

ORDER OF WORSHIP

1st. Sunday of Advent & Holy Communion – December 2nd, 2018 – 10:30 am

*Invites you to stand, as you are able

You are invited to say or sing the bold print

PREPARATION & PRAYER

MUSICAL PRELUDE:

BRASS ENSEMBLE

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

How are you today? **We are blessed and highly favoured.**

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE OF HOPE

The Dolmage's

(Sung response – “Hope is a Star” – VU# 7, v. 1)

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Give thanks to God!

Joy is ours, for Advent has arrived.

Give thanks to Christ!

The One who makes the way ahead holy.

Give thanks to the Spirit!

The One who makes our love for one another stronger each day!

***HYMN:** VU#28 “Herald! Sound the Note of Gladness”

NEANDER

ADVENT PRAYER OF READINESS

Hewitt Holmes

THE PRAYER OF JESUS (The Lord's Prayer – Traditional): (VU, pg. 914)

Our Father (Creator), who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever, Amen.

RESPONSE: #958 “Halle, Halle, Halle”

CARIBBEAN

SILENCE

HYMN: Praise God, Praise God (Insert)

CAREY BONNER

Collier's Kids are invited to gather as the hymn is sung for a talk and prayer.

PROCLAMATION

BIBLE READING: Jeremiah 33:14-16

Larry Murray

¹⁴“‘The days are coming,’ declares the LORD, ‘when I will fulfill the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah.

¹⁵“‘In those days and at that time

I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David's line;

he will do what is just and right in the land.

¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved

and Jerusalem will live in safety.

This is the name by which it will be called:

The LORD Our Righteous Savior.’

*This is the Word of God, for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.***

MUSIC MINISTRY:

BRASS ENSEMBLE / CHRIS NESS

SERMON: "Hope in the Midst of Hopelessness"

Hewitt Holmes

PEOPLE OF FAITH

***HYMN:** VU#9 "People, Look East"

BESANCON

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation, Thanksgiving, Institution, Consecration, Re-Enactment & Distribution

(Communion will be served by Intinction. There will be three stations at the front. Please walk down the centre isles and return via the side isles. You are asked to eat as you are served)

Communion Hymn: VU# 459 "Here O My Lord"

ST AGNES

PASSING OF THE PEACE

In this advent season, as we wait, we share the peace with each other. The peace of the coming Christ be with you. **And with you also!**

WE GIVE AND CARE

Offering Music: Veni Domine

PIETRO A. YON arr. RITA ARENDZ

*Offering Response: MV#191 "What Can I do?"

WHAT CAN I DO?

What Can I do? What Can I bring? What Can I say? What Can I Sing?

I'll Sing with Joy. I'll Say a Prayer. I'll Bring my Love. I'll Do My Share.

*Offering Prayer:

Wonderful things happen through your gifts.

The lonely receive companionship.

The sick know support.

The displaced find a home.

The persecuted know they are not alone.

Children sing and laugh as they play.

Bless us and the gifts we bring to you this day, most Holy One – **Amen.**

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

LIVING GOD

PASTORAL PRAYERS

Laurie Lloyd

WE GO TO LIVE OUR FAITH

***HYMN:** VU#25 "Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending"

HELMSLEY

BLESSING:

The joy and challenges of Advent lie ahead of us.

We will meditate carefully.

We will sing out joyfully.

We will share generously.

We will stay beside the downtrodden with compassion.

We will face the powerful, directly.

And with open arms, we welcome Jesus, born to Mary at Bethlehem, giving us hope today and forever.

SENDING SONG: "Go Now in Peace"

N. Price/D. Besig

Go now in peace, never be afraid, God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know he will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen, amen, amen.¹

POSTLUDE: "We Thank You Lord"

BRASS ENSEMBLE

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HEARING ASSISTS are available from an Usher.

SCRIPTURE READERS needed for worship? Contact Hewitt or Joyce Moore.

PARKING is available in the underground building next to the Lawyers office, on the streets and in the Church parking lot. WE kindly ask you NOT TO PARK your vehicle in the marked pathway between designated accessibility parking spots. Thank you!

STAY CONNECTED...TODAY

WELCOME to worship at Collier. We are happy to have you with us. We ask our visitors to sign the book at the front main entrance. Feel free to worship the Holy One in Spirit and Truth. Please join us for a time of fellowship and refreshments in the Hall after the service. If you would like to help with purchasing supplies and serving Tea/Coffee, please speak with Joyce Moore.

INTERIM – Organist is Chris Ness & Choir Director Sharon Saint. Today we say thanks to Judy who has been working as one of our Choir Directors since Sept.

COLLIER STREET BRASS ENSEMBLE – Thanks to Rita Arendz and others for sharing their time and talents with us in the Brass Ensemble. Today is the final Sunday of playing as Collier Brass Ensemble, so we say thanks and wish the group every blessings.

Prelude Music selections:

a. Chorale Prelude on Winchester New by Alex Rowley arranged by Rita Arendz

b. When He Cometh by George F. Root arranged by Ray Steadman-Allen

c. Advent Prelude on Veni Emmanuel by Peter C. Lutkin arranged by Rita Arendz

d. My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord by John F. Tozer arranged by Rita Arendz

Communion: a. Es Ist Ein Ros' Entsprungen by Melchior Vulpuis arranged by Rita Arendz

WO-HE-LO – will be having a Christmas Pot Luck on **December 3rd @ 12:00pm** in Boardroom A. For further information contact Mabel Peyer.

AMICAE UCW will be having their last 2018 meeting at the Crazy Fox on **Wed., Dec. 5th. at 6:00pm**. This will be a lovely time of sharing good food and conversation with our Amicae friends and special guests. Looking forward to 2019 when we will continue to offer special receptions and fundraisers as well as helping with various Collier projects.

The Week of Sunday, December 2nd, 2018

SUNDAY

9:15am Friendship Bible Study – Chapel
10:15am Nursery - M6/7
10:30am Worship – Sanctuary
10:45am Collier Kids – M5
10:45am The Well – Library/Loft
1:15pm Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
7:00pm Huronia – Hall

MONDAY

10:00am Gentle Moves – Hall
12:00pm AA Pass it on – L7
1:30pm Wo-He-Lo – U10
6:00pm Rainbows – L1-10
6:45pm Jesus Walk – Hall
7:00pm CODA – Library
7:00pm Women of Recovery – L7

TUESDAY

9:30am Prayer Shawl – Lounge
9:45am New L.I.F.E Group – Library
12:00pm AA Founder's Group – L7
6:30pm Beavers – M2
7:00pm Cubs – Hall, M10
7:00pm Scouts – L10
6:30pm Beavers – M2
7:00pm Venturers – Library
7:00pm GA Serenity Group – L4
7:00pm Official Board – U10
7:30pm AA Tuesday – L7

WEDNESDAY

9:00am Eastview – Sanctuary, M5
12:00pm AA Pass it on - L7
12:00pm Al Anon – L2, L3
7:00pm Shout Sister – Chapel
7:00pm Gam Anon – L4
7:30pm Eastview – Sanctuary
8:00pm AA Fellowship Grp – L7

THURSDAY

9:30am Women's Bible Study– U12
9:30am Simcoe Comm. – M10, M11
12:00pm AA Founder's Group – L7
6:00pm Sparks – Hall
6:00pm Brownies – Hall
6:30pm Guides – L7
6:30pm Pathfinders – L8, L10
7:00pm A.A. New Freedom - Library
7:00pm Choir – M2, Sanctuary

FRIDAY

12:00pm AA Pass it on – L7
5:00pm Jesus Walk – Hall, M10
8:00pm CA Freedom – L7

SATURDAY

9:30am Meeting – L2
9:00am Table Tennis – L7, L8
10:00am GA Saturday – L4
12:30pm Concert Band – Sanctuary
7:30pm Concert Band - Sanctuary