Emmanuel Newsflash

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A Message From Rev. Roni

Friends,

Sunday April 25th, is the Fourth Sunday of Easter. It is themed Good Shepherd Sunday because the 23rd Psalm is typically read on that designated Sunday. Psalm 23 is read at funerals, at weddings, during times of illness, and in times of trouble and joy. It gives reassurance and nurtures faith at varied times and places along our faith journey.

The constant thread of reassurance is found in the middle of this beloved psalm "for you are with me". God, the good shepherd is with us wherever we are on the journey.

As a province we are in a valley place with respect to the third wave of this covid 19 pandemic. Our province is in crisis. In the hot spot areas, we don't have enough ICU staff and we don't have enough ICU beds to accommodate the high number of individuals who are contracting this deadly virus and it's more virulent variants. We don't have enough vaccines and many folks are concerned about risks associated with the Astra Zeneca vaccine.

Patients are being moved from hotspot areas to Sudbury and other outlying areas. Our movements are further restricted and we can be stopped by police as we travel from place to place. It seems as if we are in a valley where there is no light and we must trust the familiarity of the one we know and who knows us by name. God the good shepherd is with us in these vulnerable times guiding us and protecting us from danger. God works through scientists and medical professionals. God works through the advice of our Premier and Chief Medical Office. Their directives are God's implements for removing us from danger. We can join our voices with psalmist saying "for you are with me". Please be safe and wise in your daily choices.

Please join us for online worship on Sunday April 25th. Consider subscribing to our You tube channel and you will receive advance notices about upcoming videos.

In Christ's Service,

Rev. Roni



Sunday Services are available online:

YouTube: Emmanuel United YouTube Channel Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/EUCNorthBay/

Website: http://www.emanuelunitednorthbay.ca/onlineservices.html

Twitter: https://twitter.com/emmanuel united

~Copies of the Daily Bread devotionals are in the Williams Street Church Mailbox.~



Readings April 25, 2021 Fourth Sunday of Easter Psalm 23

John 10: 11-18 1 John 3: 16-24

Annual Congregational Meeting Sunday May 30,2021 immediately following the in-person Sunday Service, *COVID permitting*.

- 1.We are required to review and update our church Constitution and By-Laws every five years. We are now at the last step in the process, the ratification of the revised documents by you the Congregation.
- 2. The plan is to have a vote of acceptance at the May 30, 2021 Annual Congregational Meeting.
- 4. Prior to voting at the Annual meeting, please be sure to review the Constitution and Bylaws, that were emailed to you on April 9, 2021.

AVENUES FOR FINANCIALLY SUPPORTING EMMANUEL'S MINISTRY AND MISSION:

*AVGEN GIFT CARDS

(Contact-gtwilcox96@gmail.com.)

*PAR

(Pre-Authorized Remittance)

*ONLINE GIVING

(CanadaHelps.org from our Website)

*E-TRANSFER

(From your personal online bank account to Brenda at euctreasurer@gmail.com)

Thank you!



Friendly Reminder:

- * The Church Office secretary continues to work from home. Email & voice mail messages are checked regularly.
- * It is mandatory that you wear a face mask, complete the sign-in form & use the sanitizer when entering the Church.





He said with a smile, "Be a good human being. There is a lot of opportunity in this area, and very little competition."

"Known by Our Love"
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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