



Sunday, November 21, 2021 – 11:00 AM

TIMOTHY EATON
MEMORIAL
CHURCH



A Place for Life

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.

THE APPROACH

ORGAN PRELUDE

Andante Sostenuto

Charles-Marie Widor

Stephen Boda

OPENING HYMN *CHOIR ONLY*

No. 288 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, God our Creator,
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou has been thou forever wilt be.

[Refrain:]

Great is thy faithfulness!

Great is thy faithfulness!

*Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided --
great is thy faithfulness, ever to me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. *[Refrain]*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow --
wondrous the portion thy blessings provide. *[Refrain]*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: When the storms of life are upon us, the God of the Apostle Paul comes to us, saying: "Do not be afraid."

All: God is our salvation. We will trust and not be afraid, for the Sovereign God is our strength.

Minister: Christ is our salvation, and he rules the earth with justice and love.

All: Sing praises to the Sovereign God who has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth.

Choir (sung): It is the wind of God that dries
my vain regretful tears,
until with braver thoughts shall rise
the purer, brighter years;
if cast on shores of selfish ease
or pleasure I should be,
O let me feel your freshening breeze,
and I'll put back to sea.

(No. 625 v. 2)

PRAYER OF APPROACH

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *SAY TOGETHER*

God of power and love, you raised Jesus from death to life, resplendent in glory to rule over creation. Forgive us for the times when we have denied your sovereignty in our lives and have disobeyed your commandments. Forgive us for the times when we have allowed sin to reign in our hearts and minds. Forgive us for those times when we have doubted your goodness and have failed to trust you. Forgive us, we pray, and may our hearts be purified by the Spirit of Christ, whose power is reigning over us. Amen.

KYRIE *CHOIR ONLY*

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

DOXOLOGY

No. 234 v. 3

Monkland

Let us with a gladsome mind
praise our God forever kind;
whose great mercies still endure,
ever faithful, ever sure.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WORD OF GOD

ANTHEM

"O Thou The Central Orb"

Wood
Sanctuary Choir

O thou the central orb of righteous love, pure beam of the most high, eternal light of this our wintry world, thy radiance bright awakes new joy in faith, hope soars above. Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine, gilding our darksome heaven with rays divine; thy saints with holy lustre round thee move, as stars about thy throne, set in the height of God's ordaining counsel, as thy sight gives measured grace to each, thy power to prove. Let thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin, our nature all shall feel eternal day, in fellowship with thee, transforming day to souls erewhile unclean, now pure within. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 27:9-25

Since much time had been lost and sailing was now dangerous, because even the Fast had already gone by, Paul advised them, saying, "Sirs, I can see that the voyage will be with danger and much heavy loss, not only of the cargo and the ship, but also of our lives." But the centurion paid more attention to the pilot and to the owner of the ship than to what Paul said.

Since the harbor was not suitable for spending the winter, the majority was in favor of putting to sea from there, on the chance that somehow they could reach Phoenix, where they could spend the winter. It was a harbor of Crete, facing southwest and northwest. When a moderate south wind began to blow, they thought they could achieve their purpose; so they weighed anchor and began to sail past Crete, close to the shore. But soon a violent wind, called the northeaster, rushed down from Crete. Since the ship was caught and could not be turned head-on into the wind, we gave way to it and were driven. By running under the lee of a small island called Cauda we were scarcely able to get the ship's boat under control. After hoisting it up they took measures to undergird the ship; then, fearing that they would run on the Syrtis, they lowered the sea anchor and so were driven. We were being pounded by the storm so violently that on the next day they began to throw the cargo overboard, and on the third day with their own hands they threw the ship's tackle overboard. When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days, and no small tempest raged, all hope of our being saved was at last abandoned.

Since they had been without food for a long time, Paul then stood up among them and said, "Men, you should have listened to me and not have set sail from Crete and thereby avoided this damage and loss. I urge you now to keep up your courage, for there will be no loss of life among you, but only of the ship. For last night there stood by me an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I worship, and he said, 'Do not be afraid, Paul; you must stand before the emperor; and indeed, God has granted safety to all those who are sailing with you.' So keep up your courage, men, for I have faith in God that it will be exactly as I have been told.

SERMON

"Heads Down, Press On and Believe"

The Rev. Dr. Andrew Stirling

THE RESPONSE

ANTHEM

"Take Me to the Water"

Dillworth

Sanctuary Choir

Take me to the water. Take me to the sea. Take me to the river so that my spirit can be free. Gonna lay my burdens down, down by the river side. Gonna wade in the water, the water that flows both deep and wide. Oh, take me to the water. Down by the river-side. Wade in the water children. God's a-gonna trouble the water. Take me to the water! Set my spirit free!

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

Please place your offering in one of the available receptables as you leave.

CLOSING HYMN *CHOIR ONLY*

"Mighty to Save"

Everyone needs compassion
Love that's never failing
Let mercy fall on me
Everyone needs forgiveness
The kindness of a Saviour
The hope of nations

Chorus:

Saviour

He can move the mountains

My God is mighty to save

He is mighty to save

Forever

Author of salvation

He rose and conquered the grave

Jesus conquered the grave

So take me as You find me

All my fears and failures

Fill my life again

I give my life to follow

Everything I believe in

Now I surrender

Bridge:

Shine your light

And let the whole world see

We're singing for the glory

Of the risen King Jesus

Shine your light
And let the whole world see
We're singing for the glory
Of the risen King

Chorus

CCLI # 4591782

BENEDICTION

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Toccata in G Major

Théodore Dubois
Stephen Boda

CONTEMPORARY BAND

Noel Di Tosto, guitar; Etienne Levesque, drums; Mark Godfrey, bass;
Elaine Choi, piano; Brittany King, David Michael Moote, vocals
CCLI: 2792602



NEXT WEEK:

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2021 – ADVENT I

11:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

The Rev. Dr. Andrew Stirling preaching
“Benedictus”
from Luke 1: 67-79

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School is held every Sunday from 11:00 am until noon
in the Flora Mcrea Auditorium. This year students will be focusing
on Psalm 34:14b: “Do Good! Seek peace and go after it!”

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Larry Lundy a donation has been made to the General Fund by his family.

IN HONOUR

In honour of Sharon Zillmer’s birthday, a donation has been made to the Radio Fund by Fransi Weinstein.

WHITE GIFT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5TH

Please help to provide a special Christmas to those in need this holiday season. During the 11:00 am worship service 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 provided and online at temc.ca/donate. 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.

BIBLE STUDY – TIMELESS TIDINGS RETURNS JANUARY 11, 2022

We are delighted that Part 3 of Timeless Tidings will be offered in the new year.

Online via Zoom on Tuesdays from January 11 to March 29 at 1:30-3:00 p.m., Rev. John White will lead us through three centuries that are among the most exciting and adventurous of our Christian Journey: 1700-2000 AD.

Please join us if you have been with us before or if you are new. All are welcome.

You can register online at temc.ca

For more information contact: Rev. Lori Diaz.

CHURCHES ON THE HILL FOOD BANK

The NOVEMBER Food of the Month donation is BOXES OF KRAFT DINNER. The food bank has continued to operate through all of the pandemic, offering food parcels to clients outdoors and home delivering parcels to infirm and elderly. Visit us at www.cothfoodbank.ca for more information or to donate. On behalf of the clients and volunteers, thank you for your support.

BEQUESTS

A bequest to the church in your will is a powerful gift. It provides the means for you to make a huge difference in the on-going life and future of our church. For more information, please contact Nancy Shepherd, 416-925-8494, ext. 233 in the Church Finance Office.

TEMC CHRISTMAS

Saturday, December 4 at 4:00 PM: Yule Sing! Concert

Celebrate Christmas with TEMC Music Ministry and special guest Weston Silver Band with festive songs, well known carols and uplifting sing-alongs!

Details: Freewill offering (*suggested: \$15 or \$45 for families*).

Proof of vaccination required. Register at temc.ca/christmas

Sunday, December 5 – White Gift Sunday at 11:00 AM – Advent II

During the worship service new, unwrapped toys, children's clothing and mittens for our mitten tree will be collected and donated directly to the Davenport-Perth Community Centre. Financial contributions are also gratefully received via the special envelopes provided and online at temc.ca/donate. Please help us help others enjoy the holiday season again this year.

Sunday, December 12: Congregational Farewell! – Advent III

Join us following the 11:00 AM service in the Flora McCrea Auditorium to bid a fond farewell to Dr. Stirling. All those wishing to attend need to register at temc.ca/christmas. (child care provided). Proof of vaccination required.

Light refreshments will be served.

Wednesday, December 15: Youth Christmas Celebration

Join us from from 7:00–8:30 PM in the Seminar Room.

Sunday, December 19 – Worship Services at 9:00 & 11:00 AM – Advent IV

Please note that two worship services will be held. Messy Christmas will be held for Sunday School children from 9:00 -10:00 AM or 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM in the Flora MCrea auditorium. There will be games, Christmas festivities, crafts, and stories about the birth of Jesus Christ.

Friday, December 24 – Christmas Pageant at 3:00 PM

The Christmas pageant will be performed in front of a live audience this year!

Attendance size will be limited and ***all attendees*** must provide proof of vaccination. Register at temc.ca/christmas. For those unable to attend in person, the pageant will be livestreamed on temc.ca or [facebook.com/temctoronto](https://www.facebook.com/temctoronto). To become a pageant patron, visit temc.ca/donate and choose “pageant patron” under fund options. Patrons will be recognized in the pageant program. Thank you for your support!

Friday, December 24 – Candlelight Communion Service at 8:00 PM

The Rev. Dr. Andrew Stirling preaching

Saturday, December 25

Merry Christmas!

Sunday, December 26 at 11:00 AM

A large turn-out is expected for Dr. Stirling's last day in the pulpit so pre-registration is required. Details to follow.

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS



The Christmas pageant will be performed in front of a live audience this year! Attendance size will be limited and **all attendees** must provide proof of vaccination. Register at temc.ca/christmas. For those unable to attend in person, the pageant will be livestreamed on temc.ca or facebook.com/temctoronto. To become a pageant patron, visit temc.ca/donate and choose “pageant patron” under fund options or if you prefer cheque, make it payable to “Timothy Eaton Memorial Church” and indicate “Christmas Pageant” in the memo portion. Patrons will be recognized and their names will appear in the pageant program unless you’ve advised us that you wish to remain anonymous. Receipts will be issued in February 2022.

Thank you for your support.

Churches-on-the-Hill Food Bank Donations

The Churches-on-the-Hill Food Bank expects to feed 500 hungry families in our community this Christmas and is looking to us for help. To donate, visit www.cothfoodbank.ca. Your assistance and support is sincerely appreciated.



To be eligible for a 2021 tax receipt, please ensure your gifts are received by December 31, 2021.

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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