

CAMBRIDGE STREET UNITED CHURCH

Lindsay, Ontario
10:30 a.m. – May 29, 2011

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Order of Service

* (indicates where the congregation stands as able)

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

* Hymn: **"Morning Has Broken" # 409**

Call to Worship:

*Lovers of God, draw near.
For in the sacred heart of Love
we live and move and have our being.
We leave behind the life of our days for a time
and find ourselves embraced by Spirit
who is in all and through all and who gives life and breath
to all living things.
In this present stillness, gathered as a community,
we realize the Spirit of Christ is not far from each of us
and the heart of Christ beats on.*

Gathering Prayer (in unison):

***We open our hearts to one another
and, in these moments of stillness,
become aware of the warmth, the breath,
the life we share.
The Spirit of Christ abides in the shared space between us.
May we inhale deeply of this sacred presence
and exhale words and actions of godly love.
Amen.***

* Hymn: **"Tell Me The Stories Of Jesus" # 357**

Children's Time

* Hymn: **"Jesus Bids Us Shine" # 585**

Sunday School Presentations

Scripture:

Acts 17:22–31 (page 965 RSV pew Bible) - The nearness of God's presence is underscored by Paul's address to the Athenians. As Paul's witness proclaims the saving love of God in Christ, a church forms and grows. Even when God's presence is unrecognized, God in Christ draws near.

John 14:15–21 (page 939 RSV pew Bible) - Jesus addresses the disciples' fears about his impending trial and suffering by saying they will not be "orphaned," implying a familial relationship of love. Disciples have a secure place in God's family, and this accounts for our hope.

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

Sermon: ***Waiting in Anticipation***

* Hymn: **"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" # 333**

The Offering of our Gifts and Ourselves

* Offering Doxology:

***We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.***

* Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the People

The Prayer of Jesus (A Paraphrase - page 916)

*Eternal Spirit,
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be.
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:*

*The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope
and come on earth.*

*With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.*

*For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and for ever. Amen.*

* Hymn: "**Blessed Assurance**" # 337

Benediction and Blessing:

*We no longer see Jesus
**but we are the Body of Christ,
spirited and alive, moving in our time.**
God is with us always
for where there is love, there is God.
Go and be the Body of Christ, fulfill love's expectation, and
Spirit will be your advocate forever.*



WELCOME to all who are worshipping with us this Sunday morning and thank you to those serving us today:

- Greeters: *Nan Cross and Jean Mark*
- Ushers: *Wayne & Ann MacLeish, Margaret Simpson,
Don Holbrook & Kathy Nesbitt,
Don & Carol Imrie, Dennis & Linda Billings*
- Piano: *Carol Bradford*
- Scripture: *Ella Cranny*
- Fellowship Time: *Christian Education Committee*
- Counting Team: *Charlie & Ina Currie, Jean Mark, Laura Whyte,
Kathleen Nesbitt & Don Holbrook*

LARGE PRINTS of today's bulletin and hymns are available from the table in the Narthex, or ask an Usher for a copy.

HEARING DEVICES - Don't miss a thing - hearing devices are available for use during the worship service, just ask an Usher.