

Welcome Team

Assisting This Week:

Sanctuary Lead – Peter Mackintosh **Upper Lobby** – Bev Mathew **Elevator** – Charlie Walsh **Tech** – Kate Sparrow **Reader** – Bill Powell **Coffee Hour** – Ministry, Personnel & Christian Ed **Communion** – Bill / Katie +1

Assisting Next Week:

Sanctuary Lead – Wendy Johnson **Upper Lobby** – Jean Stopa **Elevator** – Terry Stopa **Tech** – Bevan Jutzen **Reader** – Dianne Nowoselski **Coffee Hour** – Outreach

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 (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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Sunday October 5, 2025

Series – Pruning for Fruitfulness
Sermon – Faithfully Feasting



*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 *Come Just as You Are* Music by Joseph Sabolick
Arr. Mark Hayes

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: Welcome to this place:

**Many: where children and seasoned citizens sit side by side,
where heaven and earth embrace in peace,
where God has been, is, and always will be.**

One: Welcome to this place, as we gather with all of God's children:

**Many: where we find God's love,
where we hear the tender voice of Jesus,
where the Spirit teaches us new songs.**

One: Welcome to this place, where all is made ready by our God:

**Many: where we bring our hunger, and find food;
where we our brokenness, and find healing;
where we bring our very selves, and find acceptance.**

- **Hymn VU 460** *All Who Hunger*

Opening Prayer* and the Lord's Prayer

**Holy and triune God,
we will not find that needed justice in our apathy;
we will not find that elusive wholeness with our quarreling;
we will not find our hoped for unity with our doctrines;
we will not find our misplaced love with our hating;
we will not find that rest we crave in our overflowing planners;
we will not find the peace You offer in our well nursed grudges.
But we will find You, O God,
in the brokenness of the Bread and in the breaking of our hearts;**

we will find You when we drain the Cup, refill it with our gifts, and offer it to a little child;

we will find You when we squeeze closer together, making room at the Table for all Your people.

**Help us to find You, God in Community, Holy in One,
even as we pray together, saying,
Our Father... Amen.**

Choir Anthem "Christians Come, Gather at the Table" by Don Besig

Time with God's Children

Prayer of Illumination

Bill Powell

Scripture

Romans 14:13-23

Bill Powell

Sermon

Faithfully Feasting

Rev Joe

- **Hymn VU 467**

"One Bread, One Body"

(v. 1 only)

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. 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.

Stewardship Moment & Offering - Loose cash donated today will be used to support the Benevolent fund, giving to those of our community in need.

Offertory *The Heart of Worship Music* by Matt Redman

Sung Dedication VU 376 *Spirit of the Living God* (v. 1 only)

Pastoral Prayer

• **Hymn MV 145** *Draw the Circle Wide*

Sending Words:

One: Go forth, siblings in faith, as branches growing from the True Vine of Jesus Christ: humble enough to change, faithful enough to grow in new directions, confident enough to share our spiritual fruit.

Many: We go forth centered on Christ, serving God and our neighbours.

Benediction in Song MV 151 *Your Will Be Done* (Twice)

Postlude *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* Tune: Resignation

Arr. Mark Hayes

*Call to Worship and Opening Prayer written by Thom Shuman. lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca. Used with permission.

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

Please join us for refreshments and fellowship after the Worship service

This Week's Meetings:

Sun. Oct. 5 – Flowers, Fruits & Nuts (Leslie Log House)

Wed. Oct 8 – 7:00pm – 8:30pm – Choir Practice, in Sanctuary

Thurs. Oct. 9 – 1:00pm-3:00pm – Friendship Circle – Shortbread, in FL

Upcoming Meetings:

Tues. Oct. 14 – 7:00pm – 9:00pm – Church Council

Wed. Oct 15 – 7:00pm – 8:30pm – Choir Practice, in Sanctuary

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.

Oatmeal, coffee, jam, flour, cookies, canned pasta, Kraft dinner, salmon, side dishes, canned meat, baked beans, cookies, soup, canned fruit and dish soap.

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!

"Learning about God from Plants" – Join us for an early autumn Christian education series on Sundays at noon! Rev. Joe will lead field trips to places where we can observe, imagine, and learn about God's creative power among plant life. Sessions will have the following themes and locations:

Oct. 5 – Flowers, Fruits & Nuts (Leslie Log House)

Oct. 12 – Planting Love Letters (Streetsville UC Memorial Garden)

We encourage participants to sign up in the upper lobby/narthex, but sign-up is not required.

The Harvest of Crafts sale is almost here! Save the date of October 25 for this year's sale, our major fundraising event of the year! The Vendors are back in the auditorium, some favourites returning and some new ones as well – Kacie with hand-dyed cyanotype clothing using solar dye and nature to create beautiful designs; Dunia selling her Artisan chocolates and handmade painted ceramics; and Delicia's creations of "Festive Lit Up Wear". Returning vendors are excited to be back with knitted products for all ages, Christmas gifts and decorations, and Folk Art painting among others. And don't miss our own clown to face paint children and those young at heart! Sandy Hayashi is waiting for your donations of preserves, jams and jellies for decorating, contact her at 905-569-9966. Lawn signs are now available for pickup at the Fellowship and Elevator entrances
Macgregor's Meat - Back by popular demand! The Macgregor's meat fundraiser will roll out in October with delivery planned for November. Information packages will be emailed directly to congregation members. Watch your email for this great opportunity to fill your freezer and begin spreading the word to family, friends and neighbors.

Pastor Care Committee is holding a Welcome Back Potluck luncheon on Sunday October 19th in the auditorium.

Your Will Be Done

(Mayenziwe)

J = 69

G C⁶ G/D D G G

Xhosa: Ma - ye - nzi - we 'nta - ndo ya - kho. Ma - ye - nzi -
English: Your will be done, be done on earth. Your will be
French: Que ta vo - lon - té sois faite. Que ta vo -

Alto, tenor, bass Ma - ye - nzi - we
on echo parts Your will be done
Que ta vo - lon...

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kho. Ma - ye - nzi - we 'nta - ndo ya - kho.
earth. Your will be done on earth.
faite. Que ta vo - lon - té sois faite.

Xhosa pronunciation: Mah-yay-nzee-way nta-ndoh yah-khoh.

Draw the Circle Wide

(Traçons un grand cercle)

Unison
J = 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.

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

1 God the still - point of the cir - cle, 'round whom all cre -
2 Let our hearts touch far hor - i - zons, so en - com - pass
3 Let the dreams we dream be larg - er, than we've ev - er

E^b B^b Cm Fm⁷ B^b E^b

a - tion turns; noth - ing lost, but held for - e - ver,
great and small; let our lov - ing know no bor - ders,
dreamed be - fore; let the dream of Christ be in us,

Fm⁷ B^bsus⁴ B^b D.C.

in God's grac - ious arms.
faith - ful to God's call.
o - pen ev - ery door.