

# Emmanuel Episcopal Church

## The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 26, 2025

9:00 AM



# THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### The Prelude

Partita on Chesterfield, movements I, II, and IV

*arr. Paul Bouman*

*(stand as you are able)*

### The Processional

*Hark the glad sound*

**Hymn #72**

### 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

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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 Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Celebrant: **G**ive us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; 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 Nehemiah

*Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10*

**A**ll the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**



## Psalm 19

- 1 The heavens declare the / glory of God, \*  
and the firmament / shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale / to another, \*  
and one night imparts / knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no / words or language, \*  
and their / voices are not heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out in-/to all lands, \*  
and their message / to the ends of the world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion / for the sun; \*  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a / champion to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens  
and runs about to the end of / it again; \*  
nothing is hidden / from its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect  
and re-/vives the soul; \*  
the testimony of the LORD is sure  
and gives / wis-dom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just  
and re-/joice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the LORD is clear  
and gives / **light** to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean  
and en-/dures for ever; \*  
the judgments of the LORD are true  
and / right-eous al-together.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,  
more than / much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey,  
than / hon-ey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your / servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them / there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often / he off-ends? \*  
cleanse me / from my secret faults.



13 Above all keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
let them not get do-/minion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound,  
and innocent / of a great offense.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my  
heart be acceptable / in your sight, \*  
O LORD, my / strength and my redeemer.

## The Second Reading

Lector: A Reading from First Corinthians

*I Corinthians 12:12-31a*

**J**ust as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual Hymn

*How wondrous and great*

Hymn #532

## The Gospel

*Luke 4:14-21*

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

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

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to bring good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind,  
to let the oppressed go free,  
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

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. 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 anniversaries, especially Jesse *Lee* and Flute *Saenz* (01/31) and Dan and Gale *Degner* (02/01).

*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, Janette and family, Margo, Dale, Mary, Stewart, those participating in Shelter Care Ministry programs, the victims of gun violence, and the people of Ukraine, Israel, Palestine, Sudan, and California.

*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.

*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

Ubi caritas et amor

*Maurice Duruflé / edited by Wayne Hatwich*

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.  
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.  
Exultemus, et in ipso iucundemur.  
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.  
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen.

Where charity and love are, God is there.  
Christ's love has gathered us into one.  
Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.  
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.  
And may we love each other with a sincere heart. Amen.

## Offertory Response

**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

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

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: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

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

*Word of God*

Hymn #633

## 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:**

*Open your ears*

**Hymn #536**

## Dismissal

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

Partita on Chesterfield, movement V

*arr. Paul Bouman*

***Today's altar flowers are given in honor of  
Sean, Ginny, and Mickey for their service on  
our Vestry, from the remaining Vestry members.***

*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

**Today**, *Annual meeting, No Forum*

**February 2**, Theresa Sinks - Balance and Stability (for seniors?)

**February 9**, Maryanne Theyerl - A Study on Saint Valentine

**February 16**, Five Wishes (End of Life Planning)

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

## Announcements

**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.

**Soup Kitchen volunteers needed:** Emmanuel Episcopal will be serving a meal at the Soup Kitchen at the Jubilee Center on **Saturday, January 25th**. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Tammy Lewis at 815 601-8612 or mstam7@aol.com. We'll need helpers for food prep, set up, serving, and clean up with shifts available between 10am and 1:30pm. New volunteers are welcome!

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

**Book Club:** No Book Club in January. Join us on **Tuesday, February 14th at 1pm** in the Janet James Room. February's choice is "The Women" by Kristin Hannah. "Women can be heroes. When twenty-year-old nursing student Frances "Frankie" McGrath hears these words, it is a revelation. Raised in the sun-drenched, idyllic world of Southern California and sheltered by her conservative parents, she has always prided herself on doing the right thing. But in 1965, the world is changing, and she suddenly dares to imagine a different future for herself. When her brother ships out to serve in Vietnam, she joins the Army Nurse Corps and follows his path."

**Emmanuel Guild is hosting Musicale:** Love Is In the Air on Saturday, February 22nd from 5-8 p.m. Tickets are \$20 per person and \$50 per family. Music will be provided by Tribute. (<https://www.facebook.com/tributebandrockford>) Dinner will be provided by the fabulous cooks in Emmanuel Guild. Proceeds will benefit the Mary Kiefer Ward Scholarship Fund that provides a financial boost to our high school graduates as they continue their education.

Ginny Hatwich is organizing photos of "Love In Action" for the bulletin board in the undercroft. Please send digital photos to Ginny (ghatwich@gmail.com) that show members of the Emmanuel Family demonstrating love in action. These might be photos of helping with projects at church, at home, or in the community. Please write "Love in Action" in the subject line. Photos should be submitted by February 1st. Thank you.

**Mark your calendars!** Sunday, March 2, '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.

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Travis Castrey, Maryanne Theyerl, Jean Frana,  
Ginny Hatwich, Valerie Sanders, & Mark Baldwin

## Assisting in the Liturgy

9:00 a.m. Crucifer/Chalicer: Stacey LaRosa  
1st Reading: Valerie Sanders  
2nd Reading: Stacey LaRosa  
Prayers of the People: Mark Baldwin  
Altar Guild: Tamara Ross

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