

Emmanuel United Church

Emmanuel Newsflash

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A Note From Rev. Roni

Upcoming Events at Emmanuel United Church

- ♦ **Tues. Jan. 8, 2019: UCW Meeting at 1:00pm**
- ♦ **Sun. Jan. 20, 2019: Worship Committee Meeting after the Sunday Service.**
- ♦ **Wed. Jan. 23, 2019: Council Meeting 7:00pm**



EPIPHANY

Happy New Year Everyone! This Sunday we kick-off the season of Epiphany. An epiphany is a sign that points to a reality beyond itself. The first sign during this season is a star, the supernova which the magi first saw and followed to the place in Bethlehem where Mary, Joseph and Jesus stayed. Jesus, "God with us" is the first star gift, 'God's gift to those who come seeking'. Jesus also received symbolic gifts that revealed his identity. We will learn about the symbolism of gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh

This Sunday you will receive a star gift! A star gift is a star-shaped piece of brightly colored paper with a special word. Every person who comes to church will receive a star gift and is asked to reflect on that word for the coming year and how God might be speaking to you through that simple message. We draw from a list of more than 150 spirit-filled words each with its own message and significance. Join us as we celebrate Star Gift Sunday! Have a Blessed New Year!

Rev. Roni

Taylor, William Melville – Passed away peacefully at his home on December 31, 2018 in his 94th year. Bill was the beloved husband of Ruth (Coombes) for 69 years.

Bill found joy in many aspects of his life: in the classroom, on the ski hill, playing tennis, and walking his dogs, but mostly, Bill found joy in the company of his family, friends and students.

Visitation at Emmanuel United Church on Wednesday, January 9, 2019 from 11:00 AM until the memorial at 1 PM.

There will be reception afterwards graciously provided by the Emmanuel United Church UCW.

Please see the obituary in Saturday's North Bay Nugget.

If desired, donations to the Emmanuel United Church Memorial Fund, One Kids Place, and the

At a Glance January 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6 Worship Sunday 10:30 am Celebrating Epiphany; Star Gifts	7	8 UCW Meeting 1pm	9 Finance Cmtte Meeting 4pm	10 Rev. Roni away until the 16 th	11 Rev. Jane Howe will provide Pastoral Care	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19

♦ **Timmies at Two:**
Fri. 2pm at the Tim Hortons/Wendy's with Rev. Roni and Lorne for conversations about our faith and how it intersects with our lives and culture.

♦ **Choir Practice:**
Thurs. at 7:30pm.

♦ **The EUC food cupboard** is currently very well stocked thanks to the generous community donations and the Congregations ongoing support.
Thank You!



Coffee Fellowship: The CL&W Committee needs help preparing for people to enjoy Coffee Fellowship time. You can contact Jo McCulley, Doreen McLuhan or Nancy Dixon if you are willing to help & sign the sheet beside the William St. entrance. Thanks Bud McMartin

- ♦ Rev. Roni is away January 10th to 16th, 2019.
- ♦ Emergency Pastoral Care will be provided by Rev. Jane Howe
- ♦ Rev. Kathleen McCallum is our Guest Minister for Sunday Worship January 13, 2019.



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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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