

**Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 17th 2020,
Emmanuel UC, North Bay
My name is Rev. Roni Beharry.
Welcome to worship at Emmanuel United Church
on behalf of Elizabeth, John and Lorne.**

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

We light this candle because the light of Christ shines in this community and in each one of us as we participate in, and live in anticipation of God's hope. The flame reminds us of God's faithful presence in times of trouble and uncertainty.

At Emmanuel United Church in North Bay, we strive to be a welcoming, caring community, committed to practices of spiritual nurture and sharing God's love as revealed in Jesus Christ.

Welcoming our Viewers:

We welcome all our viewers, closer to home here in North Bay and from wherever you call home.

Let's take a moment to breathe and centre ourselves.

Call to Worship:

Creator God, there are times in our lives when we feel unsettled, grieved, disoriented and our hearts are troubled.

In times such as these, just as Jesus followers were told that they will not be left orphaned, they will be comforted by the Spirit;

We in our varied times of sorrow and emotional upheaval, long to hear these words, that we are not adrift in this world. We cling to the words of promise that you have sent us a comforter, a companion.

Promise-keeper we pray together:

Thank you for the gift of your Holy Spirit.

**Help us to suspend our fears if only for a moment, and
make space for the Comforter who comes along side us.**

**In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, we pray.
Amen.**

Hymn: "Come to My Heart" VU#661

As Jesus taught us we pray together:

We pray to our God:

**Our mother and father, who art in heaven
Hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,**

**And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass
against us, and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory, forever and ever,
Amen**

Epistle Reading: Acts 17: 22-31

Gospel Reading: John 14: 15-21

Meditation: "God seeks relationship with us"

A New Creed Voices United #918

Hymn: "Come Now, Almighty King" VU#314

Offering

Offertory Prayer:

God of love, you are present in all things.

Be present to a hurting world in these gifts.

Help us use these this offering to create a place of belonging for all your beloved children, for we are all your compassionate choice.

Amen.

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Lighting of the Memory Candle:

Pastoral Prayer:

Hymn: "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" VU#378

Commissioning and Benediction

Go in the name of God,

the one who created all the earth.

Go in the name of Christ,

the one who abides in love and abides in each one of us.

Go in the name of the Spirit of truth,

the one who advocates for us and guides us.

Amen.

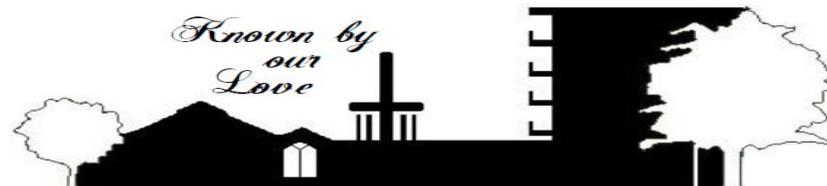
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by Karen Clark Ristine Amen.

Sung Blessing: “Three-fold Amen”



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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.*

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