



**SOUP LUNCHEON FOR
DOWNTOWN MISSION**
Sunday, January 28, 2018
Raised \$160.00



If you are interested in becoming a **member** of Emmanuel United Church please fill out a little **blue card** in the pews and place it in the offering plate.



**CANADIAN CIVIL LIBERTIES
ASSOCIATION**
Sunday, February 25, 2018
Raised \$165.00

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DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Don't forget to set your clocks one hour **ahead** next Saturday night before you go to bed!



COLDEST NIGHT
FEBRUARY 24, 2018
Raised \$1,650.00

Our Striders (Enid Bryans, Linda & Bruce Parks, Pat Shanahan, Michele & Bill McGregor) strode the downtown streets last Saturday evening after raising **over \$1,650** for the Downtown Mission's **Coldest Night** Campaign. Emmanuel proudly took a step to ease homelessness. Thank you all for your support.

EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH

March 4, 2018
10:30 am



MINISTER
Rev. Sadekie Lyttle-Forbes

MUSIC DIRECTOR
Nicholas Morvay

MINISTER EMERITUS
Rev. Dr. John Palmer

We are a Christian community gathered together to worship and celebrate God and to serve Him through Jesus Christ. Our church is accessible and welcoming to all persons for fellowship, learning, sharing and teaching. We strive to show our love through service to all humanity.

ORDER OF SERVICE
March 4, 2018
Lent 3

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We have been given the commandments.

P: How then shall we live?

L: The ten on the mountain; the three from Jesus' lips; the one to go into the world.

P: How then shall we live?

L: To keep God's name holy; to live our lives in the sacred, to love.

P: How then shall we live?

L: How then shall we live?

ALL: With all that we have and all that we are, we will live lives that reflect.

God's grace and God's love. With all that we have and all that we are, we will worship our God!

L: Let all creation shout,

ALL: AMEN!

OPENING HYMN: VU112 O God, How We Have Wandered

PRAYER

L: Let us pray,

ALL: Prince of Peace, God of all Grace, we open our hearts to you, knowing that we are the temple in which you make your home. Cast out what needs to be cast out – our rules and our regulations that have nothing to do with your love. Cast out what needs to be cast out and

fill us with all we need to be filled; as disciples of Christ, as dancers in the Spirit, as children of the Creator.

Whisper in our ears and call for our attention. Bring us to a solid place of awareness, so that when we gaze at the stars and feel the sun's warmth we may be aware of the hand that created them. And empower us to live that we keep your commandments. We pray in Jesus name, Amen.

CELEBRATING LIFE EVENTS

(Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries)

Birthday Song (tune Happy Birthday)

Happy birthday to you, to Jesus be true.

May God's richest blessings descend upon you.

Anniversary Song – Bind Us Together
(Bob Gillman)

Bind them together Lord, bind them together with cords that cannot be broken.

Bind them together Lord, bind them together Lord, bind them together with love.

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

OFFERTORY INVITATION:

L: The Lord did not hold back even His Son so that we would have eternal life! Let us therefore find joy in giving to the ministries and work of this church in our world for the sake of Christ Jesus our Lord.

OFFERTORY DEDICATION: VU 236
Now Thank We All Our God

ALL: In Christ's service, we offer these gifts and ourselves to your work, through Christ our Lord. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: VU 400

Lord Listen To Your Children Praying

L: Loving God, we thank you for the world you have created and given to us to love and enjoy. As the heat of the sun warms the whole earth so your love surrounds each living thing.

P: We are thankful that, you know us by name and guide us in the paths to travel; amid risks and stresses, you are the still point of calm; in the face of challenge, you are our source of confidence; in moments of joy and celebration; you guard us; when we pray, you respond in wisdom.

L: We pray for those who have fallen from their path.

P: Lead them in the way of peace and healing.

L We pray for your church here and around the world.

P: May we be agents of healing and peace, following your ways, and abounding in grace.

L: We pray for the nations of the world. P:

P: May leaders and those who form and keep the law confront the stresses and crises of our time with courage, wisdom, and compassion.

L: We pray for wisdom, strength and clarity for those seeking solutions to tensions in the Middle East.

P: Lead the leaders to peace with justice.

L: We pray for innocent people who are harmed by violence.

WORD

Preparing to Listen: VU 662 Lead Me, God

SCRIPTURES

OT: Exodus 20:1-17

Gospel: John 2:13-22

Last reader: These are the words from the scriptures we love

ALL: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM: "Stand Up, Rejoice and Sing" by Robert W. Thygerson

THE MESSAGE: Jesus has come to fight our battles

Closing Hymn: VU652 Be Still My Soul

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

L: May God's love restore you. May Christ's teaching inspire you. May the Holy Spirit empower you to be salt and light in the world ready to receive you. Go forth being confident that you are not alone and what whatever battles you face, Jesus fights them with and for you Amen.

CHORAL BLESSING (sung together)

May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul. May God's love dwell in you, throughout every day. May God's countenance shine upon you And be gracious to you. May God's Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.

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