

Emmanuel Newsflash

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A Message From Rev. Roni

A good thing can create upheaval in your life! On Easter Weekend Lorne and I learned in a very personal way, that even good things can create upheaval in your life! The Beharry family home is sold and we travelled to Toronto, with a U-Haul rental to bring back two large items. We returned with four large pieces of furniture: new living room furniture. It's a lovely gift and it really modernizes our space but we were scrambling as we had not cleared our space or arranged for help with the necessary moving. I spent the commute on the phone arranging assistance, while Lorne drove and it all worked out.

It made me think of the resurrection of Jesus, it was undoubtedly a good thing for the disciples. Yet, it was so shocking, Easter creates upheaval in their lives. The disciples had no opportunity to prepare for it. News of the resurrection, though joyful, creates upheaval. They have no context for receiving this gift. It leaves you scrambling. Yet, Jesus meets them behind closed doors, reveals himself to them and blesses them with his peace.

Selling the family home, stirs up memories and I feel a degree of grief. Some of you know that I find great solace in nature, this week I was awed by our current shoreline, a clear sign that God still amazes us and transformation is happening. Let's trust in presence of the Risen One as we wait. Jesus says, "my peace, I give to you."



This Sunday we celebrate "The Second Sunday of Easter". Please join us for online worship at 10:30 am. Please hit the subscribe button on our YouTube channel and receive updates on new videos which are released as early as 6:30 am!

Peace, Rev. Roni

* 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.



Sunday Services are available online:

YouTube: Emmanuel United YouTube Channel

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/EUCNorthBay/>

Website: <http://www.emmanuelunitednorthbay.ca/onlineservices.html>

Twitter: https://twitter.com/emmanuel_united

Scriptures for Sunday April 11, 2021

Theme: "Jesus shows up again for us!"

Readings:

Psalm 133 (NRSV)

John 20: 19-31



At our 24 March 2021 Council meeting, the date for the 2020 Annual Congregational Meeting was set for Sunday 30 May 2021 immediately following the in-person, COVID permitting, service.

The date was set on the following schedule:

1. **16 April 2021** - All standing and Ad Hoc committees, Trustees, Willing Workers, Emmanuel Village, Budget and Financial Peer Reviewers reports (and any others I may have missed) **MUST** be submitted to Sheila, Church Secretary, (emmanuelunited@cogeco.net). Please CC me (jnbpronovost@gmail.com) so I can nudge late filers if necessary.
2. The Constitution and By-Law updates will be emailed to the congregation for its review, discussion and voting at the Annual Congregational Meeting on **30 May 2021**

This timing will be in compliance with Regional Council's instructions that ACMs could be delayed to the end of 2021 owing to COVID.

Respectfully,
Bob Pronovost, Chair - Congregation
jnbpronovost@gmail.com



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to Brenda at euctreasurer@gmail.com)

Thank you!



ANTI RACISM WORKSHOP

Vindra Sahadeo will be leading this free, four week program on Micro-aggressions. We will meet via zoom, each Thursday, 3-6 pm, beginning on April 15th.

Registration limited to 15 participants.

We hope that some of us will commit to this primary step in unlearning racism. Please register with Rev. Roni by April 9th at eucnbminister@gmail.com
Ph: 705-472-1806 .

Peace, Rev. Roni Beharry

PLEASE NOTE

- ◆ Rev. Roni will be on study leave April 12-19.
- ◆ Rev. Kathy McCallum will be available for funerals and palliative visits.
- ◆ The congregation may worship virtually with St. Andrew's United Church or Trinity United Church.



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

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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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