

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Baptism of Jesus Christ, Sunday, January 12th, 2020 – 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: "Pastoral Symphony"(from "The Messiah")-Handel

John Charles

WELCOME, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

'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.**

WE PRAISE AND PRAY

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Let us journey to the Jordan River.

**And stand with the crowds who confess their sins, and
are baptized by John.**

And watch with awe as Jesus comes to be baptized.

And realize our responsibility as members of the

"Community of the Baptized."

Let us worship with joy and give glory to God's name and ways!

(Taught By Love – Lavon Baylor – Year A)

***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.

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

Hewitt Holmes

QUIET REFLECTIONS

SUNG RESPONSE: VU# 958 "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah" CARIBBEAN
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Welcome one another as Christ welcomes you. Share the light and life that Christ gives to us as we pass the peace of Christ with each other.

WE GROW AS GOD'S PEOPLE

HYMN: VU#100 "When Jesus Comes to be Baptized" WINCHESTER NEW

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

- 1 When Jesus comes to be baptized,
he leaves the hidden years behind,
the years of safety and of peace,
to bear the sins of humankind.**

- 2 The Spirit of the Lord comes down,
anoints the Christ to suffering,
to preach the word, to free the bound,
and to the mourner, comfort bring.**

- 5 We praise you, God, source of all life,
we praise you, Christ, eternal Word,
we praise you, Spirit, gracious gift;
your triune presence fills our world.**

BIBLE READINGS: Acts 4:32-35 & Matthew 3:13-17 Anne Snell

32 All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. 33 With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all 34 that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales 35 and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.

¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. ¹⁴ But John tried to deter him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" ¹⁵ Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness." Then John consented. ¹⁶ As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the

water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷ And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."

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

MUSIC MINISTRY: "The Three Kings"
COLLIER CHOIR (*soloist – Ian Knox*)

SERMON: "The Power to Belong" *Hewitt Holmes*

WE REMEMBER OUR BAPTISM

* **HYMN:** MV# 1 "Let Us Build a House" HAUGEN

(During the singing of this hymn, people will come to the front and dip finger into the baptismal font and make a cross on the forehead or in the palm)

**Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
*All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.***

**Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;**

here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:

***All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.***

**Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.**

**Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:**

***All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.***

OFFERING INVITATION

How can we share the message that God is impartial that justice, peace and belonging are God's intention for all creation.

**We combine our individual efforts through the church,
joining in programs, projects, and outreach that reflect
God's light into the world.**

Our gifts of gratitude are one way of sharing, so we give!

(Lavon Baylor – Taught By Love – Worship Resources – Year A)

OFFERING & CARE CARDS

Offering Music: "O Sanctissima"(Sicilian Melody) arr. Diane Bish

John Charles

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

**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

HYMN: VU#299 "Teach Me God to Wonder"

MCNAUGHT

**1 Teach me, God, to wonder, teach me, God, to see;
let your world of beauty capture me.**

*Praise to you be given, love for you be lived,
life be celebrated, joy you give.*

**2 Let me, God, be open, let me loving be;
let your world of people speak to me.**

*Praise to you be given, love for you be lived,
life be celebrated, joy you give.*

PRAYERS FOR OURSELVES & OTHERS

WE GO TO BE GOD'S PEOPLE IN COMMUNITY

***COMMISSIONING:**

We go remembering the common ties that hold us in baptism!

Our common participation in the community of faith.

Our common talents to meet those in need.

In the power of the Holy Spirit, we go to be and become God's
community!

(Taught By Love – Lavon Baylor – Year A)

***HYMN:** VU#420 "Go to the World"

SINE NOMINE

1 Go to the world! Go into all the earth.

**Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth,
baptising as the sign of our rebirth.**

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

**3 Go to the world! Go struggle, bless and pray;
the nights of tears give way to joyous day.**

**As servant Church, you follow Christ's own way.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

**4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,
for I am with you 'til the age shall end,
when all the hosts of glory cry 'Amen!'
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

***CLOSING SONG:** "You Shall Go Out With Joy" TREES OF THE FIELD
**You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; the
mountains and the hills will break forth before you; there'll be
shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap,
will clap their hands! And all the trees of the field will clap
their hands, (clap, clap) the trees of the field will clap their
hands, (clap, clap) the trees of the field will clap their
hands (clap, clap) while you go out with joy.**

POSTLUDE: "Christmas Medley" (arr. Whitworth) John Charles
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...OUR MINISTRY STAFF

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Hewitt will be away from February 1- 28, 2020.

WORSHIP SUPPORT TEAM & INFORMATION

USHERS: Team 6 –Joyce Moore, Mabel Peyer, Leona Appleby, Marilyn King, Betty Hunter, Dan Riordan.

COLLIER'S KIDS – Judy Robertson, Robin Milani, Elizabeth Chevrefils.

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!***

ACKNOWLEDGING OF THE LAND

Collier Street United Church acknowledges that long before those of us who are settlers, and those of us who are descendants of settlers, came to this land, there were people here. We know these First Nations peoples were Haudenosaunee (Iroquois), Ojibway/Chippewa & Anishinabek, who made Treaty 16 possible.

Today, as a community of faith, we seek to be good stewards and give thanks for this land and our commitment to live in right relations with all peoples.

...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 guest organist.



MILESTONES BIRTHDAYS – Jack Dewsnap (Jan. 12), Judy Rodger Swales, Brynn Murphy (Jan. 13), Bonnie Jermeay, George Lavar (Jan. 14), Terry Tizzard, Abby Marshall, Aiden Stranberg, Jaxon Hartwick (Jan. 15), Jeff Cooke (Jan. 16), & Ryan Dolmage (Jan. 18).

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

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH – Wed., Jan. 15th at 12pm. Our guest speaker will be from the YWCA. Tickets are \$13.00 and are on sale Sundays and in the office during the week.

COLLIER CHOIR is seeking individuals from 14 to 94 years young to join the choir. If you are a student seeking community hours this would be a great way to earn your time. If you play an instrument even better! We can use you!

Choir Practice is Thursday nights from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Sunday morning choir call 9:30 am, church service 10:30 am. We welcome Guest Vocalists any Sunday. Drop in any Thursday and join us for the evening! Check us out!

Looking for someone that could volunteer to teach guitar to a small group, or if you know someone that could give a couple of hours per week. interested speak with Sharon Saint after service.

JANUARY 2020 – WEDNESDAY OFFICE HOURS – The Administrator will be unavailable but in the building on Wednesdays, from January 8th. The best way to connect is by telephone message or email. Thanks for your patience and understanding (M & P).

SESSION AND OFFICIAL BOARD POSITIONS AVAILABLE – Would you like to serve on our team of supporting leaders starting May 2020? If you do, talk with Sharon Crossley about the 5-7 people needed for the Session, Lianne Patterson about the 3-4 people needed on the Official Board and Marg Valad about 2 people as Trustees.

PRAYER MINISTRY – *As you pray this week of January 2020, please pray for the following families of the Collier family: Beatty, Bell,*

Bemrose, Best, Black, Blackburn, Blogg, Boake, Boddy, Boer, Boudreau, Bouman, Bouse, Bristow, Broley. Also pray for the Shelters in Barrie.

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, Steve Tilleczek, Gerard Vansaarloos.

PRAYER IN THE CHAPEL - *January 14 at 12 – 1 pm. Come with your prayer requests and prayers.*

...SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING BOOKLET – We are ready to capture the happenings of 2019 in our AGM booklet. Please submit your articles to Vickie by January 17 via email at officeadmin@collierunited.ca. We are hoping to have the booklet ready for end of month. Thanks much.

LENTEN SERVICES AND LUNCHESES – *The Prayer of Jesus is the focus of this year's Lenten series starting Tuesday March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 and April 7! 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, soup and sandwiches. We look forward to your support as we work together to make the Lenten series meaningful for Collier and the community!*

FOOD BANK ITEMS - *Please remember to bring items for the Foodbank and place in the bins. We are reminding persons to check the expiry date. Thanks again for your kindness.*



...AS WE WORSHIP GOD

January: "The Power to ..."

Jan. 19	Acts 16:1-5	<i>The Power to Make A Difference</i>	Hewitt Holmes
Jan. 26	Luke 24:44-53	<i>The Power to Look Up</i>	Hewitt Holmes

February is Black History Month

Preachers will be Rev. Marlene Britton and Rev. Dr. Japhet Ndhlovu

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".

...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. 13 – Mt. 9:18-38	Tues., Jan. 14 – Mt. 10:1-20
Wed. Jan. 15 – Mt. 10:21-42	Thurs., Jan. 16 – Mt. 11
Fri., Jan. 17 – Mt. 12:1-23	Sat., Jan. 18 – Mt. 12:24-50

CHAPEL - located on the 2nd floor, is open for daily prayer and meditation. Communion in the Chapel will be January 26, 2020, after morning's worship.

Collier's Activities – Week of Sunday, January 12th, 2020

<p>SUNDAY 9:15am Friendship Bible - Chapel 10:15am Nursery - M6/7 10:30am Worship – Sanctuary 10:45am Colliers Kids – M5 2:00pm Celebration of Life - Hall</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY</p> <p>THURSDAY 9:30am Women's Bible Study - Lounge 7:00pm Choir – Library</p>
<p>MONDAY</p> <p>TUESDAY 9:30am Prayer Shawl – Lounge</p>	<p>FRIDAY</p> <p>SATURDAY</p>

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