

April 21, 2024 9:15 a.m. (pages 2-5) Baptism – 11:00 a.m. (pages 6-8)





# 9:15 AM - ORDER OF SERVICE

Please turn off all electronic devices. Nursery care is available at both services.

#### PRELUDE

#### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### MINUTE MESSAGE

Sing Out Concert

#### CONGREGATIONAL SONG

"Be Unto Your Name"

We are a moment You are forever Lord of the ages God before time We are a vapor You are eternal Love everlasting reigning on high

#### Chorus

Holy holy Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain Highest praises honour and glory Be unto Your name Be unto Your name

We are the broken You are the healer Jesus Redeemer mighty to save You are the love song we'll sing forever Bowing before You blessing Your name

Be unto Your name

(REPEAT)

CCLI Song # 2177476

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

THE LORD'S PRAYER SAY TOGETHER Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **MINISTRY OF MUSIC**

#### "Look at the World"

Choir School, Chamber Choir

Rutter

Look at the world, everything all around us: Look at the world, and marvel everyday. Look at the world: so many joy and wonders, so many miracles along our way. Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation, give us thankful hearts, that we may see: All the gifts we share, and every blessing, all things come to thee. Look at the earth bringing forth fruit and flower; look at the sky, the sunshine and the rain; look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains, valley and flowing rivers, field and plain: Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation, Give us thankful hearts, that we may see: All the gifts we share, and every blessing, all things come to thee. Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer, bringing the harvest before the winter's cold. Everything grows, everything has a season, till it is gathered to the father's fold: Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation, give us thankful hearts, that we may see: All the gifts we share, and every blessing, all things come to thee. Every good gift, all that we need and cherish comes from the Lord in token of his love; we are his hands, stewards of all his bounty; his is the earth, and his the heav'ns above: Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation, give us thankful hearts, and every blessing, all things come to thee, O Lord, for all creation, give us thankful hearts, that we may see: All the gifts we share, and every blessing, all things come to thee. Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation, give us thankful hearts, that we need and cherish comes from the Lord in token of his love; we are his hands, stewards of all his bounty; his is the earth, and his the heav'ns above: Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation, give us thankful hearts, that we may see: All the gifts we share, and every blessing, all things come to thee.

## SONG OF GATHERING

(We invite the children to come forward.)

"Your Love is Strong"

Heavenly Father You always amaze me Let Your kingdom come in my world and in my life Give me the food I need to live through today And forgive me as I forgive the people that wrong me

Lead me far from temptation Deliver me from the evil one

I look out the window, the birds are composing Not a note is out of tune or out of place I walk to the meadow and stare at the flowers Better dressed than any girl on her wedding day

So why should I worry? Why do I freak out? God knows what I need You know what I need

Your love is strong

The Kingdom of the Heavens is now advancing Invade my heart, invade this broken town

Kingdom of the Heavens is buried treasure Would you sell yourself to buy the one you've found?

Two things You told me That You are strong, and You love me Yes, You love me Jon Foreman

#### Your love is strong

Our God in Heaven Hallowed be Thy name above all names Your kingdom come, Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven Give us today our daily bread Forgive us weary sinners Keep us far from our vices, and Deliver us from these prisons.

### **CHILDREN'S TIME**

#### **INSTRUMENTAL INTERLUDE**

(We invite the congregation to take a moment of reflection as the children leave for their classes.)

#### SCRIPTURE

#### Isaiah 38:1-8; 16-20

#### Joshua Crane

In those days Hezekiah became sick and was at the point of death. The prophet Isaiah son of Amoz came to him and said to him, "Thus says the Lord: Set your house in order, for you shall die; you shall not recover."<sup>2</sup> Then Hezekiah turned his face to the wall and prayed to the Lord: <sup>3</sup> "Remember now, O Lord, I implore you, how I have walked before you in faithfulness with a whole heart and have done what is good in your sight." And Hezekiah wept bitterly. <sup>4</sup> Then the word of the Lord came to Isaiah: <sup>5</sup> "Go and say to Hezekiah, Thus says the Lord, the God of your ancestor David: I have heard your prayer; I have seen your tears; I will add fifteen years to your life. <sup>6</sup> I will deliver you and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria and defend this city. <sup>7</sup> "This is the sign to you from the Lord, that the Lord will do this thing that he has promised: <sup>8</sup> See, I will make the shadow cast by the declining sun on the dial of Ahaz turn back ten steps." So the sun turned back on the dial the ten steps by which it had declined.

<sup>16</sup> O Lord, by these things people live, and in all these is the life of my spirit. Oh, restore me to health and make me live! <sup>17</sup> Surely it was for my welfare that I had great bitterness, but you have held back my life from the pit of destruction, for you have cast all my sins behind your back. <sup>18</sup> For Sheol cannot thank you; death cannot praise you; those who go down to the Pit cannot hope for your faithfulness.<sup>19</sup> The living, the living, they thank you, as I do this day; fathers make known to children your faithfulness.<sup>20</sup> The Lord will save me, and we will sing to stringed instruments all the days of our lives, at the house of the Lord.

#### SERMON

### "The Dead Can't Praise" Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee

#### PASTORAL PRAYER

## **MISSION MINUTE**

Water Ambassadors

#### OFFERTORY

### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

"Glory, Glory Hallelujah!"

*Helvey* Chamber Choir

Glory, glory, Hallelujah! Since I laid my burdens down. I've shown courage through the trials, since I laid my burdens down. I am hopeful for the future since I laid my burdens down. I am thankful for the journey since I laid my burdens down. Glory Hallelujah!

#### **CLOSING SONG**

No. 670 "Precious Lord Take My Hand" Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light:

Refrain Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near, when my life is almost gone, hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall: *Refrain* 

When the darkness appears, and the night draws near, and the day is past and gone, at the river I stand, Guide my feet, hold my hand: *Refrain* 

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

## **CONTEMPORARY BAND**

John Arndt (piano), Noel Di Tosto (guitar), Sean King (bass), David Michael Moote, Dan Bevan Baker, Voce Unite (vocals)

## CCLI: 2792602

**Barry Hart** 

# 11:00 AM – ORDER OF SERVICE

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# THE APPROACH

## **ORGAN PRELUDE**

"Andante Sostenuto"

Charles-Marie Widot Stephen Boda

### WELCOME

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** *PLEASE STAND AND SING TOGETHER* No. 217 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

### **CALL TO WORSHIP** *PLEASE REMAIN STANDING*

Leader: We will praise you while we live.

All: Our shouts of praise will reach you in the heavens

Leader: We will give thanks and praise to you unceasingly.

- All: We are made for this and it is our joy. Thanks be to God.
- All sing: Thou reignest in glory, thou rulest in light Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight All praise we would render, O help us to see 'Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee (No. 264 v.4)

#### PRAYER OF APPROACH

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **MINUTE MESSAGE**

Sing Out Concert

# THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

## PARENTS/SPONSORS COME FORWARD

#### **QUESTIONS OF THE PARENTS/SPONSORS**

Minister: Do you reject evil in all its forms and commit yourself to the truth?

If so say, I do

Minister: Do you confess Jesus Christ as your saviour, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord? If so say, **I do**  Minister: Will you nurture this child in Christ's holy church, that by your teaching and example he may be guided to accept God's grace for himself?

If so say, we will

Now to all present

Minister: And will all of you by God's grace do everything in your power to support and love these persons and their families to keep their baptismal covenant?

If so say, we will

- Minister: Let us join together in confessing the faith as contained in the scriptures. Do you believe in God the Father?
- All: I believe in God the Father almighty creator of heaven and earth.
- Minister: Do you believe in God the Son?
- All: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.
- Minister: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?
- All: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.

## THANKGSIVING OVER THE WATER

## CHILD BAPTISM

#### Theo Alexander McGuigan

son of Adrian McGuigan and Alyssa Rego

## **CHORAL BLESSING**

"A Clare Benediction"

*Rutter* Sanctuary Choir

May the Lord show his mercy upon you; may the light of his presence be your guide: May he guard you and uphold you; may his spirit be ever by your side. When you sleep may his

angels watch over you; when you wake may he fill you with his grace: May you love him and serve him all your days then in heaven may you see his face. May the Lord's loving kindness surround you; keep you safe as you journey on your way: May he lead you and inspire you as he grants you the gift of each new day. May he bless all your loved ones and cherish them; ev'ry friend, ev'ry stranger at your door: In the name of his Son our Saviour Christ may God bless you now and evermore.

# THE WORD OF GOD

#### SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 38:1-8; 16-20

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#### HYMN OF PREPARATION PLEASE STAND AND SING TOGETHER

No. 442 "Wash, O God Our Sons and Daughters"

**Beach Spring** 

## SERMON

# "The Dead Can't Praise"

Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee

# THE RESPONSE

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER SAY TOGETHER Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

## **Richard Wozenilek**

Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### **MISSION MINUTE**

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### OFFERING

#### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM** CHOIR ONLY

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#### **CLOSING HYMN** SING TOGETHER

No. 333 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

#### BENEDICTION

#### **CHORAL AMEN**

Amen in D Major

#### **ORGAN POSTLUDE**

"Sinfonia from Cantata 29"

*J.S. Bach* Stephen Boda

# NEXT WEEK:

# SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024 9:15 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE 11:00 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee preaching "I Will Open Your Graves" from Ezekiel 37:1-14 Hyfrydol

Boda

Barry Hart

Helvey

Sanctuary Choir



# MONDAY, APRIL 22 – 7 PM

A New Season by Terry Fallis Hosted by Rev. Jason with special guest, Terry Fallis. A limited number of copies are available for loan from the Lawson Library.

# MONDAY, MAY 27 - 7 PM

300 Poems by Komi Olafimihan Hosted by Rev. Jason with special guest, Komi Olafimihan. Scan the QR code below (left) to purchase.

# MONDAY, JUNE 24 – 7 PM

Where Does It All Come From? Where Does It All Go? by Mariko Udo

Hosted by Rev. Jason with special guest, Mariko Udo A limited number of copies are available for loan from the Lawson Library.

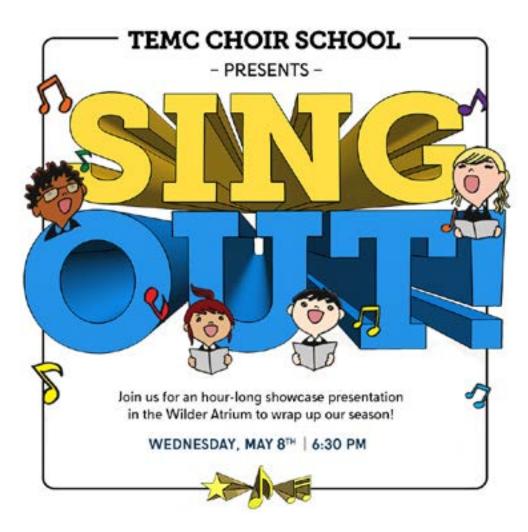
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# CHURCHES ON-THE-HILL FOOD BANK

The APRIL Food of the Month donation is LARGE (FAMILY SIZED ) BAGS OF DRY PASTA. With rising food costs the food bank is serving record numbers of clients (approximately 1200 people per week). In order to ensure that the food bank can continue in future years we need the financial support of the community. Visit us at our website: <u>cothfoodbank.ca</u> for more information or to donate. On behalf of the clients, volunteers at the COTH Food Bank, thank you for your support.

# LAWSON LIBRARY

TEMC's Lawson Library was named after former Senior Minister, Rev. Dr. Andrew Lawson, and is a volunteer-run library with a wide variety of books to help you on your spiritual journey. Categories include Christian Living, Death and Dying, Biblical Studies, Systematic Theology, Fiction, and many others! You can browse our book selection from the comfort of your home at <u>librarycat.org/lib/TEMCLibrary</u>. On Sunday morning from 10:00-11:00AM, volunteers are on hand to help you set up your own online Library Patron account so you can sign books out whenever you want! For more information email: <u>library@temc.ca</u>



## SHINING WATERS REGION ASKS US TO PRAY FOR

Lawrence Park Community Church, Toronto Humber Valley United Church, Toronto Cummer Avenue United Church, Toronto Temperanceville United Church, Richmond Hill

Did you know? We are part of a larger church community across Ontario, specifically the Shining Waters Regional Council. There are many events happening throughout the year at different churches. Visit: <u>shiningwatersregionalcouncil.ca/events/</u> if you are interested in checking some out.

#### APRIL 24 at 7:00PM Wycliffe College

"The Doorway to Imagination" with Kirstin Jeffrey Johnson (Free - No Registration Required) Dr. Kirstin Jeffrey Johnson is a theologian and farmer in the Ottawa Valley of Ontario. Her academic work is on George MacDonald, the writer who inspired C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkien and many others.

#### MAY 7 at 9:00AM - 4:00PM Allan Beatrie Room

"No Cause for Despair: Finding Holy Joy and Vocation in the midst of secularization" with Dr. Stefan Paas (\$\$0/person event)

We hear often of secular Europe, with empty cathedrals and vanishing numbers of those who claim to be Christian. We hear less often of burgeoning movements for church planting and growth. Dr. Stefan Paas is an expert on the latter from his academic post at the Free University in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

#### Denvegan Entrance Blessing of the Bikes (Free Bike Tune-ups\*) Traconsistent

MAY1 at 4:30PM

Spring Reneural

at Timothy Eaton Memorial Church

We have a number of folks who cycle to church. While there are increasing numbers of bike lanes in Toronto, it is still a dangerous city in which to commute on a bike. So we will bless our bikes and riders and take a short ride together around the neighbourhood.

#### MAY 9 at 7:00PM Allan Beattie Room

Mission in Post-Christian Context (Free - No Registration Required) Stefan Paas is an expert on mission in post-Christian context, not only in his native country, the Netherlands, but internationally. We will hear him in conversation with local practitioners of Christian mission in the changed landscape of the GTA. What creative nudges might we find for our church's life together here at TEMC?



Learn More and Register for these events at: **temc.ca/spring-renewal** 

[Scan QR Code with your phone camera]

Timothy Eaton Memorial Church is located on the traditional territory of many nations, including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples. We pray that the Holy Spirit will gather all people into one body of Christ.



# DOORS OPEN TORONTO! MAY 25 & 26, 2024

TEMC is participating in Doors Open Toronto! We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers who want to help us share TEMC with our Toronto friends. Volunteer roles include greeters, ushers, and tour guides and will be a combination of mobile and stationary positions. Historical knowledge of the church is not mandatory but would be an asset. We are hoping to recruit a group of volunteers with diverse knowledge of TEMC, whether you have no historical knowledge and are eager to learn or have personal family history and stories you want to share! Snacks, beverages, and lunch will be provided for all event day volunteers.

There will be a mandatory information session where we will provide more information about the event, volunteer roles, and a history information packet with easy facts for you to learn and share.

Volunteer requirements:

- You must be available for either a full day (9:30am 5:15pm) or half day (1:00pm – 5:15pm) on either Saturday, May 25 or Sunday, May 26, or both days.
- You must attend the mandatory information session. There will be two dates to choose from.

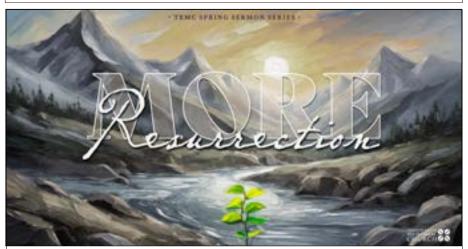
Please let Jaclyn Didiano know by email: <u>jaclyndidiano@temc.ca</u> if you would like to be a TEMC Doors Open Toronto volunteer. If you know of anyone who would be interested, please share this email with them. This also includes high school students that you know of that need volunteer hours!

Have you checked out our blog? Visit us at <u>temc.ca/blog</u> to see what's new.



# ART & TREASURES SALE SATURDAY, MAY 4 FROM 10:00 AM TO 2:00 PM

Spring Cleaning? Please bring us any Art or Treasures that you no longer need for our sale. Box up your donations and leave inside the glass enclosure off the parking lot. All monies raised go to TEMC's General Fund and the Food Bank.



The cross and the resurrection of Jesus Christ are the events without which there is no church, no Christian faith. Yet what do they mean for us? One traditional answer is that they mean we can go to heaven when we die. That's not false, it's just not enough. Jesus' resurrection is the beginning of a whole new creation. Every molecule God bothered to create in the first place God will re-create with resurrection power. This series will involve graves and bones, resurrection and new life, new creation for every creature.



# TEMC GOLF CLOSSIC: MOY 27

\$250 for 18-hole golf at the Ladies' Golf Club of Toronto. 9-hole rates available too. 9:00AM Shotgun start. Golf, lunch, and silent auction, in support of TEMC. Register to participate, become a patron, or show your support by making a donation at: <u>temc.ca/golf</u>

We are also accepting auction item donations. If you have something you wish to donate, please contact <u>jaclyndidiano@temc.ca</u> or 416-925-5977, ext. 223



## TEMC 2024 FINE WINE AUCTION UPDATE.

So far, nearly \$40,000 worth of wines have been donated to the auction. Thank you! We continue to accept donations of wine from TEMC supporters, family and friends, with a focus on classed growth Bordeaux and Burgundy, Italian Super Tuscans, great California Cabernets, and outstanding wines from Spain, Portugal, and Australia, in multiples and large format sizes. Donated wines will be appraised by an expert, and

donors will receive a 2024 tax receipt for the full appraised value. For any potential wine donations, please send pictures of the labels, taken on a smart phone, clearly showing the name of the producer, the wine type, vintage year, and volume, to Jaclyn Didiano, at <u>jaclyndidiano@temc.ca</u>, by April 26.

# Worship Information:

- Nursery staff care for infants and children up to age four during the worship service. The nursery and Sunday School rooms are located on the third floor, off the northeast balcony. Classes are held for children from Junior Kindergarten through Grade 6 during the 9:15 service.
- Wheelchair access is through the northwest entrance. Large-print copies of the orders of service and assistive hearing devices are available upon request.
- The 11:00 a.m. service is live-streamed at <u>temc.ca/livestream</u> or <u>facebook.com/</u> <u>temctoronto</u> and audio broadcast on CHIN 1540 AM.
- Copies of recent sermons are available in the narthex, and online at <u>temc.ca/</u> <u>sermons</u>.

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