

New Testament: John 12: 1-11

One: This is the Good News of Jesus Christ.

ALL: Glory to you, O Christ.

Reflection: "Costly Sacrifice"

Prayer of Ascription

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Response: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross?"

VU#149

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

Prayers of the People

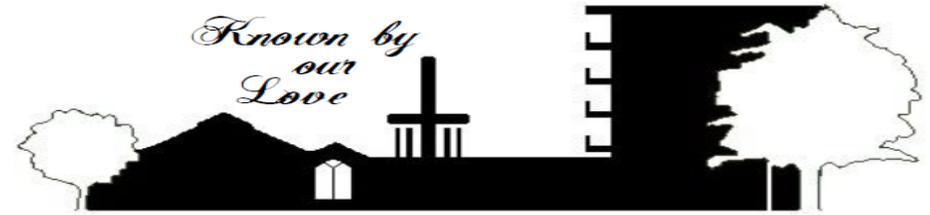
SENT TO SHOW CHRIST'S LOVE

Hymn: "Fairest Lord Jesus" VU#341

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.



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

April 7, 2019 10:30am ~ Water's Edge 1:30pm

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Please note that Rev. Roni is off Monday & Tuesday

Thank you for worshipping with us today!

**We hope that your faith has been enriched
through the worship today and that you may come again!**

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

**Please join us for a time of fellowship after our service in
Bert Passmore Hall.**

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

Reader: Nancy Dixon

Ushers: Jo McCulley & Helper

Coffee Fellowship: Denyse Leigh & Pam Zygmunt

WE GATHER
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
“COSTLY OFFERING”

Welcome

Announcements

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

Territorial Acknowledgement:

“We gather today on the traditional territory of the Anishinabek people and, specifically, the Nipissing First Nation, the land they share with us as a result of the Robinson-Huron Treaty. May we live in peace and friendship as a treaty people.”

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.

Lenten Candle Liturgy: *Please see the Slides*

Today is the Fifth Sunday of Lent, a time of introspection, when we are invited to journey more intentionally in faith.We extinguish the fourth candle, surrendering feelings of unworthiness. As we extinguish the fifth candle, we perceive the costly gift of our salvation.

WE ENTER INTO GOD’S PRESENCE

Call to Worship:

Incarnate One, we welcomed you with wonder and joy in a place named Bethlehem, “house of the bread”. Today we gather with you at a table in a place called Bethany, “house of the poor and afflicted”. We gather to keep the feast of love and gratitude, and to express to you Jesus, a sign of our devotion, for your healing and restoration in our world, as we look toward the Cross.

As community we pray together:

Opening Prayer:

As Mary breaks the seal on the jar of ointment, and the sweet fragrance of nard fills the air; as she anoints your feet, and wipes the excess with her hair, and as we consider the costliness of this love offering, help us to sense the costliness of the greater offering you are making on our behalf. Through the Power of the Holy Spirit you are preparing us for what lies ahead, Amen.

Hymn: “Spirit Open My Heart” MV#79

Prayer of Confession: *Please see the Slides*

We are called into this household where there are disciples betraying their Lord and disciples trying to offer devotion;

We marvel at Mary’s sign of excessive love, as the seal breaks open and the costly contents spill out.

Words of Assurance:

You take our less than perfect devotion, our failings, our coming up short, and you bless it.

Through your self-offering, you become a healing oil, poured out as a sign for our world.

It is the mystery of our faith.

The aroma of sweet grace fills the space.

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 Hymn: “It Only Takes A Spark” VU#289

Time of Learning Together:

The Lord’s Prayer:

WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD

Responsive Reading: Psalm 126 VU#850 Refrain

Anthem: “Sanctuary” By: John Thompson & Randy Scruggs