*Opening Prayer written by Diane Trollope, **Gathering**, Pentecost 1 2025, page 41. Used with permission.

\*\*\*Prayer of Dedication and for Others by David Keys. **Social Justice Resource Center**, <https://socialjusticeresourcecenter.org/prayers/housing/>. Used with permission.

**Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the Worship service**

## Meetings

### Upcoming Meetings:

**Mon August 25 – 7:00pm Praying Through the Bible Discussion Group**, in the Choir Room

## Announcements

**Invitation to Cornerstone Suites community barbecue on Aug. 24**  
Our neighbours at Cornerstone Suites (operated by Indwell) are celebrating one year since they opened, and they are inviting us, the people of Streetsville UC, to join them! There will be a barbecue outdoors in the parking lot behind the Cornerstone Suites building (beside the back of the church parking lot) from 1 to 4 PM. Mark your calendars and join your neighbours!



**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 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, Kraft Dinner, salmon, side dishes, canned meat, baked beans, cookies, any kind of soup, canned fruit and dish soap.

### Summer Worship Service Child Care

Thank you to all who have been helping this summer! We have a few weeks left and the sign-up sheet is still in the narthex - feel free to add your name to help in the event that we have a number of children present.

### 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!

### Early Autumn worship series and Christian education opportunity

Beginning on September 6 we will engage a worship based on John 15 called "Pruning for Fruitfulness" in which we will reflect on gardening and agriculture images in the Bible. Additionally, after each worship service at noon Rev. Joe will lead an informal Christian education gathering at various gardens in and around Streetsville to help people connect with God's natural creation and find connections in our spiritual lives. Please sign up in the upper lobby/narthex area and/or talk with Rev. Joe for more details.

## What Can I Do?

The musical score is written for guitar and voice. It features a 2/4 time signature and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The tempo is marked as quarter note = 88. The score is divided into four systems, each with a vocal line and a guitar line. Chords are indicated above the vocal line. The lyrics are: "What can I do? What can I bring? What? What can I do? What can I bring? What can I say? What can I sing? I'll sing with joy. (I'll sing with joy.) I'll say a prayer. I'll bring my love. I'll do my share. share. I'll bring my love. I'll do my share. share. I'll do my share." The final system includes a "Repeats" section and a "Last time" section.