

ORDER OF WORSHIP

13th Sunday of Pentecost, September 8th, 2019 – 10:30 am

*Invites you to stand, as you are able

You are invited to say or sing the bold print

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

MUSICAL PRELUDE: "March"(from the Overture to the Occasional Oratorio) G.F. HANDEL

WELCOME, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

ACKNOWLEDGING THE LAND*:

As we begin this worship, we acknowledge this land on which Collier Street United Church exists for thousands of years has been the traditional land of the Haudenosaunee (Iroquois), Ojibway/Chippewa & Anishinabek First Nations – Treaty 16.

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.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

You know us so well, O God!

Working or resting, praising or praying, it's nothing new to you.

Ahead of us and behind us, you are with us all our life.

Beyond our understanding, yet for us and with us, all the time.

Creator of us and our world, inspiration of all our days,
we worship and adore you!

(Prayers to Share – Year C – David Sparks)

***HYMN:** VU#220 “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” LOBE DEN HERREN

- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, who rules all creation;
O my soul, praise him, at all times your health
and salvation.
Come, all who hear:
brothers and sisters draw near,
joining in glad adoration.**

- 2 Praise to the Lord, above all things so mightily reigning,
keeping us safe at his side, and so gently sustaining.
Have you not seen
how all you needed has been
met by God's gracious ordaining?**

- 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath come now with praises before
him!
Let the Amen
sound from God's people again:
gladly with praise we adore him.**

OPENING PRAYER

SUNG RESPONSE: VU# 958 “Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”
**Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

CARIBBEAN

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Lord gives strength and peace. The peace of God be with you.
And with you also! *(Sharing of signs of peace with others)*

SILENCE

HYMN VU#357 "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"

STORIES OF JESUS

**1 Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear,
things I would ask him to tell me if he were here:
scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea,
stories of Jesus, tell them to me.**

**5 Show me that scene in the garden of bitter pain;
and of the cross where my Saviour for me was slain.
Sad ones or bright ones, so that they be
stories of Jesus, tell them to me.**

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

WE GROW AS GOD'S PEOPLE

BIBLE READING: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

Richard Moffat

¹ O LORD, you have searched me and known me. ² You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. ³ You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. ⁴ Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely. ⁵ You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. ⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

¹³ For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. ¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

¹⁵My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. ¹⁶Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed. ¹⁷How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! ¹⁸I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end—I am still with you.

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

MUSIC MINISTRY: "Lead Me, Lord"

CHOIR

SERMON: "The Saying"

Hewitt Holmes

WE RESPOND AS GOD'S PEOPLE

A PRAYER OF BEING PREPARED:

Living God, you call us to be prepared. Are we ready? Ready to put what is past in the past?

We are prepared to remember past setbacks, but move on ...*silence...*

We are prepared to face the demands that test us directly.

We are prepared to face those with whom we do not see eye to eye with openness.

We are prepared to face both joy and sorrow, with the strength that our Christian faith gives.

We are ready to walk the journey of life, knowing you are with us, we are not alone,

Thanks be to God, ...*silence...*

(Prayers to Share – Year C – David Sparks)

***HYMN:** VU#560 "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

MARYTON

**1 O Master, let me walk with thee
in lowly paths of service free;**

**teach me thy secret, help me bear
the strain of toil, the fret of care.**

**2 Help me the slow of heart to move
with some clear, winning word of love;
teach me the wayward feet to stay,
and guide them in the homeward way.**

**3 Teach me thy patience; still with thee,
in closer, dearer company,
in work that keeps faith sure and strong,
in trust that triumphs over wrong,**

INVITATION TO OFFERING & CARE CARDS

Offering Music: "Air"

Jonathan Battishill

*Offering Response: VU#541 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

**Praise God from whom 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:

God, beyond our realized talents and abilities,

You call us to act.

Way beyond our boundaries of community,

You call us to serve.

Beyond our conventional understanding of life and giving,

You call us to give.

Bless all our gifts given today and through PAR,

In the name of your supreme gift, Jesus. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYERS

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

WE GO TO BE GOD'S PEOPLE IN COMMUNITY

***HYMN:** VU#215 "Hope of the World"

DONNE SECOURS

- 1 Hope of the world, O Christ of great compassion,
speak to our fearful hearts by conflict rent;
save us, your people, from consuming passion,
who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.**

- 2 Hope of the world, God's gift from highest heaven,
bringing to hungry souls the bread of life,
still let your Spirit unto us be given
to heal earth's wounds and end its bitter strife.**

- 5 Hope of the world, O Christ, o'er death victorious,
who by this sign has conquered grief and pain,
we would be faithful to your gospel glorious.
You are our Lord! You shall forever reign.**

***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 God 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 reaching out in love.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen, Amen, Amen.**

POSTLUDE: "Trumpet Tune"

David German

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...OUR MINISTRY STAFF

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Bryon will be away September 17-20.

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.*

WELCOMING ELDER: *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

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. Today, we welcome back John Charles as our guest organist.

MILESTONES



BIRTHDAYS – Tim Lyte(Sep. 9), Mike Cromwell, Lucas Woolner(Sep. 10), Anne Snell(Sep. 11), Mary Lord(Sep. 12), Jennifer Vallance, Jackson Elliott(Sep. 14), Carson Manuel(Sep. 15).

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

...AS WE FORM COMMUNITY TOGETHER

AV TEAM EXPANDING! - Get in on the ground floor of the most interesting committee in the church. With our new AV equipment, we're expanding our team. Full training will be provided. Please contact Terry Tizzard - t_tizzard@yahoo.com or 705 726 3647 or drop by the A/V booth on Sunday.

PRAYER SHAWL -September 10th at 9:30am in the Lounge. All skill levels welcome.

COLLIER'S KIDS VOLUNTEERS Help need immediately to teach and stay with children during Collier's Kids on Sundays in M5 and the Loft. Feel free to talk to Hewitt before or on **September 8th**.

WO-HE-LO UCW will be holding their meeting on Wed. **Sept 11th** at 2p.m.

THE LINK- The next publication of the LINK will be **Sept. 22nd**. The deadline for submissions is the **15th of Sept.** We welcome articles and photos of any church happenings. Please email Vickie at officeadmin@collierunited.ca or leave items in her mailbox.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH – Wednesday, **September 18th** @ 12:00pm. Tickets will be on sale Sunday the 8th & 15th. Our guest speaker will be Jennifer Lehman. Tickets are \$13.00.

ORANGE SUNDAY – The United Church of Canada celebrates **September 30** as Orange Shirt Day this year. We invite you to wear orange on **Sept. 29th** to remember and honour all the Indigenous children who went to Residential School and those who died at School. We wear orange to show compassion.

NEW MEMBERS – On Sunday, **September 29th**, we will receive person(s) in full membership of Collier Street and by extension the United Church of Canada. Hewitt will be having a preparation meeting on **Sept. 16th** at 7 pm at Collier. Feel free to let Hewitt, the office or Marilyn King (Session) know if you are interested in taking this step of faith on your Christian journey.

COLLIER'S TABLE – Sat. Oct. 19th At this time in our community there are many who live below the poverty line. This event is our way of helping to support those in need of a good meal . Your donations of desserts, scalloped potatoes and fruit, as well as your help to host dinner are needed. Sign-up sheets are posted outside M5. Everyone is welcome and your assistance will make this a success and extends our Collier welcome to community members! If you have any questions or need more information, please contact me. Lianne Patterson, **Collier's Table** Coordinator

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, Carol Warnica & Steve Tilleczek.

WHY *ACKNOWLEDGE TRADITIONAL TERRITORY?

In order to promote mutual respect, peace, and friendship, the 40th General Council 2009, encouraged the recognition of Traditional Territory of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples at the gatherings of the courts and pastoral charges of The United Church of Canada.

We acknowledge the land and the peoples who have traditionally called it home. We do so to continue to live out the church's Apologies to the First Peoples of North America and supports our call to others to pay respect to Indigenous peoples. It is one of the ways we continue the work of right relations between indigenous people and others.

...AS WE WORSHIP GOD

September: "The Messages of the Psalms."

Sept. 15	Psalm 14	The Covenant	Hewitt Holmes
Sept. 22	Psalm 79:1-9	The Salvation	Hewitt Holmes
Sept. 29	Psalm 91	The Refugee	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., Sept. 9 – 2 Cor. 2

Tues., Sept. 10 – 2 Cor. 3

Wed. Sept. 11 – 2 Cor. 4

Thurs., Sept. 12 – 2 Cor. 5

Fri., Sept. 13 – 2 Cor. 6

Sat., Sept. 14 – 2 Cor. 7

CHAPEL - located on the 2nd floor, is open for daily prayer and meditation. Communion in the Chapel will be September 15, 2019 after morning's worship.

...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".

Collier's Activities – Week of Sunday, September 8th, 2019

<p>SUNDAY 9:15am Friendship Bible - Chapel 10:15am Nursery - M6/7 10:30am Worship – Sanctuary 10:45am Colliers Kids – M5</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY 2:00pm Wo-He-Lo UCW - Lounge</p> <p>THURSDAY 9:30am Women's Bible Study – Lounge 6:30pm Wedding Rehearsal - Sanctuary 7:00pm Choir – M2, Sanctuary 7:00pm Refugee Committee - Lounge</p>
<p>MONDAY 7:00pm Session – M5, U10, U1</p> <p>TUESDAY 9:30am Prayer Shawl - Lounge</p>	<p>FRIDAY 4:00pm Wedding - Sanctuary</p> <p>SATURDAY</p>