

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Old Testament: Isaiah 60: 1-6

One: Herein is Wisdom

All: Thanks be to God

Psalm 72: (VU p. 790 Parts One and Two)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 2: 1-12

One: This is the Good News of Jesus Christ!

ALL: Glory to you O Christ.

Sermon: "The Coming of the Kings"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn: "As With Gladness Men of Old" VU#81

Offering:

Offertory (Sung Response)

What can I give Him, Poor as I am?

If I were a Shepherd, I would bring a lamb;

If I were a Wise Man, I would do my part;

Yet what I can I give Him—Give my heart.

"In the Bleak Midwinter" VU#55 vs.4

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the People/Lord's Prayer

SENT TO SHOW CHRIST'S LOVE

Closing Hymn: "The First Nowell" VU#91

Benediction

Choral Benediction: *(Sung)*

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.

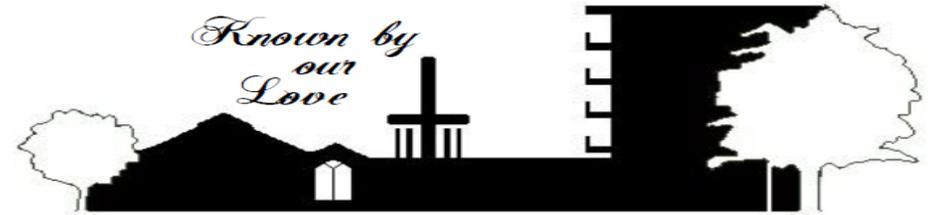
Know God will guide you in all you do.

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 5, 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 sign the Guest Book before you leave.

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A special thank you to all participants in today's service.
Guest Worship Leader: Elizabeth Henderson
Ushers: Barb Maeck & Myrna Bennison

WE GATHER

January 5, 2020 Second Sunday After Christmas
“THE COMING OF THE KINGS”

Welcome

Announcements

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.”

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:

Look up; look way up.

See the brilliant stars overhead.

We know that God offers us guidance for the journey.

Look ahead; look a long way ahead.

See the path that leads to the future.

We know that God has a dream for that future.

Look within; look deeply within yourself.

See the gift of God’s Spirit shared for us all.

We know that God is working within us and among us.

We have begun a new journey in a new year.

Today we are open to being inspired by an old story with a treasured message.

Thanks be to God. Let us worship God.

(Written by Bill Steadman; Gathering ACE 2016-2017 pg. 38)

Opening Prayer: (Unison)

Gracious and accepting God, as we celebrate Epiphany, illuminate this place with a growing star, make brilliant the sacred that sits at the heart of your people.

Invite us to seek the light of Christ’s presence set out for us to follow.

Attune us, at this late date in time,

To the childlike engagement naturally found in the very young.

We have celebrated the Feast of the Nativity,

And now, we make the journey with the Christ child in our arms.

Help us be gracious and attentive to this gift of light given us.

In the Christ child’s name, we pray.

Amen

(Daryl Webber, Gathering ACE 2016-2017 pg. 38)

Opening Hymn: “Arise, Your Light Is Come” VU#79

Prayer of Confession:

Loving God, we are created in your image, yet too often in this world, we do not reflect your light. Instead of being beacons in the night, sometimes we are in danger of snuffing out what light is left.

Loving God, free us from the shadows that lie in all our hearts,

so we will reveal to the world the light that is your love and together renew this world.

(Written by Sandy Ferguson Gathering ACE 2019-2020 pg. 44)

(A moment of silence)

Words of Assurance:

Children’s Time for Learning Together:

Hymn: “When Heaven’s Bright with Mystery” VU#93