

## WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Psalm 72 VU#790 Part One (1-8)

Gospel Reading: Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

One: This is the Good News of Jesus Christ

All: Glory to you, O Christ.

Epistle Reading: James 1: 17-27

One: Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the church.

ALL: Glory to God,

Amen.

Reflection: "Checking the Intentions of Our Hearts."

Prayer of Ascription

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" VU#602

Offering

Offertory:

Praise God from who all blessings flow,

Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts,

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

Offertory Blessing

Pastoral Prayer

## SENT TO SHOW CHRIST'S LOVE

Hymn: "We Shall Go Out with Hope of Resurrection" VU #586

Benediction

Choral Benediction:

Go now in peace, never be afraid

God will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.

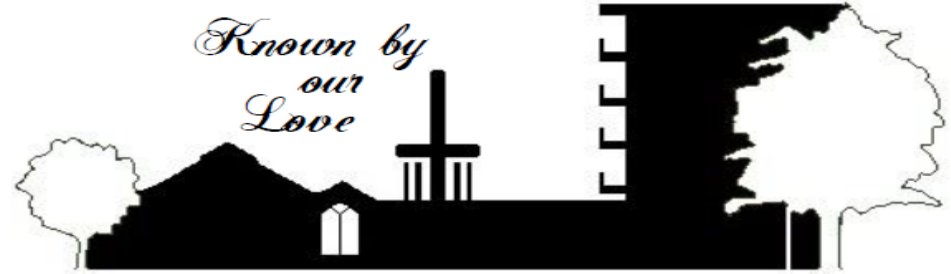
Know God will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith and in love.



## EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH

*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.*

September 2, 2018

Thank you for worshipping with us today! If you are new to Emmanuel, we hope that you will feel welcome.

**We invite you to join Rev. Roni at Tim Hortons  
for a time of fellowship after today's service.**

Please introduce yourself to our minister, Rev. Roni Beharry and sign the Guest Book before you leave.

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Today at Emmanuel  
10:00am Worship Service.

This Week  
2:00pm Friday Timmies at two.

**WE GATHER**  
**“LOVING INTENTION”**

Welcome

Hymn Sing

Announcements

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Territorial Acknowledgement:

‘We gather today on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabeg people and, specifically, the Nipissing First Nation, the land they share with us as a result of the Robinson-Huron Treaty. May we live in peace and friendship as a treaty people.’

Greeting:

*Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

**Congregation: And also with you.**

**WE ENTER INTO GOD’S PRESENCE**

Call to Worship:

God, who calls, each and everyone of us “beloved” gifts us life.

**We will give generously to others from the gift of our lives.**

Hear the words of your faith and rise to act.

**We will be doers of the word, acting out of faith and love.**

Arise and come away.

**We aspire to serve with hearts overflowing with love.**

*Adapted from the Abingdon Worship Annual, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018*

We pray together

Opening Prayer:

**Creating God, Giver of life and love,**

**Open our hearts to your loving call,**

**that we may hear your voice and rise to follow you.**

**We give you thanks for the gift of life,**

**And pledge to live this gift with love and gratitude.**

Guide us, Holy One, to respond to those in need:  
the widows and the orphans,  
those living with financial and mental health challenges,  
the tired and the weary,  
the lost and the lonely,  
We pray in the name of Christ,  
who taught us how to love.

**Amen.**

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Hymn: “Come Let Us Sing of A Wonderful Love” VU#574 vs.1,2,4

Prayer of Confession:

**Forgiving God, there are many times**

**When we are content to rest in your word-**

**your words of assurance,**

**your words of comfort,**

**your words of abundant grace.**

**Guide us to the places most in need of your love.**

**Guide us to the opportunities most in need of our**

**actions and care.**

**Forgive us for our times of inaction.**

**Forgive us when we quote the words of faith**

**but fail to live them.**

**For your mercy and grace,**

**we thank you.**

**Amen.**

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Words of Assurance:

The author of our lives calls us into new life.

**In the name of Love Incarnate, we are forgiven.**

**In response we are empowered to love one another.**

Choral Assurance of Forgiveness:

**How deep the peace, the confidence,**

**of those whose wrongs are forgiven.**

**How deep the peace, the confidence,**

**of those whose hearts are healed. (x2)**

Children’s Hymn:”O Christian Love ” VU#594

Time of Learning Together:“The Heart’s Intention”

Lord’s Prayer (Sung)