

# CITY VIEW UNITED CHURCH

## OUR MISSION:

**To be a welcoming and inclusive Christian community,  
growing spiritually and caring for those in need.**

**(LARGE PRINT BULLETINS available from Ushers and  
FM Hearing Assistance from the Sound Operator)**

\* Congregation, please stand in body or spirit

## Service of Worship Abraham's Clan August 13, 2017

WE GATHER

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CELEBRATION OF BIRTHDAYS

***Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you,  
God bless you and keep you the coming year through.***

\* WE LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE

\* OPENING THE BIBLE

WE WORSHIP

\* INTROIT: ***Called by Earth and Sky***

**MV # 135**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

One: Come to this place to hear the stories of God's people.

***All We come in keen anticipation.***

One: Come to this place to sing the songs that tell of God's love for God's people.

***All: We come with open hearts.***

One: Come to this place to witness the beauty created by the Holy Spirit working among God's people.

**All We come, ready to hear the Spirit's call in our lives. We come to worship God.**

+by Catherine Tovell from "Gathering – Pentecost 2, 2017" p. 31

OPENING PRAYER: *(in unison)*

**Loving God, we are called together in community, to open ourselves to your spirit. May we see aspects of ourselves as reflected in the ancient story of Joseph and his family. Help us to be open to your message for us, today, available through music and words, scripture, and prayer. Amen.**

\* HYMN: **God of Still Waiting** MV # 20

\* SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

WE DISCERN GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

**Responsive Reading:** Psalm 105, **Parts One and Two** VU # 828

Genesis 37:1-4; 12-28 (page 46)  
**Joseph is sold into slavery by his brothers**

SPECIAL MUSIC

THEME TIME: **Favouritism**

MESSAGE: **That Troublesome Coat!**

\* HYMN: **O God of Bethel** VU # 650

WE RESPOND

THE LIFE AND WORK OF OUR CHURCH

THE OFFERING OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

\* OFFERTORY HYMN: **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 PRAYER: (in unison)**

**We offer these, our gifts of time, talents, and financial resources, for the enhancement of God's kin-dom here on Earth. May we continue to be mindful of the needs of others, today, and in the days to come. Amen.**

**COMMUNITY PRAYER**

**JESUS' PRAYER**

**The Lord's Prayer: (in unison)**

**VU # 916**

**Our Father-Mother, who is in heavens,  
may your name be made holy,  
may your dominion come,  
may your will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us today the bread we need:  
and forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors;  
and do not put us to the test,  
but rescue us from evil.**

**For your is the dominion, and the power,  
and the glory forever. Amen.**

**\* CLOSING HYMN: *Let There Be Light***

**VU # 679**

**\* COMMISSIONING: (in unison)**

**We go from this place of worship, knowing that the God of Joseph and his brothers is here among us. We go into the world reconciled and reconciling. We go into life, carrying the gifts of God's grace, knowing that God is with us, and that we are not alone.**

**\* BENEDICTION**

**\* *Three-Fold Amen***

**VU # 967**

**POSTLUDE**

**Our Life and Work**

**In today's service:**

**Lay Worship Leader:** Carol Scott

**Guest Pianist:** Heidi Liu

**Head Usher:** Bill Boone;

**Ushers:** Neill Hopkins; Marilyn MacLeod;

**Assisting:** Dawn Hamilton; **Sound Operator:** James McGale



**A warm welcome** is extended to all who have gathered here this morning. If this is your first time worshipping in our faith community, please sign the guest book at the back of the Sanctuary and introduce yourself to an Usher.

**Thanks and appreciation this morning to Carol Scott for leading us in worship and Heidi Liu for sharing her wonderful gift of music with us!**



**During the summer months, please come and join us in the Annex for lemonade and conversation, following our morning worship. Our servers this morning are Margaret Knight and friends – thank-you! We are looking for volunteers for August 20<sup>th</sup> and September 3<sup>rd</sup> – please see our sign-up sheet.**

**Children's Activity Corner**

We welcome children, toddlers and infants to worship during the summer. Our Sunday School teachers are taking a break, so we have set-up an activity table near the front of the sanctuary, on the west side by the stain glass windows, with colouring and puzzle pages and some books in case children would like to make use of them during the service. The Nursery will be open for parents with very young children but it will not be staffed by our volunteers until September.



**Our Sunday School is looking for a printer for next fall, if anyone has a fully functional one that they are no longer using. Please contact: Christine Tibelius at 613-224-9988 or [Tibelius@sympatico.ca](mailto:Tibelius@sympatico.ca)**

**Jam season is here.** If you have Mason jars you don't need, you can bring them to our kitchen. The various sizes would all be appreciated: 125 ml, 250 ml, and 500 ml.



**Looking ahead to our Fall Bazaar,** soup cans of different sizes would also be appreciated: 10 oz soup cans, 19 oz bean or fruit cans, and 28 oz tomato cans.

**Thank you — Joan Dobson**

**FOOD REQUEST: CANNED MEAT AND FISH  
Outreach Financial Donations – August: West End Lunch Program**

**GROCERY GIFT CERTIFICATES** for both **Loblaws/Independent** and **Metro/Food Basics** are available in various denominations. **Profits from sales of these Gifts Certificates help support the Carlington Community Chaplaincy.** See Margaret Knight after church at coffee hour or call 613-226-2960.

**Summer Hours:** ~ Effective June 27<sup>th</sup>, the Church Office will be open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8:00 am to 12 noon. Regular hours will resume Monday August 28<sup>th</sup> ~ Monday to Friday 9am to 12 noon and 1-4pm Wednesdays and Thursdays.



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