



**Become  
Part of  
Our  
Church  
Family**

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.



**Completing the New Testament:  
Week of October 29, 2017**  
2 John 1,  
3 John  
Jude 1

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**OFFICE HOURS:**

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

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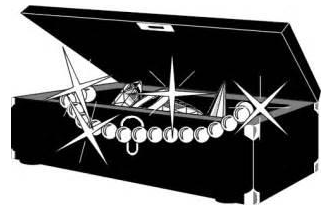


**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS**

Don't forget to set your clocks **back** an hour next Saturday night.



There will be a Liturgical Dance Practice on **Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>** from 6:00pm-7:00pm.



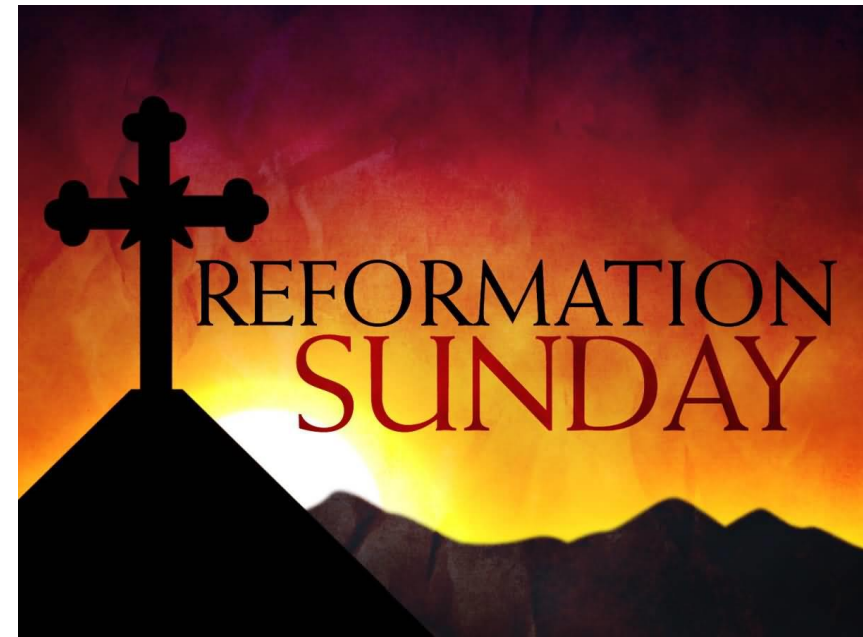
**Ladies! Time to clean out your accessory drawers and jewelry boxes!**

We are accepting gently used purses, scarves and jewelry for the upcoming bazaar.

Please see Mary Vanstone.

# EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH

**October 29, 2017**  
**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.**

EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH  
October 29, 2017  
Reformation Sunday

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Why are we here?

**P: We come to worship.**

L: Whom do we desire to encounter?

**P: We come wanting to meet God.**

L: Whom do we want to know?

**ALL: We come wanting to know Jesus, his teaching, his ways, his love. Let us worship and listen and be open as we meet together.**

**OPENING HYMN:** VU330 Jesus Shall Reign

OPENING PRAYER

L: God, gracious and loving, holy and eternal, you are unchanging and yet you always surprise us, we have known you forever and yet you are always new to us.

**P: Your love is as old as time and as fresh as the morning dew.**

L: Your patience is unending, your faithfulness to us unmatched.

**ALL: You know our hearts, the times we have loved and the times when we have merely tolerated one another. You know our minds, the times we have truly focused on you and the times when we have used our intelligence for selfish purposes. You know our stories, the times we have followed you and the times we have gone astray. Forgive us and set us free to live lives marked by your grace and guided by your hand.**

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN:**  
VU577 I've Got Peace Like a River  
(*Children will come forward*)

INVITATION TO GIVE

L: As disciples of Christ, we are called to serve any way we are able. Part of the way we show our commitment is through our gifts, which represent our commitment to share in God's mission. Let us therefore, give as the Lord has blessed us.

**OFFERTORY HYMN:** VU 544 In Gratitude and Humble Trust

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**ALL: Loving God, who gave us all of creation, help us to remember that we are only stewards of your generosity. We dedicate these gifts, and the givers, may each fully participate in healing your world. Amen.**

WORD

**Preparing to Listen:** VU 501 Break thou the Bread of Life

SCRIPTURES

Epistle: James 5: 1- 8, 12-20

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

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

**ALL: Thanks be to God**

ANTHEM

**THE MESSAGE:** "Religion that God Accepts is this... Fair in business, Keeps ones word and Persists in prayer"

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:** "Be Still and Know that I am God"

L: Faithful and Holy Friend, there are not words good or plentiful enough to thank you for all that we have and know because of you and your love.

**P: In the silence of this time we review this week, and we remember and are grateful for the way we have encountered you in the beauty of creation, our relationships with friends, the wisdom of books, the joy of music, and through study and prayer.**

L: We are grateful for your presence in those moments of challenge at home, at work and at school. Your attentiveness to the small and large moments of our lives humbles us. Your love is more than we can understand and more than we deserve; and our hearts are filled with gratitude.

**P: We remember the many for whom your presence may be hard to recognize, your voice hard to hear over the din of their own confusion and circumstance, your grace difficult to see amid so many distractions.**

L: We pray for the depressed and the anxious, the sad and the scared, those going through family trials, those who have no sense of community, and who feel little love. Comfort them and fill them with peace.

**P: We pray for our country and we pray for all nations. We pray for those places where justice is lacking, where war and unrest is ever imminent. Let your commandment to love others as we love ourselves be the law of life in our communities as well as in our intimate relationships. Through your grace and**

**guidance we are called to be your hands and feet, your voice and comfort. Equip us and nudge us to respond with your ever-patient love and grace.**

L: And now, hear the prayers that are near and dear to us and that we hold in the secret of our hearts. My prayer is...

L: Help each of us to remember to turn to you for all that we need, trusting that your generous provisions will not only sustain us through difficult times but also lead us to a place of peace.

**ALL: And may your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN:** VU 639 One More Step Along the World I Go

BENEDICTION

L: May God be gracious to us. May God's face shine upon us. May God bless us all.

**ALL: We will remember the lessons from James. To endure of trials with grace, exercise self-control, practice charity and wisdom in our words, while always choosing God's way. In our relationship with the world we will seek to be impartial and active with our faith, taking care to treat others fairly in business, keep our word and persisting in prayer. Amen**

**CHORAL BLESSING** *Go Now In Peace ccli#262153*

Liturgy and prayers adapted from the Gathering, Pentecost 1(2017) & Presbyterian.ca.



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