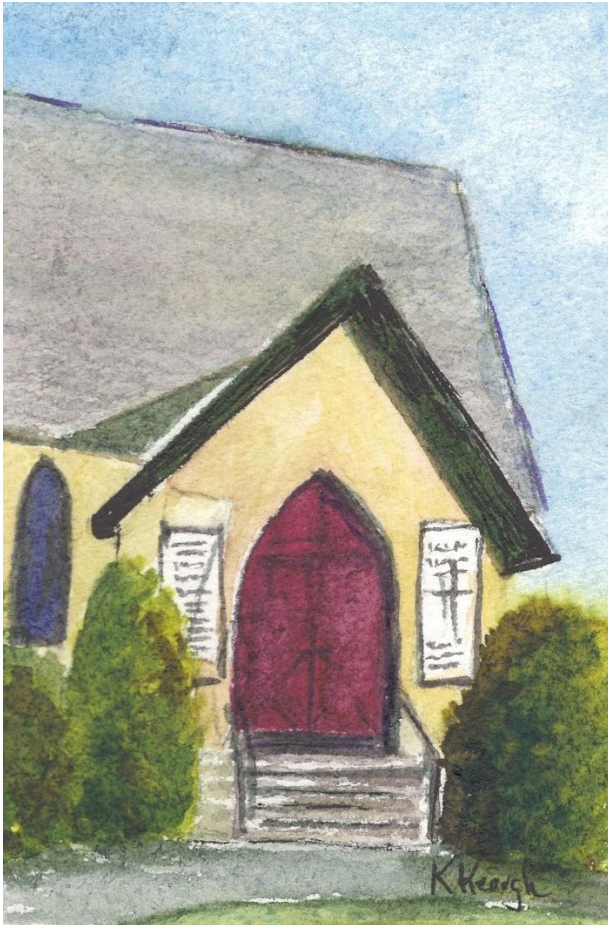


Emmanuel Episcopal Church
Wakefield, Massachusetts
The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost



October 26, 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 #636

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed!
3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
4 "When through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie,
5 "The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose,



1 is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
3 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;
4 my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
5 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;



1 What more can he say than to you he hath said,
2 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
3 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
4 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign
5 that soul, though all hell shall en - deav - or to shake,



1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
2 up - held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.
3 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
4 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
5 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

Optional Interlude



Words: K. in John Rippon's *Selection*, 1787, alt. Music: *Foundation*, melody from *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; harm. Calvin Hampton (1938-1984); alt. acc. Eugene W. Hancock (b. 1929).

WELCOME

OPENING ACCLAMATION

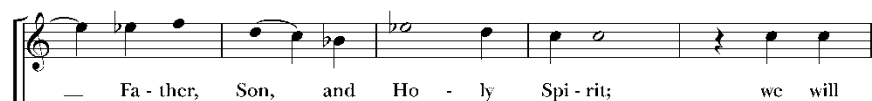
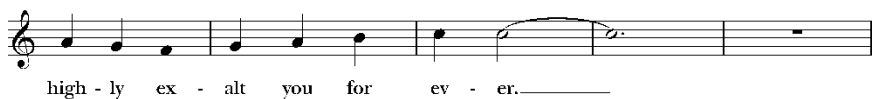
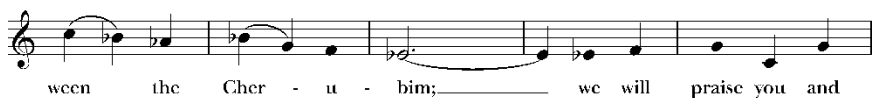
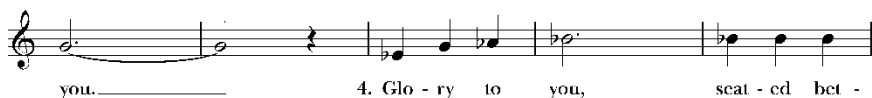
Celebrant Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

People And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever.
Amen.

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.

A SONG OF PRAISE #S236

1. Glo - ry to you, Lord
God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;
glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you
for the ra - di-ance of your ho - ly Name; we will
praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er.
3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your
tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes-ty, glo - ry to





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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray together.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON: SIRACH 35:12-17

Give to the Most High as he has given to you,
and as generously as you can afford.

For the Lord is the one who repays,
and he will repay you sevenfold.

Do not offer him a bribe, for he will not accept it
and do not rely on a dishonest sacrifice;

for the Lord is the judge,
and with him there is no partiality.

He will not show partiality to the poor;
but he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged.

He will not ignore the supplication of the orphan,
or the widow when she pours out her complaint.

The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 84:1-6

The Psalm will be read responsively by whole verse.

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! *
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of
the LORD;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 **The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; ***
**by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts,
my King and my God.**
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.
- 4 **Happy are the people whose strength is in you! ***
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a
place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6 **They will climb from height to height, ***
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

SECOND LESSON: 2 TIMOTHY 4:6-8,16-18

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN #596 *Judge eternal, throned in splendor*

1 Judge e - ter - nal, throned in splen - dor, Lord of lords and
 2 Still the wea - ry folk are pin - ing for the hour that
 3 Crown, O God, thine own en - deav - or; cleave our dark - ness

King of kings, with thy liv - ing fire of judg - ment
 brings re - lease, and the ci - ty's crowd - ed clang - or
 with thy sword; feed all those who do not know thee

purge this land of bit - ter things; sol - ace all its
 cries a - loud for sin to cease; and the home - steads
 with the rich - ness of thy word; cleanse the bo - dy



Words: Henry Scott Holland (1847-1918), alt. Music: *Komm, o komm, du Geist des Lebens*, melody from *Neu-vermehrtes und zu Übung Christl. Gotteligkeit eingerichtetes Meiningsches Gesangbuch*, 1693.

GOSPEL LESSON: LUKE 18:9-14

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

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

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM IV

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

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Merciful God, in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for the following churches of the South Shore Deanery: Parish of St. John the Evangelist, Hingham; St. John's Church, Holbrook; Emmanuel Church, Braintree; Grace Chapel, Brockton; St. Andrew's Church, Hanover; and Global Mission Partnerships Program.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We also ask for ourselves that you strengthen our resolve to counter the sins of racism, anti-Semitism, Islamophobia, and misogyny, as well as thoughts and actions against members of immigrant and LGBTQ+ communities, eliminate the proliferation of assault weapons, and provide healing and support for those experiencing loneliness and mental health challenges in our nation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Our hearts cry out to you, Lord, for all those in the path of political violence, both here and across the globe. Intercede, we pray, and show us a path toward peace for all people.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

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. Today we also pray for Episcopal Relief & Development's Texas Hill Country Floods, our coffee hour recipient this month.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation; especially those on our parish prayer list: Darryl Abbey, Kristin Baird, Annie Barr, Donna Boudreau, Bob, Bruna, Cathie Cardelucci, Lydia Cedrone, Noah Christian, Ann Daily, John and Richard DeNatale, Hayley Dorsey, Peggy Downs, Evelyn Bourne Fell, David Fieldhouse, Paula Fuller, Connor Gallagher, Kristen Goddard, Louise Haldeman, Lester Hartman, Heidi, Karen Dodd Howard, Devon Hoyt, JD, Jeffrey, Jack Jephson, Ted Jobe, Ginny Johnson, Jordan, Jude, Judy, Mike & Tim Kelsey, Ken Leach, Linda, Fred MacArthur, Kevin MacKenzie, Marie, Mark Martino, Don McCarter, Sara Murphy, T.A.N, Neil, Steve Newman, Jim O'Reilly, Emma Parese, Joe, Jane Pennacchia, Muriel Peters, Dustin Pollard,

Susan Quinn, Rebecca, Cheryl Santarelli, Amy Walsh, Bill & Jan Walsh, and Kelly Wood.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. We especially remember Dick Fox, dear friend of Greg Johnson whom we have been praying for and who passed away this week and Richard D. Johnson in whose loving memory the altar flowers are given today.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

CONFESSION *Enriching Our Worship*

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Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and People

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.

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

Stewardship

THE OFFERTORY

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Give almes of thy goods* Christopher Tye
(c. 1505-1572)

*Give almes of thy goods,
and turn never thy face from any poor man,
and then the face of the Lord
shall not be turned away from thee.
(Offertory Sentence, BCP 1549)*

DOXOLOGY (all singing) To the tune of 400 *Lasst uns erfreuen*

***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 3 -

Enriching Our Worship

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 our thanks and praise**

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

SANCTUS LEVAS #255

The musical score for Sanctus Levas #255 is presented in two systems. The first system consists of a grand staff with a treble and bass clef, 4/4 time signature, and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily in the treble clef, featuring a series of chords and single notes. The second system continues the melody, with the lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly' written below the notes. The bass line provides harmonic support with chords and single notes.

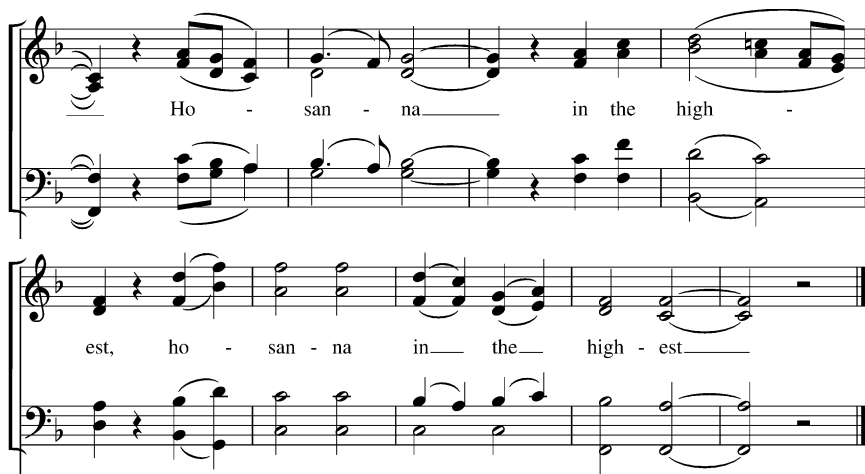
ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo -

ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is He who comes in the name

of the Lord, of the Lord.



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The people stand or kneel.

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave us your son Jesus, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new

Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Celebrant and People

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Celebrant and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. **For the**

kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.
Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

AGNUS DEI #S159

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way
the sins of the world, have mer - cy
up - on us. O Lamb of God,
that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of
the world, grant us thy peace.

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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.*

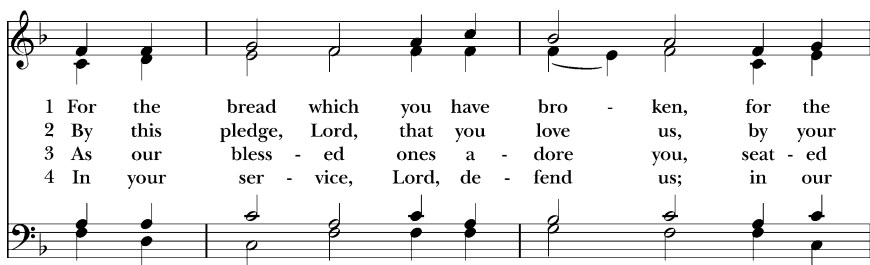
COMMUNION ANTHEM *Ave verum corpus*

Edward Elgar
(1857-1934)

*Ave verum corpus natum ex Maria Virgine,
vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine,
cujus latus perforatum vero fluxit et sanguine,
esto nobis praegustatum mortis in examine.
O clemens, O pie, O dulcis Jesu, Fili Mariae.*

*Hail, true body, born of the virgin Mary;
Who has truly suffered, slaughtered on the Cross for humanity.
Whose side was pierced, pouring out water and blood.
Be a foretaste for us during our ordeal of death.
O sweet, O holy, O Jesus Son of Mary.*

COMMUNION HYMN # 341 *For the bread which you have broken*



1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the
2 By this pledge, Lord, that you love us, by your
3 As our bless - ed ones a - dore you, seat - ed
4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our

wine which you have poured, for the words which you have
 gift of peace re - stored, by your call to heaven a -
 at our Fa - ther's board, may the Church still wait - ing
 hearts keep watch and ward, in the world to which you

spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
 bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.
 for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.
 send us let your king - dom come, O Lord.

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POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the

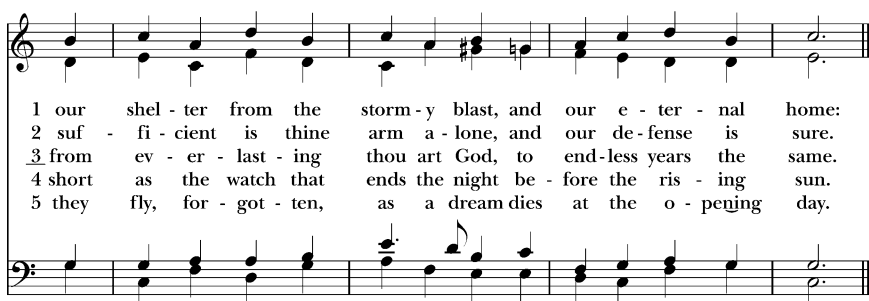
good road and may God's blessing be with you always. **Amen.**

(source: from Saint Clare)

CLOSING HYMN #680 O God, our help in ages past



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 un - der the sha - dow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;
5 Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all our years a - way;



1 our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
2 suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
3 from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.
4 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
5 they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - pen - ing day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,

be thou our guide while life shall last,
and our eternal home.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.; para. of Psalm 90. Music: *St. Anne*, melody att. William Croft (1678-1727), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

DISMISSAL

Intern: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of
the Spirit. 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 The Stewardship Team –
Debra Plummer and Nicole Russo.

*This month's coffee hour recipient is
Episcopal Relief & Development's Texas Hill Country Floods
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PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Guest Celebrant:	The Rev. Brett R. Johnson
Seminarian Intern:	Karen Aalto
Organist & Music Director	Luca Cantone
Lector:	Kim Collins
Litanist:	Andrea Sullivan
Eucharistic Ministers:	Dawn Jackson and Amy Walsh
Altar Guild:	Dawn Jackson, Jen Morrell and Cynthia Peach
Usher:	Dave Sullivan
Vestry Greeter:	Amy Walsh
Streaming Coordinator:	Dave McSweeney
YouTube Editor:	Kim Collins
YouTube Scheduler:	Denise Mallen



*The flowers decorating our altar are given to the glory of God and in
loving memory his father, Richard D. Johnson,
by The Rev. Brett R. Johnson and David M. McSweeney.*

HEALING PRAYER OFFERED TODAY

Mary Muir and the prayer team are available as a healing prayer resource at a prayer station to the left of the main altar during communion and after the service. Joining Mary on a rotating basis as prayer partners are: Michael Claya, Michele Davis, Linda Freeman, Paula Fuller, Karen Keough, Linda Marsh, Tim Moran, Nikki Nash-MacIsaac, Nicole Russo, and Alison Shaw.



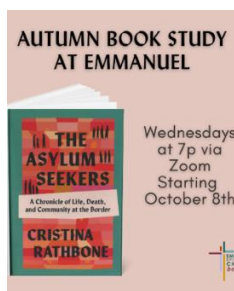
♥Ingathering Sunday: November 2 – Gratitude Sunday!

Next Sunday is our Ingathering Sunday, the joyful finale of our Discipleship in Action campaign!

Bring your pledge card to church as we gather our gifts and bless them together—a celebration of all the love, generosity, and gratitude that make Emmanuel shine.

After the service, join us for a Caramel Apple Bar in the parish hall—because nothing says gratitude quite like apples, caramel, and community. 🍎✨

Come ready to give thanks, share joy, and celebrate this beautiful church we’re building together—brick by brick, heart by heart.



All are welcome to join in the discussion any week. If possible, please read through Chapter 18 for this week’s discussion.

The Zoom link will be sent out Wednesday morning..

At our **November Soul Supper on Thursday, November 13th** we will be joined by author Christina Rathbone.

NOTES FROM THE ORGAN BENCH

This Sunday, we sing a new Agnus Dei, fresh from the 10th century (or thereabouts)!

It comes to us from the treasury of Gregorian chant known as the Kyriale, which includes eighteen settings of the Ordinary: Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus & Benedictus, and Agnus Dei.

To most Roman Catholics today, the most familiar is undoubtedly the eighth, "de Angelis"; in the Episcopal Church, the ninth, "cum Jubilo", is more beloved, due to the efforts of Canon Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944).

He published a translated setting with organ accompaniment in 1915 as "Missa Marialis", for the use of the Community of St. Mary, Peekskill, NY. Selections were included in the 1916 Hymnal, for which he served as musical editor. However, the 1892 Book of Common Prayer retained the Reformation-era omission of the Agnus Dei from Episcopal liturgies; accordingly, its companion Hymnal did not print Douglas's setting of that text.

The Episcopal Church's reclamation of a more fully Catholic liturgical shape proceeded gradually. While the 1928 Prayer Book continued not to explicitly provide for an Agnus Dei, it allowed for "a hymn" to be sung at the appropriate time, and Douglas's Agnus Dei was finally printed in the 1940 Hymnal as part of the "Fourth Communion Service", and again in our own Hymnal 1982.

PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING ALTAR FLOWERS

Each week beautiful flowers grace our altar. Donations in any amount towards altar flowers 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 the church office eecw@verizon.net. We have openings on November 16th.

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS

Emmanuel will celebrate the **Feast of All Saints and All Souls** on Sunday, November 2nd, with the traditional reading of the Roll of Remembrance.

Please share names you would like included in the Roll of Remembrance that will be read during the services by emailing your names to the church office: eecw@verizon.net by **Monday, October 27th**. You can also mail or drop off names in the church office.

In addition, we will again feature an "**Altar of Remembrance**" displaying photos of your loved ones. Please email a digital photo to the office eecw@verizon.net or drop off or mail a photo you would like displayed. If you need to have a photo scanned or copied, please leave it in the office with your name on it or contact Lisa (781-526-9777). **All photos need to be turned in by Monday, October 27th.**



WOW! LOOK AT THAT!

If we believe that our unity comes from looking together into a mystery and occasionally nudging one another and saying, "[Wow!] Look at that!" it can help us to feel how the unity we enjoy (Brett: with radical diversity!) is not primarily about institutional uniformity... the unity if found in the common direction we are looking.

Rowan Williams,

Where God Happens: Discovering Christ in One Another

9-WEEK GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP TO BEGIN SOON
PLEASE RSVP IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.”

Matthew 5:4

Grief is a universal experience, one that is both painful and complicated. But remember, you don't have to face it alone. Emmanuel is here for you.

Emmanuel knows that many of our parishioners have suffered the loss of a loved one and may want to be part of a caring community as they work through their grief. We want to offer a 9-week Grief Support Group (once a week) that will provide a safe space for sharing your story, engaging in discussion, and listening to others.

If you are interested in participating in this Grief Support Group, please contact Laurel Martino at 617-784-3432 or Laurelmartino@yahoo.com by October 24th. Once we have a minimum of five interested people, we will announce the program more broadly so that members of the community may also participate. When we have enough participants, we will schedule the program.

Led by Laurel Martino and Alison Shaw, this spiritually informed group will provide a compassionate space to support you in navigating emotions, discovering personal strength, and exploring new possibilities. We encourage you to reach out and be part of this caring community.

JOIN US FOR CENTERING PRAYER



To the quiet mind all things are possible." Meister Eckhart

INTER-DENOMINATIONAL CENTERING PRAYER PRACTICE

Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Wakefield

4th Monday of the month, 10:00 a.m.

Beginning October 27

Join like-minded companions as we set an intention to rest in God's presence. We will begin and end with scripture or other holy writing. We will offer guidelines and share struggles on the method of centering. **We will practice 20 minutes of silence during each session.**

We will explore our prayer journeys together as we learn more about this apophatic, ancient, and contemplative practice. Co-leaders are from First Church, UCC; Emmanuel Episcopal; Trinity Episcopal, and Rolling Ridge Retreat Center.

For more information contact Mary Muir

- mmuirwellness@gmail.com

Or contact Sandra @ sandy.laperche@gmail.com.



Kids Korner

Important Dates:

Sunday November 2nd: Intergenerational Service

Saturday November 8th: 10:00am Baking with the Berrys

Sunday November 20th: No Church School in observance of Thanksgiving



Announcements:

Thank you for all of the support and donations for the food pantry! Should you choose to bring in more donations for the Little Free Pantry, there is a big blue Tupperware bin in the Kids Club corner where you can drop food items; the Kids Club will then move them to the pantry during the Sunday service.

We are preparing to launch our kindness rock garden to accompany the food pantry- people will be able to find food and kindness all in the same place! Stay tuned for how to get involved!

HELP STOCK OUR LITTLE FREE PANTRY!

Please help our Kids' Club stock our Little Free Pantry:

Canned goods: vegetables, chicken or tuna, soup or fruit

Dry foods: pasta, rice, beans oatmeal, crackers, macaroni & cheese

Other items: peanut butter, jelly, mustard, ketchup, mayonnaise,
salad dressings, powdered milk.

Please Note: All pantry items must be:

- Shelf-stable (non-perishable)
- Sealed
- Able to withstand high temperatures

WAKEFIELD FOOD PANTRY

The Wakefield Food Pantry most needed item for the month of
October is boxed pasta.

Cover art by Karen Keough

PARISH SCHEDULE WEEK OF OCTOBER 26, 2025

Sunday, October 26	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite I
	9:00 AM	Coffee Hour
	9:45 AM	Nursery Care
	9:45 AM	Kids' Club
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II
	11:00 AM	Superpower Sunday/ Coffee Hour
	12 Noon	Mission and Outreach
Monday, October 27	10:00 AM	Contemplative Prayer
Tuesday, October 28	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Canterbury Board Meeting
Wednesday, Oct. 29	6:00 PM	Evening Prayer
	7:00 PM	<i>The Asylum Seekers</i> Book Study Group on Zoom
Friday, October 24	10:00 AM	Interment of Marcia Muir
Sunday, November 2	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite I All Saints Sunday and In-gathering Sunday
	9:00 AM	Coffee Hour
	9:45 AM	Nursery Care
	9:45 AM	Kids' Club
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II All Saints Sunday Intergenerational Sunday and In-gathering Sunday
	11:00 AM	Coffee Hour
	12 Noon	Leadership Summit

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



What is that word he keeps saying? What does *Basileia* mean?

Jesus' stated purpose is clear: "I must proclaim the good news of the kingdom of God" (Lk. 4:43). The word translated as "kingdom" (*basileia*) is far richer and more meaningful for us as followers of Jesus. I want you to know that Jesus longs for us to strive for this truth now, even as it will not be ultimately fulfilled until the end of the age! *Basileia* is the "establishment of complete salvific communion between humanity and God, among human beings, within human persons, and between humanity and the rest of creation." Or, more simply, "full communion, full flourishing!"

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"Full communion, full flourishing!"



Humanity
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Within
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With
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Jesus' Mission:

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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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