



SYDENHAM STREET UNITED CHURCH



Justice or “Just Us”?

Rev. Dr. Bill Morrow

July 25, 2021

Since time immemorial, Indigenous peoples have occupied and cared for this land. In acknowledging this land, the traditional home of the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee, we seek to rebuild right relations with First Nations, Metis and Inuit peoples, to learn from them, and to live on this land with respect and gratitude for its bounty.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**At this time we do not have
a minister for the congregation.
If you have a pastoral care concern,
please contact Reverend Nan Hudson
at 613-539-3751 or at nan@kos.net**



CHURCH

Sydenham Street United Church as an Affirming Congregation seeks to be a vital faith community within The United Church of Canada engaged in spirituality, justice and creativity, informed by Jesus Christ and the Bible, and discerning the call of the Trinity as we celebrate diversity, inclusivity and abundant life.

OFFICE HOURS

The Spire/SSUC Office: Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am-1:00 pm

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<https://www.thespirekingston.org/>

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GATHERING IN COMMUNITY

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

CENTERING MUSIC

CALL TO WORSHIP

GATHERING PRAYER

Holy one, as we gather in your name, we are conscious that with Your support, we still have work to do ... listening for your message of love and contributing time and talent in addressing continuing inequities in our world, both near and far away. Give us the strength, discernment and commitment to action, as demonstrated by Jesus. Amen





God of Freedom, God of Justice

1 God of freedom, God of justice,
you whose love is strong as death,
you who saw the dark of prison,
you who knew the price of faith:
touch our world of sad oppression
with your Spirit's healing breath.

2 Rid the earth of torture's terror,
you whose hands were nailed to the wood;
hear the cries of pain and protest,
you who shed the tears and blood:
move in us the power of pity
restless for the common good.

3 Make in us a captive conscience
quick to hear, to act, to plead;
make us truly sisters, brothers
of whatever race or creed:
teach us to be fully human,
open to each other's need.

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LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

A PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**We open now to Sacred Mystery, to the Holy One,
Infinitely greater than words can express,
Whose love for us and all creation
Exceeds our capacity to imagine. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE

Amos 5:21-24
Ephesians 6:10-18

REFLECTION

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SPECIAL MUSIC

Trumpet Voluntary
~J. Clarke
Performed by Karlynn Charette



RESPONDING TO GOD'S LOVE

MINUTE FOR MISSION

SHARING OF OUR GIFTS

There are many ways to financially contribute to the ministries at Sydenham Street United Church. For all donations, you may indicate where you would like your donation directed.

- **Electronic Transfer (eTransfer)** givingssuc@kos.net
- **Mail or drop off your donation by cheque or money order**
- **Donate through CanadaHelps**
<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/sydenham-street-united-church/>
- **Donate by Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR)**

For further information:

<https://sydenhamstreet.ca/ssuc1/donate/>

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures high and low;
Give thanks to God in love made known;
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER



God of Grace and God of Glory

1 God of grace and God of glory,
on your people pour your power;
now fulfil your church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour.

2 Lo, the hosts of evil round us
scorn your Christ, assail your ways;
fears and doubts too long have bound us;
free our hearts to work and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days.

3 Cure your children's warring madness,
bend our pride to your control;
shame our wanton selfish gladness,
rich in goods and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

4 Set our feet on lofty places,
gird our lives that they may be
armoured with all Christlike graces,
pledged to set all captives free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
that we fail not them nor thee.

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COMMISSIONING

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

***THANK YOU FOR
TALENTS SHARED***

Worship Leaders

**Rev. Dr. Bill Morrow
Bruce Hutchinson**

Music Director and Organist

Michael T. Fenn

Guest Musician

**Karlynn Charette
B. Mus., B. Ed., OCT**

Members of the SSUC Choir

