

# WELCOME TO EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH

June 29, 2025

# The Gathering

# Acknowledging the Territory

**Caribbean Cultural Awareness** 

We acknowledge that we have the privilege of worshipping and living on the unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabeg people who are the original caretakers and stewards over these lands and waters.

We reaffirm our responsibility and commitment to learn from them as we move forward together in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.

Gathering Hymn: Let Us Build a House MV 1

The Life and Work of our Community of Faith:

## Lighting of the Christ and Affirming Candles:

We light the Christ candle to symbolize the presence of Christ's Spirit, alive within us, this day, and every day.

We light the Affirm candle to proclaim to the members of the 2SLGBTQIA+ communities and their allies that they are truly welcomed and accepted in this place.

# **Musical Offering:**

Laudamus Te by Antonio Vivaldi Duet: May Turcot & Julie Henderson

Sean & Latisha Currie

Lyrics: Laudamus te – *We praise you* Benedicimus te – *We bless you* Adoramus te – *We adore you* Glorificamus te – *We glorify you* 

# **Responsive Welcome**

# Welcome

Welcome to this sacred place of belonging where we embrace the sacredness of life and recognize the dignity of each person, spirit-filled with the image of God, the Mystery in whom we live and move and have our being. Welcome to all who have no church home, need strength, want to follow Christ, have doubts. Welcome to visitors and to new and old friends.

Welcome to grandparents, to mothers, fathers, aunts, uncles, siblings, youth, couples and single people.

Welcome to people of all colours, cultures, abilities, gender identities, and sexual orientations, to old and young, to believers and questioners – and welcome to questioning believers.

This day, we are all invited to live into God's love, peace and justice. The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

#### Hymn:

#### Spirit of Gentleness

VU 375

Call to Worship: Called to this place... as people of God. Called to this place... as friends in the Spirit. Called to this place... as followers of the Christ. Called to this place... to be renewed, to be refreshed, to be refreshed, to be re-made! Called to this place... that we might go to all places

to share the love of God!

#### **Opening Prayer:**

We come today, O God, to remember and give thanks. We remember the ways in which you have been with us and your promise to always be with us, and we are thankful. Fill this place with your Spirit as we pause to refill our souls with kindness, compassion, and respect for each other and ourselves. We pray that our worship will be a thanks offering to you. Amen

#### (Children come forward while the song is played)

#### Hymn: Circle Song

Come and join the circle, come and take my hand. Come and join the circle, come and be my friend. Gather round and see, what the world can be. Come and join the circle, come and share God's word with me.

#### Amelia

# Hymn:Spirit of the Living GodVU 376(Children leave for Sunday School)We Listen to God's Word

Scripture:	Galatians 5:13-25 F	First Nations Version
Anthem:	Nothing Left to Say	by Joseph M. Martin
<b>Reflection:</b>	Fruit of the Spirit	<b>Bob Gander</b>
Hymn:	She Comes Sailing on the Win	<i>d</i> VU 380

#### **Offertory Prayer:**

Let us pray. Lord, we offer these gifts with open hands and open hearts, trusting that your love will transform them into acts of compassion, justice and mercy, through the power of the Holy Spirit. In Christ's name we pray. Amen

#### **Prayers of the People**

Lord's Prayer
Our Father/Mother, who is in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
may your kingdom come,
may your will be done,
on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn:

Go Make a Difference

**MV 209** 

#### **Commissioning:**

Let us go confidently yet humbly into our daily lives, knowing the God of life, who loves us beyond measure is with us. Be blessed in the name of the Creator, Son and Spirit.

#### **Blessing:**

Amen:	- Great Amen (Mass of Creation)	by Marty Haugen
Postlude:	Trumpet Voluntary	by Gordon Young

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Our congregation is organized by its members and adherents. Several committees direct various functions, but our common life is made possible by many more who give of their time and talents.

*Our Lay Reader today is Chris Roy.* Thank you for your part in our worship service this morning. If you would like to be a lay reader in the future, email Janet Campbell at jicampbell@hotmail.com.

*Thank you to Bob Gander* for his reflection today, and his help crafting our service.

*Thank you* to the production team, ushers, decorators, and coffee hosts for bringing us today's worship service and coffee and conversation time.

*Welcome to Emmanuel!* If you are a newcomer or visitor, we invite you to sign our **Guest Book** and join us in a time of fellowship in the CE Hall following worship.

Join Let's Talk Tuesdays, on Zoom. Contact the Office for the zoom link.

There will be **no Sunday Worship Service at Emmanuel next week.** Instead on Sunday July 6<sup>th</sup>, we will have a joint service with Rideau Park United Church, they will join us on August, 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The kitchen will be given a deep clean next week, and we kindly ask if you have any items stored on the counters, to please remove them.

This week the Office will be open on Wednesday, July 2 and Thursday, July 3, from 9am - 4:30 pm, and then summer office hours will begin. From July 8<sup>th</sup>-August 28<sup>th</sup>, the office will be open Tuesday-Thursday, from 9am - 2pm.

### **ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK**

Sunday, June 29		
Worship	10:00 am	Sanctuary
Coffee and Conversation	11:00 am	C.E. Hall
Strawberry Social	12:00 pm	C.E. Hall
Monday, June 30		
Office Closed	9:00 am – 4:30 pm	Office
Christian Meditation	7:00 pm	Lounge
Tuesday, July 1		
Office Closed	9:00 am – 4:30 pm	Office
Tai Chi	10:00 am – 3:00 pm	C.E. Hall
Coffee Time	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Zoom
Wednesday, July 2		
Thursday, July 3		
Tai Chi	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	C.E. Hall
Al Anon	7:00 pm – 9:30 pm	C.E. Hall
Friday, July 4		
Rainbow Hub	6:00 pm – 8:30 pm	C.E. Hall
Saturday, July 5		
Sunday, July 6		
Worship at Rideau Park	10:00 am	Rideau Park