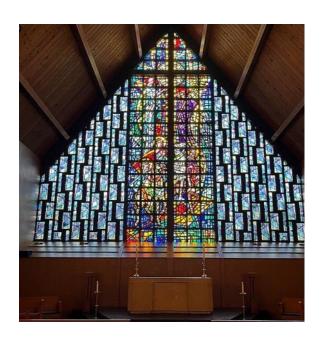
Emmanuel Episcopal Church

The Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

November 17, 2024 9:00am



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 Andante Sostenuto K.H. Zollner

Rachel Schmitt, Organ

(stand as you are able)

Processional Hymn O Christ, the Word Incarnate Hymn #632

(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: Almighty 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 (see next page)



(standing)

Collect for The Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

First Reading

A Reading from First Samuel

I Samuel 1:4-20

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the Lord had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the Lord had closed her womb. So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the Lord, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?"

After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the Lord. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: "O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head."

As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer.

They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the Lord."

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm

The Song of Hannah

Hannah prayed and said,

"My heart exults in the LORD; my strength is exalted in my God.

My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in my victory.

"There is no Holy One like the LORD, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God.

Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth;

for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed.

The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength.

Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are fat with spoil.

The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn.

The LORD kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and raises up.

The LORD makes poor and makes rich; he brings low, he also exalts.

He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap,

to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor.

For the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and on them he has set the world.

"He will guard the feet of his faithful ones, but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness; for not by might does one prevail.

The LORD! His adversaries shall be shattered; the Most High will thunder in heaven.

The LORD will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king, and exalt the power of his anointed."

Epistle

A Reading from Hebrews

Hebrews 10:11-25

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

"This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,"

he also adds,

"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

Help us, O Lord

Hymn #628

(stand as you are able)

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Mark 13:1-8

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come.

For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs."

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.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially Nancy, Bob, Sydney, Leader:

Denis and Barbara Anderson 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;

People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: We rejoice with those who are celebrating birthdays, especially Tammy Lewis (11/20).

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

Glorious and Powerful God

Charles Wood/arr. Harrison Oxley

Glorious and powerful God, we understand thy dwelling is on high above the starry sky.

Thou dwellest not in stone temples made with hand;

but in the flesh hearts of the sons of men to dwell is thy delight, near hand, though out of sight. We give of thine own hand, thy acceptation is very life and blood, to all actions good.

Whenever here or hence our supplication, from pure and with unfeigned hearts, to thee ascends, be present with thy grace, show us thy loving face.

O, down on us full showers of mercy send, let thy love's burning beams dry up all our sin's streams.

Arise, O Lord, and come into thy rest.

Both now and evermore thy name be blest, founder and foundation of endless habitation. Amen.

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: It 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



(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



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

Communion Hymn

We the Lord's people

Hymn #51

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:

Lord Christ, when first

Hymn #598

Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude Mit Freuden Zart Jan Bender

Today's flowers are given in loving memory and adoration of Ruth Nicholas from her children.

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

No Sunday School Today

No Sunday School November 24 - multigenerational gathering in undercroft.

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 - No Adult Forum

November 24 - All generations craft project for Thanksgiving TBA

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.

<u>Lend a helping hand!</u> 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! 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.

Emmanuel's Choral Scholars will be participating in Rockford University's presentation of "Much Ado About Nothing" on November 21, 22, 23 at 7:30 p.m. and November 24 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.

<u>Calling all crafters!</u> 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

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

<u>Dining Out Group</u>: Due to Thanksgiving, the Dining Out Group will gather on **Thursday, December 5th** at Garrett's Restaurant <u>1631 N. Bell School Rd</u> 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 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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9:00 a.m. Crucifer/MC: Stacey LaRosa

1st Reading: Judy Schnauffer 2nd Reading: Mark Baldwin Prayers of the People: Phil James Altar Guild: Mary Johnson

Ushers: Phil James & Andrew James

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