



## EMMANUEL COMMUNICATES

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*From the Pastor's Desk*

September 2021

### Life among the Believers

Dear friends,

I chose to pen this note before going on vacation on August 1<sup>st</sup>. I am praying and hoping for a time of rest and renewal over the next five weeks and the joy of being with you after September 6<sup>th</sup>. I have missed being with you, because that's where the love of Jesus is felt in the most intimate way! Acts 2: 44-47 sums up the longing of many hearts:

'All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people.'

I look forward to sharing life with you after Labour Day. We have continued with our ministry of caring, spiritual nurture, worship and serving the wider community; while longing to share life in real-time. With most Canadians having received one vaccine and so many double-vaccinated, we are hopeful, step by step, that we can worship together on September 12<sup>th</sup>. We are prayerfully anticipating a Welcome Back Service with a few adaptations. We look forward to sharing our favourite recipes as Jessica and Elizabeth compile a cookbook in partnership with the Willing Workers. Secondly, the Willing Workers will be making those delicious Garlicky-Dill Pickles in September available for a \$10.00 minimum donation! In God's time, we hope to share a good old-fashion supper one faithful day.

I look forward to hearing your voices join mine in liturgy and prayers, and I know we will have much to share about our lives over the past eighteen months. I look forward to the day when we can break bread again.

Until then, I continue to find great comfort in God's grace that sparked imagination, innovation and compassion over this difficult period. We have lost much as a global community and we have come to deeply appreciate the simpler things in life, like the love of Jesus revealed at Emmanuel United Church. I don't know for sure what the future holds, but we can all trust God with the future. The Spirit always travels ahead of us, calling us into being.

Have an enjoyable August and see you hopefully on September 12<sup>th</sup>! Perhaps, "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" might be an appropriate Introit? Blessings my friends in Christ!

Fondly, Rev. Roni



# WELCOME BACK CELEBRATION SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

The Congregation and Life Committee would like to offer .....

## COFFEE and LEMONADE

At the William Street entrance following the morning church service, as long as there is no rain predicted for that time. We will be joyfully celebrating a return to “Normal Services” of our 10:30 Worship Service.



**NOTICE:** Church Council will be meeting at the church on Wednesday September 22, 2021 at 6:45 p.m. We do so hope that you, or a representative from your committee will be able to attend this most important Council meeting as we prepare for a return to normal church life.

Acting Chair of Council, Janie Clayton

# WILLING WORKERS UPDATE

August 29, 2021

**This** year, so far, our contacts have been by telephone. We made the decision to accept “free” plastic containers (bins) from LIPI and will be using these Christmas Bazaar decorations.



**Another** decision was to donate \$1,000.00 to the church in May.

**In** July, our group members were contacted and encouraged to contribute recipes, by September 12, for the cookbook that Elizabeth Henderson and Jessica Rochon are working on.



**Also**, in July, Roni asked our group to help with a Pickle Fund-raiser. The jars and cucumbers have been donated and to date we have 21 jars of dill pickles ordered. Our cucumbers and fresh dill have arrived and must be processed soon. So, “tune in” to the next newsletter for an update on this endeavour.

**In** November, we were hoping to do our Bazaar but we must wait to learn if Public Health will be allowing these events. Also we would like to let everyone know that we no longer do Rummage Sales or White Elephant Sales. Please DO NOT drop off such items at the church. Value Village would be happy to receive them.

**This** fall we hope to finally be able to meet again and we would gladly welcome more members.

Linda Shillington  
705-497-3530

THE NICEST THING ABOUT THE  
FUTURE IS THAT IT ALWAYS  
STARTS TOMORROW.

*No act of  
kindness,  
no matter  
how small,  
is ever wasted.*



## THE WORLD IS MINE - Author Unknown

Today, upon a bus, I saw a very beautiful woman and wished I were as beautiful.  
When suddenly she rose to leave, I saw her hobble down the aisle.  
She had one leg and used a crutch. But as she passed, she passed a smile.  
Oh, God, forgive me when I whine. I have two legs; the world is mine.

I stopped to buy some candy. The lad who sold it had such charm.  
I talked with him, he seemed so glad. If I were late, it'd do no harm.  
And as I left, he said to me, "I thank you, you've been so kind.  
It's nice to talk with folks like you. You see," he said, "I'm blind."  
Oh, God, forgive me when I whine. I have two eyes; the world is mine.

Later while walking down the street, I saw a child I knew.  
He stood and watched the others play, but he did not know what to do.  
I stopped a moment and then I said, "Why don't you join them dear?"  
He looked ahead without a word. I realized, he couldn't hear.  
Oh, God, forgive me when I whine. I have two ears; the world is mine.

With feet to take me where I'd go..  
With eyes to see the sunset's glow.  
With ears to hear what I would know.  
Oh, God, forgive me when I whine  
I've been blessed indeed, the world is mine.

If this poem makes you feel thankful, just share it with your friends.  
After all, it's just a simple reminder that we have so much to be thankful for!  
Give the gift of love. It never comes back empty!

# PART - TIME POSITIONS AVAILABLE

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## Contract Cleaner required for Emmanuel

Emmanuel United Church is seeking a contract cleaner for 2 hours each week to do the following duties:

- Clean the Washrooms
- Vacuum and sweep the hallway and entrances
- Vacuum the main areas of the Sanctuary and dust altar
- Wipe high-touch surfaces (lights switches, door handles, etc.) and set the garbage out

Fridays are the preferred cleaning day but this is flexible.

Other duties may be requested from time to time at the applicable rate.

\$16.00 per hour

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## Sexton (Custodian for Weddings and Funerals)

*Emmanuel United Church is seeking a Church Sexton to assist the minister with Weddings and Funerals.*

Be responsible to open church 1 hr. prior to service and secure the premises following the service.

As a representative of Emmanuel United Church, dress in a manner befitting the occasion

- A) *The duties of the Sexton can be performed by either a Male or a Female.*
- B) *The Sexton should have 'broad' knowledge of the church*
  - a. *where things are located*
  - b. *what may, or may not, be allowed in the church*
- C) *The Sexton will have a key to the church as he or she will be required to be there to clean and set up necessities before others arrive.*
- D) *The Sexton may also need to accept and place Floral Arrangements that may arrive prior to the ceremony.*
- E) *The Sexton also may be required to set up the Guest Registry (when applicable) in an accessible area.*

*When applicable, there should be a 'dedicated' person to take 'In Memoriam' donations and issue a temporary receipt.*

*An honorarium of \$75.00, set by Church Council, is provided for this role. The honorarium is part of the fee-for-service.*

*A complete list of 'Duties of Church Sexton' would be made available on request*

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***For either or both jobs, please address your brief resume or notice of interest to the Acting Chair of Council with the job title(s) listed on envelope or by email; [merlinandjanieclayton@gmail.com](mailto:merlinandjanieclayton@gmail.com)***

***You may apply to either or both ads***

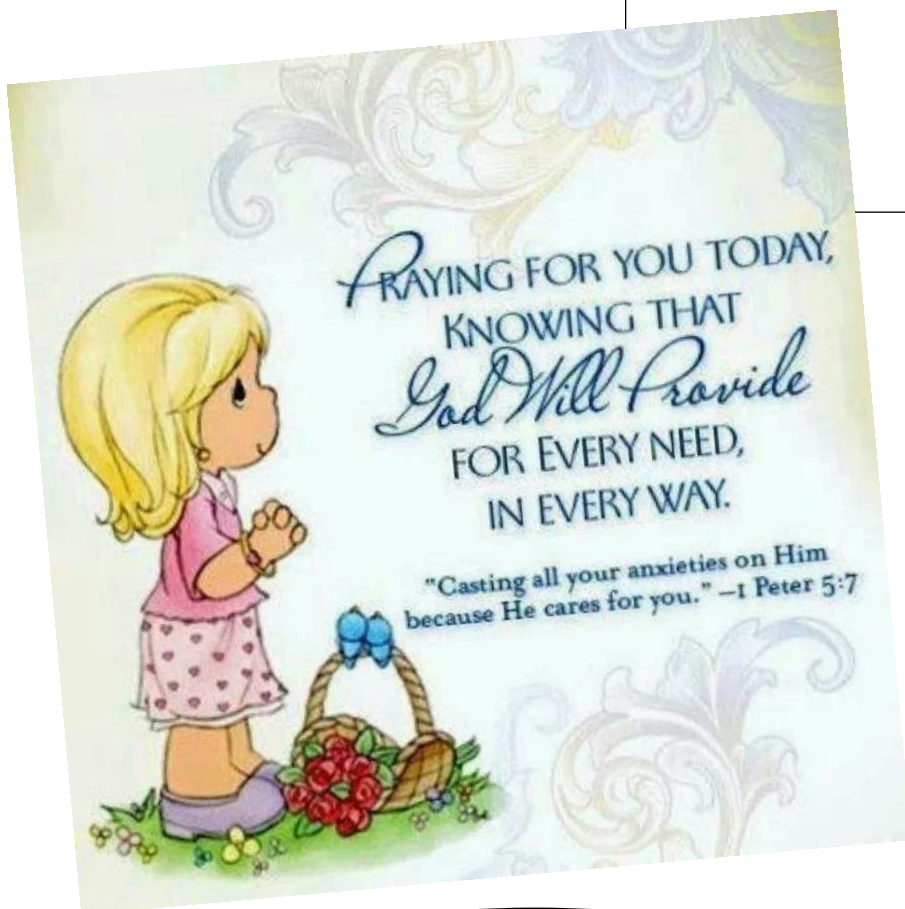






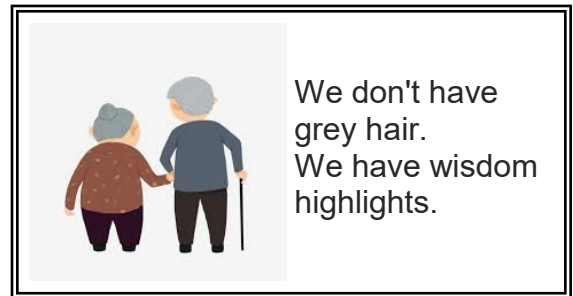
So many people these days are too judgemental.  
I can tell just by looking at them.

Actually I'm not complaining because I am a Senager. (Senior teenager) I have everything that I wanted as a teenager, only 60 years later. I don't have to go to school or work. I get an allowance every month. I have my own pad. I don't have a curfew. I have a driver's license and my own car. The people I hang around with are not scared of getting pregnant. And I don't have acne. Life is great.



**Don't let your worries get the best of you;  
Remember,  
Moses started out as a basket case.**

A thief broke into my house last night. He started searching for money, so I got up and searched with him.



We don't have grey hair.  
We have wisdom highlights.

# Cookbook Fundraiser



Elizabeth & Jessica are working on putting together a new edition of Emmanuel's cookbook to be ready for sale this fall! Print Plus, who produced our calendar last year, is able to do a book for us which we are tentatively saying would sell for \$15 - \$20. In addition to the usual divisions of recipes like main course, desserts, salads etc. we would like to include a section on ethnic cooking and a section on "Coronavirus Comfort Food".

Let us know what your 'go to' recipes were during the tough days of isolation! Along with your recipe please include a short blurb of where you got their recipe so we can meet copyright requirements.

If you have other suggestions on interesting categories please let us know. A box will be placed in the lobby/narthex for submissions or you can email Elizabeth: [elizabethlovesmusic2@gmail.com](mailto:elizabethlovesmusic2@gmail.com). Submit as many recipes as you like!

Deadline for submissions is Sunday, September 12, 2021.

Thank you!

Elizabeth Henderson.



We all get heavier as we get older, because there's a lot more information in our heads.



### SCENT-SITIVE ...

Scented products can aggravate health problems for some people with medical conditions. Please, in consideration of others, do not wear scented products when attending church. Your cooperation is much appreciated.



What do we learn from cows, buffalos and elephants??

It's impossible to reduce weight by eating green grass and salads and walking.



IF YOU HAVE A NEW PHONE NUMBER DO INFORM THE OFFICE SECRETARY SHOULD SHE NEED TO REACH YOU.

IF YOU HAVE MOVED, OR PLAN TO MOVE, PLEASE INFORM THE CHURCH OFFICE SO THAT ANY CORRESPONDENCE TO YOU DOES NOT GO ASTRAY.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS .. PLEASE LET THE CHURCH OFF KNOW SO THAT WE CAN STAY IN TOUCH WITH YOU.

Let us *consider*  
our callings,  
let us *reflect*  
on our responsibilities, and  
let us *follow*  
*Jesus Christ*  
Thomas S. Monson

If you no longer wish to receive **Emmanuel Communicates**, please contact either the church office at 705-472-1806..or.. Karen Carmichael at 705-472-5444 or by e-mail to [carmichl@efni.com](mailto:carmichl@efni.com)

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Comments, concerns and suggestions are always welcome.