

Clifton Pastoral Charge

Old Barns and Hilden United Churches

We are Affirming Churches in an Affirming Pastoral Charge

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Mission Statement: To provide a friendly, welcoming, caring and safe environment to promote spiritual growth.

October 5, 2025

World Communion Sunday

INTROIT VU 556 vs1 Would You Bless our Homes and Families

WELCOME & LIFE & WORK OF THE CHARGE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

“May the peace of Christ be with you.”

“And also with you.”

CELEBRATIONS AND BIRTHDAYS, PRAYER REQUESTS

TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION MOMENT

All my relations.

LIGHTING OF THE UNITY CANDLE, CHRIST CANDLE, SILENCE,
PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, let us gather together as church

**WE COME TOGETHER LIKE SEPARATE GRAINS TO
FORM THE ONE LOAF, THE ONE BODY OF CHRIST**

Come, let us acknowledge the place of God in our lives.

**WE ACKNOWLEDGE GOD AS THE SOURCE OF
ABUNDANCE: ALL THAT WE HAVE AND ARE.**

Come, let us give thanks and praise to God, our loving Creator
and Redeemer!

HYMN VU 245 Praise the Lord

SPECIAL MUSIC OB: VU 960 The Lord's Prayer

Hilden: The Lord's Prayer

*Solo: Gail Crosby | Composer: Albert Hay Mallotte, 1935

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SCRIPTURE Exodus 16:13-21; Leviticus 25:8-10; Luke 11:1-4

SERMON: “The Lord's Prayer: Abba, Commonwealth, Manna and
Jubilee”

HYMN VU 651 “Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

THE NEW CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (printed below)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name

**Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in
heaven**

Give us each day our daily bread

**And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those indebted to
us.**

**Lead us not into temptation but save us from the time of
trial**

**For the kingdom, power and glory are yours, now and
forever. Amen**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Offertory Response VU 470 For the Bread

EUCCHARIST

Invitation to the table

Great Thanksgiving Prayer

God be with you.

And also with you

Lift up your hearts. .

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Gracious and loving God, we praise and thank you, for you are the Creator of all goodness and the source of abundance.

In the beginning, your Spirit danced on the waters and brought us to life, and in your generosity, You created a garden of delights and nourishment: apples and artichokes; potatoes and pomegranates; cabbages and carrots and corn.

You gave us oceans teeming with fish, and forests where deer and other animals roam; and you called us to live with respect in creation and to care for one another in the places where we live.

You brought your people out of slavery into a land of milk and honey: flowing with streams of living water and planted with groves of olive trees;

Today, in our country, fields of wheat stretch under the prairies skies and apple orchards hold promise of succulent goodness, while in the cities, community gardens, farmers' market, and backyards bloom with vegetables, and herbs provide beauty and nourishment.

Even when we turn away from you: living in greed and violence, overfishing the oceans, polluting the land, human caused climate change, ignoring those who have no food while our garbage cans are overflowing, you challenge us but still love us.

You send us prophets to call us back and remind us to live for a day when no one will be hungry, and we will live together as gardeners and neighbors in justice and peace.

And so with people around the world: farmers and fishers, winemakers and coffee growers, butchers and bakers, those who deliver our daily bread and those who prepare

and serve it to our dining tables and our kitchen tables, we raise our voices in thanks and praise singing: **{VU 951}**

Santo, santo, santo. Mi corazón teadora!

Mi corazón te sabe secir: Santo eres Dios!

Holy, holy, holy.

My heart, my heart, adores you

My heart is glad to say the words

You are Holy God.

Generous God, we give you thanks for Jesus, who came to live with us. We remember how he called his disciples to follow him and become fishers of people.

We thank you that he loved eating and drinking around tables where strangers became friends and outcasts – tax collectors, gentiles, women – were included.

He told stories about banquets and barns and vineyards, and taught us to enact jubilee: a time of cosmic liberation when no one is hungry.

On the hillside, in the cornfields, on the seashore, in villages and towns and cities, he reminded us of the importance of food for our bodies and for our spirits.

Jesus was crucified, died and was buried, but you raised him from the dead; and like his disciples on the Emmaus road, we meet him again in the breaking of bread as we gather around his table.

We remember that on the night he was betrayed, Jesus sat at the table with his beloved friends sharing the fruit of the vine and the harvest of the fields in the village outside the city.

We remember that after he had given thanks, he took bread, broke it, and shared it, reminding his disciples to remember him: his mission and ministry. In the same way, he took the cup and spoke of a renewed covenant, a new relationship with them.

O God, giver of all that is good, we thank you for this bread and this fruit of the vine, symbols of the harvest of your good earth, and we look to the day when we will all eat together as your people. In the meantime, we live in your promise as we say together:

Christ has died, Christ is risen,

Christ will come again to meet us,

and walks with us the Way of love.

Thy Kingdom, come!

Ever-present Holy One, send your Holy Spirit on us and what we do here as we gather around Christ's table to feed on the living Word, that in our eating and drinking we may

be one in Christ, one with your vision of peace and plenty, and ultimately one with all creation.

Breaking, blessing & Sharing Bread and Wine

Hymn – VU 460 All Who Hunger

Prayer after Communion

We give you thanks, Creating God, that you have blessed us at your table and nourished us with hope.

Send us out in the Spirit of Christ to be neighbors and gardeners: loving, tending, and working for peace and justice on your sacred streets and your good earth. Amen.

HYMN VU 481 "Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

Commissioning & Benediction

SUNG RESPONSE 556 vs 4



M&S Report, September 2025

\$2,636.00 [Includes \$1,075 from the U.C.W.s and \$245 for World

Development and Relief]

Total to date is \$19,064.10, which is up from last year, and 76.3% of our target! We are on track to meet our goal this year.

Thank you for your support, it is much appreciated.

There are two versions of the Lord's prayer in the Gospels: Matthew 6:9-13 and Luke 11:1-4. They don't agree with each other and neither are the one we say most often, which comes from the Anglican Book of Common prayer (BCP) in the early 1600's around the time that the King James Version of the Bible was produced. Interestingly, when the Anglican church created the Book of Alternative Services (BAS) in 1985, they changed it, while many of the rest of us did not. The word translated 'trespasses' is actually 'sins' or 'debts.' In the spoken language of Jesus (Aramaic), it would sound like "khoba", and it meant BOTH sins and debts at the same time. Isn't it interesting how churches most often connect sin to sexuality in their thinking while completely ignoring the sin of debt and economic inequality that would have been in the mind of Jesus.

Joint Announcements

Hilden UCW will be held on October 7 at 1:30pm in the hall
Cards & Games are now underway in Hilden

Dates are as follows, and everyone is welcome to attend! We would love new people to join us!

- Friday, October 10 at 1:00 pm
- Wednesday, October 22 at 10:00am

Women's Retreat with Caelin Nadin will be October 17-19 in Truro.
Please see Community Bulletin at front entrance for details.

The Food Bank Garden has now donated over 9,949 lbs of food to the Colchester Community Food Bank. Thank you to all of the great volunteers from the Old Barns Men's Club, and Knights of Columbus who volunteer every week.

"Dear Friends,
I have 2 favourite cups or mugs: One is Bone China, and as you know, if you drop it, it is very hard to put together again. And it will be a while before my fragile body recovers.
However, my other favourite is a steel mug, so I do have hope that the day will come.
Thank you so much for your cards, concern and kindness.
Love, Dan and Laurie "

If you have any announcements you would like to see in the Bulletin, please email Mallery Thomas [mallerygthomas@gmail.com].
Submissions for the week must be submitted by Thursday at 10:00 am.