Emmanuel United Church

Emmanuel Newsflash

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A Note From Rev. Roni

On Wednesday night, I was awed by the faith and courage of our church council as they voted to embrace changes in 2020. They were shining examples of faith and courage. Most of us know that living into change requires far more from us, and what sustains us is not what we believe about Jesus, but the very presence of Jesus. Jesus is a living presence. We are told that after the disciples see Jesus in his glory, talking with Moses and Elijah, just as Peter was trying to capture the moment, they become enveloped in a grey cloud, and in the opaqueness, a voice is heard saying "this is my beloved, listen to him. "Likewise, I am praying, may our hearts be attuned to "God who is with us." May we heed the advice 'to listen to him.' Incarnate One, help us to be open to your presence.

Join us for worship on Sunday February 26th, 10:30 am. Vindra Sahadeo of the North Bay Multicultural Centre will be sharing worship with Rev. Roni.

Join us for a catered 'freewill' Hot Chili Lunch, a gift of generosity by three Emmanuel UC families. Beef, Turkey & Vegetarian options are available,

> THIS SUNDAY, **FOLLOWING** WORSHIP.

EUC FOOD CUPBOARD SALE ~ THIS SUNDAY ~ **CANNED BEANS .50** (Assorted)

Imposition of Ashes

(opportunity to receive ashes), Wednesday February 26, marking the beginning of the Lenten Journey from 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm with Rev. Roni in the Chapel. The liturgy will be short and adapted for individuals or a small group.

Bible Study on the shortest book in the bible "The Letter to Philemon". It deals with the emancipation of a slave. It's easy to read with a depth of meaning. Join us on **February 26, 2:00pm**

Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper February 25, 5-6:30pm Trinity's A.O.T.S.

Elizabeth's Confession:

Hi, the Animation Team (a group formed to stimulate creative fundraising for the church) has been discussing new ideas. This morning I am here to talk about the Avgen gift card program. The second Sunday of every month Tina and Greg submit orders for gift cards we have ordered to give as gifts, or to use for our own everyday items like groceries and other household goods. The Avgen company gives a percentage rebate back to the church. In 2019 we made \$1,699.03.

My confession is that while I think it's a good way to make money for the church, I only ordered one card last year. Why? Mostly because it's hard to change my way of doing things. In February I reformed my ways and ordered two cards for my own grocery shopping.

I'd like to see this program generate Blessings, more revenue for the church, so this Elizabeth

month I am inviting everyone who has not yet tried this program to submit an order form. I will donate one extra loonie over and above my normal monthly offering for every form submitted before the next order date, March 8! That's kind of like adding compound interest to your Avgen card rebate. Let's give it a try and see how many extra dollars we can raise to support our faith-filled church! Order forms with cash or cheques can be placed in the drop off box on the table in the church lobby on any Sunday of the month. In between

Sundays the box is locked in the secretary's office for security. Cheques are to be made out to Emmanuel United Church. I'm hoping you will place a record number of orders so I will have to pay a whopping extra amount with my next offering!

FRIENDLY REMINDER

Council Committee Chairs are reminded to submit their reports, and financial peer reviews, where indicated, to the church office by March 2, 2020. Thanks!

ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY MARCH 29 following church service.

Will you be able to join us?

PLEASE NOTE

Council has decided to discontinue the weekly advertisement for our Sunday Service as published in the North Bay Nugget. Please visit our Social Media Sites (listed below) for information about your church.



"NON-SUPPER/SUPPER"

Your support of this refreshing fund-raising opportunity is greatly appreciated.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Feb. 23 Sunday Service 10:30am Special Guest Vindra Sahadeo from the North Bay Multicultural Centre.	24 Joyful Voices Choir 1:30-3pm	25	26 Ash Wed. 12-2 Bible Study 2pm	27 Choir Practice 7:30	28 Timmies at Two	29
March 1 Sunday Service Lent 1 with Holy Communion 10:30am	Joyful Voices Choir 1:30-3pm	3	4	5 Choir Practice 7:30	6 Timmies at Two	7

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Coffee Fellowship Ushers Scripture Readers Please see the Welcome Board in the narthex to sign-up!

*Church Committees.

*If you are interested please contact Bev Carmichael.

EUC FOOD CUPBOARD NEEDS HELP!

We would appreciate donations of non-perishable food items such as canned and powdered milk, canned soups and fruit, cereal and toiletries.

> Thank you for your ongoing support to help those in need!

AVGEN PRE-PAID CARDS: are great for everyday spending! An easy way to financially support the church without hurting your wallet!

Next Order is Sunday March 8, 2020.

PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance): A convenient way to provide consistent year round financial support.

World Day of Prayer 2020 St. Brice's Anglican Church 2pm March 6, 2020

They are looking for 1 Reader and 1 or 2 Ushers. If you can help out please let them know. Next Meeting Tuesday February 25, 2020 6:30pm St. Brice's Anglican Church.

"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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