

Emmanuel Episcopal Church

The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 10, 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

All Glory Be to God Alone

George TH. Miles

Rachel Schmitt, Organ

(stand as you are able)

Processional Hymn

I'll praise my maker

Hymn #429

(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 Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

First Reading

A Reading from Ruth

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17

Naomi her mother-in-law said to Ruth, “My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do.” She said to her, “All that you tell me I will do.”

So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the Lord made her conceive, and she bore a son. Then the women said to Naomi, “Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him.” Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. The women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, “A son has been born to Naomi.” They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



Psalm 127

- 1 Unless the LORD / builds the house, *
their labor / is in vain who build it.
- 2 Unless the LORD watches / over the city, *
in vain the / watchman keeps his vigil.
- 3 It is in vain that you rise so early and go to / bed so late; *
vain too, to eat the bread of toil,
for he gives to / his belov-ed sleep.
- 4 Children are a heritage / from the LORD, *
and the / fruit of the womb is a gift.
- 5 Like arrows in the hand / of a warrior *
are the / children of one's youth.
- 6 Happy is the man who has his quiver / full of them! *
he shall not be put to shame
when he contends with his / ene-mies in the gate.

Epistle

A Reading from Hebrews

Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

As those of old

Hymn #705

(stand as you are able)

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Mark 12:38-44

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

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, Lynn, Mabel, Sarah and family, those participating in Shelter Care Ministry programs, the victims of gun violence, and the people of Ukraine, Israel, and Palestine;

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader: Give to the departed eternal rest;

People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: We rejoice with those who are celebrating birthdays, especially Sierra *Castrey* (11/11) and for those celebrating anniversaries, especially John *William* and Sandra *Chapman* (11/10).

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: **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.

Offertory Anthem

Jesus, You Are The Way

Margaret Rizza

Jesus, you are the way that I can hear the word that's spoken ever near.
Jesus, you are the way that I can see all that the Father means to me.
Jesus, you are the way I can begin to let the spirit breathe within.
Jesus, my weary head has found its rest in the beating in your breast.
Jesus, this alone can be my prayer, your pierced heart open there.

(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

Lord, make us servants

Hymn #593

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:

Blest are the pure in heart

Hymn #656

Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

The Day is Surely Drawing Near

Michael Praetorius

***Today's flowers are given in loving memory of
Margy Sarver
from Tyler Hillman.***

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

No Sunday School November 17 - parish meeting

No Sunday School November 24 - 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 at 9am - Mark Baldwin on Bonhoeffer and Us

November 17 - **No Adult Forum**

November 24 - All generations craft project for Thanksgiving TBA

Announcements

Sports Sunday is today after the 10:30 service! Join us for a tail gate party. Snacks, tail gate food, and drinks. Prizes for the best sports attire! Please bring non-perishable food items to place in the Bear and Packer food barrels to benefit the Rock Valley Food Pantry. Deadline for the contest is Sunday, November 17. Go Pack! Go Bears!

SAVE THE DATE: November 17th ONE service at 9:00am. Congregational meeting to follow that requires a vote. No Sunday School or Adult Forum.

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! The barrels out!

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.

Book Club: Join us on **Tuesday, November 12th at 1pm** in the Janet James Room. November's choice is "The Earth Moved" by Amy Stewart. In *The Earth Moved*, Amy Stewart takes us on a journey through the underground world and introduces us to one of its most amazing denizens. The earthworm may be small, spineless, and blind, but its impact on the ecosystem is profound. It ploughs the soil, fights plant diseases, cleans up pollution, and turns ordinary dirt into fertile land. Who knew?

December's book is: "Tom Lake" by Ann Patchett

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

Calling all crafters! We are making scarves for the Jubilee members again this year. Please consider making an extra to donate to a member. Donations should be completed by November 22nd. Please contact Greg Cox with any questions at: gcox@aghllaw.com

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.

Church Directory update: If you have changed your address or phone number, please reach out to the church office via phone: 815-964-5514 or email: churchoffice@emmanuelrockford.org. We would like to print an updated directory before the holiday season. Please submit any changes to the office by November 12th.

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Assisting in the Liturgy

8:00 a.m. Server: Tyler Hillman
 Lector: Maria Mendia

10:30 a.m. Crucifer/MC: Stacey LaRosa
 1st Reading: Susan Chambers
 2nd Reading: Mille Zimmerman
 Prayers of the People: Tyler Hillman
 Altar Guild: Maryanne Theyerl
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