

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

Reader: Judi Robinson  
Projectionist: Lorne Robertson  
Ushers: Janie and Merlin Clayton  
Coffee Fellowship: Barb Maeck & Jo McCulley

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.

## Palm Sunday

### Today at Emmanuel

10:30am Special Worship  
Service and  
Palm Parade

### This Week

Wed. Bible Study at 7pm  
Thurs. Choir Practice at  
7:30pm

### 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:

*Minister: The crowds have gathered along the way...*

*Parade: We gather to cheer and celebrate!*

**Congregation: Who are you cheering for?**

*P: We are cheering for Jesus!*

**C: What are you cheering?**

*P: Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest heaven!*

**C: Why are you cheering?**

*P: We are celebrating Jesus' entry into Jerusalem  
as the Messiah who will save us from oppression.*

**C: Then let us join the parade and cheer for the  
one who comes in the name of the Lord!**

**ALL: Hosanna in the highest! We worship with  
gratitude and joy!**

Written by : Cathy Gradante, Fraserville, ON L/E 2018 Year B Prayers for Worship

## 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.

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

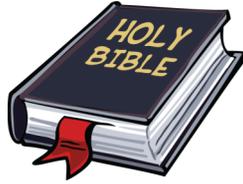
During Holy Week, St. Andrew's will be open, Mon., Tues., and Thurs., from 11:30am-1:00pm. Wednesday Worship at 12:05pm and Wednesday evening from 5:00-7:00pm. Come join us and take a walk through the Interactive Prayer Stations. Feel free to wander around at your own pace pausing at the places you find most helpful.

Maundy Thursday service will be hosted by Omond this year. It will start at sanctuary at 7:00pm. It is adapted from a worship resource in Seasons of the Spirits, 2015, with a dramatic reading of Mark 14:1-50. Communion will be served, but no foot or hand washing. We look forward to seeing you.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **BIBLE STUDY**

Bible Study is on Wednesdays at 7:00pm - 8:00pm in the Board Room. Our Study is based on the previous Sunday's Readings. Sermon outline are available today and in the week. Please contact Rev. Roni for more information.



## **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.

## **HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

### **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.

### **EASTER FAMILY CELEBRATION SERVICE**

“Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen Indeed!”

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

Special Easter Children's Program.

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

Hymn: “All Glory, Laud and Honour” VU #122

Opening Prayer:

**God of donkeys and children, God of palm branches and parades, we gather to celebrate your presence in our lives and in our church community. We celebrate the courage and wisdom of your son, Jesus. We open ourselves to the grace of your Spirit. May it move us, inspire us, and enliven our faith this day—and always. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

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Prayer of Confession:

**God of the Ages,  
We come to you this day to confess the ways  
in which we have failed to live up to what we  
claim to believe.  
We have shouted “Hosanna” one day and “crucify  
him” the next.  
We have professed undying loyalty one hour and  
denied even knowing  
Jesus the next.  
Forgive us.  
Restore us.  
Strength us to follow the path of faith. Amen.**

Written by, Beth W. Johnston, Hantsport, N.S. , L/E 2018 (Year B)

Words of Assurance

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: "What is Hosanna?"

Hymn: "Hosanna Loud Hosanna" VU #123

### WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a  
(after the reading) *One: Herein is Wisdom.*

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Responsive Reading: Psalm 118:1-4, 19-29 pg.837  
Parts 1, 3, 4

Choir Anthem: "In the Shadow of the Palms"  
By: John Parker & Lloyd Larson

Gospel Reading: Mark 11:1-11  
(after the reading) *One: This is the Good News of Jesus Christ!*

**All: Glory to you O Christ.**

Sermon: "Two Parades"

Prayer of Ascription

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn: "He Came Riding on a Donkey" VU #124

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

Pastoral Prayer

### SENT TO SHOW CHRIST'S LOVE

Hymn: "Ride On! Ride On in Majesty" VU #127

Benediction

Choral Benediction:

**Blessed is Jesus  
Who comes in God's name  
to bring hope to the world.  
Blessed are we  
who celebrate the One who overturns oppression  
through the power of vulnerable love.**

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**Looking toward Holy Week... Mark 14:1-2**

*"<sup>1</sup>It was two days before the Passover and the festival of  
Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were  
looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill  
him; <sup>2</sup>for they said, "Not during the festival, or there may  
be a riot among the people."<sup>3</sup>"*

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.