Emmanuel Newsflash

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A Message From Rev. Roni

Up until about a week ago, if I looked through my kitchen window, within close range and clear view, I caught glimpse of a vision of unmerited grace, our roanberry tree to my heart's delight, dotted with bunches of bright red berries, on any given day I could stand at my window, with no binoculars in hand and observe: robins, chickadees, goldfinches and swallows all feasting on the red ripened roanberries. One day I counted almost twenty birds over five minutes enjoying a feast. The birds that arrived later ate their fill, as did the birds that I first observed. The chickadees probably ate as many berries or possibly more than the robins. Watching these birds feast, shattered all of my concepts of what was fair

and who was entitled to how much. God's caring is unmerited! Our online worship theme this week is, "God's Unmerited Mercy". Please consider joining us on Saturday September 26th, 2:00 pm for a worship practice run as we prepare to reopen for Sunday worship on October 4th 2020. Please call Sheila by noon, 705-472-1806, on Friday September 25th, if you plan to attend the practice run. We want to test out our protocols.

Have a great weekend!



Memorial Services:

Today we celebrate John Gamble's life at a graveside service in Sudbury, 2:00pm

An outdoor memorial service will be held on Saturday September 19th. Celebrating the lives of Sue and Scott Beemer at Trinity United Church, Guelph.



All on-line Sunday Services are available on:

YouTube: Emmanuel United YouTube Channel Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/EUCNorthBay/

Website: http://www.emanuelunitednorthbay.ca/online-services.html

Twitter https://twitter.com/emmanuel united

ONLINE WORSHIP: Will continue for the month of September.

CHURCH SERVICE: Will resume on October 4th, 2020.

MASKS & SIGN-IN: It is mandatory that you wear a face mask and sign-in when you enter the church. ROOM RENTALS: The Church remains CLOSED to all room rentals as we do not have the needed resources to implement safety, sanitation, and infection control standards established by public health authorities.

REOPENING OF CHURCH SERVICES

- ♦ Church Service will start again on Oct. 4th, 2020 & we are looking forward to seeing you again. We will have a short Service followed by an Annual Congregational Meeting & we need at least 20 members to attend & not more than 40 people due to physical distancing.
- ♦ Just a reminder to follow the COVID restrictions in the letter that you received a while ago & we are sure that you will follow the usual restrictions.
- ♦ In addition, we need some volunteers to help as a Greeter at the 2 entrances where you will check off the name & number of people in your party attending as well as giving them a shot of hand sanitizer. Please phone Bud McMartin at 474-8725 to say that you will help.
- ♦ We also need some volunteers as Ushers on Sundays. Please phone Judy Pronmovost at 494-7264 to say that you will help on some Sundays.
- ♦ We also need some people to come to a Practice Opening on Sat. Sept. 26 starting at 2 p.m. but any Volunteer Greeters or Ushers are asked to come at 1:30 p.m. to learn their process.
- ♦ Please remember that you need to phone Sheila at the Office at 472-1806 to say that you intend to come to any Church Service by Friday at noon so she can make up the list of people attending that Sunday for the Ushers & Greeters.

Things are different for all of us but we are doing the best to make our return to Services worthwhile, meaningful & safe.

Thanks in advance for you returning or helping!

Bud McMartin



CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9a.m. to 1p.m.

• If anyone is coming to the Church Office during these hours, they are asked to use the outside intercom to let the Secretary know they are entering the church as all the entrance doors will be locked.

AVENUES FOR FINANCIALLY SUPPORTING EMMANUEL'S MINISTRY AND MISSION.

- *AVGEN GIFT CARDS (Contact Tina or Greg by email gtwilcox96@gmail.com or 705-303-4204)
- *PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance)
- *ONLINE GIVING (CanadaHelps)
- *E-TRANSFER (From your personal online bank account to Brenda at euctreasurer@gmail.com)

THANK YOU!

"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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