



ADVENT I

Sunday, November 28, 2021

11:00 AM

TIMOTHY EATON  
MEMORIAL  
CHURCH



A Place for Life

# 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**

*"All The World Awaits (Hosanna)"*

All the world awaits  
The promise of His birth  
Open up the gates  
Heaven come to earth  
A host of angels sing  
Our Savior here to dwell  
The King of every king  
Our Emmanuel

*Chorus 1*

*Hosanna*

*Hosanna*

*Hosanna*

*Hosanna*

*In the highest*

*Hosanna to our God*

Behold the Son of Man  
Here in a manger lay  
Worthy is the Lamb  
For He has come to save  
To take away our sin  
He freely gave His life  
Born that we may live  
And in Him never die

*Bridge*

*Hail the heaven born Prince of Peace*

*Hail the Son of righteousness*

*Light and life to all He brings*

*Glory to the newborn King*

*Chorus 2*

*Hosanna (King Jesus)*

*Hosanna (all praise)*

*Hosanna (Come save us)*

*Hosanna (He reigns)*

*In the highest*

*Hosanna to our God*

*Chorus 3*

*Hosanna (King Jesus)*

*Hosanna (all praise)*

*Hosanna (Come save us)*

*Hosanna (He reigns)*

*In the highest*

*Hosanna in the highest*

*Hosanna in the highest*

*Hosanna to our God*

*CCLI Song # 7162592 Chris Tomlin | Jason Ingram | Matt Maher*

**OPENING HYMN**

No. 44 "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

*Carol*

1 It came upon the midnight clear,  
that glorious song of old,  
from angels bending near the earth,  
to touch their harps of gold,  
"Peace on the earth, good will to all,  
from heaven's all-gracious King!"  
The world in solemn stillness lay  
to hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come  
with peaceful wings unfurled;  
and still their heavenly music floats  
o'er all the weary world;  
above its sad and lowly plains  
they bend on hovering wing,  
and ever o'er its Babel sounds  
the blessed angels sing.

Yet with the woes of sin and strife  
the world has suffered long;  
beneath the angel strain have rolled  
two thousand years of wrong;  
and warring humankind hears not  
the love song which they bring.  
O hush the noise and cease your strife,  
and hear the angels sing.

For, lo! the days are hastening on,  
by prophets seen of old,  
when with the ever-circling years  
shall come the time foretold,  
when peace shall over all the earth  
its ancient splendours fling,  
and the whole world send back the song  
which now the angels sing.

## LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF HOPE

David & Barbara Temple

Leader: On this special Sunday, at a time when God's people have such a great need for hope, we light the first candle of this new church season of Advent, a symbol of the hope that God's coming brings to us and all the world. As we gather for worship, let us hope that the Spirit of the Christ-Child will light up our lives, and strengthen our Christian caring for the city.

**All: God who comes to us in Jesus Christ, we thank you for your divine gift of hope that illuminates the whole world. Bless us with hope as we praise you this morning, and with all the gifts of your Holy Spirit.**

## ADVENT HYMN

No. 6 v. 1

A candle is burning, a flame warm and bright,  
a candle of hope in December's dark night.  
While angels sing blessings from heaven's starry sky,  
our hearts we prepare now for Jesus is nigh.

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MINUTE MESSAGE

Yule Sing Concert

Andrew Adridge

### ANTHEM

"Veni Veni Emmanuel"

*arr. Trotta*

Sanctuary Choir

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel. O come, O come, Thou Lord of might who to Thy tribes, on Sinai's height in ancient times didst give the law in cloud, and majesty and awe. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel. O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free thine own from Satan's tyranny from depths of hell Thy people save and give them victory o'er the grave. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel. O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by Thine advent here disperse the gloomy clouds of night and death's dark shadows put to flight. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel. O come, Thou Key of David, come and open wide our heavenly home make safe the way that leads on high and close the path to misery. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel. O come, Thou Wisdom from on high and order all things, far and nigh to us the path of knowledge show and cause us in her ways to go. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel. O come, desire of nations, bind in one the hearts of all mankind bid Thou our sad divisions cease and be Thyself our King of peace. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

### SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 1:67-79

*Then his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke this prophecy: "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them. He has raised up a mighty savior for us in the house of his servant David, as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us. Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, and has remembered his holy covenant, the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham, to grant us that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies, might serve him without*

*fear, in holiness and righteousness before him all our days. And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins. By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."*

## **SERMON**

**The Rev. Dr. Andrew Stirling  
"Benedictus"**

## **ANTHEM**

*"Zion Hears the Watchmen's Voices"*

*J.S. Bach*

**Sanctuary Choir**

Zion hears the watchmen's voices, with gladness all her heart rejoices, she eager wakes to greet the day. See, her Lord from heaven descending with grace and truth and power unending; her daystar dawns with brightest ray. O come, thou blessed One, Lord Jesu, God's own Son, Hosianna! We follow there thy feast to share, and taste the joys beyond compare. Glory now to God we render, who reigns on high in heavenly splendour; let every tongue in praise unite. Lo, we enter heaven's bright portal to join the song of saints immortal with angels round thy throne of light. No mortal joy an e'er with heaven's true bliss compare; Alleluia! Rejoice below, io, io! Sing out in dulci jubilo.

## **PASTORAL PRAYER**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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**

No. 36 "Angels, from the Realms of Glory  
Angels, from the realms of glory,  
wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
ye, who sang creation's story,  
now proclaim Messiah's birth:  
come and worship, come and worship,  
worship Christ, the new-born King.

*Regent Square*

Shepherds in the field abiding,  
watching o'er your flocks by night,  
God with us is now residing,  
yonder shines the infant Light:  
come and worship, come and worship,  
worship Christ, the new-born King.

Sages, leave your contemplations;  
brighter visions beam afar;  
seek the great desire of nations;  
ye have seen his natal star:  
come and worship, come and worship,  
worship Christ, the new-born King.

Saints before the altar bending,  
watching long in hope and fear,  
suddenly the Lord, descending,  
in his temple shall appear:  
come and worship, come and worship,  
worship Christ, the new-born King.

**BENEDICTION**

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

"Toccata on 'Veni Emmanuel'"

*Andrew Carter*  
*Stephen Boda*

**CONTEMPORARY BAND**

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



# Yule Sing

LIFT UP YOUR VOICE

TIMOTHY EATON MEMORIAL  
CHURCH CHOIRS

SPECIAL GUESTS:  
WESTON SILVER BAND

SATURDAY . 2021 . 4:00 PM

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**NEXT WEEK:**  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021 – ADVENT II  
 WHITE GIFT SUNDAY**

11:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

The Rev. Dr. Andrew Stirling preaching  
 “Giving is Everything”  
 from Philippians 2:25-29 and 4:10-20

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

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

**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](http://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 to help others enjoy the holiday season.

Thank you from your Grants Committee.



# 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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://temc.ca/christmas). For those unable to attend in person, the pageant will be livestreamed on [temc.ca](http://temc.ca) or [facebook.com/temctoronto](https://www.facebook.com/temctoronto). To become a pageant patron, visit [temc.ca/donate](http://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](http://temc.ca/christmas). For those unable to attend in person, the pageant will be livestreamed on [temc.ca](http://temc.ca) or [facebook.com/temctoronto](https://facebook.com/temctoronto). To become a pageant patron, visit [temc.ca/donate](http://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.

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## 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](http://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.



# MUSICAL MOSAIC

*Midday Concert Series*



**Presenting:**  
Bedford  
Trio



**Genre:**  
*Classical*



**about the performance:**

On the programme is music from cinematic classics alongside cherished Christmas tunes. Come hear music from Schindler's List, The Godfather, Barry Lyndon, The King's Speech, Up, The Nutcracker, and more, by composers such as Schubert, Beethoven, and Tchaikovsky.

Formed in 2016, the Bedford Trio has performed in Canada, the United States, and Europe, and were finalists in the 2018 Anton Rubinstein International Chamber Music competition and a semi-finalist in the 2019 Fischhoff Chamber Music Competition. They are the inaugural piano trio for the Irene R. Miller Piano Trio Residency at the University of Toronto's Faculty of Music, and adjudicated the first edition of the University of Toronto's Piano Trio Composition Competition (2021). The Bedford Trio was founded by award winning instrumentalists Alessia Disimino (violin), Andrew Ascenzo (cello), and Jialiang Zhu (piano) and is currently based in Toronto, Canada.

**Dec. 14**

**12:00 NOON  
to 1:00 PM**

**Event Info**

**Online:**  
Livestreamed at [temc.ca/musicalmosaic](http://temc.ca/musicalmosaic)

**In-person:**  
To ensure safe distance between performers and audiences, featured recitals will take place in the TEMC sanctuary.

Please kindly email [temcmusic@gmail.com](mailto:temcmusic@gmail.com) to reserve seats.

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**FREE WILL DONATIONS ARE WELCOME!**



## **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](http://temc.ca)

For more information contact: Rev. Lori Diaz.

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

The DECEMBER Food of the Month donation is CANNED FRUIT.

Annually, Yorkminster Baptist Church hosts a Carol Sing Concert in support of the Food bank. Once again this year the concert will be virtual, and will feature Brett Polegato, Jully Black, the Bach Children's Choir, and host Dina Pugliese. Visit [citycarolsing.ca](http://citycarolsing.ca) on **Friday, December 10th at 8pm** to catch the premiere performance or watch anytime this holiday season on demand.

On behalf of the clients, volunteers at the COTH Food Bank, thank you for your support.

## **IN MEMORIAM**

In memory of R. Virginia Leach, a donation has been made to the General Fund by June Bulmer.

In memory of Larry Lundy a donation has been made to the General Fund by Ellen Edmonds.

## **IN HONOUR**

Remembering our mothers, Frances E. Lang and Joan S. Whittingham, and in honour of their birthdays, a donation has been made to the General Fund by David and Lorna Lang.

In honour of Dr. Andrew Stirling's outstanding leadership and his invaluable contributions to the life of the church over the past 23 years, a donation has been made to the General Fund by Mary Graham.

## **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.

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