

Emmanuel United Church

Emmanuel Newsflash

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A Note From Rev. Roni

WHITE GIFT ITEMS NEEDED THIS SUNDAY:

- ◆ Cereal
- ◆ Instant Mashed Potatoes
- ◆ Canned Vegetables
- ◆ Canned Fish
- ◆ Canned Fruit
- ◆ Canned Milk
- ◆ Non-perishable food items only.



AVGEN GIFT CARDS

An easy way to financially support the church without hurting your wallet!

You may order cards Othis Sunday Dec. 8th for use during the Christmas season.

***PAR** (Pre-Authorized Remittance) an easy way to provide consistent year round financial support.

Please contact Tina Wilcox for more information.

As a follow-up to a book study on "White Fragility", sponsored by the Mission Cluster of North Bay and area united churches, which included a staff person from the Multicultural Centre, we were astounded to learn of the multiple experiences of racism here in North Bay. Our group felt motivated to reach out to Mr. Rota's office and our Prime Minister as allies in dealing with racism in Canada.

On November 28th, Arlene Hummel, Kathie Smith and yours truly were warmly welcomed by Micheline (Mr. Rota's Executive Assistant) and later by Mr. Rota, where we were treated to a very pleasant visit in his office.



We talked about our shared reflections and commitment to unlearning racism. Mr. Rota's journey is distinct, as a first generation Italian-Canadian who experienced some discrimination in his early years. We offered to

reflect with him, as he reads the book and he seemed very receptive that we progressives unknowingly engage in systemic racism. It's about naming not blaming. We all acknowledged the work of self-awareness in turning away from a past of systemic racism. It's in our nation's history. The church plays a role in announcing God's coming judgment. God's peaceable kingdom includes everyone. God's peaceable North Bay includes racialized persons and new immigrants. The church is the saving judge of the world's culture. At Emmanuel UC, we are great cooks (Cookie Walk, Turkey Supper, etc.) and so much more. We are God's prophetic voice. We have the God-given capacity to influence our city and create a better Canada. Join us on Sunday December 8th, with a carol sing at 10:15 am, our worship theme is "preparing the way".

Congratulations to our MP Mr. Anthony Rota on his new appointment as Speaker of the House! We know that you will do us all proud.

Blessings,
Rev. Roni

E.U.C. Willing Workers

Our next meeting will be Tues. Dec. 10 at 10am.

We will have a short meeting; prepare cookie tins for "shut-ins" and have a social time.

New members are always welcome.

Advent 2019**"The World Waits for Good News of Great Joy!"**

December 8, 10:30 a.m.
Advent 2: White Gift Sunday
 "The Lord is Coming:
 Let's be Prepared!"

December 15, 10:30 a.m.
Advent 3:
 "Joy for the Journey,
 the Lord Is Coming!"

December 22, 10:30 a.m.
Advent 4:
 "A Sign of Emmanuel:
 God's Expression of Love"

Tuesday, December 24, 6:30 p.m.
Christmas Eve
"A Child Is Born For Us."

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
8 Advent 2: Carol Sing 10:15 White Gift Sunday "The Lord is Coming: Let's be Prepared!"	9	10	11	12 Choir Practice 7:30	13 Timmies at Two	14
15 Advent 3: "Joy for the Journey, the Lord Is Coming!"	16 Office Open 9-1	17 Office Open 9-1	18 Office Closed	19 Office Closed Choir Practice	20 Office Open 9-1 Timmies at Two	21

**CL&W Christmas Carol Singing Event 1:30pm Sat. Dec. 14/19:****Interested in bringing Cheer and Joy to others this Christmas Season?**

Please join with the CL&W Committee in our annual Christmas Carol Singing Event on Saturday December 14th, meeting at the William Street entrance of the church at 1:30 p.m. From there we will head out to bring smiles, and Christmas music to many of the residents at Waters Edge and the Empire Living Centre. Following our afternoon of spreading cheer to folks, we will return to the church for a hot beverage and some well deserved goodies.

Please let Nancy Dixon (705-495-6944) know if you will be able to join us this year as we spread the Christmas Spirit to others, while enjoying ourselves as well.

We decided to have this event on Sat., Dec. 14 starting at the Church at 1:30 and going to only Waters Edge and The Empire for 45 minutes each and not to any individual homes of the Congregation. I have arranged with Waters Edge to be there in the lower floor to sing Carols with the residents that are there from 1:40 to 2:25. I have also arranged with The Empire to be there in the usual main entrance area to sing Carols with the residents that are there from 2:40 to 3:05. We feel that it is too messy for people to go into homes due to the snow on footwear. There will be a gathering back at the church for cookies and beverages of either hot chocolate or hot cider when we are finished.

Everyone is welcome to join us as these places and people really enjoy it.

"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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