

Emmanuel United Church

# Emmanuel Newsflash

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**REMEMBER: The Annual General Meeting will be held this Sunday Feb. 24th after Service! AND** The Congregational Life & Work Committee will be putting on a **Luncheon in the Hall before the Meeting!** There will be a Free-Will Offering.

Are you forgetting things, losing items, missing appointments??? "MILD COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENT" is a term used to explain some of our forgetfulness. If you would like to talk to someone, Mary McLaren-Soutar is more than willing to talk to you. She can also explain a program that she is involved with that could help you. Contact Mary at 705-495-6147

## **HELP NEEDED**

***Your supper committee is in need of Ticket Conveners for the Beef Supper.***

***If we have no one to sell the tickets for this major fund raiser, it will have to be cancelled.***

***Please indicate your interest in taking on this duty to Carl or Gloria Crewson (705-752-2665) as soon as possible.***

## **A Note From Rev. Roni**

On Sunday, Lorne and I drove to Toronto for a belated birthday lunch with my brother and mother on family day. Like all families, we have dynamics, we have our unique quirks. At times, we can be unduly critical of each other and often I psyche myself up for these visits by carrying an intention in my heart. The intention is to appreciate each other and show love. The intention and the follow through more times than not, has a transformative effect, making the visit a pleasant and memorable occasion. Churches are like families, we all contribute our unique quirkiness to the family dynamic. Words such as caring, welcoming, sharing

God's love revealed in Jesus Christ, can be intentions that potentially transform our interactions. I try to find some attribute that I value in each one of you and I find that the practice has a bonding effect, it helps me to be in healthy relationship with almost everyone.

I am grateful for each one of you, for the multiple leadership roles you take on and your dedication to the witness of the Emmanuel United Church. By now, I hope that you have received your annual report for 2018 and I look forward to seeing you when we meet on Sunday for worship, lunch and our meeting.

With Humble Gratitude,  
Rev. Roni Beharry



**World Day of Prayer 2pm Friday  
March 1, 2019. St. John the Divine  
Anglican Church 301 Main Street.**

**We are looking for suggestions and technical assistance in our new venture: AUDIO RECORDINGS of our Sunday Service! Please speak to Lorne if you can help in the development or if you have ideas to make this a reality!**

### A Time to Connect and Listen to families in 2019.

We want to work with you to provide spiritual formation opportunities for families that are relevant to your needs in 2019. As a community of faith, we are aware that we don't seem to be meeting the spiritual needs of families in our community. We appreciate the demands on family life and we want to listen and decide how we can work together to provide some core spiritual values for children and parents for today's world. Some of us are **meeting up on Saturday February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 3:00 pm** in the chapel at Emmanuel United Church. Please join in to listen and learn. Times have changed and we are ready to listen. Contact Rev. Roni for more information:  
[eucnbminister@gmail.com](mailto:eucnbminister@gmail.com).

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
24 Worship Sunday Service 10:30 am <b>Annual General Meeting &amp; Lunch</b>	25	26	27	28 Choir Practice 7:30	<b>March 1</b> Timmy's at Two!	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> Worship Sunday Service 10:30 am	4	5	6	7 Choir Practice 7:30	8 Timmy's at Two!	<b>9</b>

**PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance)** Stop worrying about church envelopes, cheques or money & sign up for PAR today! A simple and convenient direct debit program for church members to provide consistent year-round financial support. For more information, please contact Envelope Secretary, Sherri Pinder.



### Leadership Opportunities in 2019

We are looking for volunteers to fill **officer roles and committee roles** for 2019. **We hope to fill some of these roles at the congregational meeting on February 24<sup>th</sup>.** Council Chair; Council Vice-Chair; Council Secretary; 2<sup>nd</sup> Regional Council Representative  
**Committees looking for new members:** Congregational Life & Work; Finance; Visitation; Worship  
 To learn more about these opportunities chat with one of the council representatives, the out-going chair Bev Carmichael or Rev. Roni.

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 anytime. Please note order dates will be placed the first Sunday of the month. The box is locked and put in the office during non business hours. Just a reminder the gift cards are used not only for gifts but everyday spending. For example we use our cards for groceries, gas, movie tickets, i tunes, restaurants and hardware purchases. This is a really easy way for for us to support the church financially without hurting our wallet.

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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.

