Emmanuel United Church

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REMEMBER: Family Fun Christmas Social TOMORROW- Sat. Nov. 23 1:00-3:00pm

This event is for the whole family, so bring the grandchildren and we will rock around the Christmas tree a little early!

E.U.C. Willing Workers

The results of the Bazaar are being tallied and more details will soon be available. Approximately \$2,400 is the profit. Truly amazing!! Many people came out to help and it was almost magical to see how quickly everything was "back to normal". The Willing Workers are truly thankful!! 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.

<u>NEWSLETTER</u> ARTICLES WANTED

Last chance to submit articles for the November 'Emmanuel Communicates' newsletter. If you have an interesting article for inclusion, please send to carmichl@efni.com or place in the Newsletter slot in the church office, on or before 2:00 p.m. this Sunday.

Coffee Fellowship really needs help - From about 10 a.m. to get things set up & for clean up until about 12:15pm-if you can help please sign up!

A Note From Rev. Roni

Frank's Sinatra's "My Way" is one of those timeless songs, anyone from my generation or older, is familiar with the sentiments expressed. It is not surprising, that it is a favourite at many funerals, chosen as a tribute for many fathers and mothers. At least one US president chose this song at his inaugural ball, waltzing on public television with his beautiful first lady. Let's face it, the song has appeal. However, is it a good philosophy for leadership? Is it Jesus way?

Jesus is taunted at least three times in his life to take the future into his own hands to shape his own destiny. If, you are who they say you are...save yourself and save others. If you have authority then use it, prove it.

Jesus certainly had power, by the standards of this world, he could use his power to fix the outcome for himself. It is tempting to use power to fix outcomes for ourselves, like trying to influence the outcome of a future election. Both within the church, and wider world, it is tempting to believe that if we are who we are appointed to be, we can assert our influence and do it according to the song "My Way". On the cross Jesus doesn't look like a king, he looks like a common criminal. The power of this king is made known in his willingness not to save himself but to save others. In dying to self, he offers forgiveness to those who scoff at him and those who mock him. He welcomes into his kingdom those who are penitent.

Jesus did it "God's Way". Jesus overturns the world's understanding of power. Celebrate Christ the King Sunday, 10:30 am (Nov 24th).

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

December 1, 10:15 a.m., Advent One: Communion Service
"The Lord Is Coming Let's Be Ready!"
10:15 Hymn Sing

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."



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*AVGEN GIFT CARDS: An easy way to financially support the church without hurting your wallet! You may order cards on 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.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
24 "A KING WHO SEEKS HEALING AND RECONCILIATION" REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY 10:30AM	25	26	27	28 Choir Practice 7:30	Timmies at Two	30
Dec. 1 Sunday Service 10:30am	2	3	54	5 Choir Practice 7:30	6 Timmies at Two	6

CL&W Christmas Carol Singing Event 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.

EMMANUEL ANNUAL CHRISTMAS COOKIE WALK Sat. Dec. 7; 10am. – Noon in the Bert Passmore Hall

Make sure you come early to get first pick of all the delicious cookies and squares. \$8.00 for a dozen cookies \$10.00 for a dozen squares Homemade Goodies Baked just for you!



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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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