



COLLIER
—CENTRED—
with God • in Barrie • on You

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, January 12th, 2025 – 10:30 am

*You are invited to say or sing the bold print

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

MARG WARNICA

WELCOME & NEWS

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

LIGHTING OF CHRIST CANDLE

LOIS BROWN

RESPONSE: VU #220 “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”(v.1&3)

LOBE DEN HERREN

WE PRAISE AND PRAY

^CALL TO WORSHIP:

One: With unfailing love, God calls us by name.

All: We long to be known and seek relationship with God.

One: It is here where we find refuge, comfort and encouragement.

All: We are happy to be here in the company of friends.

One: We come to listen, learn, and pray. Let us worship God!

^OPENING PRAYER

MISSION AND SERVICE STORY

Our mission and service work helps empower local churches around the world to minister “in Jesus’ name” to children and families in need, regardless of their religious beliefs. That’s what Jesus did and would want us to do. Regardless of where we live, we all share and celebrate life, music, education and what it means to be human together. The United Church partners with other Christian churches under the name of several programs such as one called “Compassion” just as other denominations do. The goal is to work together to help provide programs to meet the cognitive, physical,

social-emotional and spiritual needs of the children. In this way, the church shares Christ's love with its neighbours regardless of differences in background, belief, ethnicity or religion. Yes, the worship in the 29 countries we help serve, is a little bit different, but this diversity is a wonderful picture of what we can accomplish together. Your gift to Mission and Service supports mutual learning and shared initiatives in global relationships so that more may have life and have it abundantly.

ANTHEM: The Three Kings -- Peter Cornelius arr. Cunningham

Soloist: Ian Knox

WE GROW TOGETHER

^WORDS FROM SCRIPTURE: Psalm 29 VU#756 and Luke 3:15-17, 21-22
Let us listen to hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church...

LOIS BROWN

(to be sung by the choir first, followed by the congregation)

Refrain: Glory, glory, glory to our God.

One: Ascribe to God, you powers of the heaven,
ascribe to God all glory and strength!

**All: Ascribe due honour to God's holy name,
and worship in the beauty of holiness. R**

One: God's voice is over the waters----
God's glory thundering across the great waters.

**All: God's voice is power,
God's voice is full of majesty.**

One: God's voice shatters the cedars,
splinters the cedars of Lebanon.

**All: God's voice makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
Mount Hermon stampede like a wild young bull.**

One: God's voice forks into tongues of fire,
God's voice shakes the wilderness,
sets trembling the wilderness of Kadesh.

**All: God's voice causes the oaks to whirl,
stripping the forest bare;**

and in the temple all cry: Glory! R

One: God sits enthroned above the waters,

All: God is enthroned as sovereign forever.

One: You give strength to your people, O God.

All: Now give to your people the blessing of peace. R

SERMON: "Remember Your Baptism"

LOIS BROWN

HYMN: MV #161 "I Have Called You by Your Name"

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY HYMN: VU#701 "What Does the Lord Require of You"

MOON

(Choir will sing the hymn through once, followed by the congregation singing any line they choose)

BLESSING OF THE OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

WE GO TO BE GOD'S PEOPLE IN COMMUNITY

^HYMN: VU #375 "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"(v.1,3,4)

SPIRIT OF GENTLENESS

^BENEDICTION:

Lois Brown

Let us go from here assured that God's water is sacred, for it empowered Jesus' ministry in the Jordan River. It gives us life and nurtures new life.

SUNG BLESSING: VU # 376 "Spirit of the Living God".

LIVING GOD

POSTLUDE: Festive Noël arr Whitworth

John Charles

(We remain grateful for the offerings given today and electronically)

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Welcome to Worship at Collier Street United Church.

We are glad you have joined us today in person and online, our worship leaders are:

Rev. Lois Brown - Guest Worship Leader/Preacher

John Charles (Music Director) & Senior Choir – Music leadership

Terry Tizzard – Audio & Visual Projections