



Sunday September 18, 2022

Rally Sunday

We Prepare For Worship

Praise Band

Preparing our Hearts

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:5-6.

Organ Prelude

*Processional Hymn: *Stand up and bless the Lord* #411

Welcome and Community Life News

We Worship God

The Call to Worship

Grace Girard

L.: We are all one family, made in the image of God.

P: We are all one family, all over the world.

L.: We are all one family, each unique, each special.

P: We are all one family, brothers and sisters on one journey of faith.

L: We are all one family, to worship God together.

P: We are all one family, united in love, united in peace, united in Christ our Lord.

L: Let us worship God.

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Lord's Prayer (*depts*)

The Assurance of Pardon

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

People: And also with you.

*Praise Time Shine Jesus Shine (*see insert*)

We Listen for God's Word

Children's Time

The Commissioning of our Teachers, Support Staff and Youth

Leaders and Presentation of Bibles (*see cream insert*)

Prayer for Illumination Sharon Miron

Scripture Readings

Responsive Psalm – Psalm 113:1-6 (*see insert*) Alireza Aghazadeh

Gospel Reading Luke 16:1-13 NT p. 79

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: A Bad Man's Good Example Rev. Dr. H. Vais

*Hymn: *I'm gonna live so God can use me* #648

We Respond to God's Word

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

*Doxology

*Dedication of Offering

*Closing Hymn: *O servants of God* #459

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*

Welcome

We welcome everyone who is worshipping 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.**

It's Back to Sunday School Time!



Parents, please register your children for Sunday School today by completing a registration form and placing it in the basket on the table in the foyer. This fall, the Sunday School is going to be looking at Villains in the Bible and the GOOD THINGS we can learn from them!

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



Praise Time SHINE JESUS SHINE



Lord the light of Your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness shining
Jesus Light of the World shine upon us
Set us free by the truth You now bring us
Shine on me, shine on me

(Refrain)

Shine, Jesus shine
Fill this land with the Father's glory
Blaze, Spirit blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow, river flow
Flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth Your word
Lord and let there be light

Lord I come to Your awesome presence
From the shadows into Your radiance
By the blood I may enter Your brightness
Search me try me consume all my darkness
Shine on me, shine on me

(Refrain)

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
So our faces display Your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story
Shine on me, shine on me

(Refrain)

(Repeat Refrain)

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UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS AT A GLANCE

Tuesday September 20, 2022

6:00 pm Presbytery of Oak Ridges - Worship

7:00 pm Presbytery of Oak Ridges - Meeting

Sunday September 25, 2022

11:00 am Worship Service

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 with an usher
- **Large print bulletins** are available from the ushers

Scent Free
ZONE
Due to severe allergies and/or disabilities with some individuals please refrain from using products containing PERFUMES OR SCENTS (Including



TPC Music Ministry

Senior Choir!!

We welcome new members to lead in the music ministry.

Please contact Choir President Deborah Kerner or the office.

PRAISE BAND

Meets Sunday mornings at 10 a.m.
Musicians and Singers Welcome
Contact the church office
or contact Abel Pandy 416-222-9058



The Presbytery of Oak Ridges

On Tuesday, Sept 20 at 7:00 pm The Presbytery of Oak Ridges will be meeting, commencing with Worship at 6:00 pm.
If you are interest in what Presbytery does, all are welcome to attend.



We have resumed a weekly time of fellowship and refreshment after worship service 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



The deadline for the next issue of our congregational newsletter, "The Open Door" is Monday September 26th.

Please forward your articles to Garth Low at garth.low@garthlow.com.

Written submissions can be put in the Open Door newsletter mail box located by the Chapel.

Rally Sunday Today!

Listed below are the teachers and leaders involved in educating the children in our church this year. We thank all of you for this special ministry.

Teachers for the 2022 - 2023 Church school year

Sunday School Superintendent – Vacant

Interim Superintendent – Amy Girard

Teachers:

Abel Pandy	Garth Low
Amy Girard	Janet Gargano
Sandra Bhikram-Lee	Sharon Miron
Judy Chen	

Christian Education Committee:

George Huang (chair)
Amy Girard
Sandra Bhikram Lee
Betty Spittle

Senior Youth Group Leaders: Abel Pandy & Rev. Heather

Junior Youth Group Leaders: Rev. Heather & Amy Girard

Youth Group Volunteers: Sandra Bhikram-Lee, Janet Gargano and others.

Help Needed: We need preschool/kindergarten volunteers to support our ministry for 3-5 years old.

YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES!

SENIOR YOUTH GROUP

F3 – FAITH, FUN, & FELLOWSHIP

(High School age kids)

JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP

For kids Grade 3 to Grade 8



Contact the Church or speak to Rev. Heather.



Are you interested in participating in ESL classes?

If so, please sign up on the list on the table in the foyer.

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 113:1-6

1 Praise the Lord, you his servants;
praise the name of the Lord.

**2 Let the name of the Lord be praised,
both now and forevermore.**

3 From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets,
the name of the Lord is to be praised.

**4 The Lord is exalted over all the nations,
his glory above the heavens.**

5 Who is like the Lord our God,
the One who sits enthroned on high,

**6 who stoops down to look
on the heavens and the earth?**

L: The word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Service of Commissioning for Sunday School Teachers and Leaders

Leader: As the people of God, we are always growing in faith and understanding. We give thanks to God for the people who commit themselves to the church's teaching ministry. It is through the work of willing teachers that we are helped to come to know and love our Lord Jesus Christ.

Responsive Liturgy

Leader: Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

People: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength.

Leader: Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart.

People: Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

Leader: Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead.

People: And write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

(Deuteronomy 6:4-9, NRSV)

Leader (addressing teachers): You have been called to share the stories of faith with our children and youth. You are charged to do this with gentleness and insight as the Spirit guides you in your words and witness. Through your teaching and example, the faith of our

children and youth will be nurtured and deepened.

Do you promise, by the grace of God, to give yourself willingly to this calling and to serve with diligence, energy, love, and to be guided by the Spirit and Word of God?

Teachers/Leaders: We do, by the grace of God.

Leader (addressing children and youth):

(children and youth please stand) These teachers and leaders are a gift from God. Will you promise to work carefully with them as, together, you learn about God's ways?

Children: We will.

Leader: The congregation will please rise. The teachers and leaders before you have been chosen to help us as a congregation fulfill the vows of baptism. Do you promise to encourage and support them through your presence and your prayers?

Congregation: We do, by the grace of God.

Prayer: Spirit of the Living God, in every age you have appointed teachers to tell of your power, justice and love. We thank you for these men and women in faith who will teach us your ways and words. We give thanks for the evidence of the Holy Spirit in our midst. Fill us with strength and peace as we follow Jesus, the Christ, our Master and Friend.

ALL: AMEN

Hymn

Stand up and bless the Lord

Stand up and bless the Lord;
God's people now rejoice;
stand up and bless the Lord your God
with heart and soul and voice.

Though high above all praise,
above all blessing high,
who would not fear God's holy name,
and praise and magnify?

Oh for the living flame
from God's own altar brought,
to touch our lips, our minds inspire,
and wing to heaven our thought.

God is our strength and song;
now is salvation ours.
God's love in Christ we now proclaim
with all our ransomed powers.

Stand up and bless the Lord;
the Lord your God adore;
stand up and bless God's glorious name
henceforth forevermore.

Hymn

I'm gonna live so God can use me

I'm gonna live so
God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna live so
God can use me anywhere,
Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna work so
God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna work so
God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so
God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna pray so
God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna sing so
God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna sing so
God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

Hymn

O servants of God

O servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad that wonderful name:
the name all victorious of Jesus extol,
whose reign, ever glorious, shall rule over all.

God rules from on high, almighty to save;
yet ever is nigh, whose presence we have.
The great congregation God's triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!
Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son.
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, give God what is right:
all glory and power, all wisdom and might,
and honour and blessing, with angels above,
and thanks never ceasing, and infinite love.