

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Epiphany of Jesus – January 6th. 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 “Sunrise of the New Year”

Compilations of narrative and prose

arr. CHRIS NESS

WELCOME, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

ACKNOWLEDGING THE LAND & LIGHTING OF CHRIST’S

CANDLE (Sung response – “I Am the Light of the World” – VU# 87, chorus)

GATHERING WORDS:

People of the light, come and worship.

We have the light of Christ to guide us.

People of the light, strengthen each other.

**We have the light of Christ at the heart of our faith
community.**

People of the light, know God’s love for you and with you.

**We have the light of Christ in whom God’s love is
wonderfully present.**

People of the light, come and worship.

(Responsive Prayers – David Sparks – Year C)

***HYMN:** VU#81 “As with Gladness Men of Old”

DIX

**1 As with gladness men of old
did the guiding star behold,
as with joy they hailed its light,
leading onward, beaming bright,**

**so, most gracious Lord, may we
evermore your splendour see.**

**2 As with joyful steps they sped,
to that lowly manger bed,
 there to bend the knee before
 Christ, whom heaven and earth adore;
so may we with eager pace
ever seek your throne of grace.**

**3 As they offered gifts most rare
at that manger crude and bare,
 so may we with holy joy,
 pure and free from sin's alloy,
all our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to you, our heavenly King.**

**4 Holy Jesus, every day
keep us in the narrow way;
 and, when earthly things are past,
 bring our ransomed souls at last
where they need no star to guide,
where no clouds your glory hide.**

**5 In the heavenly country bright
none shall need created light;
 you its light, its joy, its crown,
 you its sun which goes not down;
there for ever may we sing
hallelujah to our King.**

OPENING PRAYER

Laurie Lloyd

SILENCE

ASSURANCE OF CHANGE:

The Magi were wise and they were certain of their mission. They were not intimidated or fearful. They knew their journey was right and they reached their destination.

**God will go with us on our just and faithful journeys
and give us the spiritual strength to persevere.**

God will deal with our timidity and lack of confidence.

We will go forward unafraid. Amen.

PEACE AND GIVING

SUNG RESPONSE: #958 "Halle, Halle, Halle"

CARIBBEAN

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

As the recipient of light, grace, peace and hope, we share these gifts with others in our greeting. The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

HYMN: "Praise God, Praise God, all ye little children

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

1. Praise God, praise God, all ye little children,

God is love, God is love;

Praise God, praise God, all ye little children,

God is love, God is love.

2 Love God, love God, all ye little children,

God is love, God is love;

Love God, love God, all ye little children,

God is love, God is love.

**3 Thank God, thank God, all ye little children,
God is love, God is love;
Thank God, thank God, all ye little children,
God is love, God is love.**

WE GIVE AND CARE

Offering Music: "Oh Morning Star, How Fair and Bright" CHRIS NESS

*Offering Response: VU#540 "Grant Us, God, the Grace" STUTTGART

*Offering Prayer:

You give gifts of time, treasure and talents for blessing.

**We present these gifts to you, O God, bless us and
these gifts on in this New Year – may the epiphany
light make us humble to stand with the humble.**

Receive our gifts, O God and bless our time, talents and
treasures - **Amen!**

***HYMN:** VU#626 "I Heard the Voice of Jesus"

KINGSFOLD

- 1 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Come unto me and rest;
lay down, O weary one, lay down
your head upon my breast.'
I came to Jesus as I was,
weary and worn and sad;
I found in him a resting place,
and he has made me glad.**

- 2 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one,
stoop down, and drink, and live.'
I came to Jesus, and I drank
of that life-giving stream;**

**my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
and now I live in him.**

**3 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'I am this dark world's light;
look unto me, your morn shall rise,
and all your day be bright.'
I looked to Jesus, and I found
in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk
till travelling days are done.**

PROCLAMATION

BIBLE READINGS: Psalm 147:12-20 Responsive – VU, pg. 869, pt. 2)

John 1:1-9

Judy Rodger

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. **2** He was with God in the beginning. **3** Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. **4** In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. **5** The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

6 There was a man sent from God whose name was John. **7** He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. **8** He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

9 The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world.

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

MUSIC MINISTRY:

THE CHOIR

THOUGHTS TO PONDER: "What's New?"

Hewitt Holmes

WE RESPOND

***HYMN:** MV#16 "Come and Fill Our Hearts"

TAIZE COMMUNITY

**Come and fill our hearts with your peace.
You alone, O Lord, are holy
Come and fill our hearts with your peace, Alleluia!**

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Hewitt Holmes

(Response: Loving God, where will the star lead us?)

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.

PEOPLE ON A JOURNEY

***HYMN:** VU#79 "Arise, Your Light Is Come"

FESTAL SONG

- 1 Arise, your light is come!
The Spirit's call obey;
show forth the glory of your God,
which shines on you today.**

- 2 Arise, your light is come!
Fling wide the prison door;
proclaim the captive's liberty,**

good tidings to the poor.

**3 Arise, your light is come!
All you in sorrow born,
bind up the broken-hearted ones
and comfort those who mourn.**

**4 Arise, your light is come!
The mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing;
God's power will make us strong.**

COMMISSIONING:

Follow the star!

We will search for, and find, the highest good.

**We will recognize the forces of darkness, and work
against them.**

**We will be ready to acknowledge our gifts and use
them.**

Follow the star!

**We will find fulfillment within the family of Jesus, and
take the Good News to our corner of the world.**

(Responsive Prayers – David Sparks – Year C)

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: "Unbounded Spirit"

Partridge – Jane Best

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WORSHIP SUPPORT TEAM & INFORMATION

USHERS: *Team 1 - Peter Magill, Joan Fairbarn, Sue & Doug Edwards, Marnie & Phil Neale, Stephen & Susan Carrod, Frank & Sharon Crossley.*

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

HAPPY NEW YEAR! 2019 - 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 – Jennifer McDermott (Jan 2), Leonard Duckworth, Sherry Hadley, Liam Lesperance, Richard Floyd (Jan 3), Yvonne Azevedo, Andy Domashus, Anne Edwards, Arlene Milward, Larissa Strath (Jan 5), David Johnston, Mary Lou Rodgers (Jan 6), Edna Ruttan, Joyce Stratton (Jan 7), & Jack Dewsnap (Jan 12).

...AS WE WORSHIP GOD

January: "What?"

Jan 13th Isaiah 43:1-7; Luke 3:15-17 *What a Presence?*

Hewitt Holmes

Jan 20th John 2:1-11 *Christ Quenches Our Soul!*

Hewitt Holmes

...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., Jan. 7 – Mt. 6:1-18

Tues., Jan. 8 – Mt. 6:19-34

Wed. Jan. 9 – Mt. 7

Thurs., Jan. 10 – Mt. 8:1-17

Fri., Jan. 11 – Mt. 8:18-34

Sat., Jan. 12 – Mt. 9:1-17

...AS WE FORM COMMUNITY TOGETHER

POTLUCK – Congregation and friends on **January 12th at 6pm**, we will be having a great meal and fellowship in the gym. All are welcome, please bring a dish/dessert. For more information contact Leona 705-726-1884

2019 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 and watch for some *new* items on our menu...yum! Our Volunteer Sign-Up Sheets will be posted early in the New Year. Coordinators for the 2019 lunch are Joyce Moore, Lianne Patterson and Linda Wallis Dean. We look forward to your support as we work together to make the Lenten series meaningful for Collier and the community!

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

- Communion in the Chapel on January 20, 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, Jim Lamont, Louise Hamilton, Carol Duckworth, Albert & Joyce Naylor, Ruby Johnston & Shirley Dunstan.

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.

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES – Beginning this month, we are placing birthdays and anniversaries in our bulletin. That is, the name and date for each week in the month. If you believe we don't have your dates, please speak to Vickie to update our records.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL LANDS (pg. 1):

L: This morning, like many mornings, we gather in this place, built by the work of our ancestors on the traditional lands of the

Haudensaunee (Iroquois), Ojibway/Chippewa & Anishnabek First Nations.

P: 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.

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 – resumes TODAY January 06.

10+ HANG OUTS – January 12 & 26, February 09 & 23 and March 09 & 23 – 5:30 – 7 pm at Collier.

HEALING SERVICE – January 27 will be our first healing service for 2019 at 10:30 am.

The Week of Sunday, January 6th, 2019

SUNDAY

10:15am Nursery - M6/7
10:30am Worship – Sanctuary
10:45am Collier Kids – M5
7:00pm Huronia Rehearsal– Hall

MONDAY

10:00am Gentle Moves – Hall
12:00pm AA Pass it on – L7
6:45pm Jesus Walk – Hall
7:00pm CODA – Library
7:00pm Women of Recovery – L7

TUESDAY

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

7:30pm AA Tuesday – L7

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm AA Pass it on - L7
12:00pm Al Anon – L2, L3
2:15PM Wo-He-Lo UCW
7:00pm Shout Sister – Chapel
7:00pm Gam Anon – L4
8:00pm AA Fellowship Grp – L7

THURSDAY

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
8:00pm CA Freedom – L7

SATURDAY

9:00am Table Tennis – L7, L8
9:30am Meeting – L2
10:00am GA Saturday – L4
5:30pm Youth Hangout – Loft