

# Emmanuel Episcopal Church

The Sixth Sunday

After Epiphany

February 16, 2025

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM



# THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### **The Prelude**

Intro and Variations on St. Denio

*Lovelace/Hegarty*

*(stand as you are able)*

### **The Processional**

*Immortal, invisible*

**Hymn #423**

### **The Opening Acclamation**

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

**People: And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

### **The Collect for Purity**

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)

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - mighty 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.

## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

### Collect for The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Celebrant: **O** God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

### The First Reading

Lector: A Reading from the Prophet Jeremiah

*Jeremiah 17:5-10*

**T**hus says the Lord:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals  
and make mere flesh their strength,  
whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert,  
and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,  
in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the LORD,  
whose trust is the LORD.

They shall be like a tree planted by water,  
sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes,  
and its leaves shall stay green;

in the year of drought it is not anxious,  
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;  
it is perverse--  
who can understand it?

I the LORD test the mind  
and search the heart,

to give to all according to their ways,  
according to the fruit of their doings.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**



### Psalm 1

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel / of the wicked, \*  
nor lingered in the way of sinners,  
nor sat in the / **seats** of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law / of the LORD, \*  
and they meditate on / his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,  
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that / do not wither; \*  
everything they / do shall **pro**-sper.
- 4 It is not so / with the wicked; \*  
they are like chaff which the / **wind** blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when / judg-ment comes, \*  
nor the sinner in the / coun-cil of the righteous.
- 6 For the LORD knows the way / of the righteous, \*  
but the way of the / **wick**-ed is doomed.

### The Second Reading

Lector: A Reading from 1 Corinthians

*1 Corinthians 15:12-20*

**N**ow if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ--whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual Hymn

*If thou but trust*

Hymn #635

## The Gospel

*Luke 6:17-26*

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,  
for yours is the kingdom of God.

"Blessed are you who are hungry now,  
for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,  
for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets."

"But woe to you who are rich,  
for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now,  
for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,  
for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## Sermon

The Rev. Conrad Selnick

## The 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.**

## **The Prayers of the People: Form II**

*In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop Sean and our Bishop Paula; for Emmanuel; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Especially we pray for Donald, our President, and JB, our Governor, and all those in authority in our country. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for those celebrating birthdays, especially Bryson *Gates* (02/18), Leadell *Schmitt* (02/18), Robb *Sinks* (02/20), Susan *Chambers* (02/21), and John *Chapman* (02/22).

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the sick, poor, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for Nancy, Bob, Sydney, Barbara, Nina and family, Sean and family, Grisanzio family, Mary and family, Stanton, Allie and family, those participating in Shelter Care Ministry programs, the victims of gun violence, and the people of Ukraine, Israel, Palestine, and Sudan.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the ill, and those in harms way in the military, including: Pierce, Hayden, Nate, Colin, Tyler, Harry, and Cameron.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died, especially Jim, Janette, and Bob.

*Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*



## Confession of Sin

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

**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: **A**lmighty 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.**

## Announcements

### Offertory

#### Offertory Anthem

When We All Get to Heaven

*Emily Divine Wilson*

*Sing the wondrous love of Jesus, sing His mercy and His grace;  
In the mansion bright and blessed, He'll prepare for us a place.  
When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be!  
When we all see Jesus, we'll sing and shout the victory.  
While we walk the pilgrim pathway, clouds will overspread the sky;  
But when trav'ling days are over, not a shadow, not a sigh.  
Let us then be true and faithful, trusting, serving, ev'ry day;  
Just one glimpse of Him in glory will the toils of life repay.  
Onward to the prize before us! Soon His beauty we'll behold;  
Soon the pearly gates will open; we shall tread the streets of gold.*

**Offertory Response** *(8:00 am spoken)*

Celebrant: All things come of thee O Lord.

**People: And of thine own have we given thee.**

*(10:30am sung)*

**Hymn #11**

vs. 4

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.

## LITURGY OF THE TABLE

### **Eucharistic Prayer B**

*(standing)*

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 him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: **I**t is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say)

### **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 pow - er and  
might, hea - ven 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. \_\_\_\_\_

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life. On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever 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: Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and 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.**

### **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)



Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### Communion Hymn

*Jesus shall reign*

Hymn #544

### Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

### Celebrant and People:

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

### Blessing (†)

(standing)

### Recessional Hymn:

*Jesus lives*

Hymn #194

### Dismissal

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

**People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

### Postlude

Jesus Shall Reign

*Hatton/Haan*

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

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

*Sundays at 9:15 a.m.*

**Today**, Fr. Conrad Selnick

**February 23**, Mike Schultz - An introduction to NAMI

## Announcements

**“Alleluias” in the liturgy:** This is an ancient word from our Jewish cousins and heritage. It is an exclamation of spiritual joy roughly meaning “Thanks be to God!” or “Bless you, God!” It is never incorrect in a liturgy, but is more suited to some occasions and seasons. It is particularly suited to Easter season, and conversely not suited for Lent. Emmanuel has become accustomed to using it weekly, pretty much year-round. As part of our transition period, we are hewing more closely to the specifics in the Prayer Book and other authorized Episcopal liturgical material. This is a regular practice during interim periods, and it reflects the Rector’s full responsibility for liturgy as outlined in Episcopal Canons. We are also trying out less familiar materials from these sources. As we close out the Season of Epiphany, we will start making limited use of it. And, on the Last Sunday after the Epiphany, we will use the common custom of saying good by to “Alleluia” until Easter Vigil. After Easter season we will sometimes include “Alleluia” in liturgies, and sometimes not.

Below are the two places in the Holy Eucharist liturgy which address the inclusion of Alleluia.

[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]

In Lent, Alleluia is omitted, and may be omitted at other times except during Easter Season.

Book of Common Prayer 364

From the Easter Vigil through the Day of Pentecost "Alleluia, alleluia" may be added to any of the dismissals.

The People respond: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Book of Common Prayer 366

**Help the Overnight Cafe for Women.** Show up! Bring Food! Soup and Casseroles can be dropped off week-days at the Jubilee Center between 9 and 3:30 or after 7:00 P.M. Maximum Number of guests is 12. Mark your gifts with Overnight Cafe, please. The cafe opens at 7 PM. There are staff available, but volunteers are welcome from 6:45 P.M. to 8:00 A.M. Email Karen Hills at SAKJHill@gmail.com to tell her what you have put in the refrigerator.

**The Rockford Chapter of the American Guild of Organists is presenting a concert of music by black composers today at 3:00 p.m. at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 3300 Rural Street.**

Trish Rooney will be performing two pieces by Nigerian born (1965) composer Godwin Sadoh. Sadoh uses tunes from Nigeria as the basis for most of his compositions. He has studied, taught and performed in the United States for the past thirty years. Admission is free to this family-friendly event. A reception follows.

**Emmanuel Guild is hosting Musicale:** Here's the last chance to purchase a ticket For Emmanuel Guild's Musicale, "Love Is In the Air." Contact Trish Rooney-tearoney@gmail.com to make a reservation and then pay at the door. "Love Is In the Air" will be held on **Saturday, February 22nd from 5-8 p.m.** Tickets are \$20 per person and \$50 for a family. Dinner will be provided by the fabulous cooks in Emmanuel Guild. Music will be provided by Tribute (<https://www.facebook.com/tributebandrockford>). Proceeds will benefit the Mary Kiefer Ward Scholarship Fund that provides a financial boost to our high school graduates as they continue their education.

**The February Dining Out Group:** will huddle near the toasty fire place at the Hearth Rock Cafe located in the Benson Stone building at 1100 Eleventh Street. We will gather there at 11:30 on **Thursday, February 27th** to enjoy lunch and fellowship. Come early and/or stay late. Benson Stone is a beautiful venue for all kinds of shopping. Call Mary Nielsen for your reservation at 815-654-8995.

**Sunday, March 2nd, 'Shrove' Sunday Pancake breakfast.** Hosted by the Emmanuel youth. Breakfast will be available after both services. Please join us. This is a free event. Any donations made will be used to build the youth activities/education fund.

**Grief Group:** meets next on **March 3rd at 7 p.m.** Entry at parking lot entrance. All are invited to come.

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Kyla Chapman-Neal, Todd Burton, & Tamara Ross

## Assisting in the Liturgy

8:00 a.m.     **Server: Tyler Hillman**  
                  **Lector: Clare Kagan**

10:30 a.m.    **Crucifer/Server: Stacey LaRosa**  
                  **1st Reading: Tyler Hillman**  
                  **2nd Reading: Susan Chambers**  
                  **Prayers of the People: Millie Zimmerman**  
                  **Altar Guild: Tyler Hillman**  
                  **Ushers: John & Rosa Birnbaum**

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