

CAMBRIDGE STREET UNITED CHURCH

Lindsay, Ontario

10:30 a.m. - January 10, 2010

Colour Your World with M&S

A Service to Promote the Mission and Service Fund

Order of Service * (indicates where the congregation stands as able)

Prelude: "Voluntary in D minor" - John Stanley

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

One: *God, we give you thanks for creating the world in all its diversity.*

All: *You created the mountains and the plains; you created the deserts and the rain forests. You created the birds of the air, the fish in the sea, and all of the animals of the land.*

One: *God has made each one of us unique. Some are tall, some short, some strong, some weak, some male, some female.*

All: *Like the many different colours of the rainbow, we are united by God's love to proclaim God's glory.*

One: *Come, let us worship God.*

* **Opening Hymn: "Sing Praises to God" # 228**

Lighting of the Red Candle

Opening Prayer

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God, we know that often we close our hearts and minds to the needs of others. We ignore the cries of our neighbours. We turn a blind eye to problems in our own country and

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overseas. We feel that we are helpless and there is nothing we can do. For this short-sightedness, forgive us, O God. Help us to remember that you are a God who is ever faithful. You are there for us at all times. You have given us a world of much wealth. Your promises, like the one made to Noah, are forever.

Time of Silence

Assurance of Pardon

Lighting of the Orange Candle

Children's Time - children come forward

Lighting of the Yellow Candle

* **Hymn: "Spirit, Open My Heart" (More Voices # 79 - see insert)**
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Scripture: Genesis 9:8-17 *God establishes the rainbow as a sign of promise made to humankind*
Psalm 36 (Voices United page 762) *A psalm about the abundant light of God*

Lighting of the Green Candle

Anthem: "Our God is Love" - Hal H. Hopson

Scripture: Matthew 6:25-34 *God's abundance*

Sermon: *Colour Your World with M&S*

* **Hymn: "My Love Colours Outside the Lines"**
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(*More Voices # 138 - see insert)

Lighting of the Blue Candle

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

* Offering Doxology: ***“For the Gift of Creation” # 538***

***For the gift of creation, the gift of your love,
and the gift of the Spirit by which we live,
we thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.
May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give.***

* Prayer of Dedication

Litany of Thanksgiving and Intercession

At the close of each petition, the leader will say, “*Creator God, maker of all things*” and the congregation will respond, ***“Colour our world with love.”***

Lighting of the Purple Candle

* **Hymn: “Go, Make a Diff’rence” (*MV # 209 - see insert)**

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Commissioning and Benediction

One: *God gave Noah a sign - the rainbow - which represented hope through the ages. God filled the world with abundance, that all might share. God even clothes the lilies of the field in beauty. What more might God do for us? Go now to share the good news of God’s love to the world. Go be a light to others. Spread your colours so that all the world might behold God’s glory.*

All: Amen and amen.

Postlude: “*Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*” - Lani Smith