

A special thank you to all participants in today's service.

Reader: Ron Purdy  
Projectionist: Lorne Robertson  
Ushers: Dalton Carmichael & Ron Purdy  
Coffee Fellowship: CL&W

We hope that you have been enriched through the worship today and that you will come again.



*Emmanuel United Church is a caring,  
welcoming faith community, nurturing  
spiritual life and sharing God's love  
and grace as experienced in Jesus Christ.*

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Thank you for worshipping with us today! If you are new to Emmanuel, we hope that you will feel welcome and join us for coffee fellowship after the worship service.

Please introduce yourself to our minister, Rev. Roni Beharry and sign the Guest Book before you leave.

## Fifth Sunday of Lent

<u>Today at Emmanuel</u>	<u>This Week</u>
10:30am Worship Service	Wed. Council Meeting at 7:00pm
	Thurs. Choir Practice at 7:30pm
	Fri. Timmies at Two
	Sat. West Ferris Brunch

### WE GATHER

Welcome  
Announcements  
Greeting:

*Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

**Congregation: And also with you.**

### WE ENTER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

Call to Worship:

*The time is coming, and now is:*

**Time for love. Time for hope.**

*Time for mercy. Time for faith.*

**Time for worship. Time for prayer.**

*Time for singing. Time for praise.*

**The time is coming and now is.**

*Come, it is time to worship.*

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### **EASTER FAMILY CELEBRATION SERVICE**

“Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen Indeed!”

Sunday April 1<sup>st</sup> 2018, 10:30am

Special Easter Children’s Program.

Come and learn why Easter is the most important holiday in the Christian Calendar!

### **WEST FERRIS COMMUNITY BRUNCH**



The Outreach Mission and Service Committee and West Ferris Community Brunch welcome non-perishable food items to help support those less fortunate. Items such as pasta, tomato sauce, canned soups, fruit, beans, cereal, meat, and fish are most welcome. Other items that would be welcome include toiletries, toothbrushes, coffee and tea.

Donations made the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month will be distributed at the Community Brunch which is held the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month.

The remainder of the food items will be distributed from the EUC food cupboard.

Thank you to all who have been so generous.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## COUNCIL MEETING

There is a council meeting scheduled for Wednesday March 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm.

## SCENT-SITIVE



Scented products can aggravate health problems for some people with medical conditions. Please do not wear scented products, your cooperation is appreciated, thank you.

## TIM HORTONS GROUP



This week the group that meets at the Tim Hortons/Wendy's is meeting at 2:00pm. Join Rev. Roni and Lorne for conversations about our faith and how it intersects with our lives and culture.

## NEWSLETTER

The March Newsletter is now available for pick-up in the Narthex.



## HOLY WEEK SERVICES

### PALM SUNDAY

“Remembering Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem”

March 25<sup>th</sup> 2018, 10:30am

Intergenerational Family Service with Palm Parade.

Special Children’s Program provided.

### GOOD FRIDAY

A joint service of all the United Church congregations in North Bay. March 30<sup>th</sup> 2018, 10:30am

A Meditative Prayerful Service, with song and scripture.

Join us as we ponder the mystery of the cross.

The service will feature a Joint Mass Choir.

Opening Prayer:

**Glorious God, write your name on our hearts.  
Inspire us with your law of love,  
that we might proclaim this truth:  
You are our God, and we are your people.  
In your holy name, we pray. Amen.**

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Hymn: “Take My Life and Let it Be” VU #506

Prayer of Confession:

*When we forget your name, written on our hearts...*

**Have mercy on us, loving God.**

*When we forget your law of love engraved in our lives...*

**Have mercy on us, loving God.**

*When we neglect your Spirit, living in and through each of us...*

**Have mercy on us, loving God.**

*When we ignore your beauty, brightening and glorifying our lives...*

**Have mercy on us, loving God.**

*Shine in us and through us, God of light and love, that we may remember this truth:*

**You are our God, and we are your people—a people of mercy and love.**

Words of Assurance:

*God has already created a clean heart in us.*

*In the name of Christ, we are forgiven*

*and made new in God’s love.*

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Choral Assurance of Forgiveness:

**How deep the peace, the confidence,  
of those whose wrongs are forgiven.  
How deep the peace, the confidence,  
of those whose hearts are healed. (x2)**

Children's Time: "Taking a Stand for Jesus"

Hymn: "Don't Be Afraid" MV #90

### **WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD**

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34  
(after the reading) *One: Herein is Wisdom.*

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Responsive Reading: Psalm 51:1-12 pg.776

Choir Anthem: "He Became A Lamb"  
By: Mary Kay Beall

Gospel Reading: John 12:20-33  
(after the reading) *One: This is the Good News of Jesus Christ!*  
**All: Glory to you O Christ.**

Sermon: "Losing Life to Gain It"

Prayer of Ascription

### **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

Hymn: "Spirit Open My Heart" MV #79

Offering

Offertory:

**Praise God from who all blessings flow,  
Praise God all creatures here below.  
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts,  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Offertory Blessing

**God of light and love,  
Shine through our offerings this day.  
May they bring light to the darkness  
and help lead others from death to life.  
Transform these gifts into your glory,  
that they may reflect the joy of your saving grace,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

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Pastoral Prayer

### **SENT TO SHOW CHRIST'S LOVE**

Hymn: "How Firm a Foundation" VU #660

Benediction

Choral Benediction:

**Go now in peace, never be afraid  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.  
Know God will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe.  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.**

Please join us for a time of fellowship after our service.  
Our gathering will be in Bert Passmore Hall. Just follow  
everyone else as we head to the hall and our time together.