

Welcome Team

Assisting This Week:

Sanctuary Lead – Tony Tadros **Upper Lobby** – Heather Drew **Elevator** – Charlie Walsh **Tech** – John Sparrow **Reader** – Dianne Nowoselski **Lemonade in the Courtyard** – Outreach

Assisting Next Week:

Sanctuary Lead – Nanci Anderson **Upper Lobby** – Wendy Johnson **Elevator** – Kevin Dowling **Tech** – Wendy Dowling **Reader** – Leslie Guimond **Lemonade in the Courtyard** – Pastoral Care

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 July 12, 2026

Sermon – “Sowing Continually and Extravagantly”



*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 *“Suite in G Major”* by Joseph-Hector Fiocco
 “His Eye is on the Sparrow” Arr. Victor Labenske

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 Creator has planted seeds in all of us,
may we nurture good deeds and loving-kindness.
Jesus calls us to bear spiritual fruit,
may we bless and build up others for the reign of God.
The Holy Spirit moves in us, encouraging us to grow, may we be nurtured,
may we be blessed and may we grow in this time of worship.

- **Hymn VU226** *“For the Beauty of the Earth”*

Opening Prayer*

No matter where we are for worship, online or in person, we know we are not alone, and so we praise you, Steadfast Love, for your presence never abandons us, but is at our side in all of life. There is no cobwebbed corner that is not claimed by your grace.
You we praise, Teller of parables. Your words challenge us in moments of doubt, as well as in our times of great faith. When we run around in circles chasing our worries and fears like a dog after its tail, you whisper hope to us.
You we praise, Spirit who calls to our hearts. Your voice is that gentle whisper in a world filled with angry shouts; your joy is that refreshing shower when despair parches our souls; your wonder opens our eyes and ears to the gifts which surround our lives. May our worship be a reflection of your grace within each of us. Amen.

Time with God’s Children

Prayer of Illumination

Dianne Nowoselski

Scripture

Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

Dianne Nowoselski

1That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea.2Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. 3And he told them many things in parables, saying: “Listen! A sower went out to sow.4And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. 5Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil.6But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. 7Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. 8Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. 9Let anyone with ears listen!”

18“Hear then the parable of the sower. 19When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it; the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. 20As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; 21yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. 22As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. 23But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

Sermon *Sowing Continually and Extravagantly* Rev. Evelyn McLachlan

- **Hymn VU503** *“When Seed Falls on Good Soil”*

Stewardship Moment

Offering Invitation: *“Father, We Worship You”* by Victor C. Johnson
Singers: Kim Perrin, Dianne Nowoselski, Roy Kho and Rob Gravelins

- **Offertory MV91** *“What Can I do”*

Sung Dedication

Prayer of Dedication and for Others

- **Hymn VU481** *“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”*

What Can I Do?

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

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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*

Sending Words**

Go forth as God's people.

We will sow seeds of love and joy in the world.

Go forth as Christ's true friends.

We will sow seeds of justice and hope in oppression-strewn paths.

Go forth as the Spirit's love.

We will sow seeds of peace and reconciliation in every corner of creation.*(written by: Rev. Thom Shuman, Interim Minister, Presbyterian Church, Columbus OH. www.lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com)***Benediction in Song****Postlude** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" Arr. Victor Labenske

Please join us for lemonade in the courtyard.



Announcements

Rev. Joe will be on vacation June 29-July 12. If you have a spiritual emergency and need to talk with a pastor, you may call Rev. Nick Forrester at 905-277-3656 (office) or 519-374-9822 (mobile).

Sunday July 5 and 12 Evelyn McLachlan will be leading worship.

A warm welcome to Evelyn McLachlan who will be leading worship Sunday July 5 and 12. Rev. Evelyn McLachlan has been retired from active full-time ministry since January 2018, but she finds herself in various pulpits around the area, helping a variety of congregations when they are in need. Evelyn grew up in Timmins with four brothers and a sister and attended the University of Windsor and Queen's Theological College. She has served in five pastorates from Guysborough, NS, to Dutton, ON, to Sarnia, Mississauga, and King City. She is married to Earle Laycock. They have three grandchildren, two of whom live in Germany and the other one is a bit closer, in Huntsville. They enjoy live theatre, Murdoch Mysteries, walking, playing Scrabble, reading, cooking, and solving the world's problems. Evelyn is an avid scrapbooker and novice quilter and plays handbells with the Bronze Foundation Academy. She is tried to learn the ukulele but gave up.

The **Anniversary Committees** need your help! If you like to decorate the committee being led by Kacie Hopkins, and responsible for the decor for November 21 could use your ideas and assistance. The Silent Auction team, led by Ernie Perrin, also needs helpers to assist in finding items for the auction. If you can volunteer to help on either of these teams there are signup sheets in the narthex. Please join us in making this event a very special celebration!

Reaching out beyond our congregation for pastoral visitation:

Do you feel that God sometimes fills you with enough love to overflow to others? Consider volunteering to visit residents at Streetsville Care Community at 1742 Bristol Road! Rev. Joe has been visiting people there and has found greater need than he can meet by himself. If you feel God calling you to extend God's love to our neighbours, then sign up in the upper lobby/narthex or talk directly with Rev. Joe.

Maybe you rarely or never make your way to our historic entryway, which faces Queen Street. It is accessed by the lower stairway at the back of the sanctuary.

Thanks to Katie and Bill Powell, it is now beautifully refreshed. They patched, sanded and painted most of the area and it is ready for use. Please have a look, and appreciate our 150-year-old church entrance, including the old wood doors.

Upcoming Summer Bible Reading Program:

During the months of July and August we will be reading through the Book of Genesis together! Christian education chair Leslie Guimond and Rev. Joe have developed a booklet to help readers keep track of where they are in the book and try to make sense of the often-wild stories of the first book of the Bible. These booklets are now available in hardcopy in the upper lobby/narthex and on the church website under Worship and then Newsletters. We will also gather for in-person small group gatherings on Tues. July 14, Tues. July 28, Tues. Aug. 11, Wed. Aug. 26 at 7 PM in the choir room.

SUC ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK RECIPES NEEDED PLEASE:

We are gathering recipes for our special Anniversary cookbook and want to include recipes from EVERYONE!

Appetizers, soups, salads, main courses, desserts, cookies, squares, jams and preserves. 1-4 would be great!

Please include the origin of the recipe or if it is just a Family Favourite etc. Please send your recipes either in a picture form or Word Document to Bill and I at: william.powell@sympatico.ca by the end of July. Call us at 905-824-6851 if you have any questions.

Thanks so much! Katie P.

Eden Food for Change Donations: Please bring your non-perishable donations to the church and place them in the bin in the Lobby/Narthex. Items needed are Cookies, canned vegetables, canned pasta, soup, tea, canned beans, baked beans, Kraft dinner, salmon, canned kidney beans, canned chickpeas and dish soap.

Summer Sundays!

Sunday School is out for the summer and will reconvene in September! In the meantime, the toddler room, the nursery (where the tv monitor is showing the service!) and the Sunday School rooms will be open for those who wish to have a place for children and youths to play and read during the service. We welcome all to the service and look forward to seeing families in the lemonade courtyard gathering afterwards!