

Colebrook United Church

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December 30, 2018

10:00 a.m.

**If you are not comfortable standing for the hymns,
please remain seated.**

Prelude

We Gather



Welcome

**All: “We are a caring, serving community,
faithfully journeying and trusting in the mystery that is God,
seeking joy, peace, and justice for all”.**

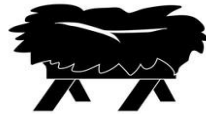
Call to Worship

One: Lord Jesus, You come to us now,

**All: into our lives and into our world,
once again bringing light to your people.**

One: We ask you now, gracious Lord,

**All: to accept the worship that we bring
as we come again to the manger.**



One: Help us to see there,

**All: the light that will shine for us,
not just at Christmas but every day of the year.**

~John Harvey, Hay & Stardust, Wild Goose Publications

♪ **Gathering Hymn:** *I Am The Light Of The World* VU 87

Life and Work of the Congregation

Acknowledgement of First Nation Territories
Kwantlen, Tsawwassen, Semiahmoo

♪ **Centering Hymn:** *Gather Us In, Ground Us In You* MV 7 2x

Lighting the Christ Candle

One: We light the Christ Candle to proclaim that the light of God is around us, beside us, and within us.

All: Thanks be to God.

Opening Prayer

One: In all our tomorrows, Living God, you are with us.

All: As we face the future with our fears, you give us courage.

One: In all our tomorrows, Living God, you are with us.

All: As we face the future with hope, you give us a passion for life.

One: In all our tomorrows, Living God, you are with us.

All: As we face the future with family and friends, your gift is understanding.

One: In all our tomorrows, Living God, you are with us.

All: As we face the future in faith community, your gift is vision.

~David Sparks, Okanagan Falls, UC. Gathering 2016

♪ **Hymn:** *A Light Is Gleaming* VU 82

Sharing the peace of Christ

On this last Sunday of the year, let us share the peace of Christ, and let us hold peace in our hearts all the days of the New Year.

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

We Proclaim



Learning together

♪ **Hymn:** *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly* VU 58

Scripture: Colossians 3:12-17

Galatians 5:22-23

Reflection: New Wood

We Respond to God's Word

♪ **Hymn:** *In The Bulb There Is A Flower* VU 703

♪ **Offertory Hymn:** *What Can I Do* MV 191

Prayer of Dedicating the Offering

From all we have received, O God, we bring these gifts before you to be blessed by you and used by you for the sharing of love and the making of peace. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

~Jack Ballantine-Dickson, Morris U.C., Morris, Man Gathering

♪ Hymn: *Go, Tell It On The Mountain* VU43

A time of prayer

♪ *Lord, Listen To Your Children Praying* VU 400



Congregational Prayer

All: Gracious God, we lift our hearts to you.
 Hear us as we pray with deep gratitude for your presence with us and for the goodness of our lives- for family, friends, health.
 Hear us as we pray for others—
 Be with all who suffer from oppression.
 Surround those who are ill with your healing power.
 Comfort all who are lonely; strengthen those who are weak in spirit, and those who are downcast.
 Encourage with hope the helpless and the hopeless.
 Enfold all of creation in your infinite love.
 We lift the words you gave us to share whenever we pray together, Our Father...Amen.

~Adapted from Gatherings

♪ Hymn: *Dream A Dream* MV 158

We Go Forth

All: With Christmas in our hearts,
 And the star of the future to lead us,
 In the midst of a community of faith,
 As citizens of God's world,
 We go now to see the face of God everywhere.
 May we bring the compassion of God to everyone we meet.
 ~Bob Root, Mark Street UC Peterborough ON Gathering 2013



♪ **Recessional:** *May The God Of Peace* MV 224

Postlude

Assisting in Worship This Week:

Greeters: Hilary Brighton & Cecelia LePage **Scripture Reader:** Ken Cooper

Coffeemakers: Ev Mann & Judith Moody

Scripture Reading – January 6, 2019 – Matthew 2:1-12

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAYS BEGINNING IN JANUARY.

Coming Up at Colebrook:

Jan. 20, Annual Report Deadline



THIS WEEK

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30 10 A.M., SERVICE	31 NEW YEARS EVE	1 9am, Property & Maintenance	2 3pm, Pickleball	3 Noon-2pm, Advent Study (bring a bag lunch)	4	5 SDA

NEEDED AT THE OAK AVENUE NEIGHBOURHOOD HUB:

- diapers sizes 5 & 6
- new or gently used boy's & girls' clothes - (ages 3-12)