# Emmanuel Newsflash

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## A Message From Rev. Roni

Dear Friends,

I thought you might appreciate reading at your own leisure the words of the Inaugural Poet, 22 year old, Amanda Gorman (Youth Poet Laureate). As much as we are Canadians and our context is different. The struggles we face, the forces that harm and the systemic injustices we face are pretty much the same as our neighbours in the USA.

Together we do climb a great hill and look toward its summit. Together we strive for the kind of community Jesus announces at hand. Here are my favourite verses from Miss Gorman's poem:

"And so we lift our gaze, not to what stands between us, but what stands before us.

We close the divide because we know to put our future first, we must first put our differences aside.

We lay down our arms so we can reach out our arms to one another.

We seek harm to none and harmony for all."

Excerpt from Amanda Gorman's "The Hill We Climb", Youth Poet Laureate, January 20th 2021

Our online worship theme this week is "Believe the Good News". Essential faith is necessary as we climb the hill together.

Have a good and safe weekend.

Blessings,

Rev. Roni

#### Zoom Devotional Group Thursdays January 21st-February 18th, 11:00 am to noon.

Please contact Rev. Roni at 416-271-5313 or <u>eucnbminister@gmail.com</u> to receive resources and the zoom invitation.

We currently have six people and can accommodate up to ten! Blessings, Rev. Roni



# The readings for Sunday January 24th are:

Jonah 3: 1-10 Psalm 62: 5-12

1 Corinthians 7: 29-31

Mark 1: 14-20

Online Worship Services will be posted by 10:30am on Sunday morning on Emmanuel's You Tube Channel.

Rev. Roni and Janie Clayton are pleased to share this information from the United Church North Bay and Area Mission Cluster:

## Greetings friends ~

The North Bay and Area UC Mission Cluster is hosting "Guess Who is Coming to Lunch?" on Fri., Jan 29, 12 noon - 1pm. Everyone is welcome but we are especially encouraging those who are associated with any of the congregations in the former North Bay Presbytery, to attend. We can accommodate up to 100 people!

The purpose of this gathering is simply for folks to connect socially during this Covid-time. There's no business agenda! We are aware that people are feeling isolated. This is an opportunity to just chat about whatever you want to chat about and listen to others, doing the same! We encourage you to make lunch for yourself ahead of the gathering so you can eat it when others are also eating.

**How is this going to work?** You may have guessed it already--by ZOOM! Below is a link that will take you into the on-line gathering. If you do not have the ZOOM app installed on your computer, do so ahead of the gathering so you'll be able to enter seamlessly. Go to <a href="https://zoom.us/">https://zoom.us/</a> to do this. You do not need to register for this gathering. Just click on the link a few minutes ahead of 12 noon on Jan 29, if you wish to attend.

Once we have folks gathered on-line at 12 noon in "the cafeteria," we'll start with Grace, and then break everyone into "table groups" where you'll be able to easily chat in a small group of 5-6 people. Each "table group" will have a person who will act as a Facilitator, to assist the conversation, if necessary. Here's the link:

#### Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86808330869?pwd=YWlsUEZxQ1FqZHJYY3RZM0NKSzg5UT09

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#### If you have questions, send me an email: teresadjones16@gmail.com

- Teresa Jones

On behalf of the North Bay & Area Mission Cluster Teresa Jones (DM/OM) Residing on the Traditional Territory of the Nipissing Peoples, Robinson-Huron Treaty of 1850 705-978-5088





It is mandatory that you wear a face mask, use the hand sanitizer and complete the sign-in form when you enter the church.

#### 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

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- \*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!



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Worship Services will continue to be delivered online only, until further notice, due to the extended stay-at-home order from the

# THE CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED.

The secretary is working from home and email and voice mail messages are checked regularly.

Near North Palliative Care will be releasing the first issue of an interactive newsletter on February 8th, 2021. It will be available free to seniors in our area either online or in print in both French and English. It will contain information on technology use, events, local services, health and wellness as well as a senior's spotlight. Contact Laura Jull, Project Coordinator at nnpsn.sc@gmail.com or contact the office at 705-497-9239 if you have any questions, or:

- Are interested in receiving our newsletter?
- Have ideas for content we should cover?
- If you require printed copies or if you would prefer the electronic copy?

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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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