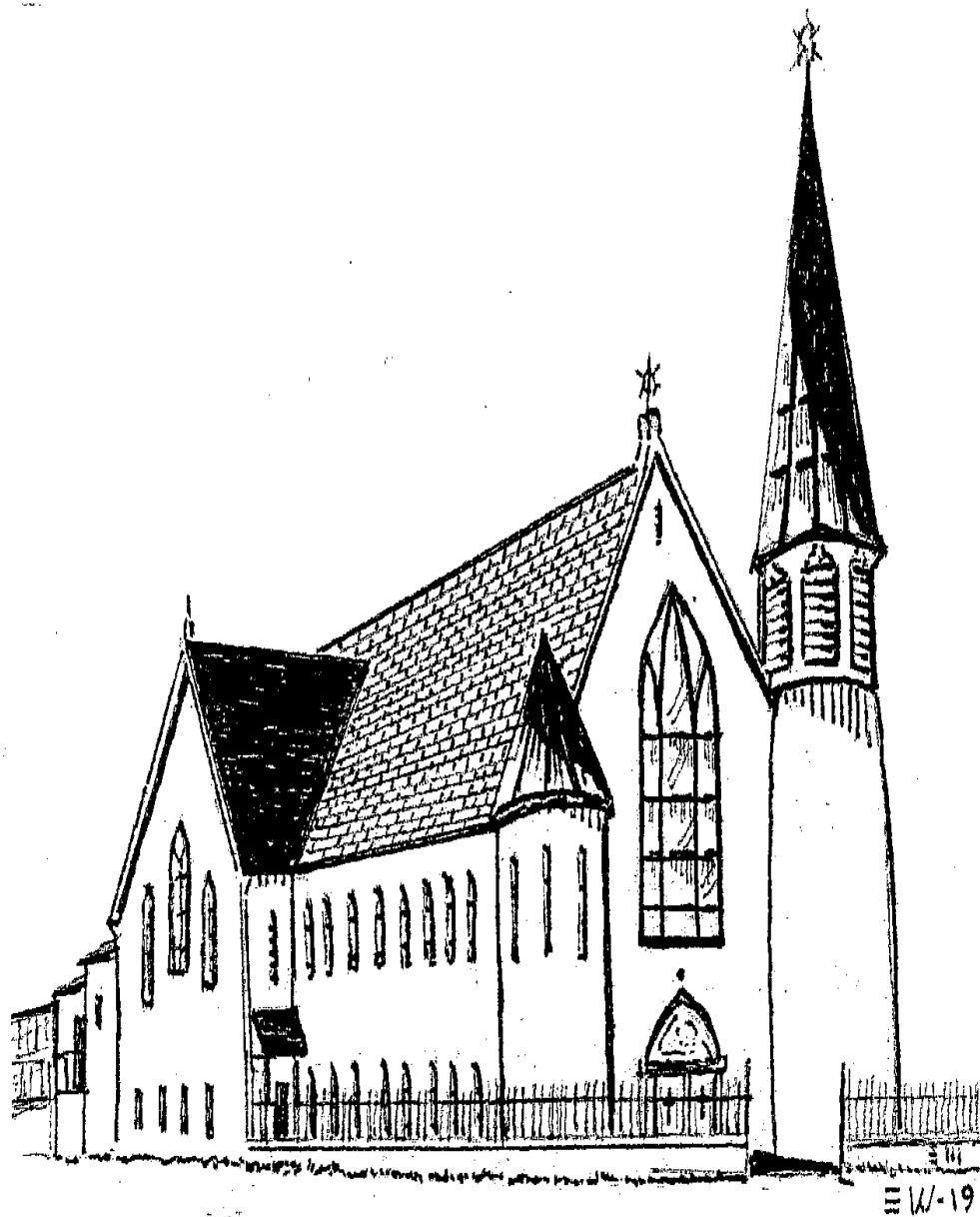


GEORGE STREET UNITED CHURCH

ROOTED IN THE ROCK:
TRANSFORMING FOR
TOMORROW



May 26th, 2019

Minister: Rev. Dr. Peter Bartlett B. MASc., MDiv., DMin.

Men's Choir: Directed by William Green.

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

Introit: VU# 412 *"This Is the Day"* (v.1)

Welcome and Announcements

***CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsive)**

Come People of God; Let us gather together with hearts overflowing with delight and thankfulness.

We are a company of faith blessed by God

Let us dare to hope for a New Creation where truth prevails, justice is done and love triumphs over evil.

God's name is to be celebrated by all people.

***GATHERING PRAYER: (In Unison)**

Time is hunger, space is cold: Pray, pray, for only prayer can quiet the anguish of the void (Nicaraguan Poet: Alfonso Cortés). Together in Spirit with our community of the many we pray to you O God.

Come to us, Holy God, as we gather before you; encircle us with your love. Bless us with your sustaining presence and surround us with your grace. Draw us around your living Word, and bind us to one another as Disciples of Christ, whose Spirit is in our midst. Amen

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and community of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you

Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

***Hymn:** VU# 657 *"He Leadeth Me"*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Examine me, O God, and know my heart; test and judge my thoughts.

Find any deceit in me and guide me in the way of life...

[Sacred Silence]

Create in me a new heart, O God,

And strengthen me with a constant spirit.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

All God asks of us is a humble spirit;

God accepts a contrite heart.

God has delivered us from death, our eyes from tears, and our feet from stumbling.

We walk with God in the land of the living.

Hymn: *VU# 703 "In the Bulb There is a Flower" (v.1&2)*

Young Spirits Time

Hymn: *VU# 703 "In the Bulb There is a Flower" (v.3)*

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture: Acts 16:9-15 Elizabeth Horwood

Anthem: *"Standing On the Promises" SOG #46 (v. 1,4,5)*

Meditation: *"What's in a Name?"* Rev. Dr. Peter Bartlett

Meditative Hymn: *VU #376 "Spirit of the Living God" (v. 1)*

Pastoral Prayer and The Lords Prayer

Meditative Hymn: *VU #376 "Spirit of the Living God" (v. 2)*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*Hymn: *VU# 540 "Grant Us God the Grace of Giving"*

*OFFERTORY PRAYER: (In Unison)

Loving God, may these gifts, given gratefully, be brought to life through the power of your creative Spirit. Multiply and use them to bring the touch of Jesus to your people in this place and throughout the world. O God, to those who have hunger, give bread, and to those who have bread, give the hunger for justice. Amen.

*Hymn: *VU# 686 "God of Grace and God of Glory"*

*COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

Vesper: *SOG 94 "Take the Name Of Jesus With You"*

Organ Postlude

Coffee Time Please join us in Room C after today's morning worship service for snacks & refreshments. There is a sign-up sheet to "host" the coffee time on Sundays on the door of Room C, please sign up!