

Sunday September 4, 2022 We Prepare For Worship

Organ Prelude

Welcome and Community Life News

Silent Reflection

Give thanks to the Lord and bless his name; For the Lord is good and his love is everlasting, His constancy endures to all generations.

We Worship God

The Call to Worship

Sheila Gault

L.: The voice of God is heard in all the world.

P: In troubled lands, where people hunger and fear, it speaks of compassionate action.

L.: The voice of God is heard in the church.

P: In encouragement of each other, in support of the wider church, it speaks of community.

L: The voice of God is heard within each one of us.

Let us worship God.

*Opening Hymn The clay-stained hands of love

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Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Lord's Prayer (debts)

Assurance of Pardon

Minister: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

We Listen for God's Word

*Children's Hymn Come, children, join to sing #377

Children's Time

Prayer for Illumination Eric Gault

Scripture Readings Jeremiah 18:1-11 OT p. 720

Leader: The word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon: God is shaping us, Listen

Solo How Great Thou Art

We Respond to God's Word

Christine Samuel

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Presentation of the Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

*Closing Hymn Will you come and follow me

We are Sent Out as God's People

*Charge and Benediction

*Musical Benediction

Go now in peace, never be afraid,
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe,
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there, watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen

Organ Postlude

*if you are able, please stand



We welcome everyone who is worshiping here with us today. We hope that you feel comforted in our fellowship and that you leave here refreshed and inspired in your personal life. You are invited to fill out a pew card.

**We welcome all children in worship. If you need to take a child out during the worship service, the service can still be heard in the lobby. Our ushers are available to assist you.

Thank you to those who are assisting in today's service.

Due to COVID, we ask that masks be worn at all times.

Thank you and welcome once again to Veronika Anissimova who is our guest pianist and soloist today.

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Custodian: Vacant

Weekly Offerings and Gifts

To continue to support the church through your regular offerings during this pandemic there are several options available to do so.

Offerings can be mailed (address below) or dropped off at the church mail slot in the old wooden doors to the right of the entryway any time.

You may also donate on-line at Canada Helps through our web site at www.tpchurch.net or directly to Canada Helps.Org at

https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/thornhill-presbyterian-church/

Pre-Authorized Debit (PAR) If you are interested in joining the PAR program contact Nadine at the church.

Thank you for your support!

- Please remember to turn off cell phones before you enter the Sanctuary. Thank you.
- Hearing assist systems are available for those who need them. Please speak to an usher.
- Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.

Due to severe allergies and/or disabilities with some individuals please refrain from using products containing PERFUMES or SCENTS (including cologne, hair sprays or after-shave lotions). Thank you.



Good Bible Lessons From Bad Bible Villains

Grade 1-6 students, join us each Sunday starting September 25 to find out how *bad* can turn into **good**!

Minister Away

Rev. Heather will be away on summer holidays from August 8 and will not return until September 6.

In the case of an urgent matter, please contact our Session Clerk, Sheila Gault at 905-751-6568.

For all other, non-urgent matters, please phone or email the church office and our Administrator, Nadine will respond during her summer office hours.

Welcome to our Guest Preacher

Christine Samuel is currently a Masters of Divinity student at Knox College. She and her husband, Anthony, migrated from Trinidad and Tobago in 1996. They have two children - their son, Christian is 22 years old, and their daughter, Alexandria is 19 years old.

After working for 23 years in the finance industry, Christine decided to pursue Theology. Her love for Jesus grows daily as she is discovering that He is the greatest showman! She is passionate about sharing God's Word. She loves spending time in her garden and enjoys travelling, reading, and spending time with her family.

Our TPC Custodian Kirk McLeod

It is with deep regret that we announce the retirement of Kirk McLeod as TPC custodian due to health reasons. Kirk has been a faithful contractor of TPC for many years. We have benefited from his meticulous attention to detail and the care he took in his job.

Our church was very well taken care of by Kirk.

We will all miss Kirk's approachable nature, his friendly personality, and his love of a good conversation.

Kirk has asked for your prayers as he deals with his health concerns.

We will have a formal farewell to Kirk in the fall.





We are resuming a weekly time of fellowship and refreshment after the worship service on Sunday Sept 11th, in the Fellowship Hall.

Hope to see you all there!

If anyone is interested in helping serve during coffee hour, please contact Jessica Chapman at chapman.jessica@yahoo.ca

Hymn The Clay-Stained Hands of Love

The clay-stained hands of love created human form.

Praise love that made us from the earth, the love with clay-stained hands.

The healing hands of love gave speech and sight and strength.

Praise love that came to touch and heal, the love with healing hands.

The wounded hands of love showed life had conquered death. Praise love that came in servant form, the love with wounded hands.

The hidden hands of love are building up the church.

Praise love that works with living stone, the love with hidden hands.

We sing our praise, O Love, for your life-giving hands.
O Maker, Saviour, Spirit, God, we sing our praise to you.

Hymn Come, children, join to sing

Come, children, join to sing – hallelujah, amen – praise to our Servant King, hallelujah, amen!

Let all with heart and voice saved by God's gracious choice, now in this place rejoice – hallelujah, amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high – hallelujah, amen – let praises fill the sky – hallelujah, amen!

Christ calls his people friends;
lost, outcast he defends
with love that never ends – hallelujah, amen!

Lord now our voices raise – hallelujah, amen – no power can still our praise – hallelujah, amen!
On heaven's blessed shore,
God's goodness we'll adore
singing forevermore – hallelujah, amen!

Hymn Will you come and follow me

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.

Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.

In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.

Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.