

## Welcome Team

### Assisting This Week:

**Sanctuary Lead** – Jean Stopa **Upper Lobby** – Bev Mathew **Elevator** – Terry Stopa **Tech** – Bevan Jutzen **Reader** – Leslie Guimond **Lemonade in the Courtyard** – Men's Group

### Assisting Next Week:

**Sanctuary Lead** – Wendy Johnson **Upper Lobby** – Nanci Anderson **Elevator** – Kevin Dowling **Tech** – Wendy Dowling **Reader** – Kate Sparrow **Communion** – Wendy Johnson +1 **Lemonade in the Courtyard** – 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.

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

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#### Streetsville United Church Leadership Team

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Sunday July 26, 2026  
Sermon - "Bargaining with God"



*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**      “Prelude in E Minor”      By Frederic Chopin  
                 “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”      Arr. By 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

- Hymn VU 264      “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

### Opening Prayer\*

**Many:** Prayerfully, O God, we bring ourselves before You with praise and thanksgiving for the love You have given us. We pray, dear God, for those who do not feel Your love. We pray that You will draw them close to You because You remain steadfast in your love for all. We pray for all who are living in war zones and unsafe living conditions, and all who are homeless. Provide for their needs by bringing to the table the right people who can make a difference and who can negotiate a peaceful end to war, conflict, and lack of housing. Provide safe passage to all who are escaping the terror of war. Show us how we can help. We also pray for all who have no one to pray for them. Show us how to be their blessing. We pray in Jesus’ name.

**The Lord’s Prayer** (also called the “Our Father”; see page 921 in *Voices United* songbook)

### Time with God’s Children

**Prayer of Illumination**      (shared by Leslie Guimond)

**Scripture**      **Genesis 18:22-33**      (read by Leslie Guimond)

**Sermon**      “Bargaining with God”      Rev. Joe

### Stewardship Moment

**Offertory**      “God So Loved the World Organ and Piano Duet”

By John Stainer Arr. By Tedd Smith and Don Hustad

**Organ:** Michelle Chung      **Piano:** Karen Gravelins

- **Sung Dedication MV 182**      “Grateful”      (refrain only)

### Prayer for Others

*Each phrase will end, “God who listens,” and worshipers should respond, “Hear the prayers of Your people.”*

- Hymn VU 664      “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

### Sending Words\*\*\*

One: Because we know that God is with us, working through us,

**Many: We have the courage to advocate for what you believe, the strength to seek possibilities with those oppressed, and the wisdom to keep quiet if the situation merits it.**

One: But also have the patience to work quietly and persistently for justice and the willingness to share your faithful endeavours with others.

**Many: We have the grace to thank God for all the good people with whom we have been blessed.**

One: Go now with the love of God, the grace of Christ, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Benediction in Song MV 92**      “Like a Rock”      (with motions)

**Postlude**      “Eternal Father, Strong to Save”      Arr. Victor Labenske

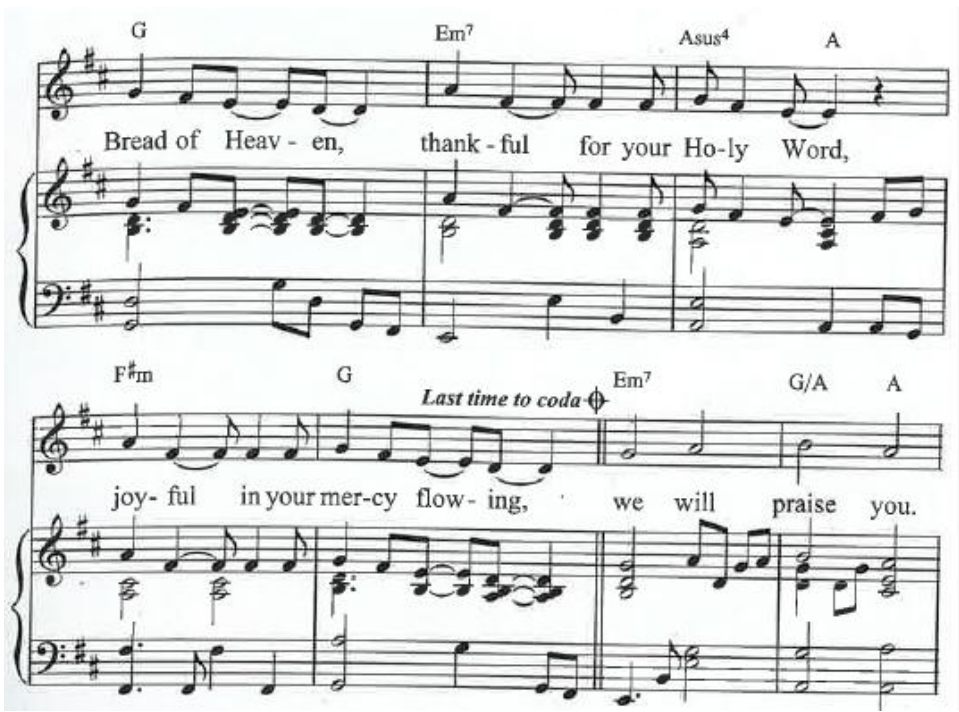
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**Please join us for lemonade in the courtyard.**

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Summer  
Blessings

## **Announcements**

### ***Upcoming Meetings:***

**Tues. July 28 – 6:30pm - 9:30pm - Summer Bible Reading Program (Genesis) in the choir room**

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!

### **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 28, Tues. Aug. 11, Wed. Aug. 26 at 7 PM in the choir room.

### **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!

### **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](mailto: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 that are needed Cookies, canned vegetables, canned pasta, soup, canned chickpeas, canned kidney beans, baked beans, Kraft dinner, jam, salmon, and dish soap.

Eden is again in need of egg cartons. These can be placed in the bin in the narthex, thank you for your continued support of Eden Food for Change.

**Save the Date for Mississauga-Wide Hymn-Sing:**

The United Church congregations of Mississauga will come together on **Sunday, Oct. 4 from 2-3:30 PM at Eden United Church** to explore the new United Church hymnal, *Then Let Us Sing!* Rest assured, this new song book won't replace the ones we already use. Instead, we have the opportunity to add more contemporary and more intercultural songs to what we currently sing. Mark your calendars for this event that will feature a lot of congregational singing, choir performances, and more collaboration with our siblings in Christ across our city!



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## Like a Rock

Unison  
♩ = 60

C G/C F/C C

Like a rock, like a rock, God is un-der our feet. Like the

F C G

star-ry night sky God is o-ver our head. Like the

Am F C Dm

sun on the hor-i-zon God is ev-er be-fore. Like the riv-

Am G/B C F C/G Gsus<sup>4</sup> G C Csus<sup>4</sup> C

er runs to o-cean, our home is in God ev-er-more.

**Actions for "Like a Rock":**

**Like a rock:** Extend both forearms upward, palms facing down in one movement.

**Like the starry night sky:** Wiggle fingers while slowly raising arms to head height.

**Like the sun:** Extend one forearm, palm up. With palm down, slowly extend the other hand 6" over the first arm,

arching up at the end, so the palm is facing away from the body.

**Like the river:** Leave the first forearm as before. Other hand makes a "swimming" motion close to it, by weaving it gently in handshake position.

**Evermore:** End with "God's hug" – crossing arms over chest, hands to shoulders.

$\text{♩} = 116$  D Em<sup>7</sup> Bm Gadd<sup>2</sup>

*Refrain* D G Em<sup>7</sup>

Grate - ful for the life you give us, thank - ful for your

Asus<sup>4</sup> A F#m G

Ho - ly Son, joy - ful in your Spir - it flow - ing

Em<sup>7</sup> Asus<sup>4</sup> A D

o - ver all, O God of Love. Grate - ful for the