

Sunday, September 26, 2021 11:00 a.m.



11:00 AM - ORDER OF SERVICE

Please turn off all electronic devices. This service is live streamed (a live video presentation) Congregational singing is NOT permitted at this time. Please remain seated throughout the service.

PRELUDE

"Still My Soul Be Still" Still my soul be still and do not fear Though winds of change may rage tomorrow God is at your side no longer dread The fires of unexpected sorrow

Chorus:

God You are my God And I will trust in You and not be shaken Lord of peace renew A steadfast spirit within me To rest in You alone

Still my soul be still do not be moved By lesser lights and fleeting shadows Hold on to His ways with shield of faith Against temptation's flaming arrows

Chorus

Still my soul be still do not forsake The truth you learned in the beginning Wait upon the Lord and hope will rise As stars appear when day is dimming

Chorus

Song #5469284

OPENING HYMN CHOIR ONLY

No. 651 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand; Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more. Cwm Rhondda

Open now the crystal fountain whence the healing stream doth flow; let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side: songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee, I will ever give to thee.

CALL TO WORSHIP

- Minister: Jesus calls us to follow Him. He calls each one of us by name to worship him in this place or wherever we may be throughout the world and to follow him on the path of discipleship.
- All: We come to this place to worship him, in answer to his call, drawn by the sound of his voice of love.
- Minister: Let us not be afraid to pick up our cross and follow him wherever he may lead us. As we worship and pray and sing, let us open our hearts to hear the call of Jesus, our Messiah.
- All: We are here, O God, and we wait on you now, as we offer to you on praise and our love.

OPENING PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

- Minister: Lord Jesus, it is your deepest desire to forgive our sins and to make us clean:
- All: We confess to you that we don't always set our minds on you and your ways, and we are slow to obey your commands. We are proud, and doubt your power to heal our lives, so we don't turn to you in our times of need. Forgive us our foolishness, O God, and renew our hearts, so that we may learn to walk again in the hope that we have been given through Jesus, our Lord and our healer. Amen.

RESPONSIVE KYRIE

- Minister: Lord have mercy upon us;
- All: Christ have mercy upon us; Lord have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE MESSAGE

Spirit Express

ANTHEM

"Just as I am"

Chilcott Chamber Choir

Just as I am, without one plea but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bid'st me come to thee, O Lamp of God, I come. Just as I am, though toss'd about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings within and fears without, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight riches, healing of the mind, yea, all I need, in thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve, because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, (thy love unknown has broken every barrier down), Now to be thine, yea thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, of that free love the breadth, length, depth and height to prove, here for a season then about, O Lamb of God.

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1:40-2:12

A leper came to him begging him, and kneeling he said to him, "If you choose, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, "I do choose. Be made clean!" Immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean. After sternly warning him he sent him away at once, saying to him, "See that you say nothing to anyone; but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded, as a testimony to them." But he went out and began to proclaim it freely, and to spread the word, so that Jesus could no longer go into a town openly, but stayed out in the country; and people came to him from every quarter.

When he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. So many gathered around that there was no longer room for them, not even in front of the door; and he was speaking the word to them. Then some people came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. And when they could not bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him; and after having dug through it, they let down the mat on which the paralytic lay. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven." Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, "Why does this fellow speak in this way? It is blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" At once Jesus perceived in his spirit that they were discussing these questions among themselves; and he said to them, "Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Stand up and take your mat and walk'? But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins" —he said to the paralytic— "I say to you, stand up, take your mat and go to your home." And he stood up, and immediately took the mat and went out before all of them; so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Andrew Stirling "The Touch of the Lord"

ANTHEM

"Let Everything that Hath Breath"

Ames Chamber Choir

Sing unto the Lord a new song. Sing unto the Lord all the earth. Declare His glory among the nations. Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Magnify the Lord with me and exalt His name together Hallelujah, bless His name for He is worthy to be praised. Clap your hands all ye people. Shout with the voice of triumph! For the Mighty Lord is great and greatly to be praised. Let everything that than breath praise the Lord. Come on and praise the Lord Let's all praise His name. Give him the highest praise. Praise Him, the Lord Praise Him with the timbrel, praise him with the dance. Stand up on your feet and just lift up holy hands. Sing "Hallelujah" Praise His holy name. For the Lord is worthy to be praised. Lets praise the Lord. Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. You ought to praise Him!

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 ANNOUNCEMENT

CLOSING HYMN CHOIR ONLY

"Our God" Water You turned into wine Opened the eyes of the blind There's no one like You None like You

Into the darkness You shine Out of the ashes we rise There's no one like You None like You Chorus: Our God is greater Our God is stronger God You are higher than any other Our God is healer Awesome in power our God our God

And if our God is for us Then who could ever stop us And if our God is with us Then what could stand against And if our God is for us Then who could ever stop us And if our God is with us Then what could stand against

Song #5677416

BENEDICTION

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Chorale-Improvisation on Cwm Rhondda

Paul Manz Stephen Boda

CONTEMPORARY BAND

Sean King - bass; Etienne Levesque - bass; Noel Di Tosto - guitar; Elaine Choi - piano Vovals: Brittany King, Dan Bevan-Baker

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NEXT WEEK:

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2021 WORLDWIDE COMMUNION

11:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

The Rev. Dr. Andrew Stirling preaching: "All Together Now" from 1 Corinthians 10:14-17, 11:23-28



A **WELCOME BACK** Outdoor Concert



Bring lawn chairs, a blanket (to keep warm), treats & beverages to enjoy during the show. See you there!



IN MEMORIAM

In memory of Bruce King a donation has been made to the General Fund by Charles Stafford.

In memory of Frederik Eaton, Paul Vaughan, James Hornell, Roger Crawford, Judith (Billie) Wilder, Bill Edward Wilder, and John Fisher, a donation has been made to the Ministers' Discretionary Fund by Barbara Ritchie.

UPCOMING FALL STUDIES AND SMALL GROUPS

*All studies and small groups will have online options, and an in-person option where possible.

Alpha Film Series (10 weeks on Wednesdays, plus one Friday evening and Saturday morning)

Our next session of the popular Alpha course starts **Wednesday, Oct. 6, online via Zoom.** Open to everyone who wants to explore the principles of the Christian faith in an honest and safe environment, while making new friends. If you are thinking of becoming a member of TEMC, we recommend taking this course first!

Book Study (4 weeks on Monday evenings)

Starts Monday, November 1 at 7:00 PM

Together we will study the book, *The Language of God: A scientist presents evidence for belief*, by Francis S. Collins.

From the back cover: "The Language of God is a powerful confession of belief from one of the world's leading scientists. Refuting the tired stereotypes of hostility between science and religion, Francis Collins challenges his readers to find a unity of knowledge that encompasses both faith and reason. Faith, as he demonstrates, is not the enemy of scientific rationality, but its perfect complement. This powerful and personal testament from the Director of the Human Genome Project will surprise some, delight others, and will make a lasting contribution to the great culture of human understanding." ~Kenneth Miller, Brown University, author of Finding Darwin's God.

CHURCHES ON THE HILL FOOD BANK

The OCTOBER Food of the Month donation is cans of FRUIT. The food bank has continued to operate throughout the pandemic, offering food parcels to clients outdoors and home delivering parcels to the infirm and elderly.

Visit us at www.cothfoodbank.ca for more information or to donate. On behalf of the clients, volunteers at the COTH Foodbank, thank you for your support.



Bring-a-friend open rehearsal

Sept 29, 2021 5:30pm

THINKING OF JOINING US? NEW MEMBER/CONFIRMATION SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 14

Have you been attending TEMC for a while? Have you considered joining the congregation? Our next **Reception of New Members/Confirmation Sunday is November 14** with the new member seminar taking place on Thursday, November 4 at 7:00 PM. If you are interested, contact sonyaswainsbury@temc.ca or 416-925-8494 x 224.

STEPHEN MINISTRY – FALL 2021

Interested in becoming a Stephen Minister? Classes start after Thanksgiving. Contact Rev. Dr. Jean Hunnisett, 416-925-8494, ext. 232, if you think Stephen Ministry is the right path for you.

A NEW CREED

We are not alone,

we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus,

the Word made flesh,

to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others

by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence,

to live with respect in Creation,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus,

crucified and risen,

our judge and our hope.

In life, in death,

in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

TIMOTHY EATON MEMORIAL CHURCH COVENANT

God calls us to be a Congregation of Christ's Church in the world. As such, we will respond to God's presence as Jesus did, seek human fellowship as He did, help persons in need as He did, work to alleviate injustice as He did and strive for the coming of God's kingdom on earth as He did.

For Timothy Eaton Memorial Church this means that:

- 1. We will proclaim our faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour in services of worship where God's word is preached and the sacraments celebrated, as well as in other expressions of worship.
- 2. We will provide and share in learning opportunities of the Christian way of life for all persons.
- 3. We will support one another through pastoral care and concern, counselling, group activities which provide opportunities for Christian service and other expressions of Christian friendship.
- 4. We will reach out to help meet the needs of the community and the world through our own programs and through support of and participation in wider Church and community programs.
- 5. We will seek out opportunities to share our common quest for ultimate meaning in life with other Christians, and where possible, with persons of other faiths. As members and adherents, we shall strive to express a Christian lifestyle in all our relationships, to deepen our Christian concern for Christ's rule of love in our world and to become more responsible stewards of our time and of our human and material resources.

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