

Emmanuel United Church

Emmanuel Newsflash

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Re-affirmation of Faith

Are you interested in re-affirming your faith or becoming a member of Emmanuel United Church? An information session will be held in Roni's office at 9:15 am, Sunday March 17th and Sunday March 31st. Please speak to Rev. Roni, as at least two people have expressed interest.

Dedication of

More Voices Hymn Books

Our UCW has dedicated a number of More Voices Hymn Books to our congregation. They will be dedicated on Sunday March 17th. UCW ladies please plan to attend.



March 17

A Note From Rev. Roni

Recent news coming from Parliament Hill, seems to suggest that our PM, in the very least was very tempted to assert his power in a manner that might serve his own political interest in the SNC Lavalin case. I imagine, he must have been feeling unduly stressed. If we examine ourselves, we find that we've all been there. I find that when I am stressed, or when one of my physical or emotional needs are not met, I am more likely to be vulnerable to temptation. We've all been there.

In our Gospel reading, this week, after spending weeks in the wilderness, without a home cooked meal, Jesus was famished. I can't think straight when I am hungry. We can imagine that Jesus could have been feeling a little light headed. Jesus has been there. The temptation to assert his own power and serve his immediate needs would be hard

to resist. The attraction of ascribing worth to the rulers of this world and obtaining the prestige of this world would have seemed to be an easy road to success. The temptation to compulsively prove one's worth could be attractive.

The Spirit led Jesus to the wilderness and helped Jesus to overcome these temptations of the evil one. The Gospel writer suggests that the evil one, the tempter, returns to Jesus at another opportune time. Holy Spirit be our friend, help us to resist the wiles of the one who entices us to wander away from our core identity with you. The Holy Spirit is our helper on our Lenten journey. Join us for worship on this first Sunday of Lent, March 10th, 10:30 am.

Learn about the Spiritual practice of Lectio Divina.

HELP NEEDED

Your supper committee is in need of Ticket Conveners for the Beef Supper. *If interested you should attend our Supper Meeting on the 10th at 7:00 PM in the Church Hall.* If we have no one to sell the tickets for this major fund raiser, it will have to be cancelled. Please contact Carl or Gloria Crewson (705-752-2665) for more information.

Annual Non-Supper Supper

This will be the 10th anniversary of our gourmet event and we hope you will join us in imagining the perfect meal with absolutely no work at all! All proceeds go to sustaining the warmth you experience spiritually as well as physically at Emmanuel. Snowbirds may "pay forward" or make a last minute reservation on their return.

Preferred seating goes to those who book early.



We are making your **Avgen gift card orders easier than ever.** We now have a drop box located in the front entrance of the church for you to put your orders into. This is a really easy way for us to support the church financially without hurting our wallet.

You can make your order in person this Sunday March 10th.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
10 Worship Sunday Service 10:30 am FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT WHERE ARE YOU GOING LORD?	11	12	12 UCW Meeting 1pm	14 Choir Practice 7:30	15 Timmy's at Two!	16
17 Worship Sunday Service 10:30 am	18	19	20	21 Choir Practice 7:30	22 Timmy's at Two!	23 West Ferris Brunch

You're invited to join in a "Kitchen Table Conversation".

How will we participate in God's transformative work of justice, peace and love in 2019? Let's talk!

Saturday March 30th, 2019 10am-noon @ Emmanuel United Church, 395 Lakeshore Dr. North Bay.

Sponsored by: North Bay and Area Mission Cluster UCC and United for Action UCC. Kay Heuer /Facilitator

Please bring: Your passion for justice and love for the United church. Ministry personnel and their congregations are encouraged to attend. RSVP: elizabeth.frazer@outlook.com For more info please see United Church of Canada web page - United Action for Justice.

A.O.T.S (As One That Serves)

EASTER HAM FUNDRAISER Trinity United Church men's service group is selling Bavarian Black Forest Hams (4-4 1/2 lbs). Cost per Ham is \$20.00.

For more information, or to order, please contact Dalton Carmichael 705-472-5444. Thank you.

MOVIE NIGHT AT THE CAPITOL CENTRE

Oscar-winner "The Green Book" at the Capitol Centre on Sun. March 24th, 6:30 pm. Movie starts at 7:00 pm.

Please sign up with Zona Beeson, if you would like to go as a group. Coffee after the movie is an option.

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"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.

