



Emmanuel Newsletter April 2024



Please join us at Emmanuel for our Holy Week Services

On Maundy Thursday, March 28 there will be an evening service at 6 PM commemorating the Last Supper. A light meal will be served after the service.

Good Friday service will be at 10:30 AM.

Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services will be celebrated together with our friends at MCC.

The Easter Sunday morning communion service will be at the usual time of 10:30.

Come celebrate with us! And be blessed!



The choir, with the participation of community singers, enhanced the worship service on Palm Sunday, with the presentation of a cantata, entitled "Out of the Shadows". Thanks to Nick and all the singers for this beautiful music.





The Emmanuel Annual General Meeting was held on Sunday, March 3.

The Council members for 2024-5 are:

Chris Waters- Chair

Vice Chair- Vacant

Secretary- Mary Vanstone

Treasurer- Linda Parks

Finance- Bill Totten

Outreach- Michele McGregor

Pastoral Care- Irene Alexander and Lynda Thibert

Worship- Mary Dagenais

Ministry and Personnel- Jeanne Hays

Affirming Committee- Dayna Cornwall

Property- Don Warren (acting)

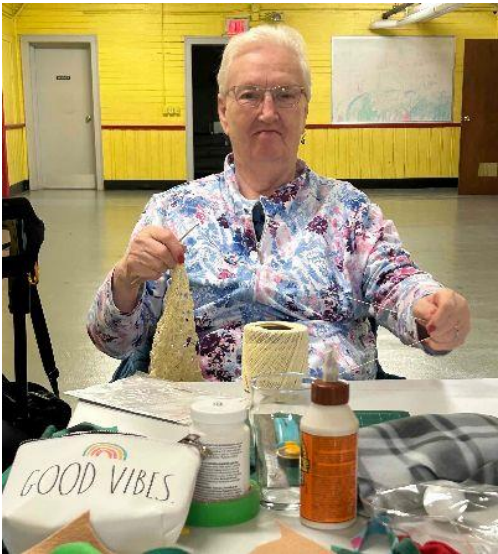
Christian Education- Vacant

Minister- Rev. George Bozanich



**Thanks to everyone who provided
soup for our two lunches in
March. They were delicious.**

Emmanuel celebrated PIE (public, intentional, explicit) Sunday with worship and pie! Our Affirming committee will be developing opportunities for sharing resource materials and other ways to learn and build our understanding and inclusivity. Dayna Cornwall joined the Emmanuel Council as the chair of the Affirming committee.



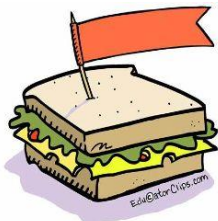
The craft group continues Wednesdays with creativity and friendship. Talk to Irene if you're interested in coming.



The Sunday School helped Rev. George celebrate his birthday!



The Emmanuel United Church congregation has just recently been greatly enhanced by the addition of folks from Central United Church. But, this is just the LATEST enhancement of EUC. In 1997 we benefitted greatly by the addition of new members from Grace United Church. And, before that, in 1956 the former Ottawa United Church became Emmanuel United Church with the opening of the new sanctuary addition. Thus, we can brag that the foundation of our existing Emmanuel United Church is based upon the three former congregations – Ottawa United; Grace United, and Central United. To commemorate this union, our building now boasts the “OTTAWA HALL”, “GRACE CHAPEL” and the recent “CENTRAL HALL”.



Our next session to make sandwich lunches for the Downtown Mission will be on Sunday, April 28 following the service. There are a lot of happy faces when we are making the lunches. Thanks for your contributions and cheerful participation.

Pickleball is now offered on Wednesday evenings as well as Saturday mornings in Ottawa Hall. If you are interested in this fun activity talk to Annette Dufresne.

Outreach Project for April-May



Let's help some kids enjoy camp this summer! Our outreach project for April and May is the summer day camp program for Family Respite Services. FRS is an agency that provides support for children with disabilities who live in Windsor and Essex County. The agency provides this support in many ways, but the key is to provide a short break for families while enabling children with disabilities to be included in the community. During the summer months, FRS provides Direct Support workers at 7 community centers throughout Windsor and Essex County to assist children with disabilities to participate in summer day camps. Last year 100 children benefited from this. Your contributions help FRS ensure that our community is one where ALL children belong. **Donations can be made through e-transfer to info@familyrespice.org or by cheques in the envelopes provided. Include your name and address to ensure that you will receive a tax receipt. Thanks for your awesome support. (Cathy Shanahan Executive Director)**