



Aug. 28, 2024

Well, here we are in the last days of August, and Fall is right around the corner. The CNE is on, and that is a surefire sign that summer is waning and will soon be gone. Thankfully, as I write this, the sun is shining, my lawn is being mowed and I have this glorious day to myself to get tasks completed and to enjoy some outdoor time. We have a busy month or two coming up, and as things will look a bit different for a while, we are all one in our efforts to make each worship service as enjoyable and seamless as possible. The choir will lead the hymn singing and the choral responses. Please sing loudly, proudly, and devoutly to fill this church with our own joyful noise. There will not be an organ to lead us, and the piano will be used when I am attending church, but this Sunday, I will be away, and I encourage all who are attending church this Sunday to give assistance to our choir and sing like never before.

Psalm 105:1–2

***Oh, give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples!
Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wondrous works!***

Call to Give Thanks to the Lord. The opening section invites the congregation to celebrate what the Lord has done, setting a tone of gladness with terms such as give thanks, sing, sing praises, tell, glory, and rejoice. The foundation of gratitude is remembering the wondrous works that the Lord has done, particularly those on behalf of his people, the offspring of Abraham (cf. [Gen. 15:5, 13, 18; 17:7](#)).

Call upon his name. An expression for seeking the Lord in public worship (cf. [Gen. 4:26; Gen. 12:8](#)). make known his deeds among the peoples. Cf. [Ps. 9:11; Isa. 12:4](#).



NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



We bid a fond farewell to our Director of Music, Kento Stratford. We will miss him, and we wish him well in all of his future endeavours.

Neema Village

My neighbour, Valerie was born in Tanzania, on the East Coast of Africa. Her family emigrated to Canada in 1971 and now, after almost 54 years she will be returning “home” albeit for only 2 weeks. In February, she and her husband John will be going back to the country of her birth on a mission to volunteer at a wonderful community called Neema Village.

Neema Village is a Not-For-Profit NGO that was founded in 2012 with a mission to:

- rescue abandoned, orphaned, and at-risk babies and children
- work to reunite abandoned children with their extended families
- promote in-country adoptions of orphaned children

In addition to working with orphaned and displaced children, Neema also works with women providing basic education, teaching usable skills to help women find work and create business opportunities, teaching parenting skills and most importantly, providing spiritual guidance, all of which promotes a sense of self-worth and gives hope to the women who come to Neema Village.

Part of Valerie and John’s commitment to Neema to not only raise awareness of this organization, but also to raise funds as Neema exists only on donations. If you feel the urge to donate, you can send your donation via e-transfer to valeriedevine@outlook.com or you can give me your donation and I will pass it on to her.

For further information on Neema Village, visit their website at neemavillage.org

A Fall Devotional Update:

A **new** edition of **Our Daily Bread** (September/October/November), as well as the current edition of **These Days** (July/August/September) are available on the table in the church vestibule and in the devotional box on the church porch.

St. James Food Basket

St. James Food Basket needs egg cartons only. They currently have a good stockpile of reusable bags and have **run out of storage space.** Thank you for your help.

Coffee/Tea Sign - Up is Here Again



The sign-up sheet for coffee/tea service after worship is on the bulletin board opposite the kitchen downstairs. Please sign yourselves up or sign up your committee so that our Fellowship time after church can continue.

Sept. 8 – Susan and Kathy

Sept. 15 - ??????

Sept. 22 - ??????

Sept. 29 - ??????



Fall Bible Study

Our fall Bible Study will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 11:00 AM and will run for 8 weeks. Our topic will be the series *The Chosen - Season 4* which will take us up to the ride into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. This season is awesome, as I have already seen all 8 episodes and each one is better than the last.

PRAYER REQUESTS AND PASTORAL CARE

* Pray for the people of war-torn countries who are living in fear and uncertainty. Pray for those close to home who need your special love and guidance during trying times.

* **Irene Cherniak** was admitted to hospital a week ago, suffering from fluid in the lungs. She has somewhat recovered but is still in hospital as she is very weak.

* **Nancy Green**, who underwent hip replacement surgery on Monday.

* Please keep in your prayers the following: Charlotte Prentice, Joan and Peter Kohar, Lenore Carty and her daughter, Margaret McKennell and her daughter Carrie, Shannon J., Wayne J. and family, Olive S., Gordon Forgrave, Marg Fleming's family and Margaret M's brother, Simon. Please keep these folks, and indeed everyone in our church family and people around the world, in your prayers.

Note from your editor: Could you please advise us from time to time on the status of your loved ones so that updates can be recorded and shared to prove that the power of prayer does work miracles.



Sing! Etobicoke, Encore, 2024 Fall Schedule

| Date | Start Time | Location | Workshop Theme | Registration Link |
|-----------|------------|------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| 07-Oct-24 | 9:30 AM | NPCC | Songs of Fall/Songs of Thanks | F24SE1 |
| 21-Oct-24 | 9:30 AM | GV | Road Trip | F24SE2 |
| 28-Oct-24 | 9:30 AM | NPCC | Hallowe'en, Ghosts & Spirits | F24SE3 |
| 04-Nov-24 | 9:30 AM | Fellowship | Lean on Me | F24SE4 |
| 11-Nov-24 | 9:30 AM | NPCC | Remembrance | F24SE5 |
| 18-Nov-24 | 9:30 AM | GV | In the Twilight | F24SE6 |
| 25-Nov-24 | 9:30 AM | Fellowship | Guest Day (Chihiro?) | F24SE7 |
| 02-Dec-24 | 9:30 AM | GV | Looking Forward | F24SE8 |
| 09-Dec-24 | 9:30 AM | NPCC | Holiday Guest Day (Men Aloud) | F24SE9 |
| 16-Dec-24 | 9:30 AM | GV | Holiday | F24SE10 |

Note: we will not be meeting on Thanksgiving, Oct. 14, 2024

Sing! Etobicoke, Encore, 2025 Winter Schedule

| Date | Start Time | Location | Workshop Theme | Registration Link |
|-----------|------------|------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| 06-Jan-25 | 9:30 AM | NPCC | Winter Words | W25SE1 |
| 13-Jan-25 | 9:30 AM | GV | Light the Way | W25SE2 |
| 20-Jan-25 | 9:30 AM | Fellowship | Songs of the North | W25SE3 |
| 27-Jan-25 | 9:30 AM | GV | Time after Time | W25SE4 |
| 03-Feb-25 | 9:30 AM | Fellowship | Guest Day III | W25SE5 |
| 10-Feb-25 | 9:30 AM | GV | Love Songs (Guest Day III) | W25SE6 |
| 24-Feb-25 | 9:30 AM | NPCC | Troubled Water | W25SE7 |
| 03-Mar-25 | 9:30 AM | GV | Over the Rainbow | W25SE8 |
| 10-Mar-25 | 9:30 AM | NPCC | Unforgettable | W25SE9 |

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| 17-Mar-25 | 9:30 AM | NPCC | Spring Sing (Guest Day IV) | W25SE10 |
| Note: we will not be meeting on Family Day, Feb. 17, 2025 | | | | |



UPCOMING EVENTS

- * Tuesdays @ 11:00 AM – Walking Group – All are welcome
- * Thursdays @ 2:00 PM – Worship service at Centennial Park Place
- * Tuesday, Sept. 24 @ 11:00 AM Bible Study begins. The Chosen- Season 4
- * Sunday, Nov. 3 @ 10:30 AM - Remembering Tree Service
- * Sunday, Nov. 10 @ 10:30 – Remembrance Day Service
- * Friday, Nov. 29 – Deck the Halls
- * Monday, Dec. 2 @ 12:30 – Advent lunches begin. (There will be a sign up for this)

*Our services are now live streamed. Go to the church’s website (www.graceview.ca) to click the link for the most recent worship services on YouTube.

* We also have our own Facebook page. (Graceview Presbyterian Church). This site shows the world all that we are and what we have to offer as a church. Check it out and be sure to “follow.”

Prayer Roster

Lay Readers

Welcome and Announcements

Sept. 1

Eric Lee

Maureen Screen

Lynne Bishop



WEEKLY GIGGLE

Community picnic

A church had a picnic and invited the entire community to come. The Pastor placed a basket full of apples on one end of a table with a sign saying, "Take only one apple please - Remember that God is watching." On the other end of the table was a plate of cookies where one of the children had placed a sign saying, "Take all the cookies you want -- God is watching the apples."



Do you have any news or prayer requests that you would like to share? Drop me a line and I will be happy to include it in the Weekly Email. Have a blessed week, everyone.

Susan choppertini@hotmail.com

Contact information for Pastor Eric Lee: 778-791-1741; leefyeric@gmail.com

NB: If the phone number for Pastor Eric does not connect you immediately (technical issues?) call the church (416-621-0888) and press #1 for Pastor Eric.

Email for Iris: ericirishk@gmail.com

* Message from **Pastor Eric**: "FYI the Graceview website page below has been revamped, so as to keep people updated of our activities and events. Visit us and enjoy all that is good about Graceview".

<https://graceview.ca/calendar-events>

AUGUST 2024

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|-----|-------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|------------------------------------|
| | | | | 1 Service @ CPP 2:00 PM | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 Walking Group 11:00 | 7 | 8 Service @ CPP 2:00 PM | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 Walking Group 11:00 | 14 No Weekly Email | 15 Service @ CPP 2:00 PM | 16 | 17 Music Search Team – 10:00 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 Walking Group 11:00 | 21 | 22 Service @ CPP 2:00 PM | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 Music & Worship 1:30 | 27 Walking Group 11:00 | 28 | 29 Service @ CPP 2:00 PM | 30 | 31 |

*CPP = Centennial Park Place