

Hymn: "Will You Come and Follow Me?" VU#567

Children's Time:

The Lord's Prayer:

**WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD**

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

*One: Herein is Wisdom*

All: Thanks be to God

Choir Anthem: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" (by Thomas Chisholm, William M. Runyan, and Jane Marshall)

Gospel Reading: John 1: 29-42

*One: This is the Good News of Jesus Christ!*

ALL: Glory to you O Christ.

Sermon: The Invitation: 'Come and See, Experience the Mystery.'

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

Hymn: "I Have Called You By Your Name" MV#161

Offering:

Offertory: VU#537

Your work, O God, needs many hands to help you everywhere,  
and some there are who cannot serve unless our gifts we share.  
Because we love you and your work, our offering now we make:  
be pleased to use it as your own, we ask for Jesus' sake.

Offertory Blessing: *Please see the slides.*

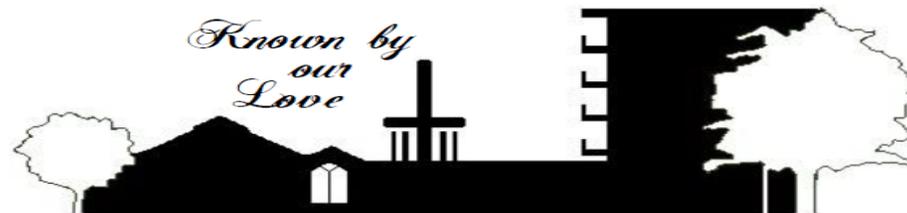
Pastoral Prayer

**SENT TO SHOW CHRIST'S LOVE**

Closing Hymn: "Jesus You Have Come to the Lakeshore" VU#563

Benediction

Choral Benediction: *Please see the slides.*



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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.*

January 19, 2020 10:30am

Thank you for worshipping with us today!

If you are new to Emmanuel, we hope that you feel welcome and 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 the Bert Passmore Hall.

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

Ushers: Pam Zygmunt & Murray Bothwell

Reader: Bud McMartin

Coffee Fellowship: Bud McMartin & Denyse Leigh

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Please note: Rev. Roni is off Monday & Tuesday.

**WE GATHER**  
**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY:**  
**'COME AND SEE', SUNDAY JANUARY 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

*Today's prayers are adapted from The Abingdon Worship Annual 2020, January 19<sup>th</sup> 2020, copyright James Dpllins.*

**Welcome**

**Hymn Sing**

**Territorial Acknowledgement:**

"We gather today on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabeg 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."

**Lighting of the Christ Candle:**

We light this candle  
to remind us of the presence of Christ.

**The light from this candle  
shines equally for each of us.**

We light this candle  
to remind us of the love of Christ.

**The light from this one candle  
shines equally for the world.**

*Written by: Jeanne Wilson, First Grantham U.C., St. Catharines, ON,  
Gathering, Epiphany 2020.*

*(Christ candle is lit.)*

**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**

**Centering Words:**

Come, see and be seen.

Come, know and be known.

Understanding lends light to the eyes.

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Come to God, who knows you

and calls you to love.

**Call to Worship:** (based on Psalm 40) *Please see the slides.*

**Opening Prayer:**

Author of creation, Maker of all that is,  
by your hands the seasons turn  
and the days grow longer.

As sunlight expands irresistibly into dark corners,  
shed your light into our hearts,  
and into our world.

Renew your Church, Holy Spirit,  
that we may worship and serve  
with the joy of Jesus Christ,  
in whose name we pray, Amen.

**Opening Hymn:** "Immortal Invisible God Only Wise"  
VU#264

**Prayer of Confession:**

As your followers, called to be disciples, keep us from  
dwelling on our weaknesses, foibles and fears.  
Guard us from being overly critical of others and  
help us to see the beauty that lies within each person.  
Give us eyes to see you, courage to follow where you lead,  
and bless our hearts with you love.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

**Words of Assurance:**

Jesus takes us at our word and will never forsake us.  
Jesus is with us.

**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. Amen.