Emmanuel Episcopal Church

June 9, 2024
The Third Sunday after Pentecost
8:00am & 10:30am



As we gather before the service begins, we encourage people to use the time as a centering for prayer and meditation.

We also ask you to silence your phones.

Morning Prayer – Rite II The Third Sunday after Pentecost June 9, 2024

PreludeAdagio from Organ Sonata No. 1

Abraham Hall, Organist

Felix Mendelssohn

(stand as you are able)

Processional Hymn

Thy strong word did cleave the darkness

Hymn #381

Welcome and Announcements

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Philippians 1:2

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Confession

People:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Officiant:

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. *Amen*.

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and

will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Officiant: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore him.

Jubilate

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.
Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.
For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

The Lessons

First Reading A Reading from First Samuel

I Samuel 8:4-11, 16-20

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them."

So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots. He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day."

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, "No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles."

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 138

1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; * before the gods I will sing your praise. 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, * because of your love and faithfulness; 3 For you have glorified your Name * and your word above all things. 4 When I called, you answered me; * you increased my strength within me. 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, * when they have heard the words of your mouth. 6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord, * that great is the glory of the Lord. 7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; * he perceives the haughty from afar. 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; * you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me. 9 The Lord will make good his purpose for me; * O Lord, your love endures for ever;

Second Reading

do not abandon the works of your hands.

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Philippians

II Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke" — we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Hymn

How wondrous and great thy works

Hymn #533

Third Reading A Reading from Mark

Mark 3:20-35

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

The Reverend Douglas Rogers, Deacon

Solo It Is Well With My Soul

Philip Bliss

Emmarie Wilson, Soprano

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People (stand as you are able)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit.

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

The Prayers (stand or kneel)

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
thy 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 thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen

Suffrages B (congregation reads R)

- V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
- R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.
- V. Day by day we bless you;
- R. We praise your name for ever.
- V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;
- R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.
- V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;
- R. For we put our trust in you.
- V. In you, Lord, is our hope;
- R. And we shall never hope in vain.

The Collect of the Day

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, and remembering particularly my own parish and those worshiping, especially those on our parish prayer list: Byron, Patrick, Juliette, Victoria, Robert, the victims of gun violence, and the people of Ukraine, Israel, and Palestine. I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. And particularly for those blessings given to me and for those celebrating a birthday, especially Jean Frana (06/09), Mary Nielsen (06/12), and Todd Burton (06/15). I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and since I cannot at this time receive Communion, I pray that you will come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you, let me serve you in this life until by your grace, I come into your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Recessional Hymn: God of grace and God of glory Hymn #594

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord *People:* Thanks be to God

Officiant: Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or

imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for

ever and ever. Amen.

Postlude: Ciacona in E minor Dietrich Buxtehude

<u>Announcements</u>

Diane will be gone for a church conference June 4th-10th.

We are so excited to welcome the parishioners of St. Anskars Episcopal and Gloria Dei Lutheran churches who have been invited to join us for our June 16th Sunday service at 10:30. Bill and Judy Schnauffer have offered to serve coffee hour that day and also for the rest of June. No coffee hour then until September. Let's give them a big welcome!

Book Club: Join us Tuesday, June 18th at 1pm in the Janet James Room. June's choice is "The Secret Life of Sunflowers" by Marta Molnar. When Hollywood auctioneer Emsley Wilson finds her famous grandmother's diary while cleaning out her New York brownstone, the pages are full of surprises. The first surprise is, the diary isn't her grandmother's. It belongs to Johanna Bonger, Vincent van Gogh's sister-in-law.

Dining Out Group: Summer has arrived and the Dining Out Group is hoping to eat OUTSIDE at Baker Street Burgers, located at Edgebrook Center, 1603 N. Alpine. Also available are salads, sides and other sandwiches besides the burgers. We look forward to your joining us on Thursday, June 27th at 11:30. Let Mary Nielsen know if you will join us and reservations will be made. See you soon.

Mark your calendar for Sunday, June 30th. We will be celebrating summer with a Sunday of sundaes after the 10:30 service. It will be a chance to catch up on how our summer is going AND enjoy some yummy ice cream! We are also currently in the process of planning a church outing to a Rivets baseball game this summer. Keep an eye out for new details as we have them!

Grief Group: meets next on July 1st at 7 p.m. Entry at parking lot entrance. All are invited to come.

<u>SecondFirst is hosting an ice cream sandwich social gathering Thursday, July 18th at 6pm in our church parking lot.</u> We want to invite members of Court Street and Emmanuel to join us! Hopefully it will be a fun night of common fellowship as downtown neighbors.

Nametags: If you would like a nametag made, please contact the church office via email at churchoffice@emmanuelrockford.org or via phone at 815-964-5514.

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Ginny Hatwich, & Valerie Sanders

Assisting in the Liturgy

8:00 a.m. Lector: Kyla Chapman-Neal

10:30 a.m. Crucifer/Server: Stacey LaRosa

1st Reading: Susan Chambers 2nd Reading: Mille Zimmerman Prayers of the People: Tyler Hillman

Altar Guild: Gale Degner

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