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## Baptist Church

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*Welcome* to Burlington Baptist Church today!

\* You are invited to stand.

## **WE APPROACH GOD**

God of life, we thank you for changing seasons,  
and this day we thank you  
for the beauty and the rest of summer.  
For colourful daisies, and warm breezes, and holidays  
we offer our gratitude and praise.  
We come on this picnicing Sunday to worship you here,  
but we know that you are always with us,  
amid the routines of winter, as well as the spontaneity of summer.  
Enliven our worship, and all our days,  
by gracing us with the refreshing wind of your Spirit.  
Amen.

Prelude

Cameron

Welcome and Announcements

Dave

Prayer and Preparation

## **WE PRAISE GOD**

Invitation to Worship

\* Hymn of Praise      “All Things Bright and Beautiful”      20 - GG

*REFRAIN:      All things bright and beautiful,  
all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful:  
in love, God made them all.*

- 1. Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,  
God made their glowing colors; God made their tiny wings.*
- 2. The purple-headed mountain, the river running by,  
the sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky:*

3. *The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun,  
the ripe fruits in the garden, God made them every one.*
4. *God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell  
how great is God our maker, who has made all things well.*

\* Prayer of Approach

## WE GIVE OURSELVES TO GOD

### Honouring Graduates

**Responsive Reading**      Psalm 20 – a paraphrase by James Taylor

**LEADER:** God bless you, our children.  
As you set out into the world, God goes with you.  
Every step of every day may God watch over you.

**PEOPLE:** When you're feeling low,  
may God send you a shoulder to cry on,  
a friendly hand to help you up.  
When you're feeling good,  
may your laughter echo in the heavens.  
Whatever you do, may it be acceptable in God's sight.

**LEADER:** May God hear the deepest yearnings of your heart  
and help those buds of hope blossom into reality.

**PEOPLE:** May the word we hear of you always be good.  
Then we will know that you knew God  
while you were growing up among us,  
and that God still belongs in your new life.

**LEADER:** May you always remember how to pray,  
for God will not desert those who stay in touch.

**PEOPLE:** Some of your new friends will put their faith  
in money, others in power, and some in fast cars.  
Put your faith in the God of all creation.

LEADER: Those who put their faith in false gods  
will stumble and fall.  
But you need not be afraid of the light.  
Stand straight and walk tall.

ALL: O God, into your hands we commit all our children.  
Take them under your wing,  
for our sake, for their sake, and for yours. Amen.

## Sunday Morning Friends

A Gift of Song “Jesus is the Friend Who’s Always There”

(Words and Music by Don Besig and Nancy Price)

The BBC Singers

## Prayers of the People of God

### Offering Invitation

\* Offering Hymn “Jesus Loves Me!” 188 - GG

- 1. Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to him belong. They are weak, but he is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*
- 2. Jesus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long ago,  
taking children on his knee,  
saying, “Let them come to me.”  
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*
- 3. Jesus loves me! Still today, walking with me on my way,  
wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live.  
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

## GOD SPEAKS TO US

The Scriptures

Gina

Epistle Lesson: 2 Corinthians 4: 5 - 12

Gospel Lesson: Mark 2:23 - 3:6

Sermon: *“Made for LIFE!”*

## GOD SENDS US FORTH

\* Hymn of Response                      “My Life Flows On”                      821 - GG

1.     *My life flows on in endless song, above earth’s lamentation.  
I hear the clear, though far-off hymn  
that hails a new creation.*

*REFRAIN:                      No storm can shake my inmost calm  
while to that Rock I’m clinging.  
Since Christ is lord of heaven and earth,  
how can I keep from singing?*

2.     *Through all the tumult and the strife,  
I hear that music ringing.  
It finds an echo in my soul.  
How can I keep from singing?                      [REFRAIN]]*

3.     *What though my joys and comforts die,  
I know my Savior liveth.  
What though the darkness gather round?  
Songs in the night he giveth.                      [REFRAIN]]*

4.     *The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,  
a fountain ever springing!  
All things are mine since I am his!  
How can I keep from singing?                      [REFRAIN]]*

\* Benediction

Postlude