



Emmanuel United Church
691 Smyth Road, Ottawa

**Emmanuel Evening Lecture
with Dr. Peter Larson
7:00 to 8:30, Tuesday, March 13, 2018**

Israel - Palestine: Understanding Two Narratives, Insights on Current Issues

The first Emmanuel Evening Lecture for 2018 will focus on Israel and Palestine. It will help us understand the underlying competing narratives of these two peoples and will provide interesting insights on the latest issues in this complex and rapidly-changing region, including recent developments in the historic City of Jerusalem.

Our guest speaker for the evening will be Dr. Peter Larson. He is the Chair of Canada Talks Israel Palestine (CTIP), a Canadian human rights organization focused on the Middle East. For the last 10 years, he has taken a particular interest in human rights issues in the Middle East, visiting Israel, Iran, Jordan, Egypt and the occupied Palestinian territories of the West Bank and Gaza.

He has led many trips to Israel/Palestine to gain a deeper understanding of the complex Israel/Palestine issues. He is a frequent lecturer for church and labour groups, retiree associations, and university courses. In 2012, he was awarded The Queens Diamond Jubilee Medal in recognition of his educational work on Canada-Arab relations.

His working motto is *“Raise the issues, but lower the temperature”*.

Proceeds from the lecture will help reduce the long-term debt arising from the revitalization of the Christian Education Building.

We hope that you will be able to join us to learn more about this interesting and important topic.

Tickets (\$10) will be available starting in mid-February during Coffee and Conversation and during the week from the Church Office 613-733-0437.