

COMMUNION



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2026 — 11 AM



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MEMORIAL
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11:00 ORDER OF SERVICE

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THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

"The Blessing"

Rock of All Ages, Summer Songbirds

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *PLEASE STAND*

No. 220 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord our God, you are very great; you are clothed with honor and majesty.

All: You wrap yourself with light as with a garment; you stretch out the heavens like a tent.

Minister: You make the clouds your chariot; you ride on the wings of the wind. You make the winds your messengers, and flames of fire your servants.

**All: The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble!
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake!**

Minister: The Lord is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.

All: Let us praise God's great and awesome name! Holy is the Lord!

Minister: Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at his footstool; He is holy!

**All Sing: O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace.
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,
whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderbolts form,
and broad is God's path on the wings of the storm.**

(No. 235, v.2)

PRAYER OF APPROACH *PLEASE BE SEATED*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, You are enthroned in radiant glory, moving where you will, unbounded by human power or borders. Yet we confess how quickly we try to contain you. We reduce your majesty to the size of our small concerns and turn our eyes away from your awesome holiness. You love justice and establish equity, yet we tolerate injustice and pursue our own selfish ways. You open your hand and fill the earth with good things, yet we grasp for control and forget that our very breath comes from your Spirit. Forgive us, Lord. Pardon our

transgressions, cleanse our hearts, and open our eyes to behold your transcendent glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE *SING TOGETHER*

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING

Ezekiel 1:1, 4-1:11, 15-18, 24-2:1

Samit Ahlawat

1:1 In the thirtieth year, in the fourth month, on the fifth day of the month, as I was among the exiles by the river Chebar, the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God . . . 4 As I looked, a stormy wind came out of the north: a great cloud with brightness around it and fire flashing forth continually, and in the middle of the fire, something like gleaming amber. 5 In the middle of it was something like four living creatures. This was their appearance: they were of human form. 6 Each had four faces, and each of them had four wings. 7 Their legs were straight, and the soles of their feet were like the sole of a calf's foot; and they sparkled like burnished bronze. 8 Under their wings on their four sides they had human hands. And the four had their faces and their wings thus: 9 their wings touched one another; each of them moved straight ahead, without turning as they moved. 10 As for the appearance of their faces: the four had the face of a human being, the face of a lion on the right side, the face of an ox on the left side, and the face of an eagle; 11 such were their faces. . . 15 As I looked at the living creatures, I saw a wheel on the earth beside the living creatures, one for each of the four of them.[a] 16 As for the appearance of the wheels and their construction: their appearance was like the gleaming of beryl, and the four had the same form, their construction being something like a wheel within a wheel. 17 When they moved, they moved in any of the four directions without veering as they moved. 18 Their rims were tall and awesome, for the rims of all four were full of eyes all around.

24 When they moved, I heard the sound of their wings like the sound of mighty waters, like the thunder of the Almighty, a sound of tumult like the sound of an army; when they stopped, they let down their wings. 25 And there came a voice from above the dome over their heads; when they stopped they let down their wings. 26 And above the dome over their heads there was something like a throne, in appearance like sapphire; and seated above the likeness of a throne was something that seemed like a human form. 27 Upward from what appeared like the loins I saw something like gleaming amber, something that looked like fire enclosed all around; and downward

from what looked like the loins I saw something that looked like fire, and there was splendor all around. 28 Like the bow in a cloud on a rainy day, such was the appearance of the splendor all around. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord. When I saw it, I fell on my face, and I heard the voice of someone speaking. 2:1 He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.

HYMN OF PREPARATION PLEASE STAND

“Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones”

Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
raise the glad strain, Alleluia!
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers,
virtues, archangels, angels’ choirs:

Refrain:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

O higher than the cherubim,
more glorious than the seraphim,
lead their praises, Alleluia!
Thou bearer of th’ eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord: *Refrain*

Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
ye patriarchs and prophets blest,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,
all saints triumphant, raise the song: *Refrain*

O friends, in gladness let us sing,
supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One: *Refrain*

SERMON

“Whoa, Wheels Within Wheels”

Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee

THE RESPONSE

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Total Praise"

*Richard Smallwood
Sanctuary Choir*

Lord, I will lift mine eyes to the hills knowing my help is coming from You. Your peace you give me in time of the storm. You are the source of my strength; You are the strength of my life; I lift my hands in total praise to You. Amen, amen (amen). You are the source of my strength; You are the strength of my life; I lift my hands in total praise to You. Amen, amen (amen). Whoa, Hallelujah.

*We give God thanks for the witness of Richard Smallwood
(November 30, 1948-December 30, 2025)*

HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Minister: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God . . .

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Choir: Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

No. 942

Minister: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. . . .

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Minister: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. . . . Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honour and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

People: Amen

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.**

HOLY COMMUNION

Those wishing to receive communion will be ushered forward. You will receive a wafer in your open palm, please dip this into the communion cup. Gluten-free wafers are available from the ministers; please raise your hand to receive one.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

"Amazing Grace/Pachelbel Canon"

Arr. Shafferman

Summer Songbirds and Sanctuary Choir

Amazing grace, oh, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now am found was blind, but now I see
When we've been there ten thousand years bright shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when, when we first begun

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *SAY TOGETHER*

**God of grace, and God of glory, we have tasted and seen your
goodness, and eaten of the bread of heaven. Nourish and strengthen
us now by your grace, that we might live and move and have our
being in Christ alone, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit. One God, over all creation, unto ages of ages. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN *PLEASE STAND*

No. 642 "Be Thou My Vision"

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN

No. 967

Danish

ORGAN POSTLUDE

"Postlude on 'Lancashire'"

Jason D. Payne

Stephen Boda

Music today is provided by members of Summer Songbirds and Rock of All Ages! Led by our wonderful instructors Zoë Gotzaman, Edmee Nataprawira, Enos Choy, and Stephen Boda, these two welcoming musical programs provide a fun and supportive environment for amateur musicians to explore

and enjoy music, whether they are just getting started or have been making music for years.

Thank you for the music!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2026 – 9:15 AM | 11:00 AM

Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee preaching:

“Eat the Book” from Ezekiel 2:3-11

2:00 PM DEWI SANT WELSH/ENGLISH SERVICE

Join us in the East Chapel for a bilingual service
followed by tea in the Reception Room.

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

John Banks

Katherine Burns

Peter Foster

Mary Elin Mills

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN TEMC?
CLASSES BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13**

On Thanksgiving Sunday, October 11th, we will be welcoming new members into our community of faith.

Whether you are seeking baptism, confirmation, or simply a transfer of membership, we invite you to join our great harvest of believers.

In preparation, candidates are invited to a series of four weekly classes, led by our Associate Minister, Dayle K. Barrett, beginning on September 13th. During these weeks, we will explore the faith of the Church, deepen our commitment to Christ and one another, and learn about TEMC's unique vision for ministry in the heart of Toronto. Meet friends, share faith stories, and create bonds that last a lifetime.

Join us on Sunday afternoons at 12:30 pm in the Reception Room for lunch, followed by a class in the Conference Room.

For more information or to register for classes, call 416-925-5977 ext. 235 or email daylebarrett@temc.ca.

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.

MUSICAL MOSAIC

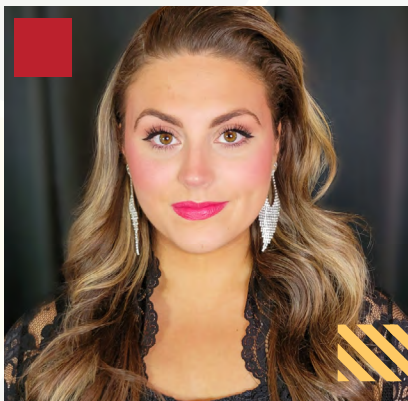
SEPTEMBER 8 | 12 PM

WELCOME TO A
NEW SEASON!

230 ST. CLAIR AVE. W

JOIN US IN THE SANCTUARY

OLIVIA LAPOINTE & QUEEN HEZUMURYANGO



Olivia and Queen will share music from their recent voice and organ concert tour in Slovakia. Their program brings together music from across several centuries, from the Baroque music of Purcell and Vivaldi, through the Classical and Romantic eras with Mozart and Rossini, to the French sacred music of Duruflé and the contemporary music of Slovak composer Podprocký. Come hear the repertoire they performed in Slovakia and learn more about their experience singing this beautiful music in some of the country's most historic churches.

Olivia LaPointe, *soprano*
Queen Hezumuryango, *mezzo-soprano*
Stephen Boda, *organ & piano*



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free will donations are welcome!



**MUSICAL
MOSAIC**
MIDDAY CONCERT SERIES

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

YOU'RE INVITED: SUNDAY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE!

Dear Families,

A brand-new year of Sunday School is just around the corner, and we can't wait to welcome you back! Whether your family is returning or joining us for the very first time, please join us for our Sunday School Open House.

Date: Sunday, September 13th

Time: 9:30 – 10:30 AM

Location: Sunday School Classrooms

Here is what you can look forward to during the open house:

- Explore: Take a tour and see our freshly updated classrooms.
- Register: Get step-by-step assistance with registration if you are new to our program.
- Preview: Grab a copy of this year's calendar and check out upcoming events.
- Connect: Ask questions, share your ideas, and chat with our team.

Can't make it in person?

If you are new to our program and unable to attend, you can sign up from home right now!

[\[Click Here to Register Online\]](#) or go to: temc.churchcenter.com/people/forms/780353

We are so excited to partner with your family this year as we grow together in faith and community.

We hope to see you there!



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.

TEMC CHOIR SCHOOL

Open House! September 16 5:30 pm

Experience a live rehearsal, meet our instructors, and learn more about our program! Open to Grades JK-12. All skill levels are welcome!



REGISTER TODAY! [TEM.CA/CHOIRSCHOOL](https://temc.ca/choirschool)



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!

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.

Register at temc.ca by September 16!

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.



Have you checked out our blog? Visit us at temc.ca/blog to see what's new.

**WELCOME BACK
OUTDOOR CONCERT**

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TOGETHER SING!



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

**DOLLY PARTON
TRIBUTE!**



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.



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

Mark your calendars!

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

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



THANKSGIVING DINNER

**Mark your calendars for our third annual
Community Thanksgiving Dinner!**

**Monday, October 12
sittings at 12:00, 2:30, 5:00**

Registration opens Sunday, September 13



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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