

Emmanuel Episcopal Church

The Last Sunday after Pentecost

November 24, 2024
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.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude

We Gather Together

Flor Peters

Rachel Schmitt, Organ

(stand as you are able)

Processional Hymn

Crown him with many crowns

Hymn #494

(stand as you are able)

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: **A**lmighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Gloria in Excelsis

**People: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

(sung at 10:30am)

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-
might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus Christ,
on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;
5. you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-
ceive our prayer. 6. For
you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the
Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of
God the Fa-ther. A-men.

(standing)

Collect for The Last Sunday after Pentecost

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

First Reading

A Reading from Second Samuel

II Samuel 23:1-7

These are the last words of David:

The oracle of David, son of Jesse,
the oracle of the man whom God exalted,

the anointed of the God of Jacob,
the favorite of the Strong One of Israel:

The spirit of the LORD speaks through me,
his word is upon my tongue.

The God of Israel has spoken,
the Rock of Israel has said to me:

One who rules over people justly,
ruling in the fear of God,

is like the light of morning,
like the sun rising on a cloudless morning,
gleaming from the rain on the grassy land.

Is not my house like this with God?
For he has made with me an everlasting covenant,
ordered in all things and secure.

Will he not cause to prosper
all my help and my desire?

But the godless are all like thorns that are thrown away;
for they cannot be picked up with the hand;

to touch them one uses an iron bar
or the shaft of a spear.
And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



Psalm 132:1-13 (14-19)

- 1 LORD re- / member David, *
and all the / hardships he endured;
- 2 How he swore an oath / to the LORD *
and vowed a vow to the / Mighty One of Jacob:
- 3 "I will not come under the roof / of my house," *
nor climb / up into my bed;
- 4 I will not allow my / eyes to sleep, *
nor / let my eye-lids slumber;
- 5 Until I find a place / for the LORD, *
a dwelling for the / Mighty One of Jacob."
- 6 "The ark! We heard it was in / Eph-ra-tah; *
we found it / in the fields of Jearim.
- 7 Let us go to God's / dwelling place; *
let us fall upon our / knees before his footstool."
- 8 Arise O LORD into your / resting-place, *
you and the / **ark** of your strength.
- 9 Let your priests be clothed with / righteousness; *
let your faithful / people sing with joy.
- 10 For your servant / David's sake, *
do not turn away the / face of your Anointed.
- 11 The LORD has sworn an / oath to David; *
in truth he / will not **break** it:
- 12 "A son, the fruit / of your body *
will I / set u-pon your throne.
- 13 If your children keep my covenant
and my testimonies that / I shall teach them, *
their children will sit upon your / throne for evermore."
- 14 [For the LORD has / chosen Zion; *
he has desired her / for his ha-bi-tation:
- 15 "This shall be my resting- / place for ever; *
here will I dwell for / I delight in her.
- 16 I will surely / bless her pro-visions, *
and satis- / fy her poor with bread.

17 I will clothe her priests / with salvation, *
and her faithful people / will rejoice and sing.
18 There will I make the horn of / David flourish; *
I have prepared a / lamp for my Anointed.
19 As for his enemies, I will clothe / them with shame; *
but as for / him, his crown will shine."]

Epistle

A Reading from Revelation

Revelation 1:4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.
So it is to be. Amen.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

At the name of Jesus

Hymn #435

(stand as you are able)

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

John 18:33-37

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

(seated)

Sermon

The Rev. Conrad Selnick

A moment of silence is observed after the sermon

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

(stand)

The Prayers of the People

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Leader: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; especially our Presiding Bishop Sean and our Bishop Paula.

People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Leader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, especially Joseph our President and JB our Governor;

People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Leader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially Nancy, Bob, Sydney, Denis and Barbara and family, those participating in Shelter Care Ministry programs, the victims of gun violence, the nation of Haiti, and the people of Ukraine, Israel, and Palestine;

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader: Give to the departed eternal rest, especially Ruth;

People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: We rejoice with those who are celebrating birthdays, especially Danny Degner (11/25).

People: That they may be blessed in the coming year.

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We pray for those serving in our military, especially Pierce, Hayden, Nate, Colin, Tyler, and Harry.

Celebrant: **O** Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(you may kneel or be seated)

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.

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

The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Offertory Anthem

The Last Words of David

Randall Thompson

Beth Hall, piano

*He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God.
And he shall be as the light of the morning, when the sun riseth, even a morning without clouds;
As the tender grass springing out of the earth by clear shining after rain. Alleluia. Amen.*

(8:00 am spoken)

Offertory Response

Celebrant: All things come of thee O Lord.

People: And of thine own have we given thee.

(10:30am sung)

Offertory Response

Hymn #380

vs. 3

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

(standing)

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: **I**t is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus *(8:00am spoken)*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest. (†) Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

(10:30am sung)

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

(kneeling or seated)

Celebrant: **H**oly and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." (†)

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. When ever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." (†)

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People: **Christ has died.**
 Christ is risen.
 Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify (†) us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

Lord's Prayer

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.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Agnus Dei (8:00 am spoken)

Celebrant and People:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us your peace.

(10:30 sung)



Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy
on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy
on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymn

We Gather Together

Hymn #433

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing (†)

(standing)

Recessional Hymn:

Now thank we now our God

Hymn #397

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude

Now Thank We All Our God (from Cantata No. 79)

J.S. Bach/arr. Virgil Fox

***Today's flowers are given in loving memory of
Joanie Bowers
from Tyler Hillman.***

Sunday School each Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

No Sunday School Today - multigenerational gathering in undercroft.

*Please join us in the undercroft for coffee hour each Sunday after the 8:00am service
and from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.*

*Emmanuel's Women's Guild meets on the third Thursday of each month at 11:30 a.m. in the undercroft,
followed by a brown bag lunch. Come join us, we'd love to have you.*

Adult Forum Schedule

Today - Multigenerational Crafting Event - Thankfulness Trees for you to take home
(like the one at church!)

December 1 - Wayne Hatwich - Christmas Carol traditions

December 8 - Father Selnick - TBA

December 15 - Multigenerational Advent Activity

December 22 - To be announced

December 29 - No forum

Announcements

Let's Give Thanks! As Thanksgiving Day approaches, let's give thanks for all the gifts God has given us this year. A Thanksgiving tree is on the bulletin board in the Undercroft. Leaves for the tree are in the church pews and on tables downstairs. Please write on a leaf what you are most thankful for and pin it on the tree.

Lend a helping hand! Anyone interested in learning more about becoming an acolyte (8 a.m., 10:30 a.m., or both) and/or lecture, please email Stacy LaRossa (stacey.sauer@gmail.com) OR Ty Hillman (tylerhillman@comcast.net). We will be coordinating a date for discussion and training for those interested in the near future. A Saturday will be identified post Thanksgiving.

Our Church's Anniversary: In honor of Emmanuel's 175th Anniversary, here's what we are doing for the rest of the year to keep celebrating our Anniversary through acts of Service!

November - In conjunction with our annual Bears/Packers food drive, we want to collect 175 POUNDS of food for each team! **TODAY** is your last chance to fill the barrels!

December - 175 cards to those in need. We will ask parishioners to write heartfelt cards for us to give/send out to those who may need a warm thought. More details to come.

Today is your last chance to see Emmanuel's Choral Scholars performing in Rockford University's presentation of "Much Ado About Nothing" at 2:00 p.m. at Maddox Theatre in the Clark Arts Center. Shakespeare's comedy will be set in post WWI New Orleans. Emmarie Wilson will play Beatrice, Chris Caruana is Claudio and Nora Eliff will portray Ursula. Tickets will be available at the door.

Grief Group: meets next on **December 2nd at 7 p.m.** Entry at parking lot entrance. All are invited to come.

Dining Out Group: Due to Thanksgiving, the Dining Out Group will gather on **Thursday, December 5th** at Garrett's Restaurant **1631 N. Bell School Rd** at the usual time, 11:30. To make your reservation please call Mary at 815-654-8995. We look forward to seeing you.

Date for the Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols is: Sunday, December 8th, at 4 p.m.

Book Club: Join us on **Tuesday, December 10th at 1pm** in the Janet James Room. December's choice is "Tom Lake" by Ann Patchett. "In the spring of 2020, Lara's three daughters return to the family's orchard in Northern Michigan. While picking cherries, they beg their mother to tell them the story of Peter Duke, a famous actor with whom she shared both a stage and a romance years before at a theater company called Tom Lake. As Lara recalls the past, her daughters examine their own lives and relationship with their mother, and are forced to reconsider the world and everything they thought they knew."

January's book is: "The Women" by Kristin Hannah

Advent Season: Mark your calendars now for Sunday, December 15th. There will be a multigenerational Advent event.

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Assisting in the Liturgy

8:00 a.m. Server: Tyler Hillman
 Lector: Valerie Sanders

10:30 a.m. Crucifer/MC: Stacey LaRosa
 1st Reading: Travis Castrey
 2nd Reading: Elizabeth Castrey
 Prayers of the People: Thailer Castrey
 Altar Guild: Tyler Hillman
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