

Welcome Team

Assisting This Week:

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

Assisting Next Week:

Sanctuary Lead – Ev Courtney **Upper Lobby** – Peter Mackintosh **Elevator** – Kevin
Dowling **Tech** – Wendy Dowling **Reader** – Kate Sparrow **Lemonade in the
Courtyard** – Men's Group

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)

Streetsville United Church Leadership Team

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Sunday September 20, 2026
Sermon - "Progressive Faith"



*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

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 to this place with open minds and open hearts.

Many: We leave our prejudices at the door and open ourselves to God's spirit.

One: This is a place where we look deep within ourselves,

Many: prepared to let the Spirit shape us into the people God calls us to be.

One: Come and prepare to be changed.

Many: With every whisper of God, we are transformed.

One: Let us worship God as we come together.

- **Hymn** "And Can It Be" (v. 1, 3 & 5, see insert)**

Opening Prayer***

Many: We come before You, O God, to praise You for the sanctification that is possible when we turn in faith to You as generations of saints have done. You take ordinary people and You turn them into leaders. Those who draw near to You are inspired to sing, share, and try new things. We offer to You this worship service, grateful for all the joy, hard work, good times, and growth that You have blessed us with as we prepared it in praise of You. We pray in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

The Lord's Prayer (also called "The Our Father"; see page 921 in red songbook)

Adult Choir Anthem "I Worship You, Almighty God" by Sondra Corbett Wood, arr. by Mary McDonald

Time with God's Children "Growing and Changing for Jesus"

Prayer of Illumination (offered by Cathy Hitchcock)

Scripture Reading - Philippians 1:21-30 (read by Cathy Hitchcock)

Sermon "Progressive Faith" Rev. Joe

Time of Reflection & Writing

Stewardship Moment

Offertory

- **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 575** "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

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:

Please join us for lemonade in the courtyard.

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**Opening prayer adapted from words by Karen Boivin. GatheringWorship.ca. Used with permission.

***"And Can It Be that I Should Gain," *United Methodist Hymnal*, page 363.

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Announcements

Meetings this Week –

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

Wed. Sept. 23 – Choir Practice – 7- 8:30pm, in Sanctuary

Sun. Sept. 27 - Guest preacher Dr. Victor Shepherd, luncheon to follow

Upcoming Meetings –

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

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

Indwell Fundraiser on Thursday, Sept. 24:

Indwell Community Homes, which include our neighbour Cornerstone Suites, is having a special “Hope & Homes Mississauga” event this coming Thursday! We have been informed that there are still tickets available, so please consider joining a great organization that is helping folks in our community! You can sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/59vk25b9> or by scanning the QR code on the poster in the narthex/upper lobby.

HOPE International Move for H2O walk for clean water:

Clean water is coming to a remote Indigenous village, Sitio Toruyn Philippines via a walk for clean water. Join other walkers for a 4KM family friendly event followed by a picnic as we raise money along with other churches and communities across Canada for a clean water system. Sat. Sept 26, 2026; 10 AM Walk, 12:30 Picnic; Marie Curtis Park, 2 Forty Second Street, Etobicoke.

To Register for the walk or Donate to the cause: www.hope-international.com/moveforh2o/gta

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:

Congregants will be given 10 minutes on Sunday to offer their input on three aspects of worship service. If you appreciate more processing time you can review and complete the attached chart prior to the service and return electronically or in person to the Church Office. Paper copies will be distributed and collected on Sunday. Please bring a pen or pencil to the service to complete this task. Thank You, Your Worship Committee.

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

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!

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.

Seeking photos to celebrate our anniversaries: The decorations team for the anniversary celebration evening on Nov. 21 is seeking photos of special occasions in our church community from 1876 to 2026. Please share the approximate date of the photo, too. You can send digital versions of the photos to Kacie Hopkins at kacieghopkins@gmail.com or share physical photos with Heather in the office. Deadline is Oct. 20. Let's celebrate the ongoing blessings of our church community!

Back by popular demand! **Purdys Chocolatier Fundraiser** will roll out in October. Once, we have more details information packages will be emailed directly to congregation members. Watch your email for this great opportunity to begin spreading the word to family, friends and neighbours.



The Harvest of Crafts sale is back again for another year of your favourite items. As a popular area is the Country Kitchen this is to remind those of you who enjoy jamming and preserving that we welcome your donations to our kitchen in support of the UCW and the various missions that this sale allows us to support. Please connect with Sandy Hayashi, [905-569-9966](tel:905-569-9966), to deliver your donations to her, that she can decorate and label all jars.

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.

185 Ev'ry Day Is a Day of Thanksgiving

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E B A E B

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

E

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

E B A E

You know that

E

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

G[#]m⁷ C[#]m⁷ F[#]m⁷ A/E

1 E A E

2 E

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

Glo-ri-fy you, Lord*,

D/A A D/A A F[#]m/E E

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

B B⁷ A/E E

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

E⁷ D/A A D/A A F[#]m/E E

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

G[#]m⁷ C[#]m⁷ F[#]m⁷ A/E E

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

Glo-ri-fy you, Lord*,

* alternative: "O my God"

363 And Can It Be that I Should Gain

1. And can it be that I should gain an
 2. 'Tis mys - tery all: th'Im - mor - tal dies! Who
 3. He left his Fa - ther's throne a - bove (so
 4. Long my im - pris - oned spir - it lay, fast
 5. No con - dem - na - tion now I dread; Je -

in - terest in the Sav - ior's blood! Died he for
 can ex - plore his strange de - sign? In vain the
 free, so in - fi - nite his grace! emp - tied him -
 bound in sin and na - ture's night; thine eye dif -
 sus, and all in him, is mine; a - live in

me? who caused his pain! For me? who him to
 first - born ser - aph tries to sound the depths of
 self of all but love, and bled for Ad - am's
 fused a quick - ening ray; I woke, the dun - geon
 him, my liv - ing Head, and clothed in righ - teous -

death pur - sued? A - maz - ing love! How can it
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 help - less race. 'Tis mer - cy all, im - mense and
 flamed with light; my chains fell off, my heart was
 ness di - vine, bold I ap - proach th'e - ter - nal

be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
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