



EASTER 7

Welcome Home

Sunday, May 4, 2008

The first anniversary of our evening service.

Worship & Celebration

7:00pm

Social Hour

following worship

We are so pleased that you're able to join us today in worship and celebration at MCC Toronto. We are a joyful, spiritual community of people committed to being an inclusive, affirmative, caring church.

If today is your first time visiting us, or if you'd like to update your

contact information in our database, please complete one of the

Welcome Cards located in the pew pocket and place it in the

offering plate as it goes by.

At the ❖ symbol, you are asked to rise in body or spirit.

Phonic Ears for hearing assistance are available from

the technical ministry volunteers in the sound booth.

We ask that you kindly turn your cell phone off during service.

**Our vision is to be a bridge,
Whoever you are, wherever you are from,
you are welcome!**

Even if today is your first time here, you are invited to participate fully in every part of the service as much or as little as you like. Here is a guide to our worship:

We are a house of prayer for all people.

We affirm many paths to God. For non-Christ-centred Anointing or Communion blessings, please approach the another or server with your arms crossed over your chest.

Lessons for Life are meant to inspire you in your spiritual journey and to challenge you to find ways to put your faith into action.

CDs of the Lessons for Life are available at The Information Centre in the Social Hall and transcripts are available at www.MCCToronto.com

Building Bridges is possible because of the abundant giving of people just like you. Gathering our gifts, we celebrate the difference God makes in people's lives through our life as community.

We celebrate an open Communion. You do not need to be a member of this church or of any church to participate in Communion.

If today is your first time in church, you are especially welcome to share in Communion. When you come forward, a server will dip the water in the juice, place it in your mouth and offer you a brief blessing like: "Rejoice that God is love and this love is with you

always." We serve only non-alcoholic wine and the waters

are 100% wheat. We celebrate a variety of understandings

about Communion and so we believe the bread and juice are

transformed in community to be spiritual nourishment for all people.

Our Volunteers make it all possible! At times in our service, you

may notice a number of people moving into position to serve. We

extend a special thank you to all who make our celebrations possible

through their gifts of time and talent today and every time we gather.

The Touch of the Holy: that's what our weekly celebrations

are all about. We pray that God's presence will remain with

you to bring you peace and you.

We Gather with Music

Welcome / Life & Work of the Congregation

One Minute Celebrations

Baptism

Blessing of Families

Hand of Friendship

❖ *Worship & Praise*

It's a Highway to Heaven

Sunrise, Sunset

Your Love is Amazing

Prayer of Invocation

Church On Fire

Special Music

Worthy to be Praised

performed by our morning choir

Lessons for Life

Beam Me Up

Rev. Paul Fairley

Special Music

Seasons of Love

Breathe

Building Bridges

Gathering Our Gifts

Our Journey of Faith

Intercessory Prayer

❖ *Jesus Prayer*

We Celebrate Connection & Transformation

Communion (in front of the altar), Anointing for Healing (against the north west wall), and Personal Intercessory Prayer (in the chapel) are offered simultaneously at this time.

Please come forward for any or all as you are moved to and please

join in singing:

Come Just As You Are

Let Us Break Bread Together

Bright Side

Sanctuary

Holy Ground Medley

Spirit of the Living God (Communion Finale)

Blessing

Closing Words

❖ *Closing Song*

Set On Freedom

Please join us in the Social Hall

Following our service, please join us for refreshments, find out about events at the Information Centre, and more!

We're with you in prayer

You can send in a prayer request in any one of four ways:

1. Through the **prayer book** in the Chapel, 2. Call (416) 406-6228 x 114,
3. Send an e-mail to: care@mccutoronto.com, or
4. Through the link on the front page of our website at:

www.mccutoronto.com