

Emmanuel Newsflash

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A Message From Rev. Roni

I participated in my first and only flash mob at the Parliament of World Religions in November 2018. It was energizing and exhilarating and sucked me in, like a vacuum. I couldn't resist the pulsing beat of the drums and joyful singing in the square. Even if you just kept walking you couldn't escape its pulsing beat and rhythm that filled that atrium at Toronto's Metro Convention Centre. Many of you might remember watching a live "flash mob" on you tube. It became popular over 2010-2019. It is usually staged in a public place. Typically there is some kind of common song or common experience. The location can vary from an outdoor space (a large square or park), a food court in a shopping mall, or an atrium of some sort. Some elements of it are staged and some are spontaneous. You might describe it as an explosive burst of energy and it's surprising!

Some people join right in with the song or dance, some are awed, some just try to go on as if nothing has happened, and some might even be confused. You might describe Pentecost, as God's flash mob. It takes place fifty days after the Passover, if you believe that Jesus died close to Passover, then roughly fifty days after Easter and ten days, after Jesus became a cosmic presence at the Ascension. God is staging this flash mob: the wind, the tongues of fire ...it's all intentional, even the setting, it's all staged by God and all packed with symbolism. It's a public event. Join us as we remember God's flash mob, virtually on Sunday May 31st 2020. It will be posted on You Tube!



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Join us for our May 31st Sunday service which will be posted on You Tube and Facebook by 10:30am on Sunday morning.

Instead of Timmies at Two, we are doing "Zoom at Two" by teleconferencing /video conferencing. Please email Rev. Roni if you wish to join our online conversation at: eucnbminister@gmail.com.

Or leave a phone message at 705-472-1806.

The Food Cupboard appreciates your ongoing support for the families of West Ferris who need it.

Donations of cereal, pasta, oatmeal, powdered & canned milk, canned fruit and meat (ham, tuna, salmon) are still needed.

**Please drop off on Saturday 3:30-5:30 pm
Thursday 10:00am-12noon**



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* **Contribute electronically** through CanadaHelps.org which is now available on the EUC website on the Home Page as well as the in the new Donations page.

- ♦ There is a link ("**Donate Now**" button) with full easy to follow instructions.
- ♦ You can direct your donation to the General Fund, Legacy Fund, Memorial Fund, Non-Supper Fund.
- ♦ You will receive a tax receipt from Canada Helps immediately at time of donation.

* **Another option to give to the church is by e-Transfer** through your personal online banking. Exact steps vary by individual bank, but the process is simple. Just log into your online bank account, navigate to the *Interact* e-Transfer section and follow the instructions. You will have to set up the church as a new contact. Please use email address euctreasurer@gmail.com. Your donation will go to local church expenses unless otherwise directed in your message. If you have any questions, please contact Brenda at euctreasurer@gmail.com or 705-474-2607.

The “**Are You Ok?**” is a telephone reassurance program, for enrolled seniors, who receive a daily call from a voice-activated computer program to check on their well-being. **Call 705-476-0890 to sign up.**

“Moving Forward: Living Faithfully! Planning for the Future Recommendations to assist communities of faith in the future planning for the *safe reopening* of their buildings and in-person continuation of their ministries”https://canadianshielddrc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Moving-Forward-Living-Faithfully_CSRC-1.pdf

“It's important to remember: church doesn't close. Ever.

It's lived, around the world, and in our homes;

it acts, when our hearts reach out;

**it keeps going, wherever there is one disciple of Jesus, or two, or three -
living the Way we've been taught.**

We are the church. ALWAYS. And all ways.”

Richard Bott, the current Moderator of the United Church of Canada.

Whether or not to reopen? The short answer is: “It depends, and it will change.” And when churches do reopen, it will be opening to a new normal. Moreover, let us not lose what has been gained by venturing into the online world. For many it will continue to be the way they connect with communities of faith. God's mission always finds a way to spring forth in a crisis.

Excerpt from <https://www.united-church.ca/news/reopening-new-normal>

“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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