

Oct. 22, 2025

John 14:1-29 offers comfort through Jesus' assurances that his followers' hearts should not be troubled because he is preparing a place for them in heaven, and that he is the way, truth, and life to the Father. It also emphasizes the promise of the Holy Spirit, who will act as an advocate and guide, empowering believers to continue Jesus' work and glorifying God. This passage challenges believers to live out the teachings of Christ through love and faithfulness, trusting that God will work through them.

Comfort and hope through faith

Do not be troubled:

Jesus tells his disciples not to be troubled by his impending departure, offering a promise of a place in his Father's house. ² "In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you."

The way to the Father:

Jesus identifies himself as the "way, the truth, and the life," through whom believers can know and come to the Father. ⁶ "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

Heavenly dwelling places:

The mention of "many dwelling places" suggests that heaven is a place of great hospitality, with ample room for all who believe.

The role of the Holy Spirit

The Advocate:

Jesus promises to send the Holy Spirit, who will serve as a comforter and advocate to continue to teach and remind believers of Jesus' words.

17 "Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you."

Empowerment:

The Holy Spirit is sent to empower believers to perform works even greater than Jesus' own, as they continue his mission on Earth.

The challenge to live a life of faith

Living by faith:

The passage is not a promise of immediate, "fast relief," but a challenge to live faithfully through difficult times, trusting that God is working things out in his own time.

Love and obedience:

Believers are called to show their love for Jesus by following his commands, which is a path toward a more faithful life empowered by the Holy Spirit.



Worship Calendar

Theology 101: No Other Way Remembering Tree Service Remembrance Sunday John 14:1-29 TBD TBD Rev. Eric Lee Rev. Eric Lee Rev. Ernest van Eck



NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

In Memory of Olivia Waugh

A Celebration of Life is planned for Sunday November 2nd 12:30pm at the Old Mill. This event is for family only. Regrettably, they cannot go over the 20-person capacity limit due to fire code issues (the room is quite small) and the maximum table settings. However, Graceview will be represented by Pastor Eric and myself.

To celebrate Chuka & Koko's wedding

A Service of Christian Marriage is scheduled to be held at our sanctuary on Friday, October 31st 10:00amAll Graceview friends and choir are welcome! The couple plans to arrange some food and refreshments for the guests (about 30 people, including our church side), and they wish to give thanks to the organist, the choir, and all who will come to help and witness the service.

Jane Finch Reaching Up Fund Raiser



GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP 2026 March 14–22, 2026 (Tentative)

Called to Serve. Changed Forever.

You are invited to take part in a transformative short-term mission experience to Guatemala during March Break 2026. Sponsored by the Presbytery of West Toronto, this trip continues a vibrant legacy of partnership, discipleship, and mutual growth in faith.

Whether you're youth, adult, or senior—if you're willing to serve and be shaped, there's a place for you on the team.

Why Guatemala?

Since 2017, POWT churches have journeyed to Guatemala to:

- Share God's love with children, families, and vulnerable communities.
- Worship and serve alongside local churches and ministries.

- Learn from resilient believers with joyful, generous faith.
- Return home with renewed purpose and a deeper walk with Christ.

In past trips, teams have served at orphanages, schools, women's shelters, disability care centers, and small congregations. Locations and activities for 2026 will be finalized in due course.

Who Can Join?

- Youth (Grade 7–12), adults, and healthy seniors
- Members of any church within the Presbytery of West Toronto
- No Spanish required—just a servant heart

"Dios te ama." – "God loves you."

A simple phrase that has brought smiles and tears in every place we've visited.

Mission Goals

- 1. **Discipleship** Grow deeper in faith through training, prayer, and devotions.
- 2. **Service** Encourage and assist local ministries and communities.
- 3. **Relationship** Build lasting connections with our Guatemalan partners.
- 4. **Education** Understand new cultures and expressions of Christian life. "Whatever you did for one of the least of these… you did for me." Matthew 25:40

Mission Leadership Team

Rev. Young Cho, Rev. Julio Miranda, Rev. Eric Lee (*Subject to change*) Team size would be limited to a **maximum of 20** participants.

Cost & Support

Each participant is asked to contribute 1/3 of the total cost, which comes to approximately \$700 CAD.

The remaining cost will be covered through **Presbytery grants** and **team-based fundraising efforts**.

The payment schedule, group preparation meetings, and fundraising activities will begin after the team

is finalized and gathered in the fall season.

If you're interested in joining but unsure about finances, we encourage you to still reach out—many have

found that God provides in surprising ways when we step forward in faith.

Reflections from Past Participants

"It was never about what we could give, but what God was doing in all of us."

- Brenda Rodriguez
- "Seeing kids learn about Jesus was a joy—and reminded me that God uses even our smallest efforts."
- Camilo Jimenez
- "The children's joy, their songs, and generosity—these are glimpses of God's kingdom."
- Jason Gang
- "Serving as a family was such a gift. I came to serve, but I left transformed."
- Kya Bruneau

"I struggled with doubt—even guilt—after the trip, but I now realize love is always worth it. This mission reawakened my heart."

— Rachael Chen

Want to Learn More or Join?

Contact your local church pastor or missions committee. Or speak with any of the leadership team listed above. *Watch our 2025 highlight video:*

https://youtu.be/wvmXk-XNwP8?si=Cq4jSsjuw1M_2KEM

"Soup by Dave" Luncheon

Outreach will be hosting our fourth "Soup by Dave" luncheon on Monday, November 10th at 11:30 AM in the downstairs hall. Chef Dave Taylor will be preparing Dutch split pea soup and will demonstrate how to make it for us. Every guest will receive a copy of his recipe. We are very pleased to have "Chef Dave" share his culinary talents with us and know that he will provide us with another lively presentation. After lunch, Jan Hieminga will talk to us about his trip to Holland in May to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of the Liberation of the Netherlands. There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the front foyer. Please plan to attend and invite your friends to join you. Free Will Offerings will be gratefully accepted.

Church Decorating Team

Many thanks to Dave Brown and Georgena Engineer for stepping up and spearheading the decorating of the church for the different themes of the church season. It does take a team, and we are lucky to have these two congregants step up and take the lead. Many, many thanks.

Changing your PARS Donations

PARS program. - If you are on the PARS program for your church giving and you wish to update your monthly donation, this can be easily done by contacting Jackie Taylor either in person or by email at jacquelinet@sympatico.ca



It is that time of year again when we are looking for volunteers to serve coffee and tea after worship. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Adamson Lounge.

Oct. 26 - Iris & Carol

Nov. 2. - Loreen & Margaret

Nov. 9 - 30 - Outreach

Dec. 7 – Iris & Carol

Thank you to all of you who have given so willingly of your time and efforts. We appreciate you!!



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.
- * **Glen DeLine** who was in hospital recently for an undisclosed ailment. He should be home by now and we pray for his continued recovery and a speedy return to Graceview.
- * **Peter Kohar's** sister **Caroline Yesanko** passed away on October 19th. She had been bedridden for a few years. She lived in Bradford.
- * Also, please keep these people in your prayers: Jim Waugh and family, Ed Latimer, Paul Mbogo and family, Joan and Peter Kohar, Ethel Waite, Eftekhar (grandmother of Ali), Lynne Bishop, Joan Pateman, Debbie Homebrooke and family, Margaret Munene's brother Simon, Lenore Carty, Shelia Thomas' grandson, Carter, the Jarvis family, Olive S., and Jean Fox's

nephew, Ryan.

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 me 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.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- * Tuesdays @ 11:00 AM Walking Group All are welcome
- * Thursdays @ 2:00 PM Worship service at Centennial Park Place
- * Thursday, Oct. 23 @ 9:30 Sing! Etobicoke @ Graceview (Stand By Me)
- * Tuesday, Oct. 28 @ 12:15 PM Bible Study Session #5
- * Friday, Oct. 31 @ 10:00 AM Wedding of Chuka and Koko
- * Sunday, Nov. 2 @ 10:30 AM Remembering Tree Sunday
- * Sunday, Nov. 9 @ 10:30 AM Remembrance Day Service
- * Monday, Nov. 10 @ 11:30 Soup by Dave
- * Tuesday, Nov. 11 @ 11:00 AM Elaine's Craft Club
- * Friday, Nov. 14 @ 1:30 PM Music & Worship meeting

	<u>Prayer Roster</u>	<u>Lay Readers</u>	Welcome and Announcements
Oct. 26	Nancy McPherson	Maureen Screen	Iris Lee
Nov. 2	Kathy Twynam	Margaret Munene	Bob Twynam
Nov. 9	Eric Lee	Georgena Engineer	Kathy Twynam
Nov. 16	Chris Parr	Errol Baldeo	Nancy McPherson
Nov. 23	Margaret Munene	Kathy Twynam	Susan Chopp
Nov. 30	Eric Lee	Nancy McPherson	Iris Lee
Dec. 7	Bob Twynam	Al Bishop	Susan Chopp
Dec. 14	Rachael Chen	Bob Twynam	Kathy Twynam
Dec. 21	Eric Lee	Nancy Green	Nancy McPherson
Dec. 28	Nancy Green	Anna Cherniak	Susan Chopp



Sing! Etobicoke

To register, please visit: https://www.neilsonparkcreativecentre.com/event/sing-etobicoke/
For information, please email: alex@neilsonparkcreativecentre.com or call 416-622-5294.

Sing! Etobicoke, Encore, 2025 Fall Schedule

2025-10-23	9:30 AM	GV	Stand By Me	F25ASE2
2025-10-30	9:30 AM	GV	What Do You Fear?	F25ASE3
2025-11-06	9:30 AM	NPCC	I'll Be Seeing You	F25ASE4
2025-11-13	9:30 AM	GV	Sunrise Sunset	F25ASE5
2025-11-20	9:30 AM	GV	On the Road Again	F25ASE6
2025-11-27	9:30 AM	NPCC	Singin' in the Rain	F25ASE7
2025-12-04	9:30 AM	NPCC	Advent and More	F25ASE8
2025-12-11	9:30 AM	NPCC	Holiday Songs	F25ASE9
2025-12-18	9:30 AM	GV	Holiday Songs (With men Aloud)	F25ASE10

Sing! Etobicoke, Encore, 2026 Winter Schedule

2026-01-08	9:30 AM	NPCC	Aspenglow, Songs of Winter	W26ASE1
2026-01-15	9:30 AM	NPCC	Songs of the North	W26ASE2
2026-01-22	9:30 AM	GV	A Day in the Life	W26ASE3
2026-01-29	9:30 AM	GV	Be My Light	W26ASE4
2026-02-05	9:30 AM	NPCC	Guest Day (with Men Aloud)	W26ASE5

2026-02-12	9:30 AM	GV	Love Me Tender	W26ASE6
2026-02-19	9:30 AM	GV	Singin' in the Rain	W26ASE7
2026-02-26	9:30 AM	GV	Catch a Falling Star	W26ASE8
2026-03-05	9:30 AM	NPCC	Do I ever Cross Your Mind?	W26ASE9
2026-03-12	9:30 AM	NPCC	Here Comes the Sun (Songs of Spring)	W26ASE10



WEEKLY GIGGLE

Some ministers were talking about death and dying over coffee at the local cafe. "What would you want people to say about you at your funeral?" one of them asked.

"I'd want people to say, 'He was a great and compassionate humanitarian who cared about those in need," responded a recently retired minister.

"I'd like for people to say, 'He was a good father and husband, a man whose life was a fine example for others to follow," intoned another.

"Oh, I'd like for people to remember me for my fine sermons and church growth," said the newest member of the group.

A grizzled old farmer leaned over from the next table and said, "That's all well and good, fellas, but I'd rather hear 'em say 'Look, he's moving!"

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October Calendar

