

GATHERING

Welcome & Announcements

Territorial Acknowledgement

As we come together in this place,
we take a moment to acknowledge this sacred land
on which Emmanuel College and the University of Toronto stands.
This land is the territory of the Huron-Wendat
and Petun First Nations,
the Seneca, and most recently,
the Mississaugas of the Credit River.
We are grateful for the opportunity
to live and work on this territory;
and we are mindful of broken covenants,
and the need to strive to make right with all our relations.

a candle is lit
silence

Opening Prayer

**Gathering God,
you draw us close, like a mother hen,
under the care of your protective wings.
Enfold us in your love,
surround us with your grace,
and help us to be your people,
that we may take refuge in you,
and offer your love to all the world.
Amen.**

Hymn: MV 169 “When Hands Reach Out Beyond Divides”

WORD

Psalm 16: VU 738 (read responsively)

Sung Response: MV 90 “Don’t Be Afraid” (text on screen)

Hebrews 10:19-25 [*Reader: Gerald Gallant*]

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews:

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary

by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh),

and since we now have a great high priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart, in full assurance of faith,

with our hearts made clean and clear from any evil and our bodies washed with pure water.

Let us keep firm in the hope we profess,

because the One who made the promise is faithful.

And let us always consider

how to provoke one another to love and good deeds,

not neglecting to meet together (as is the habit of some),

but encouraging one another,

and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Life Together”

silent reflection

TABLE

Invitation & Peace

Living together is not easy,
but it is at the core of our faith,
at the heart of our witness
as the Body of Christ in the world.
Jesus said, “If you bring your gift to the altar
and there remember that your sister or brother or sibling
has a grudge against you,
leave your gift there at the altar.
Go and be reconciled to them,
and then come and offer your gift.”

Friends, as we come to this table of Christ’s presence,
let us bear witness to Jesus’ call to reconciliation.
The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

gestures of peace are shared

Presentation Hymn: MV 173 “Put Peace into Each Other’s Hands”
(verses, 1, 2, 3, 4a, 5a)

The Great Thanksgiving [sung responses based on VU 951]

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, O God,
for this small sanctuary of your presence,
which echoes with all the ways you have been with us elsewhere,
even without our knowing it:
in creation and companionship in that first Garden;
during slavery and liberation, wilderness and promised land;
through prophets and priests, saints and sinners,
at countless tables of meeting and eating,
and in the promised Banquet to come—
you have been, and forever will be, our guest and our host.
And so we join with all creation
and all the company of earth and heaven
to celebrate our life together, and your life with us:

Santo, Santo, Santo!

[VU 951] *anon., Argentina & W. Kervin*

Mi corazón te adora!

Mi corazón te sabe decir:

Santo eres Dios!

Holy, holy, holy!

Hosanna in the highest!

let all creation praise and pray:

Save us, Holy God!

We remember that when Jesus ate with his friends,
he took bread, and after blessing it,
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:

“Take, eat. This is my body, given for you.
Each time you do this, remember me.”

Then, he took a cup, and after giving thanks,
passed it to his friends, saying:

“Drink. This cup that is poured out for you
is the promise of God, made in my blood.
Whenever you drink it, remember me.”

At this time, we also remember
all those with whom you would have us share your feast.
We offer our prayers of intercession, aloud or in the silence,
for all who are in sorrow or in pain, all who are ill or alone

. . . *silence* . . .

all who live with fear, oppression, discrimination, or hunger, in this
city or around the world

. . . *silence* . . .

We pray for nations as they strive for peace, justice and
reconciliation

. . . *silence* . . .

We remember all communities of faith and practice, and their
varied work of ministry and service

. . . *silence* . . .

And we pray for ourselves, and for your presence and guidance
in whatever challenges we face

. . . *silence* . . .

Remembering Christ's life and death,
proclaiming his resurrection and new life,
and waiting in hope for his coming again,
may we so offer ourselves to you
that our life together may proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Christ has died, is risen, will come again to meet us,
and walks with us the Way of love. Holy kindom, come!*

Send, O God, your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts.
Enliven this bread.
Awaken this body.
Pour us out for each other.
In this hope and as your people, we praise you,
all glory is yours, God most holy:

*Holy, holy, holy! "Amen!" we pray, with longing.
Let all creation cry "Amen!" Holy kindom, come!*

We gather these and all our prayers,
thankful that we can turn to you
as to our Mother and Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name, [ELLC]
**you kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**
**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory
are yours now and forever. Amen.**

the bread is raised

The body of Christ, the Bread of Life.

the cup is raised

The blood of Christ, the Cup of Blessing.

These are the gifts of God for all the people of God. Thanks be to God.

music during communion starts

servers come forward and begin serving immediately

the servers serve each other at the conclusion

Music during Communion:

VU 717 “Hallelujah”(words also on screen)

VU 958 “Halle, Halle” (words also on screen)

GOING FORTH

Blessing and Sending Forth

(laying on of hands with sung prayer for the chaplains and chaplaincy)

Tim, we celebrate your new presence among us at Emmanuel College.

We give thanks for the collaboration

between Emmanuel and Knox Colleges.

So Tim and Jeannette,

we celebrate your ministry as Ecumenical chaplains here.

Creator God, bless Tim and Jeannette

(and Jae, at the Scarborough campus).

May they continue to offer spiritual guidance and sustenance for your people, especially students at the University of Toronto.
Grant them courage, strength, and wisdom
to embody the love you have shown in Jesus Christ.
Show them patience and gentleness
in their work of accompanying others.
Give them listening ears so that they can
guide, encourage and provoke
those to whom they minister to love each other more.
In the name of the Triune God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
Mother, Lover and Friend, we pray. Amen.

Closing Paperless Chant Ben Allaway

From this house,
we will go,
with your love,
hand in hand

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you will go
with our love
hand in hand.

Music for Going Forth
(something on the piano from Emily—e.g., reprise MV 169)