

# CAMBRIDGE STREET UNITED CHURCH

Lindsay, Ontario

10:30 a.m. – December 10, 2017

**Second Sunday of Advent: Peace**

*Worship leader: Craig Donnelly*

*Director of Music: Erwin Stroobach*

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*Today's service is being live streamed beginning 5 minutes before  
worship begins and ending after the postlude.*

## Order of Service

\* indicates where the congregation stands as able

VU – Voices United hymn book MV – More Voices

**Bold Print** indicates congregational response

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.

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Prelude: *'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime* arr. Frances Callahan  
*What Child is This?* arr. Martha Lynn Thompson  
*Silent Night* arr. Cynthia Dobrinski  
flutist: Diane Lansdell  
Cambridge St Bellchoir

## **Welcome and Call to Worship**

During this season of advent and in the coming of Christ:

**We actively seek a compassionate justice for our world.**

During this time of anticipation and preparation:

**We eagerly await the peace of Christ to be born in us.**

\* **Hymn: *Angels, from the Realms of Glory* VU #36**

Lighting the Candle of Peace

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## **Response: A Candle is Burning #6 (second verse only)**

**A candle is burning, a candle of peace,  
a candle to signal that conflict must cease.  
For Jesus is coming to show us the way,  
a message of peace humbly laid in the hay.**

## **Prayer for Grace**

**Merciful God, you have called us to be peacemakers,  
yet, we confess that our desire for power and control  
is often a source of conflict and discord in our  
relationships.**

**We anticipate the coming of the Christ child,  
the Prince of Peace, help us to see beyond our own  
interests to the needs of others and teach us how to  
bring peace to our lives and to our world.**

**Amen.**

## **Words of Hope: Luke 2:13-14**

There was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host,  
praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth, peace among all with whom God is pleased."  
The Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

## Children's Story

Children proceed to activities in the lower hall.

## Scripture: John 14:27 and 16:33

Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you,  
not as the world gives do I give to you.  
Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

I have said this to you that, in me, you may have peace.  
In the world you have tribulation, but be of good cheer,  
I have overcome the world."

Ministry of Music: *Free Us, Emmanuel!* Pepper Choplin

Sermon: *Celebrate Jesus' Day in Jesus' Way*

\* Hymn: *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice VU #35*

**The Offering of Our Gifts and Ourselves**

Offertory: *West Indies Carol* arr. Sondra Tucker

\* Offering Doxology: *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.

\* Offertory Response: *An Advent Prayer VU #13*

**O God, our deliverer:  
you cast down the mighty,  
and lift up those of no account;  
like Elizabeth and Mary,  
who embraced one another  
with songs of liberation,  
may we, pregnant with your Spirit,  
affirm one another in hope for the world;  
in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

\* Hymn: *People, Look East VU #9*

\* Commissioning

May the blessing of God be upon you.  
May God's love light all your way.  
May the grace of Christ enfold you  
and peace around you stay.  
May the Spirit of God dwell within you.  
May you live in joy each day.

Postlude



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

*Today's bulletins have been sponsored  
by Florence and Andy Skilling.*

PASTORAL PRAYERS - Prayer requests can be placed in the Prayer Box located in the narthex prior to the start of Sunday's service. The Ushers will bring the box forward during the offering and they will be included in our pastoral prayers.

BAY OF QUINTE CONFERENCE PRAYER CYCLE - As part of the body of Christ, the Christian Church, we are invited to pray for each other and for our mission in the world. This week we pray for *Elmsley-Lombardy Pastoral Charge in Four Rivers Presbytery*.

THANK YOU FOR CALLING - We appreciate you letting us know when a family member, or a friend, is ill at home or in hospital.

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

- Dec. 17 Advent 3 Nine Lessons & Carols Service 10:30 am  
Leading worship at Caressant Care 2pm  
Youth Group 7pm
- Dec. 19 UCW Hannah Unit Meeting 1:30pm
- Dec. 21 Living Christmas rehearsal 4:30-6pm
- Dec. 24 Advent 4 Family Worship Service 10:30 am  
Living Christmas Pageant 7pm  
Candlelight Communion Service 10:30 pm
- Dec. 25 Christmas Day - office is closed
- Dec. 26 Boxing Day - office is closed
- Dec. 31 Family Service 10:30 am  
Student Pizza & Pop Luncheon 12 noon
- Jan. 1/18 New Year's Day - office is closed
- Jan. 5 Gym Night 6:30-8pm
- Jan. 7 Regular service with worship band 10:30am  
New Year Fellowship Soup Lunch 12 noon  
Leading worship at Victoria Manor 2pm  
Leading worship at Extendicare 3pm
- Jan. 14 Regular service 10:30 am  
Prayer Shawl Circle 1:30pm
- Jan. 17 Kawartha Highlands Presbytery Mtg. & Dinner
- Jan. 19 Gym Night 6:30-8pm
- Jan. 21 Regular service 10:30 am - Baptism Sunday  
World Religion Day Event 4-7pm