

Gospel Reading: Matthew 4: 12-23

One: This is the Good News of Jesus Christ!

ALL: Glory to you O Christ.

Sermon: 'Unlikely People, Unlikely Places'

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn: "Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult" VU#562

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:

Inspired by your love, may our gifts enrich the lives of those who yearn for hope, peace and justice in this local community and beyond.

We pray, in Jesus's name, Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

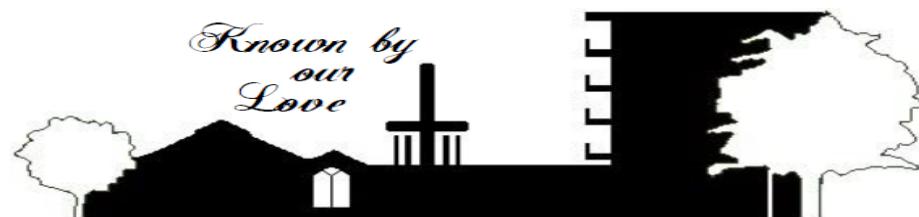
SENT TO SHOW CHRIST'S LOVE

Hymn: "He Leadeth Me" VU#657

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.

January 26, 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 Zygmont & Murray Bothwell
Reader: Bud McMartin
Coffee Fellowship: Nancy Dixon & Bud McMartin

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WE GATHER

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY:
'UNLIKELY PEOPLE, UNLIKELY PLACES'
SUNDAY JANUARY 26TH, 2020

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.**

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(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

Call to Worship: (based on Psalm 27)

Following your call leads us to unlikely places:

The Lord is my light and my salvation;

Whom shall I fear?.....Please see the slides.

Affirmation:

Trinitarian Love is already here to meet us: creator, redeemer, sustainer enters into relationship with us. Let us worship God:

Hymn: "Come Let Us Sing of A Wonderful Love" VU#574

Prayer of Confession:

O God, we confess those times, when fear seems to overwhelm us. Help us to claim the words of the old spiritual "it is well with my soul".

Open our hearts to your abiding love and presence wherever we are on the journey.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Words of Assurance:

In life, In endings, In Mystery, In beginnings:
God is with us, we are not alone!

Choral Assurance of Forgiveness: (2x)

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.

Hymn: "One More Step Along the World I Go" VU#639

Children's Time: "Oh, The Places You'll Go"

By Dr. Seuss

The Lord's Prayer:

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 9:1-4

One: Herein is Wisdom

All: Thanks be to God.

Choir Anthem: "Softly and Tenderly Calling".