

WELCOME TO EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH

Thanksgiving October 12, 2025

The Gathering

Acknowledgment of Place and People

Gathering Music: For Everyone Born by Shirley Erena Murray

Verses 1, 2, 4, and 6

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: Let All Things Now Living VU 242

Call to Worship:

Come and sing the praise of our wondrous God.

Awesome and marvelous are God's works!

Come and celebrate God who refreshes us and brings us new life.

Awesome and marvelous are God's works!

Be joyful and celebrate the goodness of God here and everywhere.

Awesome and marvelous are God's works! Come, let us worship God.

Opening Prayer:

God of mystery and wonder, you are with us in times of glory and uncertainty, times of healing, and times of doubt. As we worship you on this day, help us to remember that you are with us in all of the twists and turns of our lives, the unexpected and the routine. Lead us to praise you and give you thanks in all times and places.

(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: Thank you for Thanksgiving Myrna

Hymn: I Thank You Thank You Jesus MV 188

English, Swahili, English, Verse One Only

(Children leave for Sunday School)

We Listen to God's Word

Scripture: Psalm 100 (sung) VU 820

Luke 17: 11-19

Anthem: A Thanksgiving Garden by Joseph M. Martin

Message: Healed and Thankful

Hymn: Grateful MV 182

Offering

Offertory Prayer:

Loving God, we come to you in thanksgiving, knowing that all we are and all we have are gifts from you. In faith and love, help us to do your will. We offer to you all the facets of our lives this day. May we grow in wisdom and insight to understand your will for us. We offer gifts of time, talent, and possessions to reflect our love for you and our neighbour. Help us to reach out to others as you, our God, reach out to us. In Jesus' 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 yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn: All Things Bright and Beautiful VU 291

Commissioning:

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, go into the world, this week, determined to share God's lavish love with all whom you encounter. Go love God, go love yourselves, and go love others, knowing that God goes the way with you.

Thanks be to God!

Blessing:

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

Postlude: *Hymns of Creation* arr. Phillip Keveren

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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 Jill MacLean. 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 Jeannie Taylor, Licensed Lay Worship Leader for her role in our service today.

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.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Nanette Whitwam following her passing. A memorial service will be held at Emmanuel on October 25th, at 1pm.

Join Let's Talk Tuesdays, on Zoom. The topic this week is sports: Did you play any sports growing up — even just in the backyard or at school? What's a sport you enjoy watching — even if you don't understand all the rules? What women's sports do you enjoy watching? Do you think women's team sports are now being taken as seriously as men's? Why or why not? Contact the Office for the zoom link.

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*

3D ANGEL DECORATION WORKSHOP FOR THE BAZAAR Wed. Oct. 22, 1pm-3pm Main Floor Lounge All are welcome!



ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 12		
Worship	10:00 am	Sanctuary
Coffee and Conversation	11:00 am	C.E. Hall
Monday, October 13		
Office Closed	9:00 am – 4:30 pm	Office
Pie Making	9:00 am	Kitchen
Take Time to be Wholey	10:30 am – 11:30 am	C.E. Hall
Book Club	2:00 p - 3:30 pm	Lounge
Christian Meditation	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Zoom
Tuesday, October 14		
Tai Chi	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	C.E. Hall
Quilting	10:00 am – 3:00 pm	Room 9/10
Let's Talk Tuesdays	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Zoom
Riverboys Practice	12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Sanctuary
Coffee Social	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Three Sisters
Christie Lake Kids	4:30 pm – 9:00 pm	C.E. Hall/Kitchen
Wednesday, October 15		
Active Artists	11:00 am - 2:00 pm	Library
Finance Meeting	7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Zoom
Voices Rock Music	8:00 pm – 9:30 pm	Sanctuary
Thursday, October 16		
Tai Chi	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	C.E. Hall
Heretics Discussion Group	10:00 am – 11:30 am	Zoom
Pastoral Care Meeting	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Library
Emmanubells	6:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Room 9/10
Al Anon	7:00 pm – 9:30 pm	C.E. Hall
Choir	7:30 pm – 9:00 pm	Sanctuary
Friday, October 17		
Pie Making	9:00 am	Kitchen
Take Time to be Wholey	10:30 am – 11:30 am	C.E. Hall
Shantymen's Dinner Prep	12:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Kitchen & C.E. Hall
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