

CAMBRIDGE STREET UNITED CHURCH

Lindsay, Ontario, Canada
February 5, 2023 at 10:30 a.m.

Minister: Rev. Craig Donnelly
Director of Music: Erwin Stroobach
Audio-Visual: Walt Radda

*Today's service is being live streamed beginning at 10:20 a.m.
and ending after the postlude and announcements.*

Order of Service

VU – Voices United hymn book MV – More Voices
Bold Print indicates congregational response
* You may choose to stand or sit

OPEN DOORS

Prelude: *May the Mind of Christ My Saviour*
setting by Jack Schrader
Let All Things Now Living setting by Lloyd Larson

Worship Band:
Sing a Happy Hallelujah VU #224
Deep in Our Hearts MV #154

Call to Worship

Christian community calls us
to identify and walk with Jesus,
to come and see his work in the world,
to contribute to the ongoing story of salvation.

**In a spirit of reconciliation and renewal,
we reflect on the central events of Jesus' life,
and welcome the opportunity**

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**to be challenged and to change,
to be forgiven and to forgive,
to be loved and to love.**

Lighting the Christ Candle

*** Hymn: *Part of the Family* VU #395**

Prayer for Grace

**Help us, O God, as we try to faithfully follow
the ancient, yet timeless, way of Jesus in our modern world.
Help us to come to those in greatest need,
and find a way to offer hope and healing.
Help us to trust in the purpose and power
of authentic Christian community and compassion,
that despite all the fears and doubts that confront us,
we may move forward together, steadily in love's way.
Amen+**

Words of Hope

God has come among us in Jesus,
showing even more love for us
than we often have for ourselves.
God accepts us, encourages us,
and sets us free to love others.

OPEN MINDS

Worship Band
Though Ancient Walls VU #691

Queen St. Spokesperson Rev. Wayne Reed

Story with the Children and Young of Heart of all Ages

Warm Welcome to the People of Queen Street United

Presentation of Carnations and Passing the Peace

*** Hymn: *All Are Welcome* MV #1**

Scripture: Ephesians 2:17-22 A Dwelling Place

Jesus came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him, we have access in Spirit to God. So, you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the *Corner Stone*, in whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple; in whom you also are built into it for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

Ministry of Music: *We Are Convinced* Mark Hayes

Message and Prayer of Commitment

*** Hymn: *Christ is Made the Sure Foundation* VU #325**

OPEN HEARTS AND HANDS

Life and Work of the Church

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

Offertory Prayer of Dedication

**God of all good gifts, great and small,
fill our hearts with the compassion of Christ,
that we may be vessels of love and goodwill
to help heal the pain in the world. Amen+**

Sung Response: *Grant Us, God, the Grace* VU #540

**Grant us, God, the grace of giving,
with a Spirit large and free,
that ourselves and all our living,
we may offer faithfully.**

Collection of the Offering and Offertory Music

Prayers of the People

Through the ages, God has called Communities of Faith to come together in prayer and praise, and to set apart places, where the presence of God and the way of Jesus can be celebrated in Spirit and in truth.

**Bless and sanctify what we do in this holy dwelling,
that this place may be a safe space for everyone,
in the pouring out of prayer and singing of praise,
in the professing of faith and witnessing to your grace,
in welcoming all people and caring for creation.**

**With gratitude for our amalgamation,
and the organic union of our two churches into one,
we dedicate ourselves, simply and profoundly,
as the *People of God* gathered in this sacred space,**

**to faithfully perform Christ's work in the world,
in the power and presence of the Holy Spirit
to the glory of God and benefit of all people.**

Moment of Silent Prayer and Reflection

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

The Prayer of Jesus

***Hymn: *The Church's One Foundation* VU #331**

***Benediction**

O God, may we be given:
eyes clear enough to see the hurt of the world,
ears perceptive enough to hear one another's stories,
a mind wise enough to search diligently for solutions,
a voice strong enough to advocate for the vulnerable,
feet determined enough to walk in the way of Jesus,
hands sensitive enough to hug, hold, and heal,
a heart strong enough to endure the struggle,
and a Spirit willing enough to ask
"What more can I do?" Amen+

Sung Blessing: Go Now in Peace

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,
Know God will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.**

**God will be there, watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen. Amen. Amen.**

Postlude

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***All are invited to a time of fellowship and refreshments in the
Cambridge Hall gymnasium.***