



WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Third Sunday of Pentecost, June 19th, 2022 – 10:30 am

Father's Day / Teen Challenge / Indigenous Month

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



God, our refuge and our hope come among us today to give us energy and purpose.

HYMN REQUEST: VU 288 Great is Thy Faithfulness

ORGAN PRELUDE: “Day of Gladness” by T. Chesterton

SANDRA RUTTAN

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Collier Street United acknowledges that we are situated on the traditional land of the Anishinaabeg people. The Anishinaabeg include the Ojibwe, Odawa, and Pottawatomi nations, collectively known as the Three Fires Confederacy, who made treaties 16 & 18 possible.

Hewitt Holmes



Today, as a community of faith, we commit to honouring the history and culture of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit.

We move forward in a spirit of reconciliation and good relations with all peoples.

LIGHTING OF THE WORSHIP CANDLE

Hewitt Holmes

RESPONSE: MV #6 “Holy Spirit, Come into Our Lives” chorus, v.1, chorus

SANDRA RUTTAN /CHOIR

WELCOME & NEWS

Hewitt Holmes

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

WE PRAISE AND PRAY

Move us beyond the discipline of the law to the discipleship of faith.

SILENCE

^WORDS FOR THE GATHERED:

Hewitt Holmes

We have come to worship.

God's great love has called us here.

A love to challenge us,

a love to reassure us,

a love to strengthen us,

a love to work with us,

a love to inspire us,

a compassionate love.

We have come to worship.

God's Love will encounter us here.



(Responsive Prayers by David Sparks, Year C - Edited)

^A PRAYER OF ADORATION AND RENEWAL

Hewitt Holmes

*HYMN: VU 244 "Sing Your Praise to God Eternal"

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WORDS OF SECOND CHANCE:

Hewitt Holmes

God is ready to pardon and equip us for new life.

Wounded spirits are restored to wholeness.

Enemies can become friends.

We can grow in faith and love.

We can overcome struggles and addictions.

God puts a song on our lips and confidence in our hearts.

God makes us co-creators of hope, life, and love.

(Gathered by Love by Lavon Bayler, Year C)

RESPONSE: MV #160 "There's a River of Life" by Jonathan Maracle (Mohawk)

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WE GROW TOGETHER

Free us from the shackles of fear and a sense of failure that keep us from stepping bravely into your future.

^WORDS FROM SCRIPTURE: 1 Kings 8:22-24; Luke 18:1-8 (Inclusive Bible)

Dick Moffat

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

²² Then Solomon stood before the altar of God in the presence of the whole assembly of Israel, with hands spread out to heaven.

²³ and said, “YHWH, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above and on the earth below—keeping your Covenant of love with your servants who continue wholeheartedly to be faithful to you with all their hearts.

²⁴ You kept your promise to your servant David; by your deeds today, you fulfill what you said to David in words.

¹⁸⁻¹ Jesus told the disciples a parable on the necessity of praying always and not losing heart:

² “Once there was a judge in a certain city who feared no one—not even God.

³ A woman in that city who had been widowed kept coming to the judge and saying, ‘Give me legal protection from my opponent.’

⁴ For a time the judge refused, but finally the judge thought, ‘I care little for God or people,

⁵ but this woman won’t leave me alone. I’d better give her the protection she seeks, or she’ll keep coming and wear me out!’”

⁶ Jesus said, “Listen to what this corrupt judge is saying.

⁷ Won’t God then do justice to the chosen who call out day and night? Will God delay long over them?

⁸ I tell you, God will give them swift justice. “But when the Promised One comes, will faith be found anywhere on earth?”

*This is Life-giving Word for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.***

TEEN CHALLENGE PRESENTATION

“Who We Are?” “The Journey” & Get Help Today”

PIANO ANTHEM: “Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me”

by J. Robinson, R. Thompson, M. Farren arr. T. Craig McKibben

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WE RESPOND TOGETHER

We are not alone but are part of a great company of your faithful people of every nation and tongue.

OFFERING & PASTORAL PRAYER PATTERNS

Hewitt Holmes

THE PRAYER OF JESUS (Caribbean Version with inclusive language)

WE GO TO BE GOD'S COMMUNITY

*Our hope is in God, who gives us life and identity.
Our help is from God, who is in covenant with us.*

HYMN: MV #182 "Grateful"

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BENEDICTION

Hewitt Holmes

^CLOSING BLESSING: MV#217 "Hey Ney Yana" by Brooke Medicine Eagle

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PIANO POSTLUDE: "On Eagle's Wings" arr. Larry Shackley

SANDRA RUTTAN

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:

Hewitt Holmes – Minister/Worship leader

Teen Challenge – Presenters

Sandra Lisa Ruttan – Music Director

Senior Choir – Music leadership

Terry Tizzard and Mark Sporich – Audio & Visual Projections

Indigenous Artifacts on Display



June is Indigenous month in the United Church. Anne Goddard, a worshipper at Collier, has generously contributed the artifacts and helped set up the display you see in the sanctuary and foyer this morning. Anne has been involved with Indigenous people across Canada and, to her, the displayed items reflect sacredness and unity with the Creator. Cedar has been widely used in the display, and it, along with sweet grass, sage and tobacco represents healing. Migwetch, Anne.