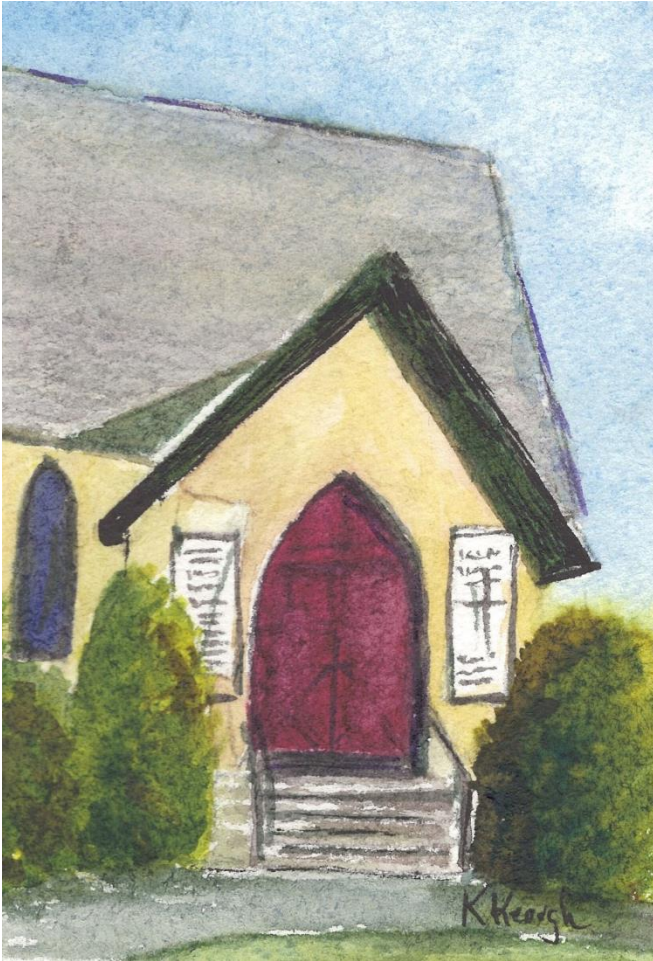


**ZOOM (due to snow)**

**Emmanuel Episcopal Church  
Wakefield, Massachusetts**

**The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany**



February 9, 2025 (Zoom)  
9:00 A.M.

**MORNING PRAYER - RITE II**

*Emmanuel Episcopal Church is a diverse, inclusive, and welcoming community dedicated to spiritual growth through worship and education for adults and children.*

## OPENING OUR HEARTS

### WELCOME

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." *Psalms 122:1*

### THE CONFESSION

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

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People together, all kneeling*

**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.**

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

## THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

O: Lord, open our lips.

R: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

**O: The mercy of the Lord is everlasting: Come let us adore him.**

Venite Psalm 95:1-7

Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, \*

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*

and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, \*

and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

**O: The mercy of the Lord is everlasting: Come let us adore him.**

## PSALM 93 AND 96

*The Psalms will be read responsively by whole verse.*

### 93

1 The Lord is King;  
he has put on splendid apparel; \*  
the Lord has put on his apparel  
and girded himself with strength.

**2 He has made the whole world so sure \*  
that it cannot be moved;**

3 Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; \*  
you are from everlasting.

**4 The waters have lifted up, O Lord,  
the waters have lifted up their voice; \*  
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.**

5 Mightier than the sound of many waters,  
mightier than the breakers of the sea, \*  
mightier is the Lord who dwells on high.

**6 Your testimonies are very sure, \*  
and holiness adorns your house, O Lord,  
for ever and for evermore.**

### 96 *Cantate Domino*

1 Sing to the Lord a new song; \*  
sing to the Lord, all the whole earth.

**2 Sing to the Lord and bless his Name; \*  
proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.**

3 Declare his glory among the nations \*  
and his wonders among all peoples.

**4 For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; \*  
he is more to be feared than all gods.**

**5 As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; \*  
but it is the Lord who made the heavens.**

**6 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! \*  
Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!**

**7 Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples; \*  
ascribe to the Lord honor and power.**

**8 Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; \*  
bring offerings and come into his courts.**

**9 Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; \*  
let the whole earth tremble before him.**

**10 Tell it out among the nations: "The Lord is King! \*  
he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved;  
he will judge the peoples with equity."**

**11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad;  
let the sea thunder and all that is in it; \*  
let the field be joyful and all that is therein.**

**12 Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy  
before the Lord when he comes, \*  
when he comes to judge the earth.**

**13 He will judge the world with righteousness \*  
and the peoples with his truth.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

### FIRST LESSON: ISAIAH 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The Word of the Lord.

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

### SECOND LESSON: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-11

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the

scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them-though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The Word of the Lord.

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

#### GOSPEL LESSON: LUKE 5:1-11

*Celebrant:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

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

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and

all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

THE REV. BRETT R. JOHNSON

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth;

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.



## THE PRAYERS

*At the Parish Prayer List of names, the congregation is invited to repeat each name after the Litanist in solidarity with those who have asked us for prayer.*

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**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. 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.**

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

**R. And grant us your salvation.**

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

**R. Let your people sing with joy.**

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

**R. For only in you can we live in safety.**

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

**R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

**R. Your saving health among all nations.**

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

**R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

**R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in

your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### A COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gracious God, we ask for healing for those near to our hearts, including: Allison, Phoebe Babb, Kristin Baird, Berry, Bruna, Heather Cameron, Cathie Cardelucci, Lydia Cedrone, Ann Daily, Dave, John DeNatale, Peggy Downs, Jonathan English, David Fieldhouse, Claudette Forss, Connor Gallagher, Kristen Goddard, Louise Haldeman, Lester Hartman, Karen Dodd Howard, Jeffrey, Pete Jeffrey, Jerry, Jordan, Debra Katt-Lloyd, John & Theresa Kelly, Kevin MacKenzie, Keith & Joanne Manville, Mark Martino, Nancy McAllister, Melissa, Becky Miller, Sebastian Miller, Marcia Muir, Jim & Sara Murphy, T.A.N, Steve Newman, Jim O'Reilly, Emma Parese, Pat & Joe, Jane Pennacchia, Muriel Peters, Kirk Ronaldson, Cheryl Santarelli, Linda Shapiro, Carol Slaughter, Trudy, Bill & Jan Walsh, Jane Wilkins, and Kelly Wood.

**Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We ask for your love and wisdom to guide our vestry as they meet this week.

**Amen.**

## THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not  
only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

## A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord  
to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised  
through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered  
together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O  
Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in  
this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life  
everlasting. Amen.

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Officiant* May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in  
believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Romans 15:13*



*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her mother, Thelma Sparks by Lisa Ventura.*

### **WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BE AN EPISCOPALIAN?**

Join Rev. Brett **TODAY** after the 10:00 a.m. service for a short introductory meeting and informal conversation about becoming a member of the Episcopal Church. Remember, all are not just welcome; all are *wanted and belong!* We hope to see you there!



**Bread of Life**

*Food for the body...Nurture for the soul*

Emmanuel is serving dinner at Bread of Life on Tuesday. We are in need of a couple of more people to help. You would need to arrive at Bread of Life in Malden at 3:30 p.m. and plan to stay about two hours. If you can help please let Rev. Brett, Denise Mallen or Lisa Ventura know.

### **LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY**

Join us on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall for a Bible study that's accessible, engaging, and maybe even a little entertaining (yes, Bible study can be fun!). Led by Debra Plummer and Nicole Russo, we'll dive into the weekly lectionary readings, explore their meaning in our everyday lives, and probably crack a few jokes along the way.

We're both deep thinkers with a playful side (shoutout to fellow Aquarians!), so expect a mix of laughter, meaningful discussion, and spiritual growth. Whether you're brand new to Bible study or have been at it for years, all are welcome. No prep, no pressure—just come as you are and let's explore faith together!



## **The Kids Club is moving in!**

During the season of Epiphany, we are doing a trial run of sitting together as a group during the Eucharist and Communion. This purposeful act is so that our children see the sanctuary as an extension of our church school learning and so that we can apply what we are learning about church behavior and expectations in real-time with guidance. We will sit in the back pew to be the least disruptive when entering and exiting. Please contact Siobhan Melville with any questions.

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

We have an opening for altar flowers on February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please contact Lisa in the office if you are interested in donating in memory of or to honor someone special.

### **EXPLORING OUR HISTORY**

We've found a treasure trove of old photographs here at Emmanuel but many of the photos have no notes to identify them. We need your help! Over the next several weeks, copies of the photos will be passed around during coffee hour. Please leaf through them at your leisure and if you recognize the time, place, event or people in any of the images, please make a note in the margin. Thank you!!

### **WAKEFIELD FOOD PANTRY**

The Wakefield Food Pantry most needed items for the month of February are: boxed pasta, canned beef stew and canned cannellini beans.

**PARISH SCHEDULE**  
**WEEK OF FEBRUARY 9, 2025**

Sunday, February 9	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
	9:00 AM	Coffee Hour
	9:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	9:45 AM	Kids' Club
	9:45 AM	Nursery Care
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	11:00 AM	Coffee Hour
	11:15 AM	Conversation with Rev. Brett for those interested in joining the Episcopal Church.
Tuesday, February 11	3:00 PM	Bread of Life
	6:00 PM	Lectionary Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, February 12	3:00 PM	Warden Meeting
	4:30 PM	Canterbury Executive Com.
	6:00 PM	Evening Prayer
Thursday, February 13	6:00 PM	Soul Supper
Sunday, February 16	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
	9:00 AM	Coffee Hour
	9:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	9:45 AM	Nursery Care
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	11:00 AM	Coffee Hour

Parents please note: There is NO Kids' Club on February 16<sup>th</sup> but  
Nursery Care will be available with Tess Nash-Maclsaac.

*If you would like to give to the ministries  
of Emmanuel Episcopal Church,  
please use this QR code*





## Join Us for a Two-Part Soul Supper Series

### “From Gifted to Giver - An Emmanuelite's Journey”

Over two inspiring evenings, we'll reflect on how God's presence is revealed through the unique talents, experiences, and blessings in our lives and how these insights guide us to live out our baptismal covenant, serving others and honoring the divine in all creation.

Come ready to grow, reflect, and connect with fellow Emmanuelites as we uncover pathways to greater purpose and deeper faith.

**February 13th & March 13th**

**Supper at 6:00 p.m. Learning from 6:45-7:30 p.m.**

**Led by Dr. Brian Litzenberger**



Brian is a licensed clinical psychologist specializing in anxiety, depression, adolescent and young adult mental health, life transitions, parenting, trauma, and spiritual growth. With offices in Worcester and Cambridge, he brings a deep commitment to helping people uncover their true selves and build positive futures. A person of faith, Brian values deep connections and the transformative power of conversation.

💡 **Open to all - bring an open heart and a curious spirit!**

[www.EmmanuelWakefield.org](http://www.EmmanuelWakefield.org)

We are looking for people to help with the dinner. Can you make a salad, bring dessert, or order a pizza? Many hands make light work. If you are able to help, please contact Lisa in the office.

Emmanuel Episcopal Church

*Refreshments*

*Winter*

*Raffles*

# Bowling Party



Saturday March 1  
3-5pm



Wakefield Bowladrome  
92 Water Street

Ticket: **\$20/Adult**  
**\$10/Child**  
**\$15/Youth Groups**

**Reserve Now**  
[fundraising@emmanuelwakefield.org](mailto:fundraising@emmanuelwakefield.org)





## FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES TO GATHER

- Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> Shrove Tuesday Pancakes & PJ's
- Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup> Lenten Quiet Day for Women at  
Adelynrood Retreat Center led by  
Rev. Brett
- Mondays in Lent Lenten Book Study - *How We Learn To Be  
Brave* by Bishop Budde
- Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup> Soul Supper ( Dr. Brian Litzenberger)
- Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup> Lenten Quiet Day at Emmanuel with  
Steve Garnaas-Holmes

**More information to come soon!**

*Cover art by Karen Keough*



**OUR MISSION:**

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**OUR VISION:**

Emmanuel embodies Christ's light in service to all. Here, through God's love and grace, all are accepted, purpose is found, and together we flourish.



Bishop Diocesan: The Rt. Rev. Julia Whitworth		
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Music Director	Luca Cantone	332-209-8432
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Please be advised that our services are live streamed on our YouTube channel. Your participation in the service serves as your consent to the broadcast of your image and voice and to the broadcast of the image and voice of your participating minor children.

**Land Acknowledgement**

We acknowledge that Emmanuel sits on the traditional land of the Alquonuian-speaking Pawtucket tribe. We are grateful to these caretakers of the land and waters: the elders who lived before, the Indigenous people today, and the generations to come. We are guests on this land and have used it and its people for our betterment, often at their expense. We commit to doing our part to become better stewards of this land, understanding the impact of present and past exploitation, and working toward a more just and equitable future.

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