Welcome Team

Assisting This Week:

Sanctuary Lead – Tony Tadros ***Upper Lobby*** – Laura Mara ***Elevator*** – Peter Mara ***Tech*** – Wendy Dowling ***Reader*** – Dianne Nowoselski ***Coffee*** – Pastoral Care Communion – Bill & Katie +1

Assisting Next Week:

Sanctuary Lead – Jean Stopa ***Upper Lobby*** – Wendy Johnson ***Elevator*** – Terry Stopa ***Tech*** – Megan Sweetman ***Reader*** – Bill Powel ***Coffee*** – Men's Group

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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.

Emergency Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Onsite located in 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 Nov 29, 2026

Sermon - "Angelic Purification"

Streetsville
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 **"***Christmas Chimes"* By Niels W. Gade
Arr by Ellen Jane Lorenz
"Bethlehem" By Stewart Landon

Greeting 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

Christmas Carol VU 1 *"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"* (v. 1, 2 & 7)

Advent Candle Meditation & Lighting
By Bernadette Franze and Doug Hitchcock

Choir Anthem *"Light an Advent Candle"* by Becki Slagle Mayo

Prayer of Confession*
Many: Holy One, to be about Your purpose in these strange, chaotic times gives us hope. To be forgiven when we least deserve it brings us hope. To let go of regretful things grants us hope. Please forgive us for those things we have done knowingly and unknowingly. Lead us to a place of doing what stirs up Your hope. Let our actions reflect Your place in our lives as we work for a better world that brings us hope. We pray in Jesus' name.

Time of Silent Reflection

Words of Assurance

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

Prayer of Illumination offered by Bill Powell

Scripture Reading **Isaiah 6:1-8** read by Bill Powell

Sermon "Angelic Purification" Rev. Joe

Song of Preparation VU 473 *"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent"* (v. 1 & 4)

Holy Communion
One: The Lord be with you.
Many: And also with you.
One: Lift up your hearts.
Many: We lift them up to the Lord.
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
Many: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
One: It is right, and a good and joyful thing…
we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:
Many: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
One: Holy are You, and blessed is Your Son Jesus Christ…
And so, in remembrance of these Your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.
Many: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.
Pour out Your Holy Spirit on us gathered here…
all honor and glory is Yours, almighty God, now and for ever.
Many: Amen.

Stewardship Moment

Offering "*The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came"*

Offertory - All loose cash will go to the Benevolent Fund

Song of Dedication VU 55 *"In the Bleak Midwinter"* (v. 3 & 4)

Prayer of Dedication and for Others

Hymn VU 36 *"Angels from the Realms of Glory"*

Sending Words
One: The angelic message echoes in our ears, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of God's glory." Let this chorus reverberate in your heart and mind that you may be ready for coming God's eternal Son, Jesus Christ.
Many: Our hope is in Christ Jesus. Glory to God! Amen.

FIRST SUNDAY OF Advent



Benediction in Song *"Go Now in Peace"* by Don Besig

Go now in peace; never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there, watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen, amen, amen.

Postlude **"***O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"* Arr By Cindy Berry

Please join us for refreshments and fellowship after the Worship service in the auditorium.

*Prayer of Confession by Elizabeth Stewart. **Gathering**, Advent/Christmas/Epiphany 2026/2027, page 29. Used with permission.

**Holy Communion prayers from *The United Methodist Book of Worship*, page 54-57. Used with permission.

Announcements

Meetings this Week –

Tues Dec. 1 – UCW Meeting – 9am in HH
Tues. Dec.1 - The Bell Ringers – 7pm in Sanctuary and HH afterwards
Wed. Dec. 2 – Choir Practice – 7- 8:30pm, in Sanctuary

Upcoming Meetings –

Tues Dec. 8 – Church Council – 7- 9:00pm, in FL
Wed. Dec. 9 – Choir Practice – 7- 8:30pm, in Sanctuary
Thurs. Dec. 10 – Friendship Circle – 1-3:00pm

Rev. Joe will be away for American Thanksgiving from Nov. 25 to 28 (inclusive). If you need emergency pastoral care, you may reach out to Rev. Nicholas A. Forrester at 519-374-9822 or minister@erindaleunited.church.

Eden Food for Change Donations: Please bring your non-perishable donations to the church and place them in the bin in the Lobby/Narthex. Cereal, canned pasta, cookies, canned tomatoes, canned fruit, juice, soup, jam, salmon, and dish soap.

ANGELS! So many references to ANGELS! Note that an adult C.E. discussion meeting about angels is scheduled for December 3, 10, and 17th, at 7 pm in the Choir room. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex, and we will share well more announcements.

Share Your Angels with Our Church Community

As part of our "Angels among Us" Advent and Christmas theme this year, we invite each individual to bring and display an angel figurine or tree ornament in our church building. They will be displayed primarily in the upper lobby/narthex, and any ornaments that hang can be added to our Christmas tree. Please be sure to tag your angel with your name, and you may reach out to Rev. Joe to ask any questions.

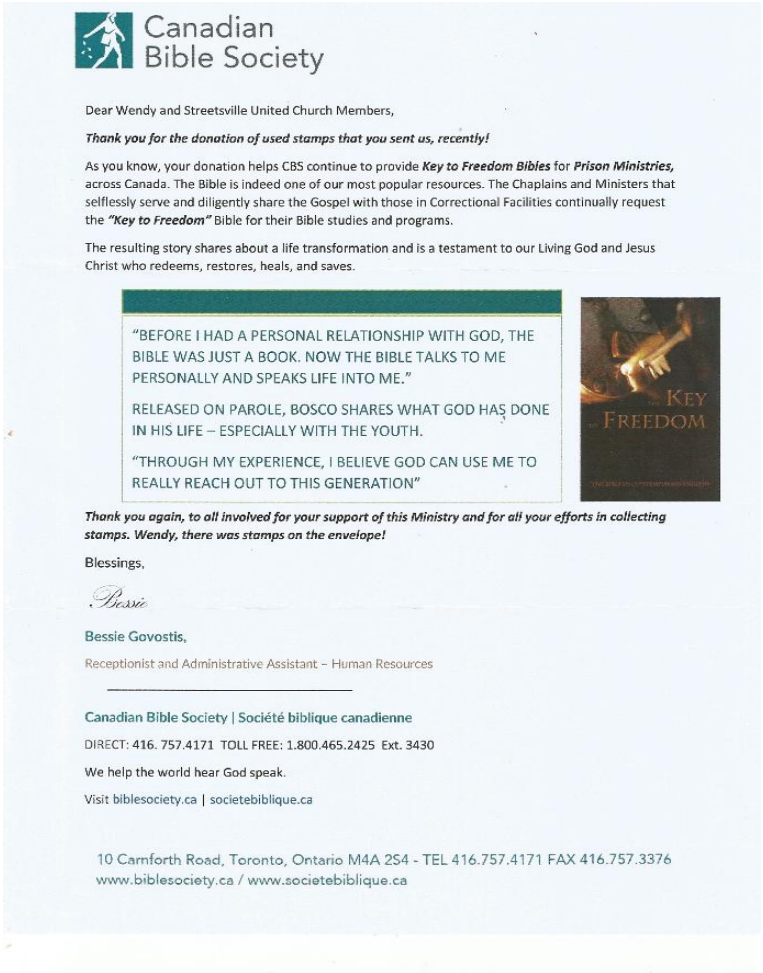
"AA" Batteries Needed: Our Sanctuary Candelabras and our Christmas Eve Service require a significant number of AA batteries. The worship committee would gratefully welcome any donations of new batteries you might have from home or from your next retail purchase. Batteries can be left in the office, given to one of the Sunday morning greeters or behind the communion table.
Thank you in advance, for your consideration.

Extra goodies for White Gift Sunday - How to Get Ready For Christ(mas)

November 29th- Advent 1- Hope

a) List your Hopes and goals
b) Talk with someone about their Hopes and dreams
c) Find ways to bring Hope to others
d) Pray with those who are looking for signs of Hope in their lives

To help celebrate White Gift Sunday on December 6th, we are asking for additional goodies for Coffee Hour. If you are willing to assist with this, there will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.
Thank you in advance for your contribution.



Canadian Bible Society

Dear Wendy and Streetsville United Church Members,

Thank you for the donation of used stamps that you sent us, recently!

As you know, your donation helps CBS continue to provide ***Key to Freedom Bibles*** for ***Prison Ministries,*** across Canada. The Bible is indeed one of our most popular resources. The Chaplains and Ministers that selflessly serve and diligently share the Gospel with those in Correctional Facilities continually request the ***"Key to Freedom"*** Bible for their Bible studies and programs.

The resulting story shares about a life transformation and is a testament to our Living God and Jesus Christ who redeems, restores, heals, and saves.

"BEFORE I HAD A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD, THE BIBLE WAS JUST A BOOK. NOW THE BIBLE TALKS TO ME PERSONALLY AND SPEAKS LIFE INTO ME."

RELEASED ON PAROLE, BOSCO SHARES WHAT GOD HAS DONE IN HIS LIFE – ESPECIALLY WITH THE YOUTH.

"THROUGH MY EXPERIENCE, I BELIEVE GOD CAN USE ME TO REALLY REACH OUT TO THIS GENERATION"

Thank you again, to all involved for your support of this Ministry and for all your efforts in collecting stamps. Wendy, there was stamps on the envelope!

Blessings,

Bessie

Bessie Govostis,
Receptionist and Administrative Assistant – Human Resources

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Christmas Donations

After the success of last year's Christmas donations from our congregation to various local organizations, we are looking forward to contributing again this year. The following information is about the specific organizations, what they would appreciate receiving and how you can help if you wish.

1. The Elizabeth Fry Society - They would appreciate receiving gifts for their women and girls who are working on re-integrating into society. They accommodate 10 youth females and 15 adult women in their residential programs for a total of 25. They would prefer gift cards and small hygiene items for them, as their program has a high turnover, and it is easier for the women and girls to access outside stores once they leave the program. They look for Walmart, Shopper's Drug Mart and Dollar Store cards.

2. The Salvation Army - The Salvation Army has been an organization that our Sunday School has contributed to for many years. They would appreciate receiving gift certificates from Claires, Walmart, Shopper's Drug Mart and Dollar Stores. They would be happy to receive certificates for food stores as well. This year they are requesting suitable gifts for children 14 years and younger. With each gift basket given out to their clients is included an age-appropriate hat and mittens. These items whether store bought or hand knit would be much appreciated.

3. The Open Door - For years, our congregation has been supporting The Open Door with gifts, clothing and meals for their clients. They are always thankful for these items. They would appreciate gift cards for grocery stores and various coffee shops $5.00 and $10.00 for Tim Hortons, as well as $10.00 and $25.00 cards for Walmart. This would give the families an opportunity to have their Christmas meal in their own homes. They would also appreciate liquid hand pump soap, toiletries and shampoos.

4. Pathway Housing - Pathway would appreciate gift cards to Tim Hortons, Shopper's Drug Mart, Walmart and Dollar Stores for youth 14 years and older. Gift cards in smaller donations are encouraged.

5. Eden Food for Change - This is an opportunity to continue to donate non-perishable food items. The box is located in the Narthex.

6. Cash - If you would prefer to donate cash, it would be appreciated.

How you can help!

a) If you have gift certificates or cash and are attending in-person services, you can place them in an envelope with the organization's name on the front and put it in the collection plate.

b) If you have food or games and toys, there will be baskets in the Narthex. Please label the organization for which they are intended.

c) Gift certificates or cash in an envelope may also be placed in one of the two secure mailboxes at the church. You may bring the food and toys or games to the church during the week when Heather is in the office Tuesday – Friday 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. Ring the bell outside the office door and she can take your donations.

The **last day for donations to be accepted will be Wednesday December 11th** and they will be delivered that week. If you have any questions or need assistance with your deliveries, please call Cathy Hitchcock at 416-816-3642. Thank you in advance for your assistance once again this year**.**