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Emmanuel United Church

Emmanuel Newsflash

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A Message From Rev. Roni:

Yesterday was Canada Day and I spent part of the day reflecting on my Canadian identity.

I became a Canadian citizen in 1989, I prepared for citizenship by studying a short course in Canadian History, learning it's polity and participating in an interview with a judge. Some of my more notable learning moments have emerged as I have lived into my citizenship.

A few years ago, I learned that the name Canada, likely has its roots in the Huron-Iroquois word "Kanata" meaning "Village" or "settlement". In 1525, two Indigenous youth told French explorer Jacques Cartier about the route to Kanata; they were actually referring to the village of Stadacona, the site of the present-day City of Quebec. For lack of another name, and out of ignorance, Cartier mispronounced the word, didn't understand it's meaning and used the word "Canada" to describe not only the village, but the entire area controlled by its chief. The name was soon applied to a much larger area. Maps as far back as 1547 designated

everything north of the St. Lawrence River as Canada. Cartier even called the St. Lawrence River, the "riviere du Canada". Over time more and more of the country was called Canada.

Yesterday, I thought about this namesake "Kanata" the village. I thought, if only the early explorers deeply respected the norms of village life, history might have unfolded very differently supporting the mutual thriving of all who live in the village. History suggests that our relationships have not been very respectful. Our dealings have been oppressive and dishonest. How do we go forward? My hope is that we can wrestle together and seek a blessing. I grew up in a village and it will be my starting point.

On Sunday July 4th, we reopen for worship with a seating capacity for thirty. You are welcome to attend. Please follow the guidelines provided. Doors open at 9:30 am, worship begins at 10:00 am.

Blessings, Rev. Roni

Scripture Readings for July 4th, 2021 are:

Mark 6:1-13; Psalm 48 and 2 Corintians 12: 2-10



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HOORAY OUR CHURCH IS OPEN AGAIN FOR WORSHIP STARTING JULY 4TH!

The Reopening Committee is happy to announce that for the month of July Church Services will **begin at 10 a.m. & doors will open about 9:30.** Everyone is welcome & encouraged to follow the usual Covid guidelines as usual. Our Church will be closed for the month of August for staff holidays but St. Andrews will be having Worship Services & you are welcome to attend or perhaps watch the Service online if they are doing that.

COVID-19 Procedures and Practices

Welcome back to your church home or temporary home! We are so happy you are here.

Everyone's cooperation is essential in ensuring the health and safety of all.

Some of these are legal requirements on your part and/or the church's part:

- Please notify the church by Friday Noon if possible, if planning to attend a service (for seating purposes) emmanuelunited@cogeco.net or 705-472-1806. The Greeter will either check off that you attended or add your name & phone number to the list.
- You must wear a facemask throughout the service and anywhere within the church building **unless medically exempt.**
- Please use the hand sanitizer provided, upon entering the church building. The Greeter at the William St. Entrance will give you a shot of sanitizer.
- Please maintain 2 meter social distancing from other people at all times.
- Please enter and leave the sanctuary through the main sanctuary doors only-keeping appropriate spacing
- Church name tags will not be used at this time, for sanitary reasons.
- Please place your offering into the container provided as you enter the sanctuary.
- Please use the seating that you are directed to by the usher. Do not rearrange the seating.
- Do not sing at any time during the service. You are welcome to take part in the spoken portions of the Service.
- Hymn books will not be used during the service.
- At the end of the service, you will be asked to exit starting from the back of the church as directed by the Usher(s). Please be patient.
- If you need to use the washroom during the service, please exit and re-enter through the main sanctuary doors.
- Do not enter any part of the church building that is cordoned-off or indicated by a "Do not enter" sign.
- **If you feel ill or have any of the symptoms of covid19, do not attend services.**

Please be considerate of the health and wellbeing of others.

Bud McMartin



Donations to The United Church Healing Fund

for Residential School Survivors and their Indigenous Communities.

At this time, if you wish to make a special donation, you may ask that it be directed to the Healing Fund.

Excerpt from Janie Clayton, CSRC Rep and Living in Right Relations Rep. for Emmanuel United Church

"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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