

Today, this land is still the home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the opportunity to share this land.

LIGHTING OF CHRIST'S CANDLE

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

I am the light of the world!

You people come and follow me!

If you follow and love you'll learn the mystery

Of what you were meant to do and be.

GATHERING WORDS:

Risen in joy,

We come before you, God, and rejoice.

Risen in hope,

We come before you, God, in anticipation.

Risen in love,

We come before you, God, with thankful hearts.

Risen for the world.

We come before you, God, in solidarity with all your people

(David Sparks – Responsive Prayers – Year C)

***HYMN:** VU#213 “Rejoice, the Lord Is King”

DARWALL'S 148TH

1 Rejoice the Lord is King!

Your risen Lord adore!

**Rejoice, give thanks and sing
and triumph evermore.**

**Lift up your heart, lift up your voice:
rejoice; again I say, rejoice!**

**2 Jesus the Saviour reigns,
the God of truth and love;**

**when he had purged our sins,
he took his seat above. R**

**3 God's kingdom cannot fail;
Christ rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell
are to our Jesus given. R**

**4 Rejoice in glorious hope,
for Christ, the judge, shall come
to glorify the saints
for their eternal home.**

**We soon shall hear the archangel's voice;
the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!**

SILENCE

OPENING PRAYER

You call us from family life, from school, and from work, O God,
To the joy and inspiration of worship.

You call us from concern about our world, and concern about
ourselves, O God.

**To the joy and inspiration of Jesus Christ, the peace-
bringer.**

You call us from dwelling on our yesterdays, from dreading the
future, from counting our losses,

**To the joy and inspiration of this supportive faith
community.**

Bless our praise, bless our prayers, bless our reflections on your
Word, O God,

**That we may know new life in Jesus Christ and bring
new life to others. Amen.**

(David Sparks – Responsive Prayers – Year C)

PASSING OF THE PEACE

As an Easter people, take the moment to spread the joy and peace of Christ with those around you. The peace of Christ be with you. **And with you also!** (*Sharing of signs of peace with others*)

WE HEAR THE WORD

HYMN: "Jesus Bids Us Shine"

WARNER

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

**1. Jesus bids us shine with a clear, pure light,
Like a little candle burning in the night;
In this world of darkness, we must shine,
You in your small corner, and I in mine.**

**2. Jesus bids us shine, first of all for Him;
Well He sees and knows it if our light is dim;
He looks down from heaven, sees us shine,
You in your small corner, and I in mine.**

**3. Jesus bids us shine, then, for all around
Many kinds of darkness in this world abound:
Sin, and want, and sorrow—we must shine,
You in your small corner, and I in mine.**

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

CARIBBEAN

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

INVITATION TO OFFERING & CARE CARDS

Let us bring loaves and fish, gifts, offerings and our lives of love for the sheep of God's World.

Offering Music: What a Beautiful Name

Hillsong Worship

*Offering Response: VU#541 "Praise God From Whom" OLD 100TH

Praise God from who all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures high and low; give thanks to God in love made known: Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

*Offering Prayer

BIBLE READING: Acts 9:1-9

Larry Murray

9 Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. ³As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" ⁵"Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied. ⁶"Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." ⁷The men traveling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. ⁸Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. ⁹For three days he was blind, and did not eat or drink anything.

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

MUSIC MINISTRY: O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing CHOIR

SERMON: "Encountering Christ"

Hewitt Holmes

WE AFFIRM, SHARE & PRAY

***HYMN:** MV#122 "This Is the Day"

HARDING

This is the day that God has made;

we will rejoice and be glad! (2X)
Singing hallelu, singing hallelu, singing hallelu!
We will rejoice and be glad! (2X)

PASTORAL PRAYERS

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, Amen.

WE JOURNEY IN COMMUNITY

***HYMN:** VU#352 "I Danced in the Morning"^(w. 1-2 & 5) LORD OF THE DANCE

**1 I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
and I came from heaven and I danced on the earth;
at Bethlehem I had my birth.**

**Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the dance, said he,
and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.**

**2 I danced for the scribe and the pharisee,
but they would not dance and they would not follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
they came with me and the dance went on. R**

**5 They cut me down and I leap up high;
I am the life that will never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;
I am the Lord of the dance, said he. R**

***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: Toshima Junku arr. Tomoyan
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Hewitt will be away from May 7-20.

WORSHIP SUPPORT TEAM & INFORMATION

USHERS: Team 6 Joyce Moore, Mabel Peyer, Leona Appleby, Dorothy Ramsay, Elisabeth Weber, Marilyn King, Betty Hunter, Dan Riordan, Brian Young.

HEARING ASSISTANTS 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.

MILESTONES

BIRTHDAYS – Charlotte Dewsnap(May 7), John Boer, Biancah Roe(May 9), Helen Byles(May 10), Steve Dobo, Carol Gilchrist, Jillian Harding(May 11).

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

JESUS WALK is seeking leaders as we've lost several leaders recently. We meet every Monday night from September until June. If you feel the lord pulling you in our direction, please come and check out our group. Come and give us a try. If interested, please call Sharon Moir at 705-796-2233.

BRADFORD GREENHOUSE FUNDRAISER - We have been accepted for the Bradford fundraiser & we are counting on your participation. Just let them know at the cash register that you are collecting points for Collier Street United Church and at the end of the season we receive a gift card for garden supplies.

...AS WE FORM COMMUNITY TOGETHER

COLLIER'S KIDS & 10+ HANG OUTS continue—May 11 & 25 and June 08 & 22 – 5:30 – 7:30 pm at Collier.

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

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, Ruby Johnston, Shirley Dunstan, Jim Tizzard and Carol Warnica.

ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH is **May** in the United Church of Canada.

WO-HE-LO UCW – May 8 @ 2pm. Program info on Women and Children's Shelter/Barrie. Request \$5.00 towards cost. All are welcome. Contact Mabel mpeyer@rogers.com 705 252 8468.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH – Wednesday, May 15th @12:00pm. Tickets will be on sale Sunday the 5th & 12th. Mayor Jeff Lehman will bring his update of happenings at City Hall. You must be signed up by Monday May 13th in order to attend the luncheon. Tickets are \$13.00.

STEEPLE RENOVATIONS! We're excited to report that our Steeple facelift has begun. The parking lot will be partially blocked for approximately two weeks. Access to the wheelchair ramp can be opened upon request by calling the church at 705-726-1511. We apologize for any inconvenience and appreciate your patience. If you would like to help support the steeple project please reach out to the Looking Forward Campaign team via Laurie Crosson at 705-722-2003 or lcrosson@rogers.com. Thank you for your support.

ACTING TREASURER – On Tuesday, April 23, 2019, the Board approved the appointment of Laurie Crosson to serve as acting

Treasurer/Chair of Finance Committee for 4 months. Laurie comes to this role with many gifts after the resignation of Monica McArthur as Treasurer. We are grateful for the leadership of both Monica and Laurie.

CURTAIN CALL! Have you seen the beautiful new curtains in the church hall?! These have been purchased and installed due to the generosity of the UCW groups of Collier Street United Church. Please enjoy and thank a UCW member.

BARRIE NATIVE FRIENDSHIP CENTRE 30TH ANNUAL POW-WOW – June 1 & 2/2019. There is an opportunity to help with running the Hospitality Tent at the 30th annual pow-wow. If you are interested in helping, making a financial donation or receiving more information, please contact Colin McDonald at (705) 790-9438, or revcol@rogers.com.



Collier Street United Church now accepts debit and credit cards. We also accept online donations on our website!



...AS WE WORSHIP GOD

May: "The Christ of Easter!"		
May 12th	Asian Month Service	Eiko Hosaka
May 19th	Matthew 7:24-29 Are You Crazy?	Tom Lowry
May 26th	Acts 1:1-11 The Ascension of Christ	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., May 6 – Lk. 23:26-56

Wed. May 8 - Lk. 24:36-53

Fri., May 10 – Jn. 1:29-51

Tues., May 7 – Lk. 24:1-35

Thurs., May 9 – Jn. 1:1-28

Sat., May 11 – Jn. 2

...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".

THE LINK- The next publication of the LINK will be **May 16th**. The deadline for submissions is the **13th of May**. We welcome articles and photos of any church happenings. Please email Vickie at officeadmin@collierunited.ca or leave items in her mail box.

Collier's Activities – Week of Sunday, May 5th, 2019

SUNDAY

9:15am Friendship Bible -
Chapel

10:15am Nursery - M6/7

10:30am Worship –
Fellowship Hall

10:45am Collier Kids – M5

WEDNESDAY

2:00pm Wo-He-Lo - Lounge
7:00pm Shout Sister – M5

THURSDAY

9:30am Women's Bible Study -
Lounge

7:00pm Choir – M2, Sanctuary

MONDAY

6:45pm Jesus Walk – Hall
7:00pm Session - Sanctuary

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

TUESDAY

CAMP AWESOME 2019

THE LEADER IN ME

**GAMES. CRAFTS. MUSIC. STORIES. FUN.
ADVENTURE.**

ALL CHILDREN AGES 5 -12
Are Welcome!

LOCATION

Collier Street United Church,

112 Collier Street United Church, Barrie Ont.

DATE

July 22-26, 2019

TIME

Mon-Thur 9 am – 4 pm

Friday 9 am – 12 noon

COST

\$125 (bring your bag lunch)

CONTACT TO REGISTER

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