



# **WELCOME TO EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH**

**National Indigenous Day  
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
June 21, 2026**

## ***The Gathering***

### **Acknowledging the Territory:**

How do our actions show respect and honour Indigenous people and the deep connection they have with this land?

**Dear God,**

**As we sit here today on unceded territory, we ask that you open our hearts and minds so that we can see how to honour and show respect to our Indigenous brothers and sisters, their history and their stewardship of this land we call home.**

**Amen.**

**Hymn:            Behold, Behold, I Make All Things New            *115 MV***

### **Lighting of the Christ and Affirm Candles:**

We light a Christ Candle to declare that the light of Christ is with us and 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:**

**I Am A Child of God**

*157 MV*

### **Call to Worship:**

Sing to our God; praise our God!

**Even when we become strangers to our own families.**

Sing to our God; praise our God!

**Even when we are the subject of gossip.**

Sing to our God; praise our God!

**For God is our strong defender.**

Sing to our God; praise our God!

**For God will deliver us from the deep waters.**

Sing to our God; praise our God!

**For God's steadfast love is good.**

Let us worship God.

**Opening Prayer:**

**Holy, Triune God, as we remember our baptism –  
water, death, resurrection, dove, fire, Spirit –  
help us remember that death is not the end, that we will walk in  
newness of life with Christ, through Christ and in Christ.  
May we, in this hour, be mindful of how you continue to give us  
fire for life, and give you our praise. Amen.**

**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 come forward while the song is played)*

**Children's Message:**

*- Joan*

**Hymn:**

**Like A Rock**

*92 MV*

*(Children leave for Sunday school)*



**Commissioning:**

People of God, no matter where you go,

**we live in the assurance that God is present with us always.**

Thanks be to God.

**Blessing:**

**Great Amen (Mass of Creation)**

**Marty Haugen**

**Postlude:**

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Resources adapted for this service of worship:

David Gambrill, "Proper 7" In: *Connections: Worship Companion*, Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2022, p.p. 56-58.

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

***Our Lay Reader today is Shelley Ferrell.*** 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](mailto:jicampbell@hotmail.com).

***Thank you*** to the production team, ushers, 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.

***Reminder:*** We are collecting craft materials to be sent to Camp Chipembi at the end of June. ***Please donate materials that are on the list into the suitcase in the Narthex. Only materials on the list are needed. Thanks from the Global Partners Committee.***

***Would you like Offering Envelopes?*** Offering envelopes provide many benefits - convenience, privacy (unique envelope #, no name) and more importantly, ease of recording of donations for an Income Tax receipt at year end. To order, please speak to Keith Jeacle, Envelope Secretary or email [envelope.secretary@emmanuelunited.ca](mailto:envelope.secretary@emmanuelunited.ca).

The topic for the **Tuesday ZOOM Discussion Group** is “As we grow older, we often encounter situations we cannot control—changes in health, mobility, relationships, or daily routines. Can you recall a recent experience of frustration? What helped you move through it, and what have you learned over the years about responding to frustration with patience, acceptance, or resilience?”

## ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

<b>Sunday, June 21</b>		
Worship	10:00 am	Sanctuary
Coffee and Conversation	11:00 am	C.E. Hall
<b>Monday, June 22</b>		
Christian Meditation	7:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Zoom
<b>Tuesday, June 23</b>		
Tai Chi	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	C.E. Hall
Let's Talk Tuesdays	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Zoom
Coffee Social	2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Three Sisters
<b>Wednesday, June 24</b>		
Quilting	10:00 am – 3:00 pm	Lounge
Neighbourhood Quilting Group	12:00 am – 3:00 pm	C.E. Hall
<b>Thursday, June 25</b>		
Tai Chi	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	C.E. Hall
Al Anon	7:00 pm – 9:30 pm	C.E. Hall
<b>Friday, June 26</b>		
Blood Drive	9:30 am – 4:30 pm	C.E. Hall/Lounge
<b>Saturday, June 27</b>		
Welcoming Emmanuel Workshop	10:00 am – 5:00 pm	Whole Church
<b>Sunday, June 28</b>		
Worship	10:00 am	Sanctuary
Coffee and Conversation	11:00 am	C.E. Hall