



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2026
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TIMOTHY EATON
MEMORIAL
CHURCH 
a place for life

9:15 ORDER OF SERVICE

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PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE MESSAGE

Thanksgiving Community Dinner

OPENING SONG

"Shine On"

Dolly Parton

Chorus

The greatest gift, the gift of life

The gift of love divine

God gave us all a special gift

He meant for it to shine

He meant for it to shine

The darkest night can be made light

By one bright word or smile

If we'd put on our neighbor's shoes

And choose to walk a mile

God gave us all our own free will

To choose the paths we take

No greater deed could e'er be done

Than for another's sake *[Chorus]*

Shine on, shine on, for all to see

God's light inside your soul

Shine on, shine on, let love flow free

Warm others in its glow

Shine on, shine on, shine on

So hide it not or it will fade

Shine on, shine on, shine on

Shine on, shine on, shine on *[Chorus]*

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.**

MUSICAL REFLECTION

"The Seeker"

Dolly Parton arr. John Arndt

Chamber Choir

I am a seeker a poor sinful creature; there is no weaker than I am. I am a seeker and you are a teacher; you are a reacher so reach down, reach out and lead me; guide me and keep me in the shelter of your care each day. 'Cause I am a seeker and you are a keeper; you are the leader, won't you show me the way. I am a vessel that's empty and useless; I am a bad seed that fell by the way; I am a loser that wants to be a winner; you are my last hope, don't turn me away. Oh, you are a mountain from which there flows a fountain, so let its water wash my sins away. 'Cause I am a seeker and you are a keeper; you are a teacher, won't you teach me the way; reach out and lead me; guide me and keep me in the shelter of your care each day.

PRAYER WITH THE CHILDREN

We invite all the children to come up for a short prayer before proceeding to Sunday school.

SCRIPTURE

Ezekiel 4:1-15

Peter Vincent

"And you, O mortal, take a brick and set it before you. On it portray a city, Jerusalem, 2 and put siegeworks against it, and build a siege wall against it, and cast up a ramp against it; set camps also against it, and plant battering rams against it all around. 3 Then take an iron plate and place it as an iron wall between you and the city; set your face toward it, and let it be in a state of siege, and press the siege against it. This is a sign for the house of Israel.

4 "Then lie on your left side and place the guilt of the house of Israel upon it; you shall bear their guilt for the number of the days that you lie there. 5 For I assign to you a number of days, three hundred ninety days, equal to the number of the years of their guilt, and so you shall bear the guilt of the house of Israel. 6 When you have completed these, you shall lie down a second time, but on your right side, and bear the guilt of the house of Judah; forty days I assign you, one day for each year. 7 You shall set your face toward the siege of Jerusalem, and with your arm bared you shall prophesy against it. 8 See, I am putting cords on you so that you cannot turn from one side to the other until you have completed the days of your siege.

9 "And you, take wheat and barley, beans and lentils, millet and spelt; put them into one vessel and make bread for yourself. During the number of days that you lie on your side, three hundred ninety days, you shall eat it. 10 The food that you eat shall be twenty shekels a day by weight; at fixed times you shall eat it. 11 And you shall drink water by measure, one-sixth of a hin; at fixed times you shall drink. 12 You shall eat it as a barley cake, baking it in their sight on human dung." 13 The Lord said, "Thus shall the people of Israel eat their bread, unclean, among the nations to which I will drive them." 14 Then I said, "Ah Lord God! I have never defiled myself; from my youth up until now I have never eaten what died of itself or was torn by animals, nor has carrion flesh come into my mouth." 15 Then he said to me, "See, I will let you

have cow's dung instead of human dung, on which you may prepare your bread."

SERMON

"How Do You Take Your Dung?"
Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee

PASTORAL PRAYER

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *CHOIR ONLY*

"Dry Bones"

Spiritual arr. Hayes
Chamber Choir

There was a man named Ezekiel who lived many years ago. He was carried away by the Spirit of the Lord to a valley full of old, dry bones. Then Ezekiel was asked by the Lord Most High, "Can these bones ever be revived?" After pondering this question, this is what he said, "Only the Lord God knows." So the Lord commanded Ezekiel to speak unto these bones, "Now hear the word of the Lord!"

Ezekiel cried, "Dem dry bones. Now hear the word of the Lord!" Ezekiel connected dem dry bones. Now hear the word of the Lord. So the bones were connected by the power of the Lord when Ezekiel spoke the command. But the bones had no breath, so the Lord God said, "Call the winds from across the lands." Then Ezekiel called to the spirit in the winds to revive hose bones on the ground. With a mighty sound those bones rose up and began to walk around! Ezekiel turned dem dry bones to live bones. The toe bone connected to the foot bone. The foot bone connected to the ankle bone. The anklebone connected to the leg bone. The leg bone connected to the knee bone. The knee bone connected to the thigh bone. The thigh bone connected to the hip bone. The hip bone connected to the back bone. The back bone connected to the shoulder bone. The shoulder bone connected to the neck bone. The neck bone connected to the head bone. Now hear the word of the Lord. Hallelu, Glory Hallelujah! Round and round and round and round, dem bones gonna walk all over God's ground. Walk around. Hear the word of the Lord! Dem bones, dry bones!

CLOSING SONG *PLEASE STAND*

"He Leadeth Me"

arr. John Arndt

He leadeth me: O blessed thought!
O words with heavenly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,
still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain:

*He leadeth me, he leadeth me;
by his own hand he leadeth me:
his faithful follower I would be,
for by his hand he leadeth me.*

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom,
sometimes where Eden's flowers bloom,
by waters calm, o'er troubled sea,
still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine,
nor ever murmur nor repine;
content, whatever lot I see,
since 'tis my God that leadeth me.

And when my task on earth is done,
when, by thy grace, the victory's won,
e'en death's cold wave I will not flee,
since God through Jordan leadeth me.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Children and Youth Ministry is continuing to grow, and with that growth comes a need for more volunteers. We're inviting you to come alongside us by serving just one Sunday a month. Whether it's helping lead a small group, connecting with students, playing games, or simply being another trusted adult in the room, there's a place for you to make an impact.

If you're interested in serving with us or would like more information, please reach out to bonniemarsh@temc.ca

Thank you for partnering with us as we help our children and students grow in their relationship with Jesus!

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.

11:00 AM – ORDER OF SERVICE

*Please turn off all electronic devices.
These services are live streamed (a live video presentation)*

THE APPROACH

ORGAN PRELUDE

Chorale Prelude on "Giver of the Perfect Gift"

*Healey Willan
Stephen Boda*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE MESSAGE

Thanksgiving Community Dinner

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *PLEASE STAND AND SING TOGETHER*

No. 339 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

Laudes Domini

CALL TO WORSHIP *PLEASE REMAIN STANDING*

Minister: Hear my prayer, O Lord; let my cry come to you. Do not hide your face from me in the day of my distress.

All: Incline your ear to us; answer us speedily in the day when we call!

Minister: For the Lord looked down from his holy height; from heaven the Lord surveyed the earth,

All: To hear the groans of the prisoners, to set free those who were doomed to die.

Minister: Do not hold against us the sins of past generations; may your compassion come quickly to meet us, for we are brought very low.

All: Help us, God our Savior, for the glory of your name.

Minister: Let us cry out to God, who enters our grief and bears our burdens.

Choir Sing: Up from the depths I cry to God: O listen, Lord, to me;
O hear my voice in this distress, this mire of misery.
I wait for God with all my heart, my hope is in his word;
And more than watchmen for the dawn I'm longing for you,
God. *(No. 852 v.1)*

PRAYER OF APPROACH

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *SAY TOGETHER*

God of Truth and Compassion,

We confess that we prefer faith to be tidy, comfortable, and painless.

When systems crumble and communities suffer under siege,

hunger, and displacement, we look away. We ignore the cost of human injustice, pretending that the wounds of our world do not belong to us. Like the prophet, we are called to bear witness to the consequences of our collective neglect, yet we resent the sacrifice and complain when obedience touches our comfort. Forgive us, Lord. Break through the numbness of our hearts. Pardon our greed, open our eyes to the suffering of our neighbors, and give us courage to share in the work of healing and repair; through Jesus Christ, who took our brokenness upon himself. 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. 321 v.4

Eternal, Triune God, let all the hosts above,
let all on earth below record and dwell upon your love.
When heaven and earth have fled before your glorious face,
may all the saints your love has made sing everlasting praise.

THE WORD OF GOD

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

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Sanctuary Choir

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HYMN OF PREPARATION PLEASE STAND AND SING TOGETHER

No. 273 "The King of Love"

St. Columba

SERMON

"How Do You Take Your Dung?"

Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee

THE RESPONSE

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER *SAY TOGETHER*
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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 *CHOIR ONLY*
“Ave Verum Corpus”
Jozef Podprocky
Olivia LaPointe

<i>Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine, Vere passum immolatum in Cruce pro homine, Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit sanguine, Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.</i>	<i>Hail, true body born of the Virgin Mary, Who truly suffered, sacrificed on the Cross for man, Whose pierced side overflowed with water and blood, Be for us a foretaste In the test of death</i>
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CLOSING HYMN *SING TOGETHER*
No. 327 “All Praise to Thee”
Sine Nomine

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN
Amen in D
Boda

ORGAN POSTLUDE
Postlude on “Duke Street”
David Lasky
Stephen Boda

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026
9:15 AM | 11:00 AM
Dayle K. Barrett preaching:
“Streets Full of Slain” from Ezekiel 9:1-11

TO THE GLORY OF GOD
Harry Bowler

DEDICATIONS
In fond memory of Mary Elin Mills, donations were made to the General Fund by Joyce & John Nichol, Janet Gray, and by June Shaw.



Welcome Back!

BBQ & Lawn Bowling

SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 20
12:30 PM

Wells Hill Lawn Bowling Club

WELCOME BACK BBQ AND LAWN BOWLING **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 | 12:30 PM**

Let's kick off the fall season with great food and fun activities for all ages!

Join us on Sunday, September 20, at 12:30 pm at the Wells Hill Lawn Bowling Club for a fun afternoon with a BBQ (beef, chicken & veggie burgers), fresh salads, drinks, an ice cream truck, and lawn bowling!

COST: FREEWILL OFFERING.

THE CHURCH NEWS IS COMING BACK!

In the past, many will remember receiving The Church News, quarterly updates about TEMC's activities and interesting articles.

If we have not been able to contact you this summer, please be sure to help us update our membership database – i.e. names, addresses, phone numbers and emails by contacting Sonya Swainsbury at 416-925-5977 ext. 224 or sonyaswainsbury@temc.ca Thanks for your help!

STEWARDSHIP

The committed financial support of our donors is vital to TEMC's ongoing ministry. Please consider making your contributions on a pre-authorized monthly basis. For more information contact sonyaswainsbury@temc.ca or, 416-925-5977 ext. 224.

**WELCOME BACK
OUTDOOR CONCERT**

TIMOTHY EATON
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TOGETHER SING!



**THURSDAY, SEP 24 | 7:30 PM
TEMC PARKING LOT**

**DOLLY PARTON
TRIBUTE!**



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TIMOTHY EATON MEMORIAL CHURCH

COVER TO COVER BOOK CLUB

READ, DISCUSS & DISCOVER TOGETHER
EVERY 4TH MONDAY OF THE MONTH!



BOOK CLUB - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 | 7:00 PM

Great Expectations by Charles Dickens.

Great Expectations follows the life of Pip, an orphan who helps an escaped convict. Throughout the story, Pip's desire to become a gentleman leads him to neglect his roots and family, ultimately realizing the importance of loyalty and love. The novel explores themes of social class, personal growth, and the complexities of relationships.

HEART 'N' HANDS GROUP

You're invited to join us on Tuesday, September 29! The group gets together in the Lawson Room every other Tuesday from 1-3 p.m. Beginners and experienced knitters or crocheters are welcome. Our items are donated to Davenport-Perth Church. The group is a great way for people to get to know each other and give back to the community.

If anyone has extra yarn and would like to donate it to the group, it would be appreciated. Please contact: janecraig@sympatico.ca for more information.

CHURCHES ON-THE-HILL FOOD BANK

The SEPTEMBER Food of the Month donation is FAMILY SIZED DRY PASTA (900 GRAMS) 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 cothfoodbank.ca for more information or to donate. Thank you for your support.





PET BLESSING SERVICE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 – 9:15 AM

Bring your furry, feathered, and/or scaled friends to our pet blessing service.

Please ensure your animals are leashed or caged for their safety.



THANKSGIVING HOMECOMING & TEA THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8 AT 2:00 PM

Mark your calendars!

Joanne Leatch preaching: "Earth & Stars" from Psalm 8

If you need a ride or you can drive please contact:
joanneleatch@temc.ca or 416-925-5977 ext. 230.

PROUD MEMBER OF

ALCCA
ALLIANCE OF CANADIANS
COMBATTING ANTISEMITISM

Timothy Eaton Memorial Church is proud to announce its membership with the Alliance of Canadians Combatting Antisemitism (ALCCA), a coalition of 70+ organizations – Jewish and non-Jewish – working to combat antisemitism through education, advocacy (both legal and political), and respectful dialogue. TEMC's representative with ALCCA is Lisa Brisebois who can be reached at Interfaithtemc@gmail.com.

Stay informed by subscribing to ALCCA's newsletter, where you'll receive important updates, legal insights, action alerts, and news from ALCCA and its member organizations: www.alcca.ca/subscribe.

SON OF A PREACHERMAN

written and performed by Ins Choi

*A funny, heartfelt, and irresistibly
engaging production from the
creator of Kim's Convenience.*

October 1 - 18

Timothy Eaton Memorial Church

Tickets: pacifictheatre.org



If you'd like to help with our production of *Son of a Preacherman* as an usher (and to see the show for free as a reward for your labours!) please contact Pam Earle: pam@clostertofine.ca

THANKSGIVING DINNER

On Monday, October 12, we will be hosting our 3rd Annual Thanksgiving Community Dinner in the Flora McCrea Auditorium. Bring your friends and family for a hearty holiday meal, including turkey, gravy, cranberry sauce, potatoes, stuffing, salads, and even dessert! Vegan and gluten free options will be available, so there's no reason to stay home. Join us for some great food, fellowship, and thanksgiving with our community.

In service to the people of Toronto, we will not be charging for this event. Donations can be made with cash, card, or non-perishable food item – NOBODY gets turned away!

Meals will be served at 12:00, 2:30, and 5:00 PM.

****Please Note: meals will be served at the beginning of each sitting, so please ensure you arrive on time.***

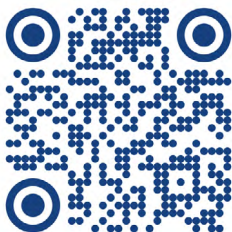
Register at temc.ca and choose your mealtime, so we can make sure every mouth gets fed.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Volunteer – We need volunteers to service food, greet people, clear tables, and accept donations. Click on the volunteer link below if you can help.

Come and eat – We want our community to know how lovely you all are, so come and meet them, eat with them, and help make this day truly special.

Donate – We're giving back to our community, but not everyone has the same resources. Give what you can, so we can put on more events like this in the future temc.ca/donate



Volunteer Here



Register Here

Worship Information:

- ✚ Wheelchair access is through the northwest entrance.
- ✚ Sunday School is held for children of all ages during the 9:15 service. The nursery and Sunday School rooms are located on the third floor, off the northeast balcony.
- ✚ The 11:00 a.m. service is live-streamed at temc.ca/livestream or youtube.com/@TEMCToronto/streams
- ✚ Copies of recent sermons are available in the narthex or at temc.ca/sermons.

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