

# CAMBRIDGE STREET UNITED CHURCH

Lindsay, Ontario, Canada  
April 21, 2024 – 10:30 a.m.

*Minister: Rev. Sharon Campbell-Rayment*

*Director of Music: Erwin Stroobach*

*Audio-Visual: Walt Radda*

*Today's service is being live-streamed*

*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

\* You may choose to stand or sit

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## OPEN DOORS

**Prelude:** *The Lord's My Shepherd* (tune: Crimond) arr. D. Hustad

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is* (tune: St. Columba)

arr. Dale Wood

### Welcome and Announcements

**Lighting the Christ Candle** (the candle is lit)

Jesus the Christ is the light of the world. We light this candle  
as a sign that God, through Jesus, is always with us. Amen.

Christ our Light!

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### Acknowledging the Land

Cambridge St. United Church within the City of Kawartha  
Lakes respectfully acknowledges the Mississauga lands and  
the traditional territory covered by the Williams Treaties.

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**We are grateful for the opportunity to work here, and we  
thank all the generations of people who have taken care of  
this land - for thousands of years.**

We recognize and deeply appreciate the historic connection to  
this place, helping us to shape and strengthen this community  
and country as a whole.

**Let us worship God in honour of these relationships this day.**

### Call to Worship

When we are scattered, Jesus our Good Shepherd gathers us  
in.

**When we are lost and lonely, we can depend on Christ's love.**

When we are oppressed, Jesus our Good Shepherd cares for  
us.

**We know Christ, because Christ's tenderness has guided us  
for generations.**

Christ knows us by name. Christ will lay down his very life for  
our sake.

**Let us worship our Good Shepherd, who cares for all of us  
with fierce love.**

**\*Hymn: *God Is My Shepherd* VU #748**

### Prayer of Approach

Gentle Shepherd, You guide us in right paths, You lead us in  
the ways of righteousness

**Guide us to Your path, to loving You and loving our  
neighbors.**

The Good Shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

**The Good Shepherd knows the sheep, and the Good  
Shepherd lays down his life for the sheep so that the sheep  
may live.**

We are part of the flock; we are part of Christ's body. In Christ  
we find wholeness and restoration. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## The Jesus Prayer

### A Time with the Children

Children are invited to leave for Kids Corner

## OPEN MINDS

### Scripture Readings

Holy Spirit, open our hearts so that we might learn from you today. As we listen to your words, teach us what you would teach us, reveal your truth and open our hearts to you that we may hear your word and find comfort and hope within it.

Reading: Psalm 23

Reading: John 10:11-18

**\*Ministry of Music:** *We Have Heard the Shepherd's Song*  
Joseph Martin and Brad Nix

**Message:** The Good Shepherd

## OPEN HEARTS AND HANDS

**\*Hymn:** *How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds* VU 344

### Offering of Our Gifts and Ourselves: Time, Talents, and Treasure

Loving God, with hope and love, we bring our gifts to you. May our act of giving symbolize love to the world.

### Offertory

**Song of Dedication:** *We Give You But Your Own* VU # 542

### \*Prayer of Response:

For the blessings of this and all our days, we thank you, gracious God. Accept, we pray, not just this money but also our lives freely offered in gratitude for all you have done for us. Use them both, in this place and wherever you might take us. Amen.

**Sung Refrain:** 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!*

### Prayers of the People

**\* Hymn:** *My Love Colours Outside the Lines* MV #138

### \*Commissioning:

God of love, our Good Shepherd, lead us in your Way as we leave this place. Guide us to share your love with all of the lambs of your flock. May we feel the Oneness of this connection to all, and may we leave here knowing that this connection to the Divine truly makes a difference in our world. We remain United as One in Christ. Amen

**Sung Benediction:** Are You a Shepherd? (from of MV #126)

Great, gentle shepherd, forever beside us,  
lead all your children in paths that are right.  
Great, loving parent, wise teacher, you guide us.  
God, you are with us wherever we go. 2x

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**Benediction**

Go now with your trust in the Good Shepherd,  
and love, not just in words,  
but in truth and action.  
Believe in the name of Jesus Christ,  
and love one another, just as he has asked us.

**Postlude**

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