

Time of Learning Together: "Lifelong Learning"

Lord's Prayer (sung)

**WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD**

Psalm 119 vs. 129-149

One: Herein is Wisdom.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading: Luke 2: 41-52

One: The Good News of Jesus Christ

All: **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Reflection: "The Joy of Learning"

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

Hymn: "Today We Are Called Disciples" VU#507

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: "Grateful" MV# 182 (x2)

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.

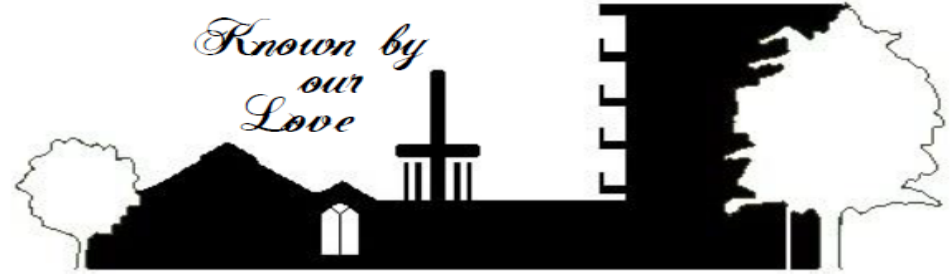
Know God will guide you in all you do.

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.



**EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH**

*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.*

**July 22, 2018**

Thank you for worshipping with us today! If you are new to Emmanuel, we hope that you will feel welcome.

**We invite you to join Rev. Roni at Tim Hortons  
for a time of fellowship after today's service.**

Please introduce yourself to our minister, Rev. Roni Beharry and sign the Guest Book before you leave.

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## CULTIVATING JOY IN JULY

<u>Today at Emmanuel</u>	<u>This Week</u>
10:00am Worship Service	Fri. Timmies at Two

### WE GATHER THE JOY OF LEARNING

Welcome

Hymn Sing

Announcements

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

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.”*

“The Joy of the Lord is Our Strength.”

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:

We gather together celebrating God’s gift of joy.

**We find joy in knowing each other as sister and brother,  
and in being known by you.**

**We are grateful that we can be present for each other, as you  
O God are present for us.**

**You nurture joy within us through life’s experiences.**

**Today we celebrate the joy of learning.**

**Renew our hearts and minds as we ascribe worth to you,**

**Our Joy-giver.**

We pray together

Opening Prayer: “Spirit of the Living God” VU#377

**Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.**

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

**Melt me, mould me, fill me, use me.**

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

**Spirit of the living God, move among us all,**

**Make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love:  
humble, caring, selfless, sharing.**

**Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love.**

Hymn: “Come, Let Us Sing of a Wonderful Love” VU #574

vs. 1, 2, 4

Prayer of Confession:

**Source of wisdom, Divine Love, you who formed us in the  
womb, we attune our hearts to you.**

**Tutor of our Deepest Self, your heart is forever attentive to  
the condition of our hearts:**

**We call and you respond. we search and you lead.**

**We lose and you find. we turn and you embrace.**

**We wander and you lead us on a sacred path of learning,  
until we once more find our true home with you.**

**We pray in Jesus Name,**

**Amen.**

*Inspired by Joyce Rupp in Prayer Seeds.*

Words of Assurance:

**Behold, we are made new.**

**Shaped by grace into a new creation.**

**Glory be to God,**

**Amen.**

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: “Take Time to Be Holy” VU# 672