

## Welcome Team

### Assisting This Week:

**Sanctuary Lead** – Wendy Johnson **Upper Lobby** – Nanci Anderson **Elevator** – Charlie Walsh **Tech** – Megan Sweetman **Reader** – Dianne Nowoselski  
**Communion** – Bill / Katie +1 **Lemonade in the Courtyard** – Outreach

### Assisting Next Week:

**Sanctuary Lead** – Bev Mathew **Upper Lobby** – Jean Stopa **Elevator** – Terry Stopa  
**Tech** – Bevan Jutzen **Reader** – Cathy Hitchcock **Lemonade in the Courtyard** – Pastoral Care

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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 September 13, 2026  
Sermon - "Spiritual Medicine"



*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**                      “Chanson de Matin”                      E. Elgar  
                                         “Piers En L’Air”                      Arr. Richard Lloyd

### **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: Come, you people of the blessing of God!

#### **Many: Blessed? Us?**

One: Yes, all of us share in the blessing of God: creation, nourishment, forgiveness, and growth.

#### **Many: Those are a lot of blessings!**

One: Yes! Many blessings emanating from the one source of Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### **Many: We are blessed, indeed! Let's worship together!**

- Hymn VU 337                      “Blessed Assurance”

#### **Prayer of Confession\***

**Many: Gracious God, thank You, not only for the forgiveness You offer to us but also for being with us when we feel far from home. Help us, O God, to offer the same forgiveness and hospitality to others as You do to us.**

(a time of silence)

#### **Words of Assurance:**

One: God’s love shows no boundaries. God’s forgiveness is deeper and wider than we can imagine. God’s mercy is always with us.

#### **Many: Thanks be to God.**

**Time with God’s Children**                      “Bitterness vs. Sweetness”

**Prayer of Illumination**                      (offered by Dianne Nowoselski)

**Scripture Reading - Matthew 18:21-35** (read by Dianne Nowoselski)

- Hymn VU                      “Just as I Am”                      (v. 1 & 4)

**Sermon**                      “Spiritual Medicine”                      Rev. Joe

### **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...

Through Christ, in Christ, and with Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory is Yours, God most holy,  
now and forever. Amen.

### **Eating & Drinking Together**

One: The body of Christ, the bread of life. Let’s eat together.

*(All worshipers eat.)*

One: The lifeblood of Christ, the cup of blessing. Let us drink together.

*(All worshipers drink.)*

### **Stewardship Moment**

**Offertory -**                      “Let All Things Now Living”                      Arr. John Carter

**Offering -** All loose cash will go towards benevolent funds

- **Sung Dedication MV 188** *“I Thank You, Thank You, Jesus (Asante sana, Yesu)”* (v. 1 in English and then in Swahili)

#### **Prayer of Dedication & for Others**

- **Hymn VU 481** *“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”*

#### **Sending Words\*\*\***

One: And the blessing of God,  
who made us in love,  
who made us for companionship,  
who made us to enhance and strengthen the world,  
go with us as we leave this place  
into all the places life calls us to be.

**Many: We do not go alone. We go, loved and blessed, to be a blessing.  
Amen.**

#### **Benediction in Song MV 185** *“Ev’ry Day Is a Day of Thanksgiving”*

#### **Postlude:**

*“Trumpet Voluntary*

J. Stanley

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

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

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## Announcements

### Meetings this Week –

**Sun. Sept. 13 - UCW Exec Meeting** (After Church)

**Tues. Sept. 15 – Sunshine Circle – 1-3pm**, in FL

### Upcoming Meetings –

**Mon. Sept. 21 – Joy Givers – 7-9pm**, in FL

**Wed. Sept. 17 – Choir Practice – 7- 8:30pm**, in Sanctuary

***Roy** is a semi-retired musician who began a life-long love of music from the crib many years ago. Being exposed to classical and church music at a young age, he has always maintained over the years that it is a fun, satisfying, uplifting, but challenging pursuit. One that comes with hard work. Keeps you young. Lasting a lifetime. Roy has assumed the duties of choir director and organist for various churches for 20 years in Brampton, Midland, Penetanguishene and Toronto. Lately, he enjoys occasional freelancing and also singing with the Streetsville United choir. Roy is a graduate and holds performance diplomas in piano and organ from the Royal Conservatory of Music and the Trinity College of Music, England. He has also developed skills in trumpet in his teens, which he views as incomplete and on his bucket list. Roy enjoys travelling, languages, trying new food, lawn bowling and many sports, mostly as a spectator!*

**FALL TIDINGS:** FALL TIDINGS - Change of date! Please have items to Church Office by no later than Tuesday Sept 22nd.

Back by popular demand! The **Macgregors Meat Fundraiser** will roll out in late September/early October, with delivery scheduled for October 28th at 5:30 pm. 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 neighbours.

### **Worship Committee Wants Your Input:**

To honour the vision for Streetsville United, we will be inviting all members and adherents to fill in a chart on Sunday September 20th. The chart will be in the bulletin and can be completed at home prior to the service or there will be time near the end of the service to complete in the Sanctuary. The three areas we are reviewing are--Elements of Service (For example: bulletin structure, live steaming etc.), Sermons and Sacraments (For example: communion, sermon topics, etc.), Music (For example: variety of hymns, guest performances etc.). The purpose of gathering this input is to address and enhance the spiritual development and commitment of current congregants while continuing to seek new followers. We want to hear what you value, what new things you might want services to explore or existing

elements of worship to reconsider. We trust God's spirit will call you to contribute to this reflective exercise.

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!

**Eden Food for Change Donations:** Please bring your non-perishable donations to the church and place them in the bin in the Lobby/Narthex. Tea, sugar, salt, canned vegetables, canned pasta, Kraft dinner, pasta, soup, baked beans, jam, tuna, salmon, and dish soap.

Eden is again in need of egg cartons and grocery bags. These can be placed in the bin in the narthex. Thank you for your continued support of Eden Food for Change.

Let's be environmentally aware and cost conscience. We will try **recycling the music sheets in your bulletin**. We ask that you leave the sheets in the Narthex after the service in the red basket.

We request any **jars** for jams and preserving. Please leave in the box in the Narthex.

### **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!

### **Publication of Banns of Marriage:**

As required by the Ontario Marriage Act for the publication of Banns, we are pleased to announce the wedding of John Bruce Sparrow and Alexandra Ronchi on September 19, 2026, at 2pm at Streetsville United Church. Any known reason why this marriage should not happen should be reported to Rev. Joe Hopkins.

All members of our Streetsville United Church family are welcome to attend and celebrate with John, Alexandra and the whole Sparrow family.

**ANNIVERSARY EVENTS**

Sunday September 27 Guest preacher Dr. Victor Shepherd, luncheon to follow

Sunday October 18, Guest preacher Rev John Tapscott, luncheon to follow

Saturday November 21, Anniversary Celebration Evening, ticket sales begin September 13

Please see the special Anniversary Tidings for details of all events.

# 185 Ev'ry Day Is a Day of Thanksgiving

$\text{♩} = 60$

E B A E B

Ev - 'ry day is a day of thanks-giv-ing. God, you've been so

good to me. Ev - 'ry day you're bles-sing me.

You know that

E B A E

Ev - 'ry day is a day of thanks-giv-ing. I will glo-ri-

G<sup>#</sup>m<sup>7</sup> C<sup>#</sup>m<sup>7</sup> F<sup>#</sup>m<sup>7</sup> A/E E A E

fy you, O my Lord\*, to-day! (day!) You keep

Glo-ri-fy you, Lord\*,

D/A A D/A A F<sup>#</sup>m/E E

bles-sing me, bles-sing me, bles-sing me. You

B B<sup>7</sup> A/E E

o-pened the door that I might see, you're bles-sing me.

E<sup>7</sup> D/A A D/A A F<sup>#</sup>m/E E

And you keep bles-sing me, bles-sing me, bles-sing me. I will glo-ri-

G<sup>#</sup>m<sup>7</sup> C<sup>#</sup>m<sup>7</sup> F<sup>#</sup>m<sup>7</sup> A/E E

fy you, O my Lord\*, to-day!

Glo-ri-fy you, Lord\*,

\* alternative: "O my God"

# 188 I Thank You, Thank You, Jesus

(Asante sana Yesu)

$\text{♩} = 88$  F B $\flat$

Swahili: 1 A - san - te sa - na Ye - su, a - san - te sa - na  
 2 Si i - shi bi - la we - we, si i - shi bi - la  
 3 Ni - na - ku - pen - da Ye - su, ni - na - ku - pen - da

English: 1 I thank you, thank you, Je - sus, I thank you, thank you,  
 2 I I can't live with - out you, yes, I can't live with -  
 3 I love you, love you, Je - sus, I love you, love you,

F F C Dm $\flat$ /C

Ye - su, a - san - te sa - na Ye - su mo - yo - ni.  
 we - we, si i - shi bi - la we - we mo - yo - ni.  
 Ye - su, ni - na - ku - pen - da Ye - su mo - yo - ni.  
 Je - sus, I thank you, thank you, Je - sus, in my heart.  
 out you, I can't live with - out you in my heart.  
 Je - sus, I love you, love you, Je - sus, in my heart.

C F B $\flat$

A - san - te sa - na Ye - su, a - san - te sa - na  
 Si i - shi bi - la we - we, si i - shi bi - la  
 Ni - na - ku - pen - da Ye - su, ni - na - ku - pen - da  
 I thank you, thank you, Je - sus, I thank you, thank you,  
 I I can't live with - out you, yes, I can't live with -  
 I love you, love you, Je - sus, I love you, love you,

F F C $\flat$  F

Ye - su, a - san - te sa - na Ye - su mo - yo - ni.  
 we - we, si i - shi bi - la we - we mo - yo - ni.  
 Ye - su, ni - na - ku - pen - da Ye - su mo - yo - ni.  
 Je - sus, I thank you, thank you, Je - sus, in my heart.  
 out you, I can't live with - out you in my heart.  
 Je - sus, I love you, love you, Je - sus, in my heart.

A traditional song from East Africa. Harmonies for this song are best improvised – the written harmonies are only a guideline. **Swahili pronunciation:**

1. Ah-sahn-tay sah-nah Yeh-soo moh-yoh-nee.
2. See ee-shee bee-lah way-way moh-yoh-nee.
3. Nee-nah-koo-pehn-dah Yeh-soo moh-yoh-nee.