

Eastminster United Church

August 6, 2017

Ninth after Pentecost

*Indicates please stand in body or in spirit



"Nobody can discover the world for somebody else. Only when we discover it for ourselves does it become common ground and a common bond and we cease to be alone."
- Wendell Berry

Prelude

Words of Welcome

*Opening Hymn VU #374 Come and Find the Quiet Centre

Lighting the Christ Candle

One: From this small flame, may a fire of passion spread from heart to heart!

All: **Holy Spirit, light our way!**

Opening Prayer

**Holy God, we have come into this sacred space,
quieter now with our readiness**

Hushed voices, hoping, trusting for so many things:

For connection, for communion; for inspiration, for information

For healing, for wholeness; for words, for music, for celebration and consolation,

Here we have come into this space bringing all of who we are,

Let us be willing... however we are changed. Amen

*Sharing the Peace

Children's Time

The children are invited to Church School in the Hurndale and Jackman Rooms.

We Share in Word and Song

Hebrew Scripture Genesis 32:22-31 Cheryl Suttie

Greek Scripture Matthew 14:13-21 Cheryl Suttie

Meditation Solitude and Spirituality Rev. Sarah Miller

Organ Meditation Kaleb Koslowski

We Respond with our Thanks and Prayers

Offering Hymn VU #268 Bring Many Names

Please stand in body or in spirit during the presentation of the offering.

*Dedication Prayer

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer (VU# 960)
Ecumenical Prayer Cycle: Cameroon, Central African Republic, Equatorial Guinea
Toronto Southeast Presbytery: Don Mills-Thorncliffe Park Pastoral Charge
Eastminster Prayer Cycle: Out of the Cold Volunteers and Guests

We Go Out to Be the People of God

Life and Work of the Congregation

*Closing Hymn VU #475 Now the Silence, Now the Peace

*Blessing & Sending Forth

*Sung Blessing VU #423 God Be With You 'til we Meet Again

**God be with you 'til we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you 'til we meet again.**

Postlude

Today

* **Welcome to Eastminster**



Please sign the guest book in the Narthex and include your email address if you'd like to receive the weekly e-blast announcements from Eastminster. Prayer requests can be added to the Prayer book in the Narthex. Children are invited to Nursery (up to age 4) and Church School following the Children's Time. Please pick up children from Church school and Nursery following the service

* **Special thanks** to Kaleb Koslowski for his ministry of music today.

Eastminster Events

* **Eastminster is Going Camping at Sibbald Point Provincial Park!**

Join our group Friday, August 11–Sunday, August 13. There are just three weeks until our annual Eastminster camping trip! Join us at our group campsite at [Sibbald Point Provincial Park](#) on the south shore of Lake Simcoe where you can bike, hike, fish, swim, and play or relax on an amazing sandy beach. We'll have a potluck Friday night, campfire with songs and marshmallows, games for kids, and an outdoor worship service on Sunday. All are welcome- families, singles, new to the church, or long time members- this is a great opportunity to meet new Eastminster folks or deepen your friendship with people you'd like to get to know better. If you have questions or would like to attend email Kendra kendramhoward@gmail.com or sign up on the clipboard in the narthex!

- * **Late September 2017 - Lay Education** Next Steps on the Journey is for those currently involved with the three East End United congregations (Cosburn, Eastminster, Glen Rhodes) and other faith communities. It offers the chance to grow in faith, leadership and loving service—to take next steps on one's faith journey. We invite anyone, from any United Church congregation to join this program. For more information, visit <http://www.eastminsteruc.org/news/>

Announcements

- * **Garden Volunteers Needed!** Our newly renovated entrance will require some landscaping work and garden plans. If this is something you would like to assist in, please speak to Earl Gronewegen.
- * **Refreshments Volunteers Needed!** Please sign up to bring refreshments after church for a Sunday or two this year. Our custodian prepares the coffee and tea. You bring milk, cream, juice and cookies. The sign-up sheet is at the back!
- * **Scripture readers needed!** Please sign up in the narthex!

Community News

- * **Yoga for all ages with Mary Rose: Thursdays at 10:30am at Hope United Church**
Free all-ages Yoga class led by Mary Rose. You can do the class seated in a chair or on a mat. The class is designed for gentle movement customized to your mobility. Hope United is fully accessible. Please enter through the double glass doors at 2550 Danforth Ave. 416-691-9682 <http://www.HopeUnited.ca>
- * **Glen Rhodes Outreach Ministry - Drop-In Food Bank & Transit Fund**
Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., and 2 – 4:30 p.m. Stop in for a coffee or tea and meet the neighbours. All welcome. The food programme appreciates all your donations of money, coffee, cold cereal, milk powder, mac & cheese, tuna, sugar, cookies/snacks, can openers, toothbrushes and other toiletries, clean 250 and 500ml containers with lids, **egg cartons**, shopping bags and books (romance, mysteries, children's, etc). TTC tokens or donations for same are received with the offering.

* **The United Church of Canada's Extreme Hunger Appeal**

The United Church's **Extreme Hunger Appeal** is requesting donations as the humanitarian crisis in Kenya, Nigeria, Somalia, South Sudan, and Yemen reaches grave levels. Twenty million at extreme risk in Nigeria, Somalia, South Sudan, and Yemen. There is also extreme hunger, malnutrition, and starvation in Kenya. Small-scale farmers supply the majority of food in Africa, but climate change has created both water and food shortages. Crops are failing and livestock dying. Ongoing conflict contributes to the crisis.

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The United Church of Canada, Philanthropy Unit - Emergency Response
3250 Bloor Street West, Suite 300, Toronto, ON M8X 2Y4

Please be sure to note "Emergency Response—Extreme Hunger Appeal" on the face of your cheque

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