

LIFE AND WORK OF
EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH
OCTOBER 2011

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Our 15 month pilgrimage has finally reached an end, and we are returning to a lovely revitalized building. During our time away, the Emmanuel family has met and worshiped at St. Aidan's and Rideau Park Churches, in people's homes and at coffee shops, but today we are re-united at Emmanuel. Let us now revitalize our faith and ministry as we celebrate God's blessings, and invite others to join us in worship, Christian development and outreach to our community and beyond. May our new home be a welcoming, inclusive, spirit-filled place from which to share God's abundant love in a world that yearns for peace and justice. We are home again - thanks be to God!

*Yours in Christ,
Jeannie Page, Chair of Council*

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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

EMMANUEL JUNIOR CHOIR

The Emmanuel Junior Choir welcomes all singers from age 4 to 12. We rehearse from 11 – 11:20 on most Sundays. The choir performs approximately once a month, during the church service. For more information or to join our email list, contact Jeremy Wallace or Janet Mark Wallace.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We have a Sunday program each week for children of all ages. Under the capable leadership of Christine Hywarren our program planning is well underway. Please take a moment to fill in a registration form for 2011-12 and to meet your child's teacher. We are using the Season's of the Spirit curriculum this year for those in grade 5 and higher and One Room Sunday School for the younger grades.



YOUTH MINISTRY

With space to gather and opportunities to learn and serve!!!
There are times to worship, times for action and times for reflection.

MOVIE NIGHT (For youth in grade 9 and up) One evening each month youth are invited to view current films through a faith lens.

JAM – first practice will be Sunday October 16 at 11:30 in the sanctuary.

JAM is for young people in high school, post secondary schools and beyond at Emmanuel. It is an opportunity to explore Christian contemporary music and secular music with a spiritual message. The music is used to contribute to fall and spring youth worship services as well as seasonal services at Christmas and Easter. An interest in singing and /or playing an instrument is all that is necessary. All skill levels are welcome. This is your opportunity to spotlight your talents with the group or to simply perform as a member of the group.

We are organizing the music for the coming fall and Christmas worship services. If you are interested in joining JAM this year call Jim Lamb or Christine Williams 613-733-0437.

Practices:

Sunday, October 16, 11:30 – 12:30 in the Sanctuary.

Sunday, October 23, 11:30 – 12:30 in the Sanctuary.

Sunday, October 30, 11:30 – 12:30 in the Sanctuary.

(sound system and amplified instruments, drums)

Sunday, November 6, 11:30 – 12:30 in the Sanctuary

(sound system and amplified instruments, drums)

Sunday, November 13, 8:30 at Metcalfe St. Andrews United Church (tentative).

Sanctuary warm-up for church service. (sound system and amplified instruments, drums)

Saturday, November 19, 4:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

(sound system and amplified instruments, drums)

Sunday, November 20, 8:45 am in the Sanctuary

warm-up for church service @ 10:00 am. (sound system and amplified instruments, drums)

MISSION PARTNERS – we need you! Each youth is invited to commit to at least 2 visits to the Mission. The first session will be October 23.

Youth of Emmanuel work in partnership with the Ottawa Mission to assist with meal preparation for the many homeless fed each day at the inner city Mission. Register now so we know which month you are available to lend a helping hand.

SERVICE FOR SUNDAY SERVICE

On the fourth Sunday of each month youth are asked to volunteer to serve in a leadership role as part of the Sunday

service. Hosting coffee and conversation, being an usher or a lay reader are all ways of being part of the Emmanuel community.

Youth are invited to try YOGA as a spiritual practice, to participate in great adventures, presbytery yaya events and more!

CONFIRMATION 2012

What's this all about?

Who is Jesus Christ?

What do I believe about God?

What about the Bible?

What is justice?

Who prays?

Confirmation is a time to question and explore your personal faith and what it means to belong to the United Church of Canada.

Youth in grade 9 and up are invited to participate fully in the Emmanuel youth programs this fall, attend confirmation classes, work with a mentor and those who choose to do so will be confirmed in the spring. Registration forms are due now!

THE POINT – Ottawa Presbytery YAYA committee is pleased to invite you to worship with us at **THE POINT** Fall 2011 Worship Gathering on **October 22nd**. It is an awesome event you won't want to miss! Meet loads of youth and young adults when we celebrate through music, praise, drama, videos and more and discover together what it means to "Walk the Talk." **Please join us at 7pm at City View United Church, 6 Epworth Avenue, Nepean.**

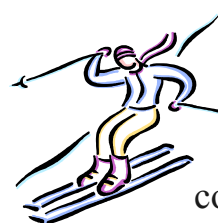
WHY ARE SO FEW YOUNG ADULTS IN THE CHURCH? In this discussion Dr. Rodger Nishioka will draw on findings from his research to describe these young adults, explain what they are searching for, and present ways to connect with this emerging generation.

Rodger Nishioka holds the Benton Family chair in Christian education at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, GA. While he teaches in the area of Christian education and practical theology, he specializes in ministry with youth and young adults and is currently involved in a research project comparing the participation of young adults in mainline Protestant congregations and non-denominational independent Christian movements. Prior to his joining the faculty at Columbia, Nishioka served for 12 years as denominational staff in youth & young adult ministry for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Thursday October 13, 2011, 7.30pm – 9.30pm
[St. Albans Anglican Church \(www.stalbanschurch.ca\)](http://www.stalbanschurch.ca)
454 King Edward Avenue
Ottawa, Ontario, K1N 6E6

CHRISTIAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

GREAT ADVENTURES INTO GOD'S INCREDIBLE CREATION!



THE GREAT SKIING ADVENTURE February 4, 5 and 6, 2012 will be again be held on Mont Gabriel in Sainte-Adele Quebec. This is a family resort, down hill skiing, cross country skiing, snowshoeing and more with room for us to enjoy creation, the Emmanuel community and worship together. Please look on the Emmanuel website for the registration form and return it to Christine with a down payment of \$50 per person by October 24th.

TGIT (Thank God it is Tuesday and I am at Church!) is back for a mini session this fall. We will host 2 sessions – Tuesday October 25 and Tuesday November 1. Come to the church for dinner (\$8) at 6PM and then attend a study session from 7 – 8:30.

ABORIGINAL PEOPLES AND RECONCILIATION FOR CANADA Come and learn about the Aboriginal Peoples in Canada and some of their culture and traditions. Discover what role the United Church of Canada played in Indian Residential Schools and what it is doing to Live in Right Relations. Discuss what is required of us as Christians to reconcile with the Aboriginal Peoples in our country. This will be the first 2 of a 5 week session – the other 3 sessions will be during the spring session of TGIT. Please see Phyllis MacRae or Norman Williams for a questionnaire that will assist us in planning these sessions.

QUILTING - on Tuesdays from 10:30 am to 3:30 pm at Emmanuel. You don't need to come for the whole time – just drop in as suits your schedule. For further information contact Joan Foster-Jones.



THE EMMANUEL BOOK CLUB will meet on Monday, October 17 in the Lounge. Refreshments will be served at 7:00 pm. Carolyn Brown is leading the discussion at 7:30 pm. The book is *Room, by Emma O'Donoghue*. New members are welcome.

YOGA AS A SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

Yoga is back! Come experience the spiritual, physical, mental and emotional benefits of yoga this fall. Whether you are a seasoned veteran or a brand new beginner, yoga has much to offer all of us regardless of our natural abilities or body shape. Classes will run for 8 weeks starting on Wednesday October 12th and end on November 30th. There are 2 classes each evening – 6:30 and 7:45. Registration forms are on line or available from Christine. Cost: \$40.



PILGRIMAGE

Pilgrimage is another practice that has ancient roots in our faith story. God called Abram and Sarai to journey on. Jesus was an itinerant teacher and his disciples followed his example. Emmanuel has been traveling together on service-learning trips for years now. Good work was done on these trips. But ask the travelers what the trip meant and a deeper sense of community and connectedness to one another was just as important. Schools and volunteer organizations are leaping at this kind of travel with a purpose. Emmanuel is one of the churches in our Ottawa Presbytery that has been a leader in exploring this new ministry. It is a practice that our youth have embraced and our adults as well. As we travel to new places and partner with new communities, our faith is stretched and renewed. We are the richer for it. Pilgrimage is an intentional spiritual practice that is being recovered today.

You are invited to consider going on a journey with your faith community. Read through the possibilities for this program year and see where your heart is calling you to participate.

FINANCING PILGRIMAGES - Travelling costs money. If you are able to cover the full cost we ask that you donate that amount to the fund. If you are able to cover most of the cost we will all work together to fund raise the difference. Individuals or groups can apply to the Outreach Discretionary Fund for assistance to be the hands and feet of Christ in the world. No money comes from the general fund to pay for pilgrimage trips.



BUILD A HOME, BUILD FAITH, BUILD COMMUNITY

Habitat for Humanity is about far more than just building houses. The Habitat mission consists of integrating many parts of the process including foundations of faith, donations of time and talent, family partnerships, and hard work to accomplish the goal of ending the cycle of poverty. Habitat for Humanity's mission uses

volunteers, donations, and home building to create simple, decent, affordable homes for families who are willing to partner, able to pay (zero interest mortgage), and can demonstrate a need. Participating in a Habitat for Humanity build also is an amazing way to build the Emmanuel community. Sharing meals, working together, and having time to discuss life is a wonderful opportunity for our faith community.

Some might ask why doesn't Habitat just have people send money instead of paying to send volunteers overseas?

There is a wonderful article written by a Habitat partner in Romania that addresses this particular question. Here is one small excerpt from it: “Habitat for Humanity is about humanity, about love, about helping each other in time of need, about restoring the dignity to the poor families, the dignity they lost just because they live in poverty housing conditions. And they cannot get it back just by giving them a house at a no-profit, no-interest cost. They will get it back if they see that other people care about their condition, that others want to help them just because it is right to help your neighbor in need without asking for something in return and with unconditional love. And you, the volunteers, are the ones doing this.”

You are invited to participate in a pilgrimage to build homes in Louisiana in February or May.

LIVING OUT OUR PARTNERSHIP

Emmanuel United Church has been deeply enriched by our 25 year partnership with Iglesia Bautista Emmanuel in San Salvador. This partnership has given many of our members opportunities to work side-by-side constructing houses and irrigation systems, to contribute to the education of youth there and here, host partners here and form lasting friendships.

Our partnership identifies three priority areas for our prayerful consideration:

- Education
- working with youth
- carrying the good news of the Gospel to outlying communities

You are invited to participate in a pilgrimage in El Salvador during the March break or for Easter.

ZAMBIA 2012

An opportunity to discover, play, explore, learn, build relationships, experience community, deepen partnerships – a service learning and leadership development opportunity to excite, challenge and engage your heart and mind.

Chipembi is the site of a United Church of Zambia Mission Station that includes a congregation, a girl’s residential school, an agricultural college, medical clinic, basic school and a village. There are opportunities to volunteer in the schools, with the college and in the congregation. This is an opportunity to learn of the struggles and joy for life in another part of the world and how people are working to respond to challenges of everyday living and be able to make connections here at home in the work for justice.

You are invited to participate in a pilgrimage to Zambia.

ISRAEL – PALESTINE

Consider being part of a worship service on the Mount of the Beatitudes, walking among ancient olive trees on the Mount of Olives, taking the walk of the cross through old Jerusalem, watching the sun rise on the sea of Galilee. We will visit Caesarea, Jericho, Qumran and Masada on the Dead Sea, Nazareth and Bethlehem. We will also have time to meet with the Palestinian community to hear their experience of today’s religious and political situation.

Emmanuel is planning a trip to Israel/Palestine in 2012. We are looking at tentative dates of May 10-22, flying out of Toronto. We will be working with Rostad Tours as they have a good track record with members of our congregation. This will be a joint pilgrimage with Emmanuel and Woodroffe United Churches. Peter and Jan Lougheed will be the tour hosts.

Our plan is to offer an option of participating in an archaeological dig on the Sea of Galilee for an additional week at the end, May 20-27. We expect to hear about prices shortly. If you want your name on a priority waiting list, please contact Peter. There is no down payment required to hold a place for you. We should have the itinerary available within a couple of weeks.

You are invited to participate in a pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

We are pilgrims on a journey, fellow travellers on the road, we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load...

EMMANUEL PILGRIMAGE APPLICATION FORM

Please prayerfully consider participating in an Emmanuel pilgrimage ministry this year. Fill in this form and return it to Christine by October 16th.

Name: _____

Email address _____

Phone # _____ birth date _____

I would like to participate in a Habitat for Humanity build in New Orleans
February 18 -25

I would like to participate in a Habitat for Humanity build in New Orleans
April 28 – May 6

I would like to participate in a pilgrimage to El Salvador
March 10 – 18

I would like to participate in a pilgrimage to El Salvador
March 31 – April 9

I would like to participate in the pilgrimage to Israel/Palestine

I would like to participate in a pilgrimage to Zambia

I would like to go to _____

I am able to cover my own costs

I will be able to cover some of my own costs

I will participate fully in fundraising and educational costs

I am not able to go on a pilgrimage but I will help support this ministry

CHURCH ACTIVITIES & GROUPS

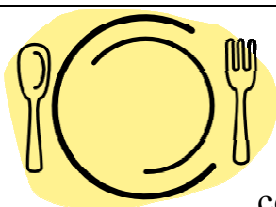


EMMANUEL'S KITCHEN OPEN HOUSE AND FIRST QUILT SHOW AND SALE

**Saturday, October 15th between 1 and 4
Refreshments will be served in beautiful CE Hall**

I If you wish to make a tax receipt able cash donation to offset the cost of some of the necessary kitchen accessories, (such as extra fridge shelves or kitchen stools), envelopes will be provided marked Kitchen Revitalization.

MEN'S CLUB BREAKFAST – Saturday, October 15 at Perkins Restaurant (corner of St. Laurent & Coventry). All men are welcome.



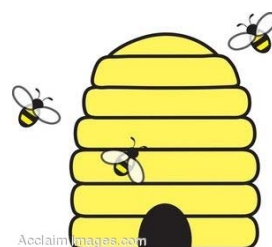
LUNCH OUT

LUNCH OUT is a new event this fall. All are welcome to come and enjoy a prepared lunch on October 19th at 12 noon in the Emmanuel CE Hall. Please use the Sign-Up sheet or call the office to indicate that you are coming. Lunch will be followed by a short program during which Graham Kneen will share his experience as a Voyageur on Lake Superior this past summer.

FRIENDLY BRIDGE CLUB – on Wednesdays from 1:00 to 3:30 pm in the Lounge.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION MONDAY NIGHT MEDITATION GROUP – will meet on October 17. The meeting will be from 7:30-8:30 pm. Everyone Welcome! For information please contact Ron Dicks.

CGIT HONEYTHON will be held on October 23 in the CE Hall following the service. Honey products make wonderful gifts!





**EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH HOLIDAY
HOMESPUN BAZAAR**

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 12TH 2011 10 AM – 2 PM

Organizing meeting: Wednesday October 26th

7:30 PM at Emmanuel. Everyone welcome.

This will be our first Bazaar in the “New Emmanuel”! It will be a wonderful occasion to invite the neighborhood in to admire our new building, and of course our loyal regulars will be glad to see us back in our home. We hope that the entire congregation will assist in publicizing the event this year so that everyone knows that we’re back in business. Half-page flyers will be available from mid-October onward in the narthex. Please post or distribute as many as you can.

We ask donors to deliver Bazaar donations only during the week immediately preceding the Bazaar. The precise set-up schedule will appear in the November Life and Work. It is extremely helpful if donors can take the time to unpack and display all of their own donations in the appropriate section of the Bazaar. Just follow the signs!

As has been the case now for several years, we ask donors not to donate any large, incomplete or plastic items. One possibility for finding a new home for these items is to take advantage of the Ottawa-wide giveaway weekend October 22-23. Simply place items on your curb with a “free” sign.

After the bazaar, we need many volunteers to pack and deliver unsold items to other organizations. If you can pack, load or deliver unsold items to their new homes on November 12th, please contact Janet Mark Wallace

It is not necessary to have a vehicle or to be able to lift boxes; mostly we need neat and tidy packers!

DONATIONS

The following items are **NOT** being accepted at this year’s bazaar. For a full list of alternative places to take these items, contact Janet at the above numbers, or click on “Bazaar Information” at www.emmanuelunited.ca

Sharp, flammable, corrosive or toxic items

Broken, incomplete or dirty items

Items too large to fit in an average cardboard box (including picture frames and wall hangings)

Textbooks, reference books, encyclopedias, travel guides, cookbooks or magazines

Vinyl records or homemade cassettes

Teflon (non-stick) cookware

Electronic items and appliances

Typewriters

Non-working Christmas lights

Plastic items of any kind

Incomplete picture frames (with the glass missing)

Opened hygiene products

Special Needs Equipment

Plants

The following items **ARE** being accepted at this year's bazaar.
All items must be clean, complete, and in perfect working order. We would appreciate the donation of appropriate batteries with any battery-operated goods.

Baked goods and preserves
Knitted items
Jewellery
Books for children and adults (with restrictions mentioned above)
CDs, DVDs and videos for children and adults
Toys, board games, puzzles (stuffed animals must be recently laundered)
School, office, and art supplies
Winter outerwear for all ages (must be recently laundered)
Fabric and sewing supplies
Small bags
Small housewares
Small hardware and gardening supplies
Kitchenware (no plastic)

Vases, candlesticks, frames, figurines (no plastic)
Christmas decorations (no dust!)

Thanks in advance to everyone who can help at this year's Bazaar, and we hope to see you out on November 12th!

The Thursday "Heretics"
(Emmanuel's Religious Studies Group)

Our weekly Thursday discussion group resumes in our new facility on Oct. 13, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Oct. 13: "What You Believe" (Are we mainliners, traditionalists, intuitives, nonconformists or none of the above?) (based on the *Observer* survey earlier this year.) Bring the July/August issue. Back issues can be ordered at http://www.ucobserver.org/back_issue/.

Oct. 20: Anne Squire on "Archeology and Bible Study." Pre-discussion information is available

here: http://www.emmanuelunited.ca/get_involved/archeology.htm

Oct. 27: With Peter Lougheed

Nov. 4: With Margaret Armstrong on the place of Mary in Christian history and 21st Century thought.

Nov. 11, 18 — TBA

TELEOS – Teleos will meet on Wednesday, October 26 at 7:00 pm in the Lounge. The topic is what happened to feminism?, led by Anne Squire.

TRIPLE F – will meet on Tuesday, October 18 at 1:30 pm in the Lounge.

The Triple F women's group is collecting used stamps, which are sorted and given to Oxfam Canada, who sell them and use the funds to support the needs of many world wide people who are suffering as a result of drought, famine, floods, etc. All stamps – Canadian, U.S. and International – are important. Please leave stamps on the table outside the church office.

THE EMMANUBELLS will be rehearsing each Thursday from 6 pm until 7:30 pm beginning October 13.

New ringers are actively being recruited particularly if they have previous experience or can read music.

We would also enjoy a few people willing to ring bass bells.

If you are interested, please contact Ann Frederking.

LOBLAWS AND FARM BOY gift cards will be on sale in the CE Hall, Sunday, November 6 during coffee and conversation.

ARE YOU ON FACEBOOK?

If you are there is a Facebook group for Emmanuel United Church. It is an open group and you are welcome to join. Just search for us under Emmanuel United Church or go to emmanuelunited@groups.facebook.com

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

EMAILS REQUIRED - Email is the quickest method to inform everyone. Please send an email to support@emmanuelunited.ca if you have not yet verified your details on the master list. Include your name, address, phone and email. Those without emails will be contacted directly by Keeping in Touch.

SERMONS - are available on the Emmanuel United church website, navigate to "**Life & Work**", and there under "**Sermons**", you will find sermons going back several years in print, and also the latest ones in MP3 format. Not only can you read the sermon, you can listen to it on your computer or iPod.

ATTENTION GROUPS, ACTIVITIES and COMMITTEES, PLEASE submit items of interest for the congregation to the Chair of the Communications Committee at assistant.webmaster@emmanuelunited.ca for posting on the Emmanuel website. This not only provides information for the congregation, but it also keeps the website from becoming stale. I am adept at posting content but not so good at mind reading what your group is up to.

WANTED! PHOTOGRAPHS

The Emmanuel United Church website has just undergone a major rebuild, something that seems to happen every couple of years. The latest incarnation is much more visually based, and as a result, WE NEED YOUR PICTURES.

The website is made livelier by the addition of photos showing activities that take place both at Emmanuel, and in the community. Family Camp, Camp Awesome, Weddings, Baptisms, Coffee and Conversation, anything at all that will spruce up the site.

And, yes, we will either make them small enough so that people cannot be recognized, or we will contact you for permission to post them.

Please submit photos to solvason.pastuch@sympatico.ca or on a CD or USB memory stick that Russ will return. To those who have sent photos, thank you.

BULLETIN/NEWSLETTER PRIVACY ISSUES: The Bulletin and the Newsletters are BOTH posted on the Website. Prior to their being uploaded, ALL information of a personal nature, such as telephone numbers, email addresses, names associated with photographs, etc., is removed. Should you have ANY concern with what is on the Website, PLEASE contact assistant.webmaster@emmanuelunited.ca

SPECIAL NEEDS: If you have trouble reading the small print in the order of service, large print versions are available. Also, for those whose hearing is not quite what it used to be, hearing assist devices are available for your use.

CHURCH SIGN: the sign outside Emmanuel continues to display activities happening within the Emmanuel family. I need to know of events that should be advertised WELL in advance of the event. Please pass your request through both staff and Chair of Worship as they have priority.

WEBSITE: The new Emmanuel United Church website is up and running. Hopefully you will find that things are easier to find. Please bear with us as we fine tune things. There will be a full article in the next Newsletter detailing the changes that have been made.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

OMRA's 10th Anniversary celebration cordially invites the congregation to join them.

Date: Sunday, Oct. 23rd

Time: 10:00 a.m. Sunday school - topic is Visioning - The Future for OMRA
Housing

11:00 a.m. The service - we would like to introduce the church partners during the service and to say thank you for your great support (please let me know if you can make it)

After the service: A potluck featuring international cuisine for main course and pumpkin and apple pies for dessert. We will introduce families who have lived in OMRA houses, have them say a few words and show the DVD.

**THE HARMONY HOPES
1ST ANNUAL ART & CRAFTS SALE
OCTOBER 22, 1 TO 6 PM
EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH CE HALL**

A day of entertainment, tasty delights door prizes, art, and more. 3pm live music & folk dance.

For information: 613-297-5593
harmonyhopes@rogers.com

Come enjoy **Ladies' Night Out: "Finding Hope Through Adversity"** with Wendy Farha. Saturday evening, October 15, 2011 at Calvary Christian Reformed Church, 3782 Russell Road, Ottawa (south of Walkley, east of Hawthorne). Doors open at 6:30 pm, show at 7. Wendy Farha, a native Montrealer, Christian singer, songwriter, musician, comedian and speaker, has been delighting audiences for more than 30 years. Diagnosed with depression in 2000 and then with breast cancer in 2009, she has chosen to continue encouraging others with her crystal clear vocals, sensitively written songs and her hilarious comedy. Come hear this woman's remarkable story, learning how despair can be turned into hope and joy, while enjoying a delightful evening of music, comedy and desserts. Admission: \$15. Info: 613-835-2293.

The **Annual Ecumenical Day of Sharing and Preparation for the World Day of Prayer** will be held at Rideau Park United Church on Saturday, October 29 from 9 a.m.-12 noon. The focus country for 2012 is Malaysia and the theme is Let Justice Prevail. All are welcome. For details, contact Lise Gauvin at 613- 723-0465 or lise.gauvin@rogers.com

COUNCIL AND EXECUTIVE OF COUNCIL

UPDATE FROM COUNCIL

Council met on September 20th with special guest Rev. Peggy Kabunde from the United Church of Zambia in attendance.

- With huge thanks to the Worship Committee, who have been researching this for months, we passed a new Marriage Policy for Emmanuel.
- We saw a slide presentation from the group of 7 pilgrims from Emmanuel who visited Zambia in June.
- The Christian Development committee presented a Covenant Agreement with the People's Action Forum, who are working with a group from the Ottawa legal community and Emmanuel to build a school in Munenga in memory of Iain Beaudoin.
- We had an update from the Revitalization Coordinating Committee regarding project developments and final costs. There will be a Congregational Meeting to discuss this once we are back at Emmanuel.
- We heard reports from many committees about the great work they are doing with Emmanuel children, youth, and adults, as well as through community and global outreach to put our faith in action.

Emmanuel rocks! Once we get back into our own building we can broaden our Ministry and continue to make a difference in the world. Hope to see you all at Emmanuel on Thanksgiving Sunday!

NEXT MEETING: October 18, 7:00 pm CE Hall

HEALTH COMMITTEE



TTBW (Take Time to be Wholely) exercise classes will begin on Friday October 14 and Monday October 17 **both at 10:30 am**. All participants will be asked to complete a new Par-Q and consent forms. Suggested fees are Mondays - \$4 and Fridays - \$7 or a donation as you desire.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

- Welcome Back to Emmanuel! Our phone team contacted many on our congregational list about our return. Thanks to team members Verna Johnston, Verona Milner, Marg Kneen, Isobel Oakley, Edna Wright, Peter Rice, Doreen Hewlett, Janet Campbell, David Burness, Patricia Fairbairn, Margaret Armstrong, Shirley Maguire, Frank Kavcic, Reyna Castro and Hilde Reynolds.
- The Keeping in Touch Committee will do its best to have a member of the committee available to meet newcomers after the service. Please help out by welcoming newcomers and inviting them to meet with us. We also welcome visits from anyone who has been out of touch and wants to “keep in touch”.
- Something new, you will notice ushers and greeters wearing special lapel pins; if you need assistance or have questions please speak to one of them and they can refer you to a member of the Keeping in Touch Committee.
- Many name tags have been stored in boxes while we have been out of the church and now they are back on the stand. If yours is at home you might want to bring it back so it can join the others. We are encouraging everyone to wear a name tag as a sign of hospitality and openness to engage with others. If you do not have a name tag, or yours needs to be replaced, please call the church office at 613 733-0437 or let a KIT member know.
- For several years, Christine Williams has faithfully organized care packages to send to students who are attending university to help us keep in touch with young adults in our congregation. This year the Keeping in Touch Committee will be doing this in early November. We need the names and addresses of University students so that they can receive this special parcel. Please send the information to Joyce White,
Watch for sign up sheets on how you can contribute to or volunteer with this project.
- The Emmanuel Pamphlet of activities has been revised with updated information and the new version is posted on the website. Check Emmanuel United Church *at a glance* on the Home Page. Thank you to all who contributed to updating the pamphlet. We will have some paper copies available as well.
- The next Keeping in Touch Committee meeting will be on Monday, October 24 at 7:00 P.M. at Emmanuel.



MINUTE FOR MISSION

October 16 -- Harvests for All

This harvest season is a wonderful time that inspires in us a sense of awe at the magnificence of God's creation.

But not every part of the world enjoys this harvest bounty. Last year heavy rains caused destructive floods in parts of Pakistan and India. A horrendous heat wave hit Russia, burning forests and withering crops. As climate change worsens, we can expect more of these disasters. As well, the world population is growing. We need more and more food to feed everyone on the planet. Because of agricultural advances, farmers are able to produce much more food than they could 50 years ago, but hundreds of millions of people are malnourished, and thousands die of starvation each day.

The United Church of Canada is a partner of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, established in 1963 as a practical way for Canadian farmers to share their abundance with the rest of the world. Made up of 15 member agencies, the Canadian Foodgrains Bank promotes food security by working with overseas partners to teach sustainable food production methods. They also encourage farmers and others in Canada to donate a portion of their crops and money toward alleviating world hunger and influencing public policy here in Canada.

Our partnership with the Canadian Foodgrains Bank is made possible through your gifts to the Mission and Service Fund. Get involved. Feed others. Give to M&S.

Together, we carry out the work of our United Church. Make a difference! Join the partnership! Support the work of the Mission and Service Fund today.

Your generous support, through Emmanuel's General Fund, provides \$52,000 to the Mission and Service Fund.

PASTORAL CARE

The work of the Pastoral Care Team at Emmanuel continues as it always has. Despite our shifting locations, the same people are offering the same support and care to the congregation.

Please let us know if there are any concerns that we may not be aware of. If you know someone who is ill or in need of a visit/support please call the church office.

MEN'S CLUB "ODD JOB" VOLUNTEERS – When help is needed ... several members of the Emmanuel Men's Club have offered to support the Pastoral Care Team by performing occasional "odd jobs" for the elderly, the physically challenged or any other member of the Emmanuel community in need. Such occasional "odd jobs" can range from: changing a light bulb, hanging a picture, relocating a piece of furniture, to: trimming a small bush, wiring a simple electrical circuit, or driving to/from an appointment. If you have need of such short term assistance, please make your request known to the church office at 613-733-0437.



TUESDAY AFTERNOON COFFEE AND CONVERSATION STARBUCKS AT ELMVALE

In an effort to be more flexible in how we offer pastoral care Peter will continue to be available for coffee and conversation on Tuesday afternoons from 2-3 pm at Elmvalle Starbucks. It may be that meeting outside the church walls is a good thing. Feel free to drop by.

OTTAWA PRESBYTERY EVENTS

Tuesday, October 11: Ottawa Presbytery meets at Manotick United Church

October 12 to 14: Reading the Bible As If It Matters at the Matawaska Institute

The event begins on Wednesday Morning and ends on Friday at 5 p.m. Meet each day from 9 to 5 and lunch is included. We limit the event to the first 20. A deposit of \$25 is needed. Leader: Ronald L. Farmer COST: \$225 - Members- \$190. Lunches included. To register or for information: george@hermanson.ca

October 17 - 18 Queen's of Religion 119th Annual Theology Conference

The Future of Ministry in the United Church of Canada:

Keynote speaker: The Rev. Dr. John H. Young, "Back to the Future" some insights from our past in thinking about the future of ministry. Registration: \$150. Visit www.queensu.ca/religion for details.

October 21 & 22 - Deep Into Deep - Art and Spirituality

Resource Fair & Learning Event: Workshops to be presented;
Rick Balsam – Photography,

Isabel bender - Quilting

Rev. Dr. Christine Johnston - Art Journaling

Cost: \$25 for two days, \$15 for a half day. For information: resctr@uccanottawa.org

Saturday, October 29: Finding Hope: Unmasking Stewardship Fear Factors at Summerlea United Church, Lachine, QC from 9:30 am to 4 pm

Theme Speaker: Barbara Fullerton. Workshop Leaders: Jackie Harper, Barbara Fullerton,
Paul Sales, Denis Marcoux, Carolyn Ruda and Eileen Lavigne.

Sunday, October 30 Workshop on "Greening Your Budget & Sustainable Finances"

Barrhaven United Church, 3013 Jockvale Road. 12:30 to 2:00 - facilitated by Kristina

Inrig from Sustainable Foundations Inc. www.sustainablefoundations.ca All welcome. Suggested donation of \$5 to cover presentation costs. Visit: www.barrhavenunited.org

REVITALIZATION FUNDRAISING

HAND-KNIT GARMENT – If you would like a custom made garment (you supply the pattern and the yarn) Edna Wright will donate all her time and talent to the Revitalization Fund. For more info please call the office.

QUILT RAFFLE

Emmanuel is holding a quilt raffle to benefit the Revitalization Fund. The prize is a green/cream single bed quilt valued at \$400. Tickets will be available from October 15th until the date of the draw which will be at Just Gifts on Saturday, December 3rd. They will be sold after church on Sundays and in the church office during the week. Only 500 tickets have been printed so get yours early!

If you would be willing to sell tickets at some other location or in another group to which you belong, please contact Joan Foster-Jones.

SALVADORAN LIAISON

GLOBAL PARTNER VISITS

Emmanuel has been blessed recently with the visits of two members of the United Church of Canada's Global Partners Council: the Reverend Peggy Kabunde, General Secretary of the United Church of Zambia, and Reverend Miguel Tomás Castro, Senior Pastor of Iglesia Bautista Emmanuel in El Salvador.

Peggy attended the Emmanuel Council meeting on September 13, at which the Covenant Agreement with Peoples Action Forum of Zambia for the building of a school in memory of Iain Beaudoin was considered. She also preached at our September 18 service. During her visit she had opportunities to meet a number of Emmanuelites, tour Ottawa, visit Parliament, and to meet with Presbytery officials. Special thanks for Carol and Eric Campbell for her accommodation.

Emmanuel has enjoyed a 25-year partnership with IBE and, through a second Covenant Agreement, is working in shared ministry for the spiritual and educational development of children and youth, healthy and sustainable families and communities.

Pastor Miguel Castro met with Salvadoran friends on September 30. The Hispanic Christian and Salvadoran communities met with Pastor Miguel on October 1 on the situation and upcoming elections in El Salvador and local matters. That evening, Emmanuel members enjoyed a pot luck dinner and conversation with Pastor Miguel. He also participated in the October 2 worship service.

COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee members met with Pastor Miguel Castro on October 1 to discuss our Covenant Agreement and IBE's successes and challenges this year. We also discussed what we need to do to strengthen our relationship with Iglesia Bautista Emmanuel, as we prayerfully consider our relationships in Zambia.

SALVADORAN LIAISON FUND

Emmanuelites are rejoicing in being back in our revitalized building. We have much to do, loans to repay and programs to refocus. As members committed to doing God's work in the world, we should also be considering how our donations can make a difference in pursuit of justice and the resistance of evil. The Salvadoran Mission Fund, one of Emmanuel's segregated funds, is a means to reach beyond our walls and into the world awaiting us. Please give generously and pray for our partner in El Salvador.

Next Meeting: October 11, 2011 AT EMMANUEL (7:00 to 9:00 p.m.)

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

HERON EMERGENCY FOOD CENTRE

Emmanuel went apple harvesting Sunday September 11th to Mountain Orchard, near Winchester, and donated a total of 95 lbs of apples to the HEFC and Centre 507. A big thank you on behalf of these two organizations goes out to everyone who donated apples.

COMMUNITY HARVEST ONTARIO

Community Harvest Ontario is in need of volunteers this time of year to glean commercial farms for the Food Bank. Anyone who can help should contact Jason Gray at the Ottawa Food Bank.

OTTAWA MENNONITE REFUGEE ASSOCIATION

Grocery cards for Loblaws and Farm Boy are on sale during Coffee and Conversation on the first Sunday of every month. Cards are redeemable at their full value, and the grocery chains donate 5% of the amount to support the work of OMRA

FOOD BANK SUNDAYS

Food Bank Sundays continue on the third Sunday of the month, October 16th, November 20th and December 18th.

"Palestine / Israel: Fear of the Future"

Renowned Israeli human rights journalist Amira Hass will speak on the Palestinians' experiences under Israeli occupation, and other analysis of unfolding events, including the Palestinian bid for statehood.

Thursday, Oct. 7, 2011, 7:30 pm.

Montpetit Hall, Room 203, University of Ottawa

125 University Private, Ottawa, ON K1N 1A2

Tickets: <http://www.ticketweb.ca/t3/sale/SaleEventDetail?dispatch=loadSelectionData&eventId=3874145>

(Tickets \$15, Students \$10)

STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP, FALL 2011 — LIVING GENEROUSLY



Emmanuel's Fall Stewardship Campaign will launch on Sunday Oct. 30, in our revitalized surroundings. Our packages will be available — information, pledge forms, T&T survey, etc. During November we will be inspired to "live generously" by testimonials from some of our friends in the congregation. The campaign closes with a dedication of pledges on Sunday Nov. 20, to be followed by a simple celebratory lunch — from our new kitchen! Plan to participate!

“STEWARDSHIP TALK”

Three boys are in the school yard bragging about their fathers. The first boy says, “My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper. He calls it a poem and they give him \$50”.

The second boy says, “That’s nothing. My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper. He calls it a song and they give him \$100.”

The third boy says, “I’ve got you both beat. My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper. He calls it a sermon. And it takes eight people to collect all the money!!”

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Welcome Back to Emmanuel United Church! What could be more fitting than to walk through our doors on Thanksgiving Sunday?

UPCOMING SERVICES:

- October 16: 10am worship, followed by a Welcome Back Luncheon with appreciation to Worship Committee for food, and Betsi and Sue and helpers for co-coordinating.
- October 23: 10am worship
- October 30: Stewardship Sunday with a testimonial
- November 6: Remembrance Sunday

DECORATING VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED: Throughout the year the Worship Committee enhances our worship experience by decorating the sanctuary at such times as Easter, Christmas, Thanksgiving, Anniversary and other special occasions. In the spirit of “many hands make light work”, we are setting up a roster of folk who might be willing to help with this task. Please contact Carol Lynch if you are interested.

PRAYER CIRCLE - We continue to offer the opportunity for prayer after the Sunday morning worship service, **at the back of the church**. Please do not hesitate to ask for prayer as many times as you feel you need to. We are here to pray with you. Your prayers for this ministry are also appreciated.

COFFEE and CONVERSATION - Volunteers are needed to make and serve coffee and juice following worship. Please call Marge MacLeod if you are able to help.

FLOWERS - help us to bring beauty and praise to our worship by placing flowers in the sanctuary on a Sunday. This may be a memorial, a celebration of a birth, an anniversary or some meaningful event in your life. Sign on the bulletin board or call Patty Kavcic if you have a special request.