



WELCOME TO EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH

Worldwide Communion

October 5, 2025

The Gathering

Acknowledging the Territory

For thousands of years, Indigenous people have walked this land, weaving their identity and their spirituality intimately with the land. We acknowledge that we are on the unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabeg people. May we grow into living with respect on this land, moving into reconciliation through peace and friendship with all who live, work and worship on it.

Choir Introit:

Gather Us In

by Marty Haugen

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.

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: *Come Touch our Hearts*

MV 12

Call to Worship:

We have moved down to the riverside.

We come to the river with all that we are.

We find here space for us to weep.

We add our tears to the water.

We find here space for us to sing.

We lift our voices above the rising waves.

We find here space for us to renew our hope.

**May the waters of life not overwhelm but refresh our spirits with
God's love.**

Let us worship God.

Opening Prayer:

**Loving God, hold us in all our longing. Speak within us, whisper
our names, unfold your grace in all our living. Wait with us,
attend to us as we meet you with our lives fully open. Lift us,
restore us as we find healing space in you, in this hour of worship
and always. Amen**

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.

Children's Message:

Amelia

Hymn: *Know That God is Good*

MV 104

(Children leave for Sunday School)

We Listen to God's Word

Scripture: **Luke 17:5-10**

Meditation: **Steadfast Hope, Everywhere**

Quiet Reflection and Prayers:

Hymn: ***One Bread, One Body***

VU 467

Offertory Invitation:

The gifts of God are within you – gifts of grace, mercy and peace.
May that grace, mercy and peace inspire our giving today.

Offertory Prayer:

**Lord, your steadfast love never ceases;
your mercies never come to an end.
Use these gifts, we pray,
that through them your compassion may be known.
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 yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

The Celebration of the Lord's Supper

It is our tradition at Emmanuel to hold the bread until all have been served so that we may partake together to symbolize community.

It is our tradition to drink the wine as we receive it to symbolize our personal response.

As the bread is passed along your row you are invited to say "food for the journey" to the person next to you.

As the wine is passed you are invited to say "the cup of new life".

This is an open table – all who wish to partake are welcome.

Scripture Sentences: Lamentations 3: 22-23

²² The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end;²³ they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Thanksgiving:

May God be with you,
and also with you.

Give generously your presence!

We give our whole selves to our Creator.

Let us give to God our praise and thanks.

We give God thanks and praise.

Thanks and praise we offer to you, O God.

We join with our family from the east, north, south and west to give you our gratitude. We join together as we have for centuries, remembering what Christ has done for us.

Thanks be to you, O God.

Your love for us is timeless and constant. We thank you that you call us to offer this same love to neighbour and stranger alike.

Thanks be to you, O God.

Your love encompasses all we see who are companions on our journey.

Thanks be to you, O God.

Whatever our health or condition, you are still our God. May we always keep looking to you, aware of your nearness.

Thanks be to you, O God.

Whatever the nature of our earth, you continue to be our God. You call us to respond to the needs of our ecology and climate with wisdom, care; calling for justice by all, leading us to your ultimate restoration.

Thanks be to you, O God.

For the harvest of crops and produce that the earth springs forth this time of year, by the mystery of your creation and our care.

Thanks be to you, O God.

For all who work to bring forth that harvest. Make us aware, mindful and grateful for the labour that provides for us.

Thanks be to you, O God.

For all you give, O God, by the wisdom and knowledge of our ancestors, give us the openness to hear and abide by the guidance of family, friends, indigenous cousins who have cared for creation before us, and gifted us with the home we have.

Thanks be to you, O God.

We therefore, lift up our voices in thanksgiving to you,

Holy, holy, holy God.

You are power and strength.

Heaven and earth are full of your presence.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We see you, hear you and feel you because of our faith. We declare your presence is true because of Jesus:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Choir Anthem:

In Remembrance

by Buryl Red

Send your Holy Spirit upon this table, this meal, this place and all of us and upon all people of faith who call upon your name all over the globe, this day. May all know the wonder, the supply and the blessing of your love.

Through Christ, with Christ and in Christ. All glory is yours, O God. You are Most Holy, now and always. Amen.

Distribution:

Prayer after Communion:

**For what happens when we gather at this table, O God,
For what we do here and have done here, this global-unifying
day, we give you thanks.**

Go with us always,

**as we have taken you in once more, we take you out into the
world again, once more. We give you thanks. Amen.**

Hymn:

Let There Be Light

VU 679

Commissioning:

In every raw emotion,

God journeys with us.

In every painful memory,

God offers us healing grace.
In every broken story,
God holds the pieces in love.
This is our God,
who accompanies and journeys with us
and we will follow,
into every future,
renewed in the grace,
that holds us always.

Blessing:

Amen: Great Amen (Mass of Creation) *by Marty Haugen*

Postlude: *Sérénade aux étoiles* *from Opus 142*
By Cécile Chaminade
Flute: Jeanine Headge

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OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY – THURSDAY 9:00 AM-4:30 PM

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 Jon Jones. 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 the production team, ushers, decorators, and coffee hosts for bringing us today's worship service and coffee and conversation time.

Thank you to Jeanine Hedge, our guest flutist this week.

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.

The ushers have copies of the **Anthem Lyrics** for anyone interested.

Join **Let's Talk Tuesdays**, on Zoom. The topic this week is: What family or faith traditions have helped you pause and give thanks over the years, and how do they help you recognize God's presence in your life today?

*“ For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise. “*

Contact the Office for the zoom link.

This week Pennie Boyer will lead the Thursday Morning Discussion Group (**Heretics**) on the topic “Indigenous Relations”, based partly on Chapter 8 of the book ***Faith as Protest: Answering the Call to Mend the World*** by the Rev. Dr. Karen Hamilton. Drop-ins are always welcome; no commitment is required. Please contact the church office or Evelyn Perkins (perkeve@hotmail.com) or any member of Heretics for further information and a Zoom invitation.

3D ANGEL DECORATION WORKSHOP FOR THE BAZAAR

Wed. Oct. 22, 1pm-3pm

Main Floor Lounge

All are welcome!

USHERS NEEDED: Ushers are needed to help greet folks coming into the worship service. You can choose how many times you usher and which dates you are not available. Usually, folks are scheduled to usher once every 5 or 6 weeks. Many hands truly make for light work. Contact Emma at the church office (office@emmanuelunited.ca) or (613-733-0437) or Bob Gander (bob.gander01@gmail.com)

COFFEE HOSTS NEEDED: Hosts are needed for Coffee and Conversation after the worship service. You can choose how many times you host and which dates you are not available. The schedule for Ushers and Hosts is co-ordinated, so you can volunteer for both without fear of getting double-booked. Ushering and Hosting are great ways for newer members to get to know the congregation. Contact Emma at the church office (office@emmanuelunited.ca) or (613-733-0437) or Irene Bakker (613-830-8943).

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY OFFERING: OCT. 5

Emmanuel congregants will join with Christians around the world for World Communion Sunday on October 5. Our Communion Offering will be dedicated to our partnership with the Chipembi congregation of the United Church of Zambia.

The links between Emmanuel and the Chipembi church are deep and strong. Members have visited and helped with projects; our youth have helped with Camp Chipembi, Vacation Bible School, for many years, including in 2025. In August three folks from Emmanuel and Bells Corners were part of the Camp leadership team: Xavier Lamb, Angela Starchuk and Kael Fowler.

In March, five members were part of a GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP VISIT: Keith Jeacle, Brenda Ashe, Grant Stuckless, Kati Munro Collins and Andrew Collins.

Our offering will help with continuing our partnership through visits and help with their projects. This is a great opportunity for each of us to share in the Chipembi story with our communion offering on October 5.

Tickets are for sale for the Shantymen's Dinner!

Saturday, October 18, 2025, at 5:00 and 6:45 pm:

Everyone is warmly invited. The evening starts with a traditional Shantymen meal featuring a hearty menu of beans, bread, ham, coleslaw, and dessert, all homemade. After dinner, the Emmanuel River Boys will provide us with home-grown, toe-tapping music.

Tickets: Adults \$25; Seniors (60+) \$20; Children under 12 \$10; Families \$60. *Tickets are available from the office, call 613-733-0437, or email office@emmanuelunited.ca*

The Thanksgiving Pie Market

The Thanksgiving Pie Market closes on October 6. Get your orders in by going to www.euonlinemarket.ca to order pies.

“Thank you to everyone who supported the HEFC Walkathon. I raised \$1,445 toward the total which is \$16,359 to date. HEFC's Walkathon was buoyed by the news that Councillor Marty Carr has been identified as the City's champion for food insecurity, and whose motion for the City to develop a strategy to engage with other levels of government in order to address the root causes of food insecurity, was approved at the last Council meeting.” Val Dowd

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 5 Worship Communion Coffee and Conversation	10:00 am 11:00 am	Sanctuary C.E. Hall
Monday, October 6 Pie Making Take Time to be Wholey Ottawa Quilter’s Guild Kilborn Gardener’s Christian Meditation	9:00 am 10:30 am – 11:30 am 5:30 pm – 10:30 pm 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm 7:00 pm	Kitchen C.E. Hall Sanctuary C.E. Hall Zoom
Tuesday, October 7 Tai Chi Quilting Let’s Talk Tuesdays Coffee Date Christie Lake Kids	10:00 am – 12:00 pm 10:00 am – 3:00 pm 10:00 am – 11:00 am 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm 4:30 pm – 9:00 pm	C.E. Hall Room 9/10 Zoom Three Sisters C.E. Hall/Kitchen
Wednesday, October 8 Active Artists Property & Grounds Voices Rock Music	11:00 am – 2:00 pm 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm 8:00 pm – 9:30 pm	Library Zoom Sanctuary
Thursday, October 9 Tai Chi Heretics Discussion Group Emmanubells Al Anon Choir	10:00 am – 12:00 pm 10:00 am – 11:30 am 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm 7:00 pm – 9:30 pm 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm	C.E. Hall Zoom Room 9/10 C.E. Hall Sanctuary
Friday, October 10 Pie Making Take Time to be Wholey	9:00 am 10:30 am – 11:30 am	Kitchen C.E. Hall
Saturday, October 11 Men’s Club Breakfast	8:30 am – 10:30 am	Roger’s Italian Bistro