

CAMBRIDGE STREET UNITED CHURCH

Lindsay, Ontario
10:40 a.m. – January 23, 2022

*Worship Leader: Craig Donnelly; Director of Music: Erwin Stroobach
Reader: Angelique Stroobach; Audio-Visual: Walt Radda*

*Today's service is being live streamed beginning 10 minutes before
worship begins and ending after the postlude and
announcements.*

Order of Service

VU – Voices United hymn book MV – More Voices
Bold Print indicates congregational response

OPEN DOORS

Prelude: *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* arr. Matt Limbaugh
Here at This Font, Source of All Life
(tune: Winscott, VU #450)

Call to Worship - Psalm 19:7-10,14

The law of God is perfect,
reviving the soul;
the decrees of God are sure,
making wise the simple;
**the precepts of God are right,
rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of God is clear,
enlightening the eyes;**
the respect of God is pure,
enduring forever;
the ordinances of God are true
and righteous altogether.

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**More to be desired than gold,
even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey,
and drippings of the honeycomb.**

Let the words of my mouth
and the meditation of our hearts,
be acceptable to you, O God,
our rock and our redeemer.

Lighting the Christ Candle

* Hymn: *Open My Eyes, That I May See* VU #371

Prayer for Grace

**Teacher God, open our hearts and minds,
to the mystery and meaning of our faith tradition,
recorded in ancient texts, still special and sacred.
May your Spirit be with us, as we hear stories of Jesus,
trying to apply them faithfully to our world today.
Amen.**

Words of Hope

God promises: healing of heart;
courage in the struggle for justice;
the abiding presence of the Spirit,
in both our suffering and joy;
and the strength to live anew
in our world, with the love of Jesus
guiding us each step of the way.

Sung Response: How Sacred is This Place VU #392

*How sacred is this place! It's open door of grace,
Behold my soul to enter! May all who worship here,
Believing God is near, find God is at the centre.*

OPEN MINDS

Story for Children and the Young of Heart of All Ages

"A Time for Everything" by Susie Poole

Time for Baptism

Hudson Gary Paul Bress
child of Jordan & Morgan Bress

Ministry of Music: Let the Children Come

J. Paul Williams & Joseph Martin
Cambridge St. Singers, recorded Jan. 21, 2018

The Beginning of the Galilean Ministry - Luke 4:14-21

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives

and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

* Hymn: *Deep in Our Hearts* MV #154 (vs.1-2)

Message and Prayer of Commitment

*Hymn: *I Am the Light of the World* VU #87 (vs.2-4)

OPEN HEARTS AND HANDS

Dedication of Our Gifts and Ourselves: Time, Talent, Treasure

In the life of Jesus, we see love set before us,
in a way that can never fully be imitated by us alone,
yet standing together in community, as the body of Christ,
one in Spirit, love is made known in the world.
Amen.

Sung Response: Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying VU #400

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us power, send us grace!

A Prayer of Service to Others VU #576
Saint Augustine of Hippo

**Almighty God, whose son Jesus Christ has taught us
That what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters
We do also for him,
Give us the will to be the servant of others
As he was the servant of all,
Who gave up his life and died for us,
But is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and forever.
Amen.**

Moment of Silent Prayer and Reflection

**. . . for someone known to us,
. . . for situations in our world.**

The Prayer of Jesus

***Hymn: *There's a Spirit in the Air* VU #582**

*** Blessing: Celtic-Canadian Version**

May the road rise to meet you,
may the wind be always at your back,
may the sun shine warm upon your face,
the rains fall soft upon your fields,
the snow blow briskly through the trees,
the rocky mountain peaks
challenge and change you,
the lakes and rivers refresh you,
the yellow prairies caress you,

green be the grass below you,
blue be the sky above you,
pure be the joys that surround you,
true be the hearts that love you,
and until we meet again, may God hold you
in the hollow of his hand.

Postlude