

The Week of Sunday, December 24th, 2017

SUNDAY

9:15am Friendship Bible - Chapel
10:15am Nursery - M6/7
10:30am Worship – Sanctuary
10:45am Collier's Kids – M5
6:30pm Pageant – Sanctuary
8:30pm Candle Light Service - Sanctuary

MONDAY

CHURCH CLOSED

TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

12:00pm AA Pass it on - L7
12:00pm AI Anon – L2, L3
7:00pm Gam Anon – L4
8:00pm AA Fellowship Grp – L7

THURSDAY

12:00pm AA Founder's Group – L7
7:00pm AA New Freedom – L4

FRIDAY

12:00pm AA Pass it on – L7
8:00pm CA Freedom Group – L7

SATURDAY

9:30am Table Tennis – L7
9:30am Meeting – L2
10:00am GA Saturday – L4

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Rev. William Haughton - Coordinating Minister whaughton@collierunited.ca

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USHERS: Team 3 Joyce Moore, Barb Hake, Randy & Nancy Taylor, Peter & Linda Dean, John & Barb Boer, Allan & Joan Bell.

AV SUPPORT: Terry Tizzard

HEARING ASSISTS are available from an Usher.

DO NOT PARK your vehicle in the marked pathway between designated accessibility parking spots.

CHAPEL, located on the 2nd floor, is open for daily prayer and meditation.

MEMBERSHIP – Anyone interested in church membership is encouraged to speak with Rev. William Haughton.

A big thank you to all who have sent cards and given Christmas gifts to the staff this year. We wanted to let you know that your kindness has been acknowledged and appreciated. Merry Christmas to all. William, Hewitt, Vickie, Bryon, Valerie, Sarah, Susan, Floyd & Wayne.

STAY CONNECTED

...TODAY

Realizing that most would like to be at home with their friends and families as much as possible Dec. 24th & 31st, including our dedicated Volunteers who serve refreshments faithfully every week, there will be no refreshment hour after worship on those dates. Please join us again for after-worship conversation, friendship and refreshments on January 7th. Until then, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

2018 OFFERING ENVELOPES are now ready for pick-up. Please pick your envelopes up in the lobby today! For the first weeks of January please write your name on the outside of the envelope. Thank you.

The Church Offices will be closed the week of December 25th to the 29th.

Write PRAYER REQUESTS on a care card and place in the offering plate

...AS WE WORSHIP GOD

Date	Reading/Theme	Speaker
Dec 31 st	Luke 2:21-38	Paul Ambridge
Jan 7 th	Mark 1:1-11	William Haughton

To complete his training as a Licensed Lay Worship Leader, Paul Ambridge will be preaching and leading worship, in tandem with ministry staff, on Sunday December 31st. Please come and support Paul as he brings us the good news. Following the submission of an evaluation on his leadership experience, Paul will be eligible to be interviewed by Living Waters Presbytery to receive the Licensed Lay Worship Leader designation.

Interested in READING SCRIPTURE during worship? Contact William Haughton.

...AS WE LEARN & GROW IN FAITH

COLLIER'S KIDS – At Collier, we offer programs for children and teens (ages 0-16). **Noah's Ark** is the place for the little ones (0-2). It is opened each Sunday from 10:00 a.m. Children ages (3-16) stay in worship and leave after their time of gathering. **The Rock** (ages 3-5) and **Daniel's Den** (ages 6-9) use Godly Play Curriculum in room M5 and **The Well** (ages 10-16) uses Seasons of the Spirit in the former Library.

All children and teens are welcome whether regular in attendance or visitors. We ask parents/caregivers to sign-in and sign-out your child(ren). Our volunteers and teen helpers will assist you accordingly. We are happy to have you in our Collier's Kids family!

TEENS & YOUTH – The winter dates for the teens and youth gatherings will be **January 13, 27, February 10, 24, March 10 & 24, 2018 at the Church from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.** All teens and youth are welcome to share in these opportunities of food, fun, fellowship and faith in action. Come, link up with us. Feel free to speak with Hewitt for further information.

L.I.F.E. (Living in Faith Everyday) groups meet **Tuesdays at 9:45am** continuously throughout the year & **Thursdays at 7:00am** at Deb's Place September to the end of June. All newcomers are welcome to join the group at any time. Please contact Leona at 726-1884. The topic for this week is "New Beginnings"

Physical Exercise is good but of limited value, Godliness is very dear, a pledge of life, both there and here. (1 Timothy 4:8). So we spend some time with God and the Scriptures each day this week:

Monday, Dec. 25 – Rev. 16 Tuesday, Dec. 26 – Rev. 17

Wednesday, Dec. 27 – Rev. 18 Thursday, Dec. 28 – Rev. 19

Friday, Dec. 29 – Rev. 20 Saturday, Dec. 30 – Rev. 21

...AS WE FORM COMMUNITY TOGETHER

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP – Anyone interested in becoming a member of Collier Street United Church, please speak with one of the ministers. We want to welcome you to our Church family.

PRAYER REQUESTS - Please hold in your prayers the following (at their request): Melanie Moffat, Rid & Agnes Groves, Jim Lamont, Louise Hamilton, Carol Duckworth, Albert & Joyce Naylor.

OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES - The latest Official Board minutes are available to read on the notice board opposite Reception as well as on the Collier website.

OUTSIDE SIGN POLICY – For future events please fill out a request form and submit to the Office by Monday at 10am, 2 weeks prior to the requested date of posting. Forms can be found in the mailbox upstairs or ask at the Office.

ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED with the coffee and tea making on **Sunday's** for our fellowship after service. If you can spare a little time please speak with Will or Hewitt.

AMICAE – **Tuesday, January 3rd @ 6:30pm.** Cathey Battaglia and Derry Johnston will be hosting a movie night in the lounge. Be prepared to put up your feet and munch some popcorn. We look forward to our usual lively discussion.

The ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held on **Sunday March 4th, 2018.** Please have your Annual Report contributions into the office by **Monday, January 15th, 2018.**

...AS WE SERVE OTHERS IN NEED

COLLIER MISSION FUND - At the meeting on December 4th, members made donations of \$6,000 on behalf of members who contributed to the subject fund. Initiatives receiving donations included: Barrie Grocery Assistance Program, Barrie Native Friendship Centre, Barrie Salvation Army, Barrie Youth Haven, Canadian Bible Society, Christian Blind Mission International, Doctor's Without Borders, Emmanuel's Wish Foundation, The Gideons International in Canada, Mercy Ships, New Life Girls Home and Teen Challenge Farm. Thank you to all who support this outreach.

...AS WE SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

COLLIER'S EMAIL NEWSLETTER We are now sending occasional newsletter emails to congregants (weekly or bi-weekly) with Collier news, events and updates. We encourage you to sign up to receive these emails. You can either call the office to give them your email address, or go to the website - you can sign up right on the homepage under "Subscribe to our newsletter".

FUNDSCRIP gift cards can be purchased through the office! Simply pick up an order form from the basket on the front desk and fill it out. Return the form, with your cheque or cash, to the office. Orders will be placed every Monday and the gift cards will be available within 3-4 days.

COLLIER PROPERTY COMMITTEE is pleased to announce that our church's flat roof has been repaired. This is one of many ongoing projects supported by your generous contributions to the Looking Forward Campaign.

In addition, thanks to UCW financial support, the ventilation system in the kitchen has been upgraded.



Perfect Christmas Gift!!!!

Paint & Pastries Fundraiser

Monday, January 22nd

7 pm at Collier Street United Church

Bring out your inner Artist!

Fun Night Out with Friends!

\$50 includes all supplies

(Including the pastries!)

For tickets call 705-722-2003 or collierunited@rogers.com