

Emmanuel Episcopal Church
Wakefield, Massachusetts
The Fourth Sunday of Easter



May 11, 2025
10:00 AM

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

Welcome to Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Wakefield, MA
Belong, Be Loved, Flourish!

We are thrilled that you are here to worship with us today! Indeed, we welcome every person without exception in the name of Jesus Christ. You *belong* here and are an essential part of our family. We celebrate that you are *beloved* by God. We strive to “love God and love our neighbor,” affirming that God created us for a relationship that leads to all creation *flourishing*. We pray you are drawn to healing and joy by being here today.

If this is your first time with us or your first time back in a while, please fill out the visitor’s card in the pew or the Narthex (the entrance hall). We are a friendly family, so please introduce yourself to everyone, especially our rector, Reverend Brett.

A Note about Communion

The most important thing to know is that *you are welcome*. God invites you to be fed. All are welcome at the altar rail. Please let an usher know if you cannot come forward, and we will come to you.

The options for receiving wine include the chalice or intinction (dipping cup, a separate cup). In our tradition, we believe that taking communion in one kind – taking the bread – bestows the full benefit of the sacrament. Therefore, you may choose not to take the wine. If you would not like to receive, we encourage you to come forward, cross your arms across your chest, and allow the clergy to bless you. We offer consecrated gluten-free wafers and a non-alcohol alternative; simply let the clergy know.

Remember: this is God’s table and you are welcome to meet God here!

A Note about Children

We *love* all our children. Most Sundays, we have childcare for the littlest ones alongside our Kids’ Club in their special place off the Parish Hall. We encourage your children to gather with their peers there, guided by our team of leaders. Once a month, usually the first Sunday, our children join us in the sanctuary to lead us as ushers and readers and assist Rev. Brett at the altar during Communion.

All children are welcome in the sanctuary! We ask that their big people help to teach them that this is a sacred space for quiet play and quiet voices. This helps ensure we honor those who need to worship in quiet.

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: #184 *Christ the Lord is risen again*



1 Christ the Lord is risen a - gain! Christ has bro - ken ev - ery chain!
2 He who gave for us his life, who for us en - dured the strife,
3 He who bore all pain and loss com - fort - less up - on the cross



Now through all the world it rings that the Lamb is King of kings.
takes our sin and guilt a - way that with an - gels we may say:
is ex - alt - ed now to save, wrest - ing vic - tory from the grave.

Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
Al - le - lu - ia!



al - le - lu - ia! Christ, our Pas - chal Lamb in - deed,



Christ, to - day your peo - ple feed. Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Michael Weisse (1480-1534); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: *Christ ist erstanden*, melody from *Geistliche Lieder*, 1533; harm. after Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612).

WELCOME

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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.**

GLORIA # S278

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, hea-ven-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.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray together.

**O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people:
 Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us
 each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the
 Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

FIRST LESSON: ACTS 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter

got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN #646 *The King of love my shepherd is*

Descant

6 And so through all the length of days thy

1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my
 * 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but
 * 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with
 5 Thou spread'st a ta - ble in my sight; thy



6 good - ness fail - eth nev - er: Good Shep - herd, may I

1 good - ness fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 2 ran - somed soul he lead - eth, and where the ver - dant
 3 yet in love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
 4 thee, dear Lord, be - side me; thy rod and staff my
 5 unc - tion gracc be - stow - eth; and oh, what trans - port

6 sing thy praise with - in thy house for ev - er.

1 I am his, and he is mine for ev - er.
 2 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 3 gent - ly laid, and home, rc - joic - ing, brought me.
 4 com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.
 5 of de - light from thy pure chal - ice flow - eth!

6 And so through all the length of days
 thy goodness faileth never:
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
 within thy house for ever.

Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877); para. Psalm 23. Music: *Dominus regit me*, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876); desc. David Willcocks (b. 1919). Descant by permission of Oxford University Press.

SECOND LESSON: REVELATION 7:9-17

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne,
and to the Lamb!”

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders
and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the
throne and worshiped God, singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever!

Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed
in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you
are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who
have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and
made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter
them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN *A Song to the Lamb*

John Abdenour

Choir sings verse first time and Congregation sings second time

Musical notation for the hymn. The first line is the vocal melody for the first time, and the second line is for the second time. The lyrics are: Splen - dor and hon - or and sov' - reign power are yours by right, O Lord our God.

REFRAIN: **Splendor and honor and sov'reign power are yours by right,
O Lord our God.**

CHOIR: For you created everything that is, all things took form according to your will.

REFRAIN

CHOIR: And yours by right, O Lamb that once was slain, for with your blood have you redeemed for God. From every nation, people, tribe, and tongue, a countless priestly host to serve our God.

REFRAIN

CHOIR: And to the one who sits upon the throne, and to Christ the Lamb, be worship, dominion, splendor, and praise, for ages past, and ages yet to come.

REFRAIN

GOSPEL LESSON: JOHN 10:22-30

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

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

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON THE REV. BRETT R. JOHNSON

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

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.

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb! The Good Shepherd is faithful and true; therefore, let us pray with confidence: "Father, keep us; Jesus, lead us."

Good Shepherd, you know your sheep: give us ears to hear you call our names and the strength to follow where you lead.

Silence

Shepherd, keep us;
Jesus, lead us.

Creator God, by the victory of your son, turn the valleys of death into green pastures where living waters flow. Bless and renew your creation.

Add your own thanksgivings silently or out loud.

Silence

Shepherd, keep us;
Jesus, lead us.

O Lord, we pray for those who work for justice and peace in our community. Flood this town with goodness and mercy. Extinguish from our region the fear of evil.

Silence

Shepherd, keep us;
Jesus, lead us.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; merciful God, our hearts cry out to you for all those in the

path of political violence, both here and across the globe. We pray especially for those in fierce war zones and for those on all sides experiencing conflict. Intercede, we pray and show us a path toward peace for all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

Shepherd, keep us;
Jesus, lead us.

We also ask for ourselves that you strengthen our resolve to counter the sins of racism, anti-Semitism, Islamophobia, anti-immigrant, anti-LGBTQ+, and misogyny, eliminate the proliferation of assault weapons, and address the crises of loneliness and mental illness in our nation.

Silence

Shepherd, keep us;
Jesus, lead us.

Mighty God, we look for the day when hunger is no more, and thirst is no more. We look for the day when the souls of the downcast are revived, and the displaced find a home in your shelter. In this Easter season, we pray in faith for all those in need; especially those on our parish prayer list: Allison, Phoebe Babb, Kristin Baird, Annie Barr, Bob, Bruna, Heather Cameron, Cathie Cardelucci, Lydia Cedrone, Mary Collins, Ann Daily, Dave, John and Richard DeNatale, Peggy Downs, Steve Eramo, David Fieldhouse, Peter Foley, Claudette Forss, Connor Gallagher, Kristen Goddard, Louise Haldeman, Lester Hartman, Karen Dodd Howard, Devon Hoyt, Jeffrey, Pete Jeffrey, Jack Jephson, Jerry, Jordan, John & Theresa Kelly, Ken Leach, Fred MacArthur, Kevin MacKenzie, Keith & Joanne Manville, Mark Martino, Suzanne McAllister, Don McCarter, Becky Miller, Sara Murphy, T.A.N, Paul, Brian & Stephen, Steve Newman, Jim O'Reilly, Emma Parese, Joe, Jane Pennacchia, Muriel Peters, PJ, Dustin Pollard, Tony R., Rebecca,

Kirk Ronaldson, Cheryl Santarelli, Trudy, Bill & Jan Walsh and Kelly Wood.

Add your own thanksgivings silently or out loud.

Silence

Shepherd, keep us;

Jesus, lead us.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake. Today we pray for PFLAG, our Coffee Hour recipient this month.

Silence

Shepherd, keep us;

Jesus, lead us.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them and love one another as he loves us. We are thankful for the blessing of Shelly Barr, Annie Barr, and Cissy Perry in whose loving honor the altar flowers are given today.

Silence

Shepherd, keep us;

Jesus, lead us.

Good Shepherd, your gift is eternal life; those who belong to you never perish. Bring us, and those who have died, into your heavenly home where we may worship you forever and ever. Today we especially remember Nancy Joyce, sister of Linda Marsh, and Kathleen Thomson, cousin of Mary Muir; both who recently passed away.

Silence

Shepherd, keep us;

Jesus, lead us.

CONFESSION - *Enriching Our Worship*

Let us confess our sins against God and one another.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

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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

Christ is already here making peace among us.

The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The community shares a sign of peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen. Let us offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good our vows to the Most High

*Go not far from me, far from me, O God;
cast me not away in the time of age,
Forsake me not when my strength faileth me.*

*O let my mouth be filled with thy praise:
that I may sing, thy glory and honor all the day long.*

DOXOLOGY

Tune #400

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
O praise Him, O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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 #S128 *Holy, holy, holy Lord*

The musical score is written on five staves of music. The lyrics are: 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.

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The people stand or kneel.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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,

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia

FRACTION HYMN S-155

Gerald Near

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

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

COMMUNION

*All are invited to come forward to receive communion or a blessing.
Prayers for healing are also offered.
Choir members will receive communion first.
Please stay seated until you are invited forward by the usher,
beginning from the back of the church.*

COMMUNION HYMN LEVAS #88 *My Faith Looks up to Thee*

1. My faith looks up to thee, Thou lamb of
 2. May thy rich grace im - part Strength to my
 3. While life's dark maze I tread, And griefs a -
 4. When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold,

1. Cal - va - ry, Sav - ior di - vine!
 2. faint - ing heart, My zeal in - spire;
 3. round me spread, Be thou my guide;
 4. stul - len stream Shall o'er me roll;

1. Now hear me while I pray, Take all my guilt a - way;
 2. As thou hast died for me, O may my love to thee
 3. Bid dark - ness turn to - day, Wipe sor - row's tears a - way;
 4. Blest Sav - ior. then in love, Fear and dis - trust re - move,

1. O let me from this day Be whol - ly thine.
 2. Pure, warm, and change - less be, A liv - ing fire.
 3. Nor let me ev - er stray From thee a - side.
 4. O bear me safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul.

Words: Ray Palmer (1808-1987). Music: Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

DUET *He shall feed his flock*, from Messiah G. F. Handel (1685-1759)
Gail Abbey and Debra Plummer

*He shall feed His flock like a shepherd;
and He shall gather the lambs with His arm,
and carry them in His bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.*
(Isaiah 40:11)

*Come unto Him, all ye that labour, come unto Him that are heavy laden,
and He will give you rest.
Take his yoke upon you, and learn of Him,
for He is meek and lowly of heart,
and ye shall find rest unto your souls.*
(Matthew 11:28-29)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN #478 *Jesus, our mighty Lord*



1 Je - sus, our might - y Lord, our strength in sad - ness, —
2 Good shep-herd of your sheep, your own de - fend - ing, —
3 Glo - rious their life who sing, with glad thanks-giv - ing,



the Fa - ther's con - quering Word, true source of glad - ness; —
in love your chil - dren keep to life un - end - ing. —
true hymns to Christ the King in all their liv - ing:



your Name we glo - ri - fy, O Je - sus, throned on high;
You are your - self the Way: lead us then day by day
all who con - fess his Name, come then with hearts a - flame;



you gave your - self to die for our sal - va - tion.
in your own steps, we pray, O Lord most ho - ly.
the God of peace ac - claim as Lord and Sa - vior.

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DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the resurrection of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

POSTLUDE

Please join us after the service for coffee hour in the Parish Hall
hosted by Debra Plummer and Nicole Russo.

This month's coffee hour recipient is PFLAG

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PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Celebrant:	The Rev. Brett R. Johnson
Organist & Music Director:	Luca Cantone
Lector:	Nicole Russo
Litanist:	Elizabeth Downs
LEM:	Amy Walsh
Altar Guild:	Dawn Jackson, Denise Mallen and Amy Walsh
Usher:	Dawn Jackson
Streaming Coordinator:	Gary Wilkins
YouTube Editor:	Kim Collins
YouTube Scheduler:	Denise Mallen



*The flowers decorating our altar are given to the glory of God and in honor
of Shelly Barr, Annie Barr, and Cissy Perry by Lizzy Barr.*

*The church office is closed this week,
but messages will be checked regularly. Thank you.*

WAKEFIELD FOOD PANTRY

The Wakefield Food Pantry most needed item for the month
of May is boxes of Pasta Roni.

PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING ALTAR FLOWERS

Each week beautiful flowers grace our altar. Donations are always welcome to help defray expenses to the church's flower budget. If you would like to remember or celebrate your loved ones with flowers on the altar, please contact Lisa Ventura in the office.

Not only do the flowers make our worship space more beautiful, but after the service the flowers are delivered to parishioners who are ill, need some cheering up, or are unable to come to church. The current weekly cost for the flowers is \$68 but a donation of ANY amount is welcome. There are openings on May 18th and 25th and June 8th, 22nd and 29th.

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



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EMMANUEL CHURCH PRESENTS CHILI AND BINGO NIGHT

*Enjoy homemade chili, bingo, and exciting prizes at our
Chili Night & Bingo Fundraiser!
Bring your friends, your appetite,
and your lucky streak for a night to remember!*

FRIDAY
MAY 16, 2025

7.00-9.00 PM
PARISH HALL

5 BRYANT STREET
WAKEFIELD, MA

\$25 includes cards

fundraising@emmanuelwakefield.org



SPRING CLEANUP DAY AT EMMANUEL!

Join the Building and Grounds team for our Annual Clean-Up Day. We are happy to have you for any part of the day!

Saturday, May 17
8:00 a.m.

Bring rakes, blowers, clippers to trim bushes, yard waste bags and a positive attitude! We will provide the refreshments!

There is a sign up sheet on the back table of the sanctuary.
Please see Eric Dannenberg for more details

Emmanuel Church Wakefield Presents
Karen Keough in

Flower Arrange and Sip

Saturday June 7, 2025 3-5pm
Emmanuel Church Parish Hall
5 Bryant Street, Wakefield MA

Tickets \$50 - space is limited
Includes all supplies and
refreshments

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PARISH SCHEDULE WEEK OF MAY 11, 2025

Sunday, May 11	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
Monday, May 12	6:00 PM	Fundraising Committee
	7:00 PM	Buildings & Grounds
Tuesday, May 13	12 Noon	Wakefield Interfaith Clergy
	6:00 PM	Lectionary Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, May 14	3:00 PM	Warden's Meeting
	4:30 PM	Canterbury Executive Comm.
	6:00 PM	Evening Prayer
	7:00 PM	Mission & Outreach
Friday, May 16	7:00 PM	Chili and Bingo Night
Sunday, May 18	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 w/ Baptism
	11:00 AM	Coffee Hour



OUR MISSION:

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



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.



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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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