

Emmanuel Episcopal Church
Wakefield, Massachusetts
The Fifth Sunday in Lent



March 22, 2026
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 visitors’ 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. Our Altar Bread is Gluten Free. We also offer a non-alcohol alternative to the wine; 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.

As we prepare our hearts for worship, we kindly ask that you please silence your cell phones. Thank you.

PRELUDE *O man, bewail thy grievous sin*

Lynar B3 tablature
(early 17th c.)

*The congregation is invited to rise at the sound of the bell
for a silent procession.*

SILENT PROCESSION

INTROIT *The Lord's Prayer*

Nikolai Kedrov (1871-1940)

PENITENTIAL ORDER

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Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: **His mercy endures for ever.**

THE DECALOGUE:

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Please kneel if you are able

Hear the commandments of God to his people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything *that belongs to your neighbor.*

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

CONFESSION

from *Enriching Our Worship*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister 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.

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.**

TRISAGION #S102 *Holy God* (sung 3x)

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems. The first system has two staves: a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature, and a bass clef staff. The melody is in the treble staff, and the piano accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,". The second system also has two staves with the same key signature and time signature. The melody continues in the treble staff, and the piano accompaniment continues in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.".

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray together.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON: EZEKIEL 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying

in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, “Mortal, can these bones live?” I answered, “O Lord GOD, you know.” Then he said to me, “Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD.”

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act,” says the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 130

The Psalm will be sung by the choir.

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD;
LORD, hear my voice; *
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- 2 If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, *
O Lord, who could stand?
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you; *
therefore you shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; *
in his word is my hope.
- 5 My soul waits for the LORD,
more than watchmen for the morning, *
more than watchmen for the morning.
- 6 O Israel, wait for the LORD, *
for with the LORD there is mercy;
- 7 With him there is plenteous redemption, *
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law~ indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who

raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN #508 *Breathe on me, Breath of God*

1 Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life a - new,
2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,
3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,
4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die;

that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
un - til with thee I will one will, to do or to en - dure.
till all this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.
but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

The musical score consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

Words: Edwin Hatch (1835-1889), alt. Music: *Nova Vita*, Lister R. Peace (1885-1969).

GOSPEL LESSON: JOHN 11:1-45

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

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

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death;

rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

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

NICENE CREED

The Rev. Dr. Wilda Gafney

We believe in one God,
Mother and Father, Sovereign and Almighty,
maker of the heavens and the earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Redeemer, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Mother,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through whom 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 human.
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 Sovereign.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his dominion will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life.
With the Father and the Son She is worshiped and glorified.
She 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 VI

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*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.*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are
alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world. O God of our
salvation, our hearts cry out to you, 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.

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation. 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.

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, Julia our Bishop; Mary and Ian our Assisting Bishops and for all bishops and other ministers. Merciful God, in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for the following churches of the Cape & Islands Deanery: Trinity Chapel, Oak Bluffs; Church of the Holy Spirit, Orleans; and the Boston Episcopal Charitable Society. We ask for your love and wisdom to guide our vestry as they meet this week.

For all who serve God in God's Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list: John Aalto, Donna Boudreau, Debbie Bourne, Evelyn Bourne, Peter Brown, Lydia Cedrone, Wallie Cook, Jacob DeCarlen-Bumiller, John and Richard DeNatale, Peggy Downs, Matthew Dyer, David Fieldhouse, Michael Flynn, Connor Gallagher, Mary Gasson, Kristen Goddard, Louise Haldeman, Heidi, Karen Dodd Howard, JD, CJ, Jack Jephson, Ted Jobe, Ginny Johnson, Tim Kelsey, Kevin, Larry, Ken Leach, Linda, Kevin MacKenzie, Keith Manville, Mark Martino, Don McCarter, Sara Murphy, Neil, Gayle Gammon Nelson, Steve Newman, Judith Oder, Jim O'Reilly, Joe, Jane Pennacchia, Muriel Peters, PJ, Dustin Pollard, JP Quinn, Rebecca, Linda Russo, Trudy, Vanessa, Amy Walsh, Bill & Jan, Vicky Wegweiser, Kelly, and Alan Wright.

Silence

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. 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 also pray for Ruth's Way for Women, our coffee hour recipient this month.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Silence

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. We especially remember the dearly departed members of the Murphy and Cahill families and Susan Quinn in whose loving memory the altar flowers are given this week.

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

Grant, O God, that all may recognize women as equal partners in creation and prophesy. By the grace of the Holy Spirit, empower women at home, at work, in government, and in the hierarchies of churches, temples, mosques, synagogues, and all other places of worship. Provide safety and protection, O gracious Divinity, and inspire just laws against all forms of violence against women. We ask this through Christ our Savior, **Amen.**

Celebrant: Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

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Celebrant: 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

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *O Saviour of the World*

John Goss
(1800-1880)

*O Saviour of the world,
who by thy Cross and precious blood hast redeemed us;
Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord. Amen*

DOXOLOGY #143 vs.5 *The glory of these forty days* (all singing)

* 5 O Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit blest, to
5 thee be ev - ery prayer ad - dressed, who art in three - fold
5 Name a - dored, from age to age, the on - ly Lord.

Words: Latin, 6th cent.; tr. Maurice F. Bell (1862-1947), alt. By permission of Oxford University Press. Music: *Erhalt uns, Herr*, melody from *Geistliche Leiden*, 1543; harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS: *Missa Deus Genitor Alme*



Hó-ly, * Hó-ly, Hó-ly Lórd Gód of hósts. Héaven and éarth are
fúll of thy gló-ry. Glóry be to thée, O Lórd most hígh. Bléssed is hé
that cómeth in the Námè of the Lórd. Ho-sán - na in the hígh-est.

The people stand or kneel.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; Lord God of our Mothers: Sarah, Rachel, and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.



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Amen.

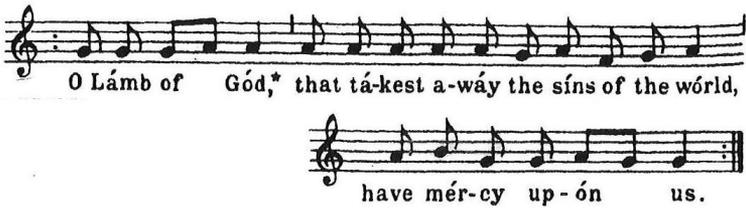
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And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy
kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give
us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we
forgive those who trespass against us. 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.

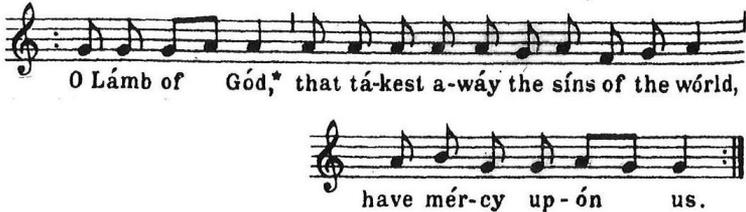
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

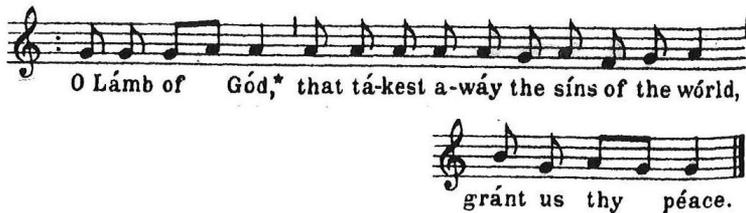
AGNUS *Missa Deus Genitor Alme*



O Lámb of Gód,* that tá-kest a-wáy the síns of the wórld,
have mér-cy up-ón us.



O Lámb of Gód,* that tá-kest a-wáy the síns of the wórld,
have mér-cy up-ón us.



O Lámb of Gód,* that tá-kest a-wáy the síns of the wórld,
gránt us thy péáce.

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.

Our altar bread is gluten free.

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 #516 Come down, O Love divine

1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,
2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn
3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,
and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a treble and bass clef staff for each system. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff. The first system includes three numbered verses. The second system contains the first two lines of the main hymn text. The third system contains the final two lines of the main hymn text. The music consists of a simple harmonic accompaniment with a melody line in the treble clef.

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
where - in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.

Words: Bianco da Siena (d. 1434?); tr. Richard Frederick Littledale (1833-1890), alt. Music: *Down Ampney*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958). By permission of Oxford University Press.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

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Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Seminarian: Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING HYMN #567 *Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old*

1 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to
 2 And lo! thy touch brought life and health, gave hear - ing,
 3 Be thou our great de - liv - erer still, thou Lord of

heal and save; it tri - umphed o'er dis - ease and death,
 strength, and sight; and youth re - newed and fren - zy calmed
 life and death; re - store and quick - en, soothe and bless,

o'er dark - ness and the grave. To thee they went, the
 owned thee, the Lord of light: and now, O Lord, be
 with thine al - might - y breath: to hands that work and

blind, the deaf, the pal - sied, and the lame, the lep - er
 near to bless, al - might - y as of yore, in crowd - ed
 eyes that see, give wis - dom's heaven - ly lore, that whole and

set a - part and shunned, the sick with fe - vered frame.
 street, by rest - less couch, as by Gen - nes - aret's shore.
 sick, and weak and strong, may praise thee ev - er - more.

Words: Edward Hayes Plumtre (1821-1891), alt. Music: *St. Matthew*, from *Supplement to the New Version of Psalms* by Dr. Brady and Mr. Tate, 1708.

*The service ends in sacred silence as we go into the world
with no organ Postlude.*

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**Please join us after the service for coffee hour in the parish hall
hosted by Andrea and Dave Sullivan.**

*This month's coffee hour recipient is
Ruth's Way for Women*

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

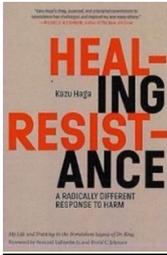
Celebrant:	The Rev. Bob Davidson
Organist & Music Director	Luca Cantone
Seminarian Intern:	Karen Aalto
Lector:	Chris Healy
Litanist:	Elizabeth Downs
Eucharistic Minister:	Dawn Jackson and Amy Walsh
Usher:	Eddie Parsons
Altar Guild:	Dawn Jackson and Cynthia Peach
Vestry Greeter:	Nikki Nash-MacIsaac
Streaming Coordinator:	Lisa Ventura
YouTube Editor:	Kim Collins
YouTube Scheduler:	Denise Mallen



*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of the dearly
departed members of the Murphy and Cahill families by Sara Murphy
and in in loving memory of their dear friend Susan Quinn
by Alison Shaw and Laurel Martino.*

Today we welcome back The Rev. Bob Davidson who is leading us in
worship at both services. Please take the time to introduce yourself
and welcome him back to Emmanuel.

Rev. Brett is away until Tuesday, March 24th. If you have a pastoral care need during that time, please contact Lisa Ventura-781-526-9777 who will put you in contact with the appropriate clergy.



Our Lenten Book Study lead by Karen Aalto concludes Monday night at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom. All are welcome to join even if you missed the prior meetings or haven't done the reading.

Kids Korner

Important Dates:
Sunday April 4th: Easter Sunday Service
Sunday April 19th: No Kids Club- Spring Vacation week

Announcements:
Thank you to everyone who has continued to donate clothing for the Winter Drive as well as food for the little free pantry. We are continuing to develop partnerships with organizations in the community so that our kids can see the direct impact they are having on others, and can learn more about the places that support the surrounding area.

HOSTED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PFLAG
THURSDAY, APRIL 9TH
DINNER AT 6:00 PM
PROGRAM AT 6:45 PM

From Bystander to Upstander



Learn how to speak up, stand with others, and help create safer spaces for LGBTQ+ people.

This interactive workshop is for all ages—whether you're a parent, teen, ally, or simply someone who wants to show up with more courage & compassion.

What You'll Learn

- How to recognize when someone is being treated unfairly for being LGBTQ+
- Why it can feel hard to speak up—and how to move through that
- Simple, safe ways to interrupt harmful behavior
- How to respond to negativity online in a constructive way
- How to help create respectful, inclusive spaces in your community

To attend, please RSVP to Lisa at LVENTURA@EMMANUELWAKEFIELD.ORG



We will be doing spring cleaning of both the inside and outside of the church.

Outdoor cleanup will begin in the courtyard at 8:00 AM—if you're able, please bring a rake.

Indoor cleaning will start at 9:00 AM.

Many hands make light work, and we would love your help!

Please join us for any amount of time you're able.

WAKEFIELD FOOD PANTRY

The Wakefield Food Pantry most needed item for the month of March is jarred pasta sauce.

PARISH SCHEDULE WEEK OF MARCH 22, 2026

Sunday, March 22	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, March 23	10:00 AM	Contemplative Prayer
	7:00 PM	Lent Book Study on Zoom <i>The 6 Principles of Nonviolence</i>
Tuesday, March 24	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Canterbury Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 25	2:00 PM	Wardens Meeting
	6:00 PM	Evening Prayer
Thursday, March 26	7:00 PM	Vestry Meeting
Saturday, March 28	9:00 AM	Parish Clean Up Day!
	1:00 PM	Rainbow Recovery
Sunday, March 29	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

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



HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

March–April 2026



PALM SUNDAY *March 29*

Blessing of Palms and
Reading of The Passion

In person 8:00 a.m.

In person and via YouTube 10:00 a.m.

HOLY WEDNESDAY *April 1*

Evening Prayer via Zoom 6:00 p.m.

MAUNDY THURSDAY *April 2*

Agape Supper 6:00 p.m.

Worship in person and via YouTube 7:00 p.m.

*Stripping of the Altar, Garden of Repose,
and Foot-Washing*

Nikki Nash MacIsaac, *Guest Preacher*

GOOD FRIDAY *April 3*

Trinity Episcopal Church/Melrose 12:00 Noon

St. Paul's Church/Lynnfield 12:00 Noon

Emmanuel Episcopal Church 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday Liturgy in person and via YouTube

Karen Aalto, *Guest Preacher*

Quiet, informal, private prayer at Emmanuel
12:00 Noon–4:00 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY *April 4*

Great Vigil of Easter 7:00 p.m.

In person and via YouTube

EASTER DAY *April 5*

Rite I Worship with Hymns 8:00 a.m.

Rite II Festive Choral Eucharist 10:00 a.m.

In person and via YouTube

Children's Easter Egg Hunt and Festive

Brunch following the 10:00 a.m. Service

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Wakefield, Mass.

The Rev. Brett R. Johnson
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Karen Aalto
Seminarian





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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 Rector: The Rev. Brett R. Johnson (he/him) 978-206-1788
 Seminarian Intern: Karen Aalto (she/her) kpaalto00@gmail.com
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 Co-Warden: Beth Martin (she/her) 781-308-3474

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 Algonquian-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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