

⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.' ⁴⁴ "They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?' ⁴⁵ "He will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.' ⁴⁶ "Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

One: This is the Good News of Jesus Christ.

ALL: Glory to you, O Christ.

Reflection: "Intentionally Caring"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn: "When I Needed a Neighbour" VU#600 (see insert)

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

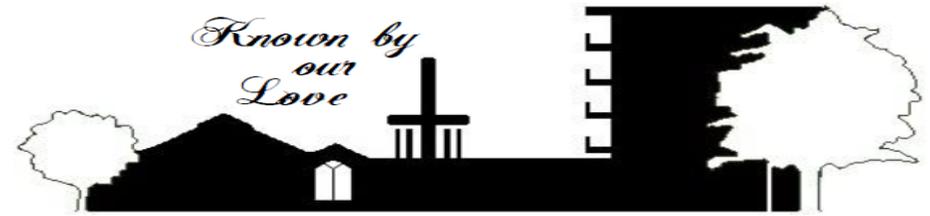
SENT TO SHOW CHRIST'S LOVE

Hymn: "As A Fire Is Meant for Burning" VU#578 (See Insert)

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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spiritual life and sharing God's love
and grace as experienced in Jesus Christ.*

July 28, 2019 10:00am

WE GATHER
REFLECTIONS ON MISSION: WHY WE EXIST?
CARING

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 in the boardroom for
beverage and conversation after today's Service.

Welcome

Announcements

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.

WE ENTER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

Centering for Worship: Emmanuel United Church, a caring, welcoming faith community, nurturing spiritual life and sharing God's love and grace as experienced in Jesus Christ.

What then is care? To care is to cry out with those who are ill, confused, lonely, isolated, and forgotten, and to recognize their pains in our own heart. To care is to enter into the world of those who are touched by hostile hands, to listen attentively to those whose words are only heard by greedy ears, and to speak gently with those who are used to harsh orders and impatient requests. To care is to be present to those who suffer and to stay present even when nothing can be done to change their situation. To care is to be compassionate and so to form a community of people honestly facing the painful reality of our finite existence.

To care is the most human gesture, in which the courageous confession of our common brokenness does not lead to paralysis but to community.

~Henri Nouwen

Opening Prayer: Holy Spirit help us to be a caring witness. Transform our hearts when we hesitate or resist...help us to be instruments of your caring. **Amen**

Greeting

Hymn: “Spirit, Open My heart” MV#79 (see insert)

Prayer of Confession

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 Hymn: “Put Peace into Each Other's Hands”
MV 173, vs. 1,2,3.(See insert)

Lord's Prayer

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Matthew 25:31-46 New International Version (NIV)

The Sheep and the Goats:³¹ “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. ³² All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³ He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. ³⁴ “Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶ I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’ ³⁷ “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? ³⁸ When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? ³⁹ When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’ ⁴⁰ “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’ ⁴¹ “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴² For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink,