

Sunday, November 19, 2023 9:15 (pages 2-5) 11:00 a.m. (pages 6-9)





#### 9:15 AM - ORDER OF SERVICE

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

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **CONGREGATIONAL SONG** PLEASE STAND SING TOGETHER

"10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)"

Chorus:

Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul Worship His holy name Sing like never before O my soul I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning It's time to sing Your song again Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me Let me be singing when the evening comes

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger Your name is great and Your heart is kind For all Your goodness I will keep on singing Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day when my strength is failing The end draws near and my time has come Still my soul will sing Your praise unending Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Worship Your holy name Lord I'll worship Your holy name

Sing like never before O my soul I'll worship Your holy name Worship Your holy name Worship Your holy name

CCLI Song # 6016351

#### **OPENING PRAYER** PLEASE BE SEATED

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

"Chatter with the Angels"

arr. Lana Walter
Choir School

Chatter with the angels soon in the morning, Chatter with the angels in that land!
Chatter with the angels soon in the morning, Chatter with the angels, join that band!
I hope to join that band
And chatter with the angels all day long!
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And chatter with the angels all day long!

There was one, there were two, there were three little angels, There were four, there were five, there were six little angels, There were seven, there were eight, there were nine little angels, Ten little angels in the band.

All night all day angels watching over me my Lord, All night all day, angels watching over me.

#### **SONG OF GATHERING** PLEASE STAND SING TOGETHER

(We invite the children to come up the centre aisle into the chancel, accompanied by an adult if necessary.)

"Shalom, my friend מוֹלַש šālōm"

Shalom, chaverim.

Shalom, chaverim.

Shalom, shalom.

L'hitraot, l'hitraot,

Shalom, shalom.

Shalom, my friend.

Shalom, my friend.

Shalom, shalom.

We'll see you again;

We'll see you again;

Shalom, shalom.

Shalom, my friend.

Shalom, my friend.

Shalom, shalom.

God's peace be with you;

God's peace be with you;

Shalom, shalom.

#### CHILDREN'S TIME PLEASE BE SEATED

#### INSTRUMENTAL INTERLUDE

(We invite the congregation to take a moment of reflection as the children leave for their classes using the stairs at the back of the church by the narthex)

#### **SCRIPTURE**

2 Corinthians 12:1-10

Joanne Leatch

It is necessary to boast; nothing is to be gained by it, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. 2 I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. 3 And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— 4 was caught up into paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. <sup>5</sup> On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. 6 But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, <sup>7</sup> even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. 8 Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, 9 but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. 10 Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ, for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

#### **SERMON**

#### "Thorny Mysticism" Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee

# PASTORAL PRAYER OFFERTORY OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Oseh Shalom"

Joan Beckow Chamber Choir

Oseh shalom bimromav Hu ya'aseh shalom aleinu V'al kol Yisrael V'imru: amen. עוֹשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמִיו הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל וָאָמָרוּ: אָמֵן.

Translation: May the one who creates peace on high bring peace to us and to all Israel. And we say: Amen.

#### **CLOSING SONG**PLEASE STAND SING TOGETHER

"This Is Amazing Grace"

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness Whose love is mighty and so much stronger The King of Glory the King above all kings Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder The King of Glory the King above all kings

Chorus

(Yeah) (Oh) This is amazing grace

This is unfailing love

That You would take my place

That You would bear my cross

You laid down Your life

That I would be set free

Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order

Who makes the orphan a son and daughter

The King of Glory the King of Glory

Who rules the nations with truth and justice

Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance

The King of Glory the King above all kings

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain

Worthy is the King who conquered the grave

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Worthy is the Lamb who was slain

Worthy worthy

CCLI Song # 6333821

#### BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** INSTRUMENTAL

"This Is Amazing Grace"

Thank you to Cantor David Rosen from Holy Blossom Temple for his musical contribution this Sunday.

#### **CONTEMPORARY BAND**

Elaine Choi, piano; Noel Di Tosto, guitar; Sean King, bass; Chris Reesor, drums; Jill San Juan, Dan Bevan-Baker, David Michael Moote, vocals

CCLI: 2792602



Sunday School will be held on the third floor.

#### 11:00 AM - ORDER OF SERVICE

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#### THE APPROACH

#### **ORGAN PRELUDE**

"Folk Tune" Percy Whitlock

Stephen Boda

#### WELCOME

PROCESSIONAL HYMN PLEASE STAND

No. 339 "When Morning Gilds the Skies" Laudes Domini

**CALL TO WORSHIP** PLEASE REMAIN STANDING

Minister: There are different gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

All: There are different ways of serving, but it is the same God

who is served.

Minister: God works through different people in different ways, but it is

the same God who achieves holy purposes through them all.

All: The Spirit gives each one gifts to use for the common good.

Minister: Brothers and sisters in Christ, each of us is called by God to

ministry, and called to offer gifts as we are able. As we worship today, let us listen for the voice of God calling us to places of

service.

All Sing: In you God's energy is shown,

to us your varied gifts made known.
Teach us to speak; teach us to hear;
yours is the tongue and yours the ear.
Praise to God, to Christ the Word,

and to the Spirit: all adored. Amen. (No. 200 v. 3)

#### PRAYER OF APPROACH PLEASE BE SEATED

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION SAY TOGETHER**

O God, our sovereign Lord: your power and might are evident in our world and in our lives in so many ways. You walked with Moses in power and you raised Jesus to rule over the earth; and yet our faith in you wavers. We doubt that your Spirit can do great things through us. We doubt that you care for us and our problems. We doubt that you will guide us and show us the way. Forgive us, we pray, and renew a deep faith in our hearts, that in every moment we might trust in you and your promise to strengthen us, for it is in the name of your faithful one that we pray. Amen.

#### KYRIE SING TOGETHER

Lord have mercy upon us; Christ have mercy upon us; Lord have mercy upon us.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### **DOXOLOGY** PLEASE STAND

No. 235 v. 1 Hanover

O worship the King all glorious above, O gratefully sing God's power and God's love; our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### THE WORD OF GOD

#### MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Shomer Yisrael"

I. Goldstein Sanctuary Choir

Shomer Yisrael.
Shimor Shearit Yisrael.
V'al Yovad Yisrael.
Haomrim Shma Yisrael.

שומר ישראל. שמור שארית ישראל. ואל יאבד ישראל. האומרים "שמע ישראל."

#### Translation:

O Guardian of Israel, guard the remnant of Israel, and suffer not Israel to perish, who say, Hear, O Israel.

Translation from The Standard Prayer book by Simeon Singer (1915).

#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

2 Corinthians 12:1-10

Richard Wozenilek

It is necessary to boast; nothing is to be gained by it, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. <sup>2</sup> I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. <sup>3</sup> And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— <sup>4</sup> was caught up into paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. <sup>5</sup> On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. <sup>6</sup> But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, <sup>7</sup> even considering the

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#### HYMN OF PREPARATION PLEASE STAND

No. 266 "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

New Britain

#### **SERMON**

"Thorny Mysticism" Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee

#### THE RESPONSE

#### **PASTORAL 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.

#### **OFFERING**

#### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

Arr. Hayes Sanctuary Choir

Make me a channel of Your peace Where there is hatred, let me bring Your love Where there is injury, Your pardon Lord And where there's doubt, true faith in You Make me a channel of Your peace Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope Where there is darkness, only light And where there's sadness, ever joy
Oh Master, grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved as to love with all my soul
Make me a channel of Your peace
It is pardoning that we are pardoned
In giving to all men that we receive
And in dying that we're born to eternal life

#### PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING PLEASE STAND

Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

#### **RECESSIONAL HYMN** PLEASE REMAIN STANDING

No. 642 "Be Thou My Vision"

Slane

#### BENEDICTION

#### **CHORAL AMEN**

Amen in D Boda

#### **ORGAN POSTLUDE**

"How Great Thou Art"

*arr. Dan Miller* Stephen Boda

Thank you to Cantor David Rosen from Holy Blossom Temple for his musical contribution this Sunday.

#### **NEXT WEEK**

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2023 9:15 & 11:00 AM: WORSHIP SERVICES

Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee preaching:
"A Whole New Cosmos"
from 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

#### TO THE GLORY OF GOD

Janet Marsh



In the wake of the terror attacks in Israel on October 7, our congregations will come together here at Timothy Eaton Memorial Church for a special evening of song, prayer, music, and friendship.

Both our faiths understand the responsibility we share in our city and country to promote peace-making, bridge-building, and the blessing of our neighbours.

Please join us on November 20 here at Timothy Eaton Memorial Church to do just that.

Registration is required. Please register at <u>temc.ca/interfaith</u> or contact <u>sonyaswainsbury@temc.ca</u> or 416-925-5977, ext. 224.

#### **EAST END UNITED CHURCH HOSTING 30 ASYLUM SEEKERS**

East End United is hosting 30 asylum seekers from African countries... indefinitely. They are looking for help and need the following:

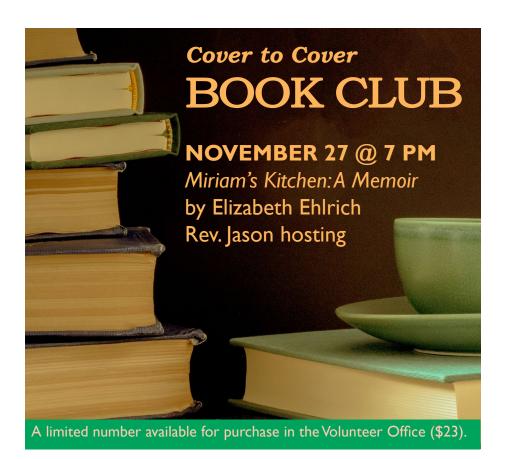
- Bulk bags of rice, lentils, beans
- Snack foods (fruit, veggies, granola bars, etc.)
- Smartphones (used, but still able to update the operating system)
- Financial donation (donate@eastendunited.ca)

Items can be left at our Eastminster Campus' (310 Danforth Avenue) Jackman Avenue entrance, inside the doors, clearly labeled. Alternatively, items can be left in the volunteer office here at TEMC.

We are deeply grateful for your contribution.







#### WHITE GIFT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

Please help to provide a special Christmas to those in need this holiday season. At both worship services, we will collect new, unwrapped toys, children's clothing and mittens for our mitten tree that are donated directly to the Davenport-Perth Community Centre. Financial contributions are also gladly received via the special envelopes in the pews. Last year the Grants Committee was thrilled to receive your donations and donate to special Christmas events at: Davenport-Perth Community



Centre, Toronto City Mission, Toronto Christian Resource Centre, Albion Neighbourhood Services and the Aisling Centre.

Please help us again this year to help others enjoy the holiday season. Thank you from your Grants Committee.



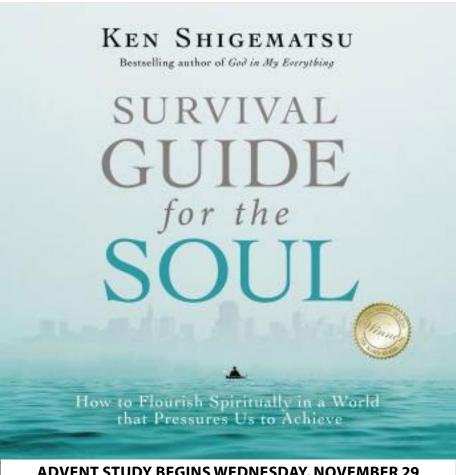
## CRIB, CROSS, NEW CREATION: A PILGRIMAGE TO WALES INFORMATION SESSION WEDNESDAY, NOV. 22 AT 7:00 PM

As many of you know, TEMC is proud to have recently amalgamated with Dewi Sant Welsh United Church. Wales has more than 1500 years of church history. But if you're like me, you're relatively unaware of that history. So, I've planned a pilgrimage to Wales, devoted to learning about Christ's work through the church in Wales, past and present. Wales inherited a unique strand of the Christian tradition called Celtic Christianity. The Celts, called the Galatians in the Bible, were a people with a vast territorial expanse north of the Roman Empire. With no written language, much of their culture is now forgotten. Much of what remains is in the form of the Celtic Church, which arrived in the British Isles well before Roman Christianity did. It is a Christian faith deeply in touch with nature, rigorous in its discipline, and beautiful in its poetry. Wales also has a rich history of evangelical renewal, including a massive revival in the early 20th century, powered by hymn singing.

We will explore all this and much more in our journey, and I hope you'll come! **Dates are July 20 - August 3, 2024**. I am so excited to lead you, in partnership with Dr. Iwan Russell-Jones of Cardiff (Research Professor at Regent College, Vancouver—he'll preach for us January 21!) and Pastor Bronwyn Spilsbury (Director of Pilgrim Way Ministries.) Together we've planned a journey of deep history and living hope.

Come to an information meeting in person and online, planned for Wednesday, November 22 at 7:00 PM. At that time we will share the itinerary, cost, and travel details. Please be in touch with me with any questions.

Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee



#### **ADVENT STUDY BEGINS WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29**

The Advent and Christmas seasons are often busy and rushed!

Our Advent study will encourage you to take the time to slow down and connect with God in the midst of all the hustle and bustle in a way that you will be able to carry with you into the New Year and beyond!

For this study, we'll be reading and discussing the book Survival Guide for the Soul by Ken Shigematsu. The study will take place over four weeks on Wednesday evenings at 7:00PM, either online or in-person. You will be encouraged to read a section of the book each week and try out some of the practices that are suggested.

You are asked to purchase the book and read Part 1 prior to the first session on November 29. The books are available to purchase at: www.temc.ca/adult-ministry or you can buy a copy from Rev. Lori.



#### CHRISTMAS AT TEMC

#### **Sunday Advent Services**

December 3, 10, 17, (9:15 & 11:00 AM) December 24 (11:00 AM only)

#### Saturday, December 16: Yule Sing! Concert

4:00 PM: TEMC with special guests, The Weston Silver Band.

#### **December 24: Christmas Eve**

11:00 AM Worship Service

3:00 & 5:00 PM: Christmas pageant

9:30 PM: Carols by candlelight: in the nave

10:00 PM: Christmas Eve service with communion (live streamed)

#### December 25 & 26: Christmas Day/Boxing Day

Church Closed

#### Sunday, December 31: New Year's Eve

11:00 AM Worship Service

#### January 1

**Church Closed** 

#### Sunday, January 7: Epiphany with Communion

9:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services

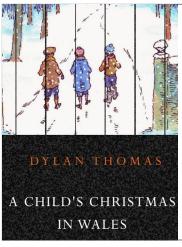


#### **CHRISTMAS COOKIE PROJECT**

Once again this Christmas, the Pastoral Care committee is recruiting volunteers to bake, pack and deliver cookies to TEMC members with special needs.

Home bakers please bring three dozen cookies (no nuts or squares please), clearly marked "Christmas Cookie Project" to the Volunteer Office

before Friday, December 1. If you are able to pack cookies on Saturday, December 2 from 8:30 - 11:00 a.m., or deliver them beginning Sunday, December 3, please contact Rev. Lorraine Diaz.



#### FLORA MCCREA GROUP THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7 AT 1:00PM

Flora McCrea UCW gathering for Christmas fellowship.

All the ladies of the congregation are welcome to attend for some refreshments, carol-singing and a special performance of: A Child's Christmas in Wales presented by members of Merched Dewi.





## CONFIRMATION & RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 AT 9:15 AM

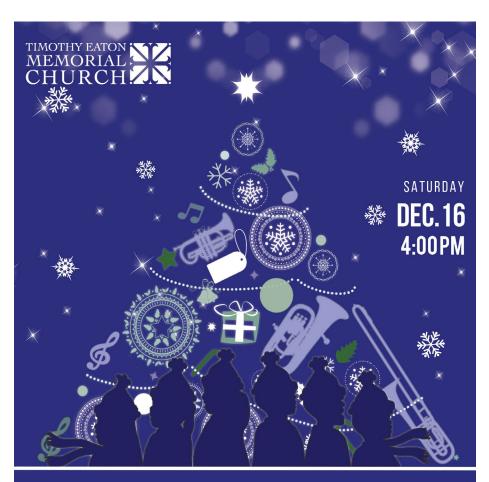
#### **BAPTISM: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 AT 11:00AM**

We will be holding a confirmation and reception of new members service at 9:15 AM and a Baptism Service at 11:00 AM. on Sunday, December 10. If you are interested in joining the church or baptism for your child or yourself please contact: <a href="mailto:sonyaswainsbury@temc.ca">sonyaswainsbury@temc.ca</a>.

#### SHINING WATERS REGION ASKS US TO PRAY FOR

Kingston Road United Church, Toronto Downsview United Church, Toronto Forest Grove United Church, Toronto

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: <a href="mailto:shiningwatersregionalcouncil.ca/events/">shiningwatersregionalcouncil.ca/events/</a> if you are interested in checking some out.



# Yule Sing!

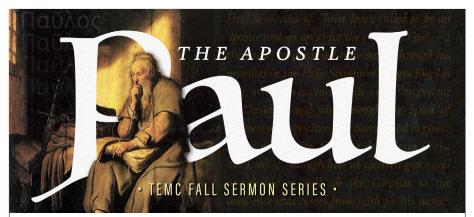
**Timothy Eaton Memorial Church Choirs** 

WITH SPECIAL GUESTS WSB

ADMISSION: FREE WILL OFFERING

Timothy Eaton Memorial Church 230 St.Clair West, Toronto





#### **TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Each week Rev. Jason or Rev. Lori will lead a study on the focus passage for the coming Sunday's sermon. It's a great way to prepare for Sunday, ask questions, and dive deeper into the passage. Our fall series will focus on St. Paul. St. Paul is one of the most important interpreters of the Christian faith. Yet he is not often read, studied, or preached from in churches like ours (and he is sometimes vilified instead!). How do we make sense of this difficult, irascible apostle? And how might our life of faith, prayer, and service deepen for having spent time in his presence?

Please join us at 1:30 pm in the Allan Beattie Room.



Mondays at 10:00 am and Wednesdays at 5:30 pm.

Classes consist of 60 minutes, suitable for all levels. All participants are asked to bring their own mats and any props they need, but there are a small number of mats, blocks and straps available for those who are unable to bring their own. If you haven't participated before, please register at temc.ca/adult-ministry.



#### **STEPHEN MINISTRY**

Stephen Ministry equips lay-people to provide Christian care to people in our congregation and community who are experiencing difficulties in their lives. It is a confidential ministry. The identity of those receiving care and everything they discuss with a Stephen Minister remains private.

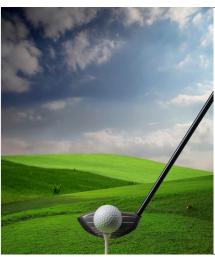
- Could you benefit from the confidential one-to-one care and support of a Stephen Minister?
- Do you know someone who could benefit from Stephen Ministry? For more information pick up a brochure in the literature rack at the back of the church or contact Rev. Lorraine Diaz.

#### **CHURCHES ON-THE-HILL FOOD BANK**



The NOVEMBER Food of the Month donation is CANNED FRUIT. With rising food and fuel costs the food bank is serving record numbers of clients. In order to ensure that the food bank can continue in future years we need financial support of the community. Visit us at cothfoodbank.ca for

more information or to donate. You can also scan the QR code. On behalf of the clients and volunteers, thank you for your support.



# 22ND ANNUAL TEMC GOLF CLASSIC MONDAY, MAY 27, 2024

Mark your calendars!

You don't want to miss the 22nd Annual TEMC Golf Classic at the Ladies' Golf Club of Toronto. 9:00 AM Shotgun Start. Golf, lunch, and silent auction, all in support of TEMC.

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.

#### **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 <a href="temc.ca/livestream">temc.ca/livestream</a> or <a href="facebook.com/temctoronto">facebook.com/temctoronto</a> and audio broadcast on CHIN 1540 AM.
- Copies of recent sermons are available in the narthex, and online at temc.ca/ sermons.

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