



**LITURGICAL DANCE PRACTICE**  
**Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**@ 6:00pm – 7:00pm**



**SUNDAY SCHOOL  
 FUNDRAISER**

Order forms are available on  
**Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup> & Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
 for Poinsettia Plants.

You can purchase the plants in memory  
 of a loved one or just as a donation. All  
 funds go towards the Sunday School  
 program. They will be presented at the  
 White Gift Service on December 10<sup>th</sup>.

The poinsettias are \$10 each.



On **Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>** there will  
 be a Pot Luck lunch after service.  
 Everyone is welcome to join us.  
 Any and all dishes are welcome!  
 Thanks, Barb.



**Completing the New Testament:**  
**Week of November 26, 2017**  
**Revelation 10-12**

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**OFFICE HOURS:**

**Tuesday – Thursday 1:30pm- 4:00pm**  
**Friday 1:30pm – 6:00pm**

**Office Administrator: Melissa Yau**

**EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH**

**November 26, 2017**  
**10:30 am**



**Stewardship**  
*a way of life*

**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

November 26, 2017

Pledging Sunday

### GATHERING

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO WORSHIP

**Call to Worship** (Based on a Song of Faith)

L: God is creative and self-giving, generously moving in all the near and distant corners of the universe. Nothing exists that does not find its source in God.

**P: We sing thanksgiving.**

L: The Lord is the first and the last, the Alpha and the Omega, our beginning and our end.

**P: Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord our God, who was and is, and is to come.**

L: The earth is God's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.

**ALL: Let us worship the God of all creation, who reigns now and forever.**

**OPENING HYMN:** VU242 Let All Things Now Living

### OPENING PRAYER

**L: Kind and giving God,**

**P: Our first response to your provision should be gratitude.**

L: Yet, we choose to turn away.

**P: We sing lament and repentance.**

L: God forgives,

**P: and calls all of us to confess our fears and failings with honesty and humility.**

L: God transforms,

**P: and calls us to protect the vulnerable,**

L: to pray for deliverance from evil, to work with God for the healing of the world,

**ALL: that all might have abundant life.**

**In the name of Jesus who taught us to pray saying:**

### LORD'S PRAYER

**CHILDREN'S HYMN:** VU 289 It Only Takes A Spark

### TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

**CALLED TO BE THE CHURCH:  
Celebrating Motivated & Joyful Giving**

### PREPARING TO LISTEN TO THE WORD

Thy Word is a Lamp (VU840b)

### SCRIPTURE:

OT: Malachi 3:10-12

NT: II Corinthians 9:6, 8-15

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

**ALL: Thanks be to God**

**ANTHEM:** "Take my life and let it be"

**SERMON:** Sermon: Better Way of Giving – Expectant Giving

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:** VU617 I

Love You God, Who Heard My Cry

L: We raise our prayers to You, prayers of thanksgiving and petition. Hear our prayer:

**P: And in your love, answer.**

L: For those who are hungry today, feed them through our gratitude activated...

Hear our prayer:

**P: And in your love, answer.**

L: For those who are sick, heal them through your Spirit manifested in our service... Hear our prayer:

**P: And in your love, answer.**

L: For those who are lonely, accompany them through our presence among them.

Hear our prayer:

**P: And in your love, answer.**

L: For those who are frightened and in danger, guide them into the safe places...

Hear our prayer:

**P: And in your love, answer.**

L: For those who seek justice, be their judge through our persistent solidarity...

Hear our prayer:

**P: And in your love, answer.**

L: For other things that are unnamed, the prayers of our hearts we now offer.... My prayer is.. Hear our prayer:

**ALL: And in your love, answer, for we pray these things in the name of Jesus, the One who models how to practice gratitude. Amen**

### INSTRUCTIONS

**TIME OF PRAYERFUL DECISION AND COMMITMENT** (Instrumental)

**OFFERTORY:** VU 543 We Give Thee But Thine Own

### OFFERTORY DEDICATION:

**ALL: In these plates, along with monies given through PAR, pledges of time and talent and our offering. We offer it with**

**“glad and generous hearts.” By your blessing and our labours may this offering be transformed into food for the hungry, drink for the thirsty, clothing for the naked, community for the lonely. And through our contributions of time, talent and treasure, may your good news be heard, your peace be experienced, and your love be known. Amen!**

**TIME OF CELEBRATION** MV88 Over My Head

**TIME TO RETURN TO THE WORLD FOR SERVICE**

**HYMN:** VU 633 Bless Now, O God, the Journey

### COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

L: Go to the world and activate the gratitude you inherited.

**P: Grateful for God's loving action, we cannot keep from singing.**

L: Make the bread of the world with your gift of yeast so that the God of love and peace may be seen and tasted.

**ALL: As you go, May the Grace of God, the Peace of Christ, and the Wisdom of the Holy Spirit go with us always as we live in faithful expectation. Amen.**

### CHORAL BLESSING:

*May the love of the Lord  
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### PAUSE & PRAY

Each Wednesday in November @ 12 noon we are asked to pause and pray for our Committees and Programs at Emmanuel United Church.

#### This Week:

Please pause and pray for **LEADERSHIP & OUTREACH** New volunteers (leaders and support), Council members and vacancies – Vice Chair, Treasurer & Finance Chair



### RUTH BYRNES GIFTING TREE

Starting **Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>** there will be a tree at the back of the church. We ask that you place either on or under the tree donations of mitts, gloves, hats, scarves as well as socks, T shirts, sweatshirts, sweaters, or personal hygiene items. These things will be divided and sent to both the Women's Help Centre and Street Help Homeless Centre.



**Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**Starts at 6:00pm**

Sign up in Ottawa Hall for hosts and participants in this years' Progressive Dinner. A fun and delicious night when we travel to each other's homes throughout the evening, enjoying appetizers, dinner and conversation. Participants contribute a dish to the dinner. We all join together for dessert. See the bulletin board in Ottawa Hall to add your name, and you will be contacted about which home you'll visit and what to bring.

**You must sign up to be involved in this event – see you on December 15<sup>th</sup>!**

Mary Dagenais



### CHILDREN'S AID CHRISTMAS FAMILY CAMPAIGN

Again for our 41<sup>st</sup> consecutive year, we are sponsoring a family in need.

This year's family is comprised of a single mom and 4 young children.

We are asked to purchase food vouchers, clothes and gifts and deliver them to the CAS by Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>.

**If you would like to help, please make your money donation by Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>** so that members of the Outreach Committee can purchase the items and deliver them on time.

Please use the envelope marked "**Christmas Family**" in the bulletin or indicate on your offering envelope that you would like the funds to go towards the Christmas Family.

## EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH'S



## HOLLY & IVY CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

**DATE: Saturday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**TIME: 9:30am – 2:00pm**

- Baked Goods**
- Crafts**
- Used Books**
- Gifts**
- Jewelry**
- Attic Treasures**
- and more!**

**Mark your calendars!**



## CALLING ALL BAKERS!

Our Bazaar is Saturday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> this year.

Once again we are calling on all of our marvelous bakers, both men and women, to help fill our baked goods table.

### Drop off of Baked Goods:

I will be at the church on Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup> for set-up

I will be at the church by 8:00am on Saturday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> (morning of the Bazaar)

You can bring in your baked goods on either day.

Thank you,  
Irene



Your talents are needed on our church council!

The following positions are currently vacant.

**Does one of these jobs have your name on it?**

Please prayerfully consider where you can serve...

**Vice Chair:** The person in this position works to support the council executive while “learning the ropes” to assume the role of Council Chair after the next annual meeting. It involves attending council meetings (8 times per year, approximately 1.5 hours each), and executive meetings (called as needed by the Chair, usually 6-8 per year).

You should consider this position if you are: a good listener, organized, work well with others as a leader

and collaborator, have a mind and heart open to where the Spirit would lead us.

## Chair of Finance and Treasurer

Our church uses a finance program called “Power Church Plus”. Most of the data input (whether contributions into or payments out of our accounts) is managed by our church administrator, Melissa. Our salaried employees are paid through a payroll company contracted by the United Church of Canada called “ADP”. This work needs oversight. In addition, the **Finance Committee Chair** and the **Treasurer** organize the counting teams, maintain our charitable status, prepare the annual budget and other duties vital to the financial well being of Emmanuel. They also provide assistance, along with the Finance Committee to Rev Sadekie who leads our stewardship campaign. The people in these positions attend meetings of the Finance Committee (called by the Chair) and Council meetings. Consider one of these positions if you are detail oriented, well organized, work well with other volunteers, interested in helping

shape the financial priorities of this church family, and good at listening for the guidance of the Spirit. Do you have the skills to assist in these areas of our church life? Are you willing to be trained to take up some of these responsibilities? We have knowledgeable and experienced people who are willing to assist and teach new volunteers.



## LAWRENCE ARMSTRONG BURSARY & WILLIAM & IRENE EWART BURSARY

If you or someone you know is interested in applying for a bursary, please take a flyer at the back of the church. There is also information available on the bulletin board in Ottawa Hall and in the office.

**Application Deadline:**  
**December 31, 2017**