

EXECUTIVE PASTOR

As I reflect on 2025, time continues to move so quickly, and I am often reminded of a phrase that I have hanging in my office: “Collect beautiful moments.” This last year at Mapleview, I have had the opportunity to collect and share in so many beautiful moments - moments that have been very precious to me. Sharing meaningful moments with our church family continually reminds me just how important church family is in our lives.

This past year included a wide range of administrative responsibilities, alongside several meaningful initiatives and events that supported the ongoing growth and health of our church community. As part of my role, I assist Pastor Jay while actively participating in Board Meetings and providing leadership to the Servants Board.

We completed our first year as a Church Hub location with Master’s Seminary & College. This church-based learning hub allows students to grow academically while learning and serving in their local church. Nick Garcia, our first student, has been a wonderful addition to our team.

Our 2025 Volunteer Appreciation Event included an afternoon out at the Barrie Baycats baseball game for volunteers and their families.

In the fall, we launched The Shift, a strategic change to our Sunday service times, designed to facilitate growth by creating room for more people to connect and belong.

Our Ladies Retreat at Camp Mini-Yo-We with our guest speaker, Rev. Sandra McIntosh, allowed for times of connection and fun, and our ladies were deeply inspired and impacted by Sandra’s messages.

2025 held another meaningful season of our Ladies Bible Study, intentionally fostering a safe and encouraging space for women to grow and deepen their faith together.

To connect with Newcomers, we launched a Newcomers Café during the last service on Sunday to build meaningful connections.

This year, I also had the opportunity to meet many wonderful families while coordinating several child dedications.

Providing oversight to our First Impressions teams and ensuring that hospitality and care remain a strong priority for everyone who walks through our doors.

We were excited to welcome Ashley Lillie to our staff team as Church Engagement Director. Ashley has been a valuable asset, particularly in onboarding new volunteers and helping new attendees find a sense of home and belonging here at MCC.

I have had the privilege of serving with the Barrie Police Service as one of their chaplains. This role has allowed me to participate in graduations, awards ceremonies, and ride-alongs—each experience offering meaningful opportunities for presence, support, and connection.

I want to express sincere appreciation to our incredible volunteers who serve so generously and faithfully each week, wherever there is a need. We are deeply thankful for each of you. Thank you for the many ways you serve and support our church family.

Finally I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our staff team; it is truly a joy to do ministry with you. I am grateful for each of you and for the dedication you bring to

your roles. Thank you for your hard work, your faithfulness, and for making our team such a gift.

Psalm 13:5-6; But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. I will sing the Lord's praise, for he has been good to me.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Lori-Lynn Head
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