

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Black History Month – Epiphany 4 – Sun., Feb. 3rd. 2019 – 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: “How Lovely is Your Dwelling Place” M. Readman

WELCOME, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

ACKNOWLEDGING THE LAND:

This morning, like many mornings, we gather in this place, built by the work of our ancestors on the traditional lands of the Haudenosaunee (Iroquois), Ojibway/Chippewa & Anishinabek First Nations.

We give thanks for all people, especially the First Nations of this land, for their grace and willingness to share, and pray that we will continue to work to build and deepen right relationship of mutual respect and love, today and always.

LIGHTING OF CHRIST’S CANDLE

(Sung response – “We are Marching” –)

**1 We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
(the light of God.)**

**We are marching, (marching, we are marching,)
oo-oo, (marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.(the light of God.)
We are marching, (marching, we are marching,)oo-oo,
(marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.**

CALLING WORDS:

You call us together.

As a Christian community from many backgrounds.

You inspire us to prayer and praise.

As brothers and sisters in the faith.

You invite us to support each other.

As compassionate friends on the journey.

(Inspired by Prayers to Share – Year C)

***HYMN:** VU#686 “God of Grace and God of Glory” CWM RHONNDA

- 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.**

OPENING PRAYER

Hewitt Holmes

RESPONSE: #958 "Halle, Halle, Halle"

CARIBBEAN

**Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

"Great peace have those who love Your law, and nothing causes them to stumble." The peace of God be with you. **And also with you!**

HYMN: "Jesus Loves the Little Children"

GEORGE F. ROOT

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

**Jesus loves the little Children,
All the children of the world.
From the East and from the West,
From the North and from the South,
Jesus loves the little Children of the world (rept. x2)**

PROCLAMATION

BIBLE READINGS: Luke 4:21-30

Larry Murray

¹ He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." ²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his lips. "Isn't this Joseph's son?" they asked. ²³ Jesus said to them, "Surely you will quote this proverb to me: 'Physician, heal yourself!' And you will tell me, 'Do here in your hometown what we have heard that you did in Capernaum.'" ²⁴ "Truly I tell you," he continued, "no prophet is accepted in his hometown. ²⁵ I

assure you that there were many widows in Israel in Elijah's time, when the sky was shut for three and a half years and there was a severe famine throughout the land. ²⁶ Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them, but to a widow in Zarephath in the region of Sidon. ²⁷ And there were many in Israel with leprosy^[a] in the time of Elisha the prophet, yet not one of them was cleansed—only Naaman the Syrian." ²⁸ All the people in the synagogue were furious when they heard this. ²⁹ They got up, drove him out of the town, and took him to the brow of the hill on which the town was built, in order to throw him off the cliff. ³⁰ But he walked right through the crowd and went on his way.

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

MUSIC MINISTRY: "Precious Lord Take My Hand" *THE CHOIR*

SERMON: "Truly I Tell You..." *Hewitt Holmes*

WE RESPOND

***HYMN:** VU#567 "Will You Come and Follow Me"(vv1-2 &5) *KELVINGROVE*

- 1 Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me?**

- 2 Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer**

in you and you in me?

**5 Christ, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you and you in me.**

WE GIVE AND CARE

Offering Music: Novelette Op. 21, No. 1 R. Schumann

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

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: *Hewitt Holmes*

We offer to you, O God.

Our gifts, for your blessing;

our talents, committed to Jesus;

our community; strengthened for service. Amen.

(Prayers to Share – Year C)

***HYMN:** VU#598 "When Pain of the World" (v. 1) CALLED TO FOLLOW

**1 When pain of the world surrounds us
with darkness and despair,
when searching just confounds us
with false hopes everywhere,
when lives are starved for meaning
and destiny is bare,
we are called to follow Jesus
and let God's healing flow through us.**

LITANY FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH

For over 200 years we have lived in a land after the transatlantic slave trade was legally abolished. For more than 40 years we have lived in a continent free of legal racial segregation. **Yet we are still thirsty for equality.**

For 30 years we have understood the injustices that keep HIV/AIDS spreading in every corner of the world including our own. **Yet we are still thirsty for compassion.**

For 20 years we have gone to workshops on "multi-culturalism", "intercultural" and tolerance. **Yet we are thirsty for acceptance.**

For 10 years we have known the importance of role models for our youth. **Yet we are still thirsty for peace on our streets.** For centuries we have cried out: ``**give us water to drink,**`` wondering if ``**the Lord is with us or not.**``

And as we asked we are now asking, God please provide us with living water of hope, so that strengthened we can continue our journey toward equality, compassion, acceptance and peace. **We hope, though thirsty, we will not be parched.**

One day our yearning will cease and our thirst will be quenched. **This is our prayer. Amen, Amen and again we say: Amen!**

(Celebrating the Journey – UCC Worship Resource for Black History Month)

THE PRAYER OF JESUS (The Lord's Prayer – Traditional):

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**

PEOPLE ON A JOURNEY

***HYMN:** VU#703 "In the Bulb There Is a Flower"

PROMISE

- 1 In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.**

- 2 There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness,
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.**

- 3 In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.**

BENEDICTION & 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.

POSTLUDE: "Praise God For This Holy Ground"

J. L. Brown

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Vickie will be away the week of February 4th.

WORSHIP SUPPORT TEAM & INFORMATION

USHERS: *Team 5 – Lynn Dolmage, Jane Craig, Sandra Roush, Larry & Sally Murray, Andrew Domashus, Murray & Carol Minshall, Barb Bassett & Nancy Clark*

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.

BIRTHDAY(S) – ANNIVERSARIES - MILESTONES

BIRTHDAYS – J.T. Crosson(Feb 4), Jennifer Saunders, Irene Tosh(Feb 6), Jack McAdam(Feb 7) & Neil McDermott(Feb 10).

BIRTHDAY SONG: Happy birthday to you, to Jesus be true.
May God's richest blessing descend upon you!

...AS WE WORSHIP GOD

February:	"Black History Month"
Feb 10th Luke 5:1-11	<i>Put Out Into the Deep</i> Hewitt Holmes
Feb 17th Jeremiah 17:5-10	<i>I Shall Not be Moved</i> Marlene Britton

...AS WE LEARN & GROW IN FAITH

DAILY READING - *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:

Mon., Feb. 4 – Mt. 22:23-46	Tues., Feb. 5 – Mt. 23:1-22
Wed. Feb. 6 – Mt. 23:23-39	Thurs., Feb. 7 – Mt. 24:1-28
Fri., Feb. 8 – Mt. 24:29-51	Sat., Feb. 9 – Mt. 25:1-30

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

TAX RECEIPTS - are available in the lobby for pick-up.

2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – The congregation AGM will be February 24th. The booklet will be available February 10th. The worship will take place in hall. Lunch will be served at 12 noon.

SESSION AND OFFICIAL BOARD POSITIONS AVAILABLE –

Would you like to serve on our team of supporting leaders starting May 2019? If you do, talk with Sharon Crossley about the 8-10 people needed for the Session and Lianne Patterson about the 4-5 people needed on the Official Board.

UCW SPRING VENDORS MARKET - We are looking for vendors to sell crafts, jewelry, delicious treats, Tupperware, beauty products, tea, clothing, antiques, kitchenware, toys, pottery etc. for our

SPRING VENDOR MARKETPLACE on Saturday March 30th Cost of a table: 8 ft - \$60.00 6 ft - \$50.00 4 ft - \$40.00. For more information please contact Terry Oram – CollierunitedUCW@bell.net or call 705-627-1833

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".

COLLIER'S KIDS & 10+ HANG OUTS continue— February 09 & 23 and March 09 & 23 – 5:30 – 7:30 pm at Collier.

Collier's Activities – Week of Sunday, February 3rd, 2019

SUNDAY

10:15am Nursery - M6/7
10:30am Worship – Sanctuary
10:45am Collier Kids – M5

MONDAY

6:45pm Jesus Walk – Hall

WEDNESDAY

6:30pm Amicae UCW - Lounge

THURSDAY

9:30am Women's Bible Study -
Lounge
7:00pm Choir – M2, Sanctuary

TUESDAY

9:30am New L.I.F.E Group –
Library
9:30am Prayer Shawl - Lounge

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

5:30pm Chili Cookoff - Hall

...AS WE FORM COMMUNITY TOGETHER

BLACK HISTORY MONTH - The celebration of February as Black History (or African Heritage) Month begins this week. Officially recognized in Canada since 1996, this is a time to honour the contributions and struggles of peoples of African descent.

Book – Christianity & Black Oppression, *Duppy Know Who Fe Frighten* by Zay Green.

Movie - Black Earth Rising (Netflix)

Training - Diversity II at Collier – February 27, 2019 – 9 to 12 noon.

MUSIC TASK FORCE – In August 2018, the Board asked Tom George, Dorothy Ramsay, Kim Hambrook, Ian Knox, Winston Blogg, Derryl Johnston and our minister Hewitt to look at meeting the short and long term music needs of the congregation. On January 22, 2019, the Board said thanks to the group for fulfilling the terms of reference. ***Thank YOU!***

UNITY UCW – will not be gathering in January or February. Watch the bulletin for more information for our March gathering.

CHILI COOK OFF – Saturday, February 9th, is our Chili Cook Off. Come and share in a sumptuous meal and help to crown this year's winner. Meal starts at 5:30 – 7pm. Tickets are available. Signup sheets are at M5. Talk with Lianne Patterson and Sharon Saint for more information.

WO HE LO UCW - next meeting will be Wednesday Feb. 13 at 2 p.m. in the Lounge.

A warm welcome to everyone who would like to join us for fellowship and worship.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH – Wednesday, February 20th @12:00pm. Tickets will be on sale Sunday the 10th & 17th. Our guest speaker will be Phillip Aubin, Community Relations Coordinator for Barrievew Retirement Community. Tickets are \$13.00.

LENTEN LUNCHESES - Mark your calendars for the **2019** Lenten Services; **Tuesday March 12, 19, 26 and April 2, 9, and 16!** Services are from **12:00 noon to 12:30 pm.** Please join us for lunch immediately following the service. The cost of lunch is \$9.00. Our Volunteer Sign-Up sheets are now posted as well as our *new* menu's...yum!

CHAPEL - located on the 2nd floor, is open for daily prayer and meditation. Communion in the Chapel will be February 10, 2019 after morning's worship.

PRAYER REQUESTS - *write on a care card and place in the offering plate.* Please hold in your prayers the following (at their request): Melanie Moffat, Rid & Agnes Groves, Louise Hamilton, Carol Duckworth, Albert & Joyce Naylor, Ruby Johnston, Shirley Dunstan & Jim Tizzard.

FACILITY RENTALS - We have the following facilities available for rent to support the needs of the community:-Church Hall, -Sanctuary, Meeting Rooms, Office Space. Available hourly, daily, weekly or monthly. Contact Vickie as indicated above.