

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Nineteenth Sunday of Pentecost, October 03rd 2021 – 10:30 am

Stewardship Month & Holy Communion!

*You are invited to say or sing the **bold print**

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Honor Yahweh with your possessions and with the first produce of your entire harvest. – Proverbs 3:9

ORGAN PRELUDE: “Toccata Energico” by Lani Smith

Sandra Ruttan

CENTERING AROUND THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Hewitt Holmes

Response: VU #87 I Am the Light of the World (chorus)

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Today, as we gather in person and from outside the sanctuary as Collier Street United Church, we acknowledge 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 Treaties 16 & 18 possible.

Hewitt Holmes



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.

WELCOME & NEWS

Hewitt Holmes

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

WE PRAISE AND PRAY

Let everything that has breath praise God. Praise Yahweh!

^WORDS FOR THE GATHERED:

You call us to worship,

we come with our time and treasures.

You inspire us to praise,

As we sing songs, pray, read scripture and reflect on YOU!

You call us to the Communion table,

As we eat the bread, as we drink the wine, as we renew our commitment to give our time for the sake of Christ love.

You call us to worship, O God!

Prayers to Share – Year B – David Sparks)

*HYMN: VU#265 “Creating God, Your Fingers Trace” v.1,2,3
Sandra Ruttan/Members of the Choir

^A PRAYER OF ASPIRATION Hewitt Holmes

SILENCE

^WORDS FOR THE RENEWED:

We follow Jesus who gave his time to serve others.

We follow the way of love and compassion in the world.

**We are grateful for the time God spends in renewing and restoration
our image and relationships making us
co-creators of peace, justice, joy, today and always!**

SUNG RESPONSE: VU 958 “Halle, Halle, Halle” VIRTUAL CHOIR

WE GROW IN THE FAITH & PRAY

Based on the gift each one has received, use it to serve others, as good managers of the varied grace of God. – 1 Peter 4:10

^WORDS FROM SCRIPTURE: Romans 13:11-14 (Inclusive Bible) Robin Milani

Let us listen to hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church...

¹¹ Besides, you know the time in which we are living. It is now the hour for you to wake from sleep, for our salvation is closer than when we first accepted the faith.

¹² The night is far spent; the day draws near. So let us cast off deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.

¹³ Let us live honorably as in daylight, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual excess and lust, not in quarreling and jealousy.

¹⁴ Rather, clothe yourselves with our Savior Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the desires of the night.

This is life-giving Word, for the People of God. Thanks be to God!

THOUGHTS TO PONDER: “Stewardship of Time” Hewitt Holmes

Every generous act and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Yahweh’s lights; with Yahweh there is no variation or shadow cast by turning. – James 1:17

SILENCE

WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

(Touchless Communion for those in the sanctuary – those online will have their own elements of bread/crackers and wine/water ready)



THE STORY & PRAYER

In this uncertain time,

We gather in person and virtually to share in Communion.

We remember that on the night which Jesus was betrayed,

He sat at supper with his disciples.

While they were eating, he took a piece of bread, said a blessing,

broke it and gave it to them with the words,

“This is my body. It is broken for you.

Do this to remember me.”

Later, Jesus took a cup of wine, saying,

This cup is God's new covenant,

Sealed with my blood.

Drink from it, all of you, to remember me.”

Holy One, as we break the bread and drink from the cup today, remind us that we do not do so in isolation.

We are part of a universal and diverse Church that crosses every line the world uses to divide us. In the name of eternal love we pray – Amen.

Eat the bread and wine together as music is played.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

Hewitt Holmes

WE GO TO BE GOD'S PEOPLE IN COMMUNITY

And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

^HYMN: VU#260 "God Who Gives to Life Its Goodness"

Sandra Ruttan/Members of the Choir



^WE GO WITH A BLESSING

Hewitt Holmes

CLOSING SONG: VU#884 "You Shall Go Out"

VIRTUAL CHOIR

POSTLUDE: "Praise to the Lord the Almighty" by Larry Shackley

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