

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

*“Good News touches us as we worship this morning;
The limits we place on ourselves are gone.”*

ORGAN/TRUMPET PRELUDE: “Highland Cathedral” by U. Roever and M. Korb arr. T.H. Graf

CENTERING AROUND THE LIGHT OF CHRIST:

Response: VU #87 “I Am the Light of the World” chorus

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Hewitt Holmes



We acknowledge with respect the history, spirituality, and culture of the people with whom the Three Fires Confederacy: the Ojibwe, Odawa, and Pottawatomi nations, was agreed upon.

We accept our responsibility as Treaty people on this territory wherein Collier Street United resides.

We honor the heritage and stewardship of this land.

As we gather to worship and work at Collier Street United,

**we recognize that we have assembled on sacred ground,
a traditional gathering place for many peoples of Turtle Island.**

We commit to honoring the covenantal relationship with the First Peoples: Métis and Inuit.

We move forward with reconciliation and good relations with all people.

*HYMN: VU#524 “O Canada

JOHN CHARLES/DARYL YAEGER/Singers from Choir

*WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVED IN BOTH WARS...

Anne Snell



THE MEN OF THIS CHURCH WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES FOR
THEIR COUNTRY IN THE GREAT WAR

1914 -1918

LIEUT. T.M. ARMSTRONG

CAPT. F.N. GRANDY

LIEUT. A.E. BELL

CORP. G. L. IRISH

SECOND WORLD WAR

1939-1945

NORMAN E. COOK

FRANK T. MCCUTCHEON

DONALD O. FELT

ANGUS T. MCNABB

FLOYD HOOD

BRUCE REED

CHARLTON LINDSAY

DOUGLAS S. SIMPSON

M.A.C. MILLS

JAMES O. WELDON

BORDEN MCCUTCHEON

LLOYD WILLOUGHBY

Family of God, we remember you, and we honour you.

We know you are with us in the spirit of worship and you will not be forgotten.

*THE LAST POST & REVEILLE (known in Canada as “Rouse”)

DARYL YAEGER

WE PRAISE AND PRAY

*“Good News enlivens us as we worship this morning;
The limits we have placed on our faith community are broken.”*

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

***WORDS FOR THE GATHERED:**

Come, let us bless God at all times;

God’s praise will always be on our lips.

Come, let us magnify the name of Jesus in all our ways;

We will lift up Jesus’ name together in worship and service.

The Holy Spirit comes with light and truth as we gather to worship.

Alleluia! We are led into God’s Holy Presence in this worship!

***HYMN:** VU#705 “For All the Saints” v. 1,2,5 JOHN CHARLES/DARYL YAEGER/Singers from choir

PRAYER OF APPROACH

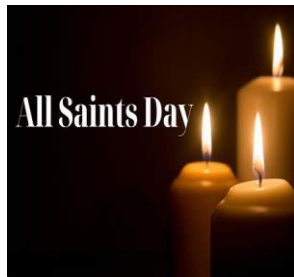
WE REMEMBER

*“Good News meets us as we worship this morning;
The limits we place on service are gone.”*

***WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO PASSED AWAY ...**

Sharon Crossley

(organ softly plays, Shall We Gather At the River during the flower tribute)



Ruth Boake
Ron Carter
Eleanor Forsyth
Tom King
Jack McAdam
Jessica Stephens

Ken Byles
Madelyn Crawford
Esther Gregan
Stacey Lepage
Keith Richards
Sandra Trumble

Anne Campbell
Charles (Gord) Etter
Alan Hodgekinson
Jean Little
Jean Small
Fee Won

We will place a flower or light a candle in their honour as we name a person.

We lift up to You, O God, the names of those we have lost in this past year from our lives, knowing that they are with Your heart forever.

May their memories never leave our hearts and minds; thanks be to you, giver of life and love.

***TOLLING OF THE BELL**

SILENCE

WORDS OF THE RENEWED:

God gathers us from the east and the west,

The north and the south,

Drawing us into a community where burdens are shared, hope is renewed, and people are freed and equipped to use their God-given gifts.

Water springs emerge from parched lands as we alert one another to overlooked blessings.

The Creating One redeems us.

We thank God for reconciling and renewing love in the world through us and others, making us co-creators of love, peace, joy and justice; and living saints!

*HYMN: VU# 288 "Great is Their Faithfulness" v. 1 and chorus

WE GROW IN THE FAITH & PRAYER

*"Good News liberates us as we worship this morning;
The limits we have placed on our troubled world, to know harmony, are shattered."*

^WORDS FROM THE BIBLE: Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37 & Matthew 23:1-12 (Inclusive Bible) *DICK MOFFAT*

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

¹ "Give thanks for YHWH's goodness; God's love endures forever!"

² Let these be the words of YHWH's redeemed, those redeemed from the oppressor's clutches,

³ those brought home from foreign lands, from east and west, from northern lands and southern seas.

⁴ Some lost their way in the wilderness, in the wasteland, not knowing how to reach an inhabited town;

⁵ they were hungry and thirsty, and their courage was running low.

⁶ they called to YHWH in their trouble, and God rescued them from their sufferings,

⁷ guiding them by a direct route to an inhabited town.

³³ Sometimes God turned rivers into desert, springs of water into arid ground,

³⁴ or a fertile country into salt flats, because the people living there were corrupt.

³⁵ So God would turn desert into pools of water, or an arid country into flowing springs

³⁶ to give the hungry a home, a place to build and call their own.

³⁷ There they sow fields and plant vineyards that yield a plentiful harvest.

Matthew 23:1

¹ Jesus told the crowds and the disciples,

² "The religious scholars and the Pharisees have succeeded Moses as teachers;

³ therefore, perform every observance they tell you to. But don't follow their example; even they don't do what they say.

⁴ They tie up heavy loads and lay them on others' shoulders, while they themselves will not lift a finger to help alleviate the burden.

5 “All their works are performed to be seen. They widen their phylacteries and wear huge tassels.

6 They are fond of places of honor at banquets and the front seats in synagogues.

7 They love respectful greetings in public and being called ‘Rabbi.’

8 “But as for you, avoid the title ‘Rabbi.’ For you have only one Teacher, and you are all sisters and brothers.

9 And don’t call anyone on earth your ‘Mother’ or ‘Father.’ You have only one Parent—our loving God in heaven.

10 Avoid being called leaders. You have only one leader—the Messiah.

11 “The greatest among you will be the one who serves the rest.

12 Those who exalt themselves will be humbled, but those who humble themselves will be exalted.

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

SERMON: “Faithful Discipleship is One of Servanthood”

Hewitt Holmes

SPECIAL MUSIC: “Bist du Bei Mir” by J.S. Bach arr. S.M. Wallace and J.H. Head

Daryl Yaeger and John Charles

PASTORAL PRAYERS

Hewitt Holmes

THE PRAYER OF JESUS (*The Lord’s Prayer, Kum Ba Yah Version*)

WE GO TO BE GOD’S PEOPLE IN COMMUNITY

*“Good News enfolds us as we worship this morning;
In Jesus Christ, you have spoken and acted, O God,
and the limits on care and compassion are swept away.”*

***HYMN:** VU# 651 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

JOHN CHARLES/DARYL

YAEGER/Singers from choir

^BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: “Go Now in Peace” by Besig and Price



ORGAN/TRUMPET POSTLUDE: “Amazing Grace” arr. S.M. Wallace and J.H. Head

(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:



Hewitt Holmes – Minister of Worship, Congregational Care and Leadership

Sandra Lisa Ruttan (Director), John Charles (Guest Organist), and Daryl Yaeger (Guest Trumpeter) & Senior Choir – Music leadership

Terry Tizzard and Mark Sporich – Audio & Visual Projections