

## Welcome Team

### Assisting This Week:

**Sanctuary Lead** – Gail Boulton **Upper Lobby** – Laura Mara **Elevator** – Peter Mara **Tech** – Ken Boulton **Reader** – Bill Powell **Coffee Hour** – Men's Group **Communion** Katie and Bill Powell +1

### Assisting Next Week:

**Sanctuary Lead** – Jennifer Honsa **Upper Lobby** – Peter Mackintosh **Elevator** – Doug Hitchcock **Tech** – Bevan Jutzen **Reader** – Cathy Hitchcock **Coffee Hour** – Finance

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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.

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### 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](mailto:info@streetsvilleunited.ca)) 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 January 4, 2026**  
**Sermon - "Astrological Evangelism"**



*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.*



**Offering** All loose cash will go to the Benevolent Fund  
• **Sung Dedication: VU 541** “Praise God from whom All Blessings Flow”

**Pastoral Prayer**

• **Song: VU 343** “I Love to Tell the Story”

**Sending Words**

One: We are part of God’s unfolding story of hope, life, and love.

**Many: We go out to live out our part of God’s story!**

One: May God the Creator sustain you, Christ the Redeemer encourage you, and Holy Spirit the Helper guide you.

**Many: Glory to God! Amen.**

**Benediction in Song: VU 343** “I Love to Tell the Story” (chorus only)

**Organ Postlude** *“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”*  
("In Julci Jubilo") Charles Sergison, 1971

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

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\*\*Opening Prayer written by Richard Bott, *Gathering*, Advent/Christmas/Epiphany 2025-2026, page 38. 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.

Loose offering today will go to the Benevolent Fund.

### This Week's Meetings:

Wed. Jan. 7 - 7:00pm – 8:30pm - **Choir Practice**, in Sanctuary  
Wed. Jan. 7 – 8:30pm – **Boomer Band Practice**, in Sanctuary  
Thurs. Jan. 8 – 1:00pm – 3:00pm – **Friendship Circle**, in FL

### Next Week's Meetings

Tues. Jan. 13 - 7:00pm – 9:00pm – **Church Council**, in FL  
Wed. Jan. 14 - 7:00pm – 8:30pm - **Choir Practice**, in Sanctuary

### Announcements:

**Welcome to Melvin Hurst who will be directing the music for services on December 28 and January 4.**

Melvin Hurst retired two years ago from Humbercrest United in west Toronto after more than 18 years as Director of Music. He continues to be active in the Royal Canadian College of Organists and is the Past President of the Canadian Music Festival Adjudicator's Association. Mr Hurst was a Music Specialist for the Peel Board of Education and while teaching at Nahani Way P. S. introduced the first set of English Handbells to be used in the Ontario Public School System. His hobbies are reading and making jam and jelly from picking berries at their family's cottage in Saskatchewan!

Website: [melhurst.ca](http://melhurst.ca)

**United Church of Canada Mission & Service** - A number of our members ask that a portion of their donations to SUC goes to The United Church of Canada to support the Mission & Service fund. If you would like to know more about Mission & Service and what programs are supported through the fund, please go to; [united-church.ca](http://united-church.ca) and scroll about halfway down the page and click on the Mission & Service button. It is our hope, in the coming months, to share with you more about how Mission & Service "transforms and save lives, inspires meaning and builds a better world".

**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, canned vegetables, canned fruit, any soup but vegetable or tomato, cookies, juice, coffee, tea, canned pasta, salmon, canned meat, and dish soap.

Please save **used stamps for the Canadian Bible Society**. Ten pounds of stamps equals 6 Key to Freedom Bibles that are distributed to men and women in prison. Leave the stamps on the envelope and cut around 1/4 inch. They can be dropped into the basket in the narthex (next to the used eyeglasses

basket.) This website gives you more information: [Stamps for Freedom - Canadian Bible Society](http://www.stampsförfridom.se)

### Born in Human Likeness

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Round  
J = 63

1 D D/F# G A 2 D D/F#  
Born in hu-man like-ness, found in hu-man form: Je-sus, "God is

3 D D/F# G A  
with us," we pro-claim your glo-ry!

*A simple round based upon Philippians 2:7-11. The open harmony at the end is intentional, signifying unending praise – try leaving it unresolved.*