

The Week of Sunday, February 18th, 2017

SUNDAY

9:15am Friendship Bible - Chapel
 10:15am Nursery - M6/7
 10:30am Worship – Sanctuary
 10:45am Collier's Kids – M5

MONDAY

CHURCH CLOSED
 12:00pm AA Pass It On – L7
 7:00pm Women of Recovery – L7

TUESDAY

9:00am DS Adult Grp. – L5, L6
 9:30am Prayer Shawl
 9:45am New L.I.F.E Group – U15
 12:00pm AA Founder's Group – L7
 12:00pm Lenten Lunch – Sanctuary
 12:30pm Lenten Lunch - Hall
 7:00pm Scout Group – U15
 7:00pm GA Serenity Group – L4
 7:30pm AA Tuesday – L7

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm AA Pass it on - L7
 12:00pm AI Anon – L2, L3
 12:00pm Fellowship Lunch - Hall
 6:00pm Choir School – Hall
 7:00pm 10th Barrie - Library
 7:00pm AA J&C Grp – L3
 7:00pm Shout Sister – M5
 7:00pm Gam Anon – L4
 8:00pm AA Fellowship Grp – L7

THURSDAY

7:00am Women's L.I.F.E. Group at
 Debb's Place, Huronia Rd.
 9:00am Recreational Respite – L10
 10:00am Women's Bible Study– U12
 12:00pm AA Founder's Group – L7
 12:00pm Mothercare – M2, Library
 6:00pm Guides – Hall, L7, L10, L8, L6,
 7:00pm AA New Freedom – L4
 7:00pm Choir - Chapel

FRIDAY

9:00AM DS Adult Grp. – L5, L6
 12:00pm AA Pass it on – L7
 8:00pm CA Freedom Group – L7

SATURDAY

9:30am Guide/Scout Rehearsal -
 Sanctuary
 9:30am Table Tennis – L7, L8
 9:30am Meeting – L2
 10:00am GA Saturday – L4

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 7:00pm Huronia– Hall

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

Rev. Hewitt T. Holmes – Minister - Learning and Growing in Faith
hholmes@collierunited.ca

Rev. Dr. Donald Jay - Minister Emeritus & Voluntary Associate Minister

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USHERS: Team 4 – Derryl Johnston, Ruth & Dave Wainwright, Laurie
 Crosson, Tom & Bev Stockdale, Ria Won, Peter Eddy, Cathey & Reg Battaglia

WELCOMING ELDER(S): Donna Martin AV SUPPORT: Peter Eddy

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.

STAY CONNECTED...TODAY

WELCOME to worship at Collier. We are happy to have you with us. Please
 join us for a time of fellowship and refreshments in the Hall after the service.

Along with The United Church of Canada, we continue to observe Black
 History Month.

We welcome our guest preacher today, the Reverend Deb McMillan. Deb
 lives in Hamilton and is currently serving the Cayuga-Mount Olivet Pastoral
 Charge, in Erie Presbytery. Previously, she lived in Barrie for several years,
 while serving at Trinity United Church, Vasey, and before that, Burton Ave.
 United Church. She and her partner John are huge fans of Star Wars.

We welcome again Brian Frawley, who is playing the organ and directing
 the Choir. Thank you Brian!

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

A service of COMMUNION will be held in the Chapel **following worship**.

...AS WE WORSHIP GOD

Date	Reading/Theme	Speaker
Feb 25 th	Luke 10:25-37	William Haughton
Mar 4 th	John 2:13-25	William Haughton

Interested in READING SCRIPTURE during worship? Contact William
 Haughton or Joyce Moore.

The ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held on **Sunday March
 4th, 2018**, in the Hall. Refreshments will be provided. Annual Reports are
 available beginning today.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE: The following positions will be vacant on the
 Board:, 1 Ministry & Personnel Representative, 1 Trustee, 1 Volunteer
 Representative.

...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!

Renew or order THE OBSERVER. Remit \$25 in the marked envelope on the display, in the foyer, payable to Collier Street United Church by **March 16th**

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH – **Wednesday, February 21st @12:00pm**. Tickets will be on sale Sunday the 11th & 18th. Our guest speaker is Dr. Rick Irvin M.D., CCFP, FCFP, Family/Palliative Medicine (Retired). Rick is a very enthused and informative speaker. Rev. Dick Moffat will host this meeting. Please note the cost of the luncheon has increased to \$13.00 due to the increase in minimum wage that was effective January 1st.

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 "The Blessings of Generations"

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, Feb. 19 – Mk. 1:23-45	Tuesday, Feb. 20 – Mk. 2
Wednesday, Feb. 21 – Mk. 3	Thursday, Feb. 22 – Mk. 4:1-20
Friday, Feb. 23 – Mk. 4:21-41	Saturday, Feb. 24 – Mk. 5:1-20

...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 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. The last meeting was **January 23, 2018**.

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.

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".

Lenten Series 2018

at Collier Street United Church

Worship 12:00pm

Lunch 12:30pm

Please join us for Lenten worship, Tuesdays in Lent at noon in the Sanctuary. A partnership of the United Churches in Barrie and area.

February 20th – Art Storey
Grace United Church

February 27th – Hewitt Holmes
Collier Street United Church

March 6th – David Howse
Midhurst United Church

March 13th – William Haughton
Collier Street United Church

March 20th – Phil Dallimore
Northwest Barrie United Church

March 27th – Tom Lowry
Painswick United Church

LOCAL ARTISANS AND VENDORS - We are looking for vendors to sell crafts, jewelry, delicious treats, Tupperware, beauty products, tea, clothing, antiques, kitchenware, toys, and pottery etc. for our Spring Vendor Marketplace on **Saturday March 24th**.

Cost of a table: 8 ft - \$60.00 6 ft - \$50.00 4 ft - \$40.00

For more information please contact Terry Oram - toram@sympatico.ca
705-627-1833

Don't forget about the:
23rd Annual Silent Auction
April 26, 27 and 28

If you (or someone you know) has items
for the Auction give us a call...

Kathy Michael
705-722-1688
pkmichael@sympatico.ca

TEEN & YOUTH CORNER

The place to find out what's happening in and around Collier.

The winter hangout dates and events are:

February 24 – Tobogganing @ 5:30pm

March 10 – Board Games @ 5:30pm -7:00pm at Collier

March 24 – Sleepover @ 7:00pm

April 14 – Soccer @ 5:30pm – 7:00pm at Collier

April 28 – Potluck & Basketball @ 5:30pm – 7:00pm at Collier

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.

Count Your Blessings

When upon life's billows you are tempest-tossed,
When you are discouraged, thinking all is lost,
Count your many blessings – name them one by one,
And it will surprise you what the Lord has done.

Count your blessings – name them one by one;

Count your blessings – see what God has done;

Count your blessings – name them one by one;

Count your many blessings – see what God has done.

Are you ever burdened with a load of care?

Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear?

Count your many blessings – every doubt will fly,
And you will be singing as the days go by. *Refrain*

So amid the conflict, whether great or small,

Do not be discouraged – God is over all;

Count your many blessings – angels will attend,

Help and comfort give you to your journey's end.

Refrain

Prayer of Recommitment to Justice, Equity and Peace

God of peace,
give us the courage, strength and perseverance needed,
to challenge the systems of racism,
so that we can clear a path for your justice, peace, and equity.

**We believe racism is present
in our society and in our church,
and throughout time has manifested itself in many forms and in
varying degrees.**

We know racism is alive
in our language and in our structures,
and through our systems it actively works to deconstruct your glorious
design,
blocking the path to justice, equity, and peace that Jesus brings.

Racism exists, and it challenges the gospel message that we cry.

**We cry abundant life for all, knowing that we are slowly being
suffocated by the pervasive evil of racism: some of us are
choking; some of us cannot breathe; some of us are dead.**

We cry peace,
knowing that we are the instruments of God's peace
and that such peace cannot exist without justice, equity, compassion,
and God's grace.

**We cry Emmanuel, God with us,
knowing that to God, every life matters—God is with all
people—
even though as a community and as a society
we have stated through our actions that some lives matter
more than others.**

Compassionate One,
Help us to understand how racism finds life in our hearts and in our
cries.

In this time of tense anticipation,

**may we commit ourselves to be people of your way
crying and creating a path for justice, equity, and peace
for all people in this wilderness of hatred and racism. Amen.**

*United Church of Canada, a prayer for Black History Month, by Alydia
Smith*