

Welcome Team

Assisting This Week:

Sanctuary Lead – Tony Tadros **Upper Lobby** – Bev Mathew **Elevator** – Kevin Dowling **Tech** – Wendy Dowling **Reader** – Kate Sparrow **Coffee Hour** – Joygivers

Assisting Next Week:

Sanctuary Lead – Wendy Johnson **Upper Lobby** – Laura Mara **Elevator** – Peter Mara **Tech** – Megan Sweetman **Reader** – Bill Powell **Coffee Hour** – Friendship

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@streetsvilleunited.ca)
- 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 January 25, 2026

Sermon – Pulpit Exchange with Rev. Nicholas Forrester of Erindale United Church



*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 "Allein zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ (On You Alone, Lord Jesus Christ)" By Johann Pachelbel
"Great is thy Faithfulness" Arr. By Stewart Landon

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

The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also, with you.

The Lord is our light and salvation.

We will not be afraid.

Behold the beauty of the Lord!

**God will shelter us on any day of trouble
and set us high upon a rock.**

Let God's people shout for joy!

For Christ calls us and claims us as his own.

Come and worship in unity and love; let us rejoice together!

- **Hymn VU 559** "Come, O Fount of Every Blessing"

Opening Prayer

**Gracious God,
you are our light and our salvation,
you are peace and you are grace,
you are healing and you are love.**

**You send comfort and courage to relieve our tears and fears
in the shadows of fear and doubt.**

**Receive our worship this day in the name of Christ, your Son and our
Saviour, and empower us by your Spirit to follow him.**

Merciful God,

**you call us to follow your way of compassion
but too often we criticize each other.**

**You call us to follow your way of peace
but too often we remain divided.**

**You call us to trust you
but too often our fears and doubts overwhelm us.**

**Forgive us, O God,
and strengthen our commitment to follow your ways.**

Choir Anthem: "Make My Life an Alleluia" By Ruth Elaine Schram

Time With God's Children

Prayer of Illumination Kate Sparrow

Scripture Luke 14:15-23 Kate Sparrow

- **Hymn VU 626** "I Heard the Voice of Jesus"

Sermon Rev Nick Forrester

Offertory "Sanctus by CH. Gounod" Arr. By Seong Jin Choi

Sung Dedication VU 541 "Praise God from whom All Blessings Flow"

Prayer of Dedication & for Others

God of the fishers who first followed Jesus, you have called us to follow and here we are. We offer what we have and ask you to bless our gifts. Give us the courage we need to invite others to join us in following Jesus, our friend and saviour. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

God in whom we live and move and have our being, we pray for peace and unity, and for justice and mercy in your fragile creation.

We remember before you today people living face to face with war and violence, especially those places where ancient hatreds burn.

God, speak to us a word of peace

Embrace us with your love.

We remember before you today people living face to face with economic uncertainty, those struggling with rising costs of daily necessities, and those who have lost their jobs, their savings, their homes or businesses.

Embrace us with your love.

The Coldest Night of the Year (CNOY)

I'm asking you to consider joining our team - Streetsville United Church and walk with us **this February 28th** as we support The Dam. The Dam's Meadowvale location is a safe space for youth in our community ages 13 to 19. The Dam offers a drop-in program everyday after school from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m., as well as other development programs throughout the week. CNOY is a lot of fun and so valuable - would you join me? Just click our team page link below to begin.

<https://secure.e2rm.com/registrant/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID=1038781&langPref=en-CA>

Thanks!

Bevan Jutzen, Team Captain

We remember before you today people living face to face with discrimination and social prejudice, those who are bullied at school, at work or at home, and all those who have been made ashamed of who they are...God, speak to us a word of dignity.

Embrace us with your love.

We remember before you today people living face to face with illness and suffering, those waiting for a diagnosis or treatment, those struggling with disability or delay in medical attention, and those who know grief or fear...

God, speak to us a word of healing.

Embrace us with your love.

We remember before you today people of different creeds and faiths, those who seek understanding and co-operation among different religious traditions, and those who show love to their neighbours, whatever their creed or conviction...

God, speak to us a word of reconciliation.

Embrace us with your love.

We remember before you today your whole creation and its many vulnerable facets and faces.

Teach us how to care for the rips and tears in the fabric of the world you love so we may live together wisely and protect the future in our attitudes and actions ...

God, speak to us a word of wisdom.

Embrace us with your love.

We ask of you these things, through Christ, our Lord, amen!

The Lord's Prayer

("Our Father...")

p.921 – Voices United songbook

• **Hymn VU 120**

"Oh Jesus, I have Promised"

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)

¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. (Col. 3:16-17) As you go, may God go with you, my friends. Amen!

Postlude *“When the Roll is Called Up Yonder”* Arr. Bernadine Johnson

Please join us for refreshments and fellowship after the Worship service

This Week's Meetings:

Sun. Jan. 25 – 10:00am - Pulpit Exchange— Rev. Nick Forrester leading worship, in Sanctuary

Wed. Jan. 28 - 7:00pm – 8:30pm - Choir Practice, in Sanctuary

Next Week's Meetings

Sun. Feb. 01 - 10:00am – Worship led Biran Takayesu, in Sanctuary

Wed. Feb. 4 - 7:00pm – 8:30pm - Choir Practice, in Sanctuary

Announcements:

Heather Murray – For the week of Oct 26 – 30, 2026 Heather will be in the office on Monday Jan 26 and out of the office on Friday January 30, 2026.

Rev. Joe – will be away for vacation Jan. 30 – Feb. 3, 2026, inclusive. If you would like pastoral care for a spiritual emergency, you may call Re. Irene Ty at 647-997-1378 or email her at irenety888@gmail.com.

Annual Report – Please provide any submissions to Heather by no later than Monday February 1, 2026.

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 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 saves 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. Canned vegetables, canned fruit, any soup but vegetable or tomato, cookies, juice, coffee, tea, canned pasta, salmon, jam, 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://stampsforfreedom.ca)