

Emmanuel Episcopal Church

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 8, 2023

8:00am & 10:30am



*As we gather before the service begins,
we encourage people to use the time as a centering for prayer and meditation.*

We also ask you to silence your phones.

Morning Prayer – Rite II

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Prelude

The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns
Trish Rooney, Organist

Charles Callahan

(stand as you are able)

Processional Hymn

O love, how deep

Hymn #448

Welcome and Announcements

The Lord is in his holy temple, let all the earth keep silence before him.

Habakkuk 2:20

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Confession

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

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

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.*

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

Officiant: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore him.

Jubilate *(spoken at 8:00 a.m.)*

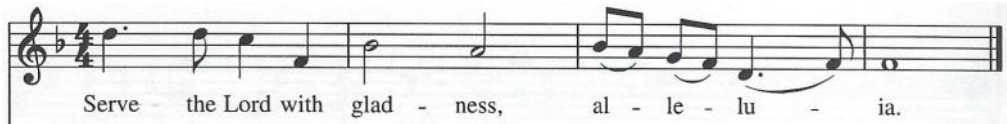
Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

(sung at 10:30 a.m.)



Please join the choir in singing the antiphon two times at the start.

The choir will sing the verses and the congregation is invited to sing the antiphon after each verse.



Psalm 19 (spoken at 8:00 a.m.)

- 1 The heavens declare the / glory of God, *
and the firmament / shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale / to another, *
and one night imparts / knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no / words or language, *
and their / voices are not heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out / into all lands, *
and their message to the / **ends** of the world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion / for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a / champi-on to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens,
and runs about to the end of / it again; *
nothing is hidden / from its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect
and re-/vives the soul; *
the testimony of the LORD is sure,
and gives / wisdom to the inno-cent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just,
and re-/joice the heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear,
and / gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean,
and en-/dures for ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true,
and / righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than / much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than / honey in the comb.

- 11 By them also is your / servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them / there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often / he offends? *
cleanse me / from my secret faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion / over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent / of a great offense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable / in your sight, *
O LORD my / strength and my redeemer.

Glory to the Father and / to the Son,*
And / to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the be-/ginning, is now,*
And will / be for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

First Reading

A Reading from Exodus

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, “You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die.” Moses said to the people, “Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin.”

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

A Reading from Paul’s Letter to the Philippians

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Hymn

The head that once was crowned with thorns

Hymn #483

Third Reading

A Reading from Matthew

Matthew 21:33-46

Jesus said, “Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.”

Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures:

‘The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord’s doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes?’

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

The Reverend Douglas Rogers, Deacon

Choir Anthem

Christ is Our Cornerstone

*Christ is our cornerstone, on him alone we build;
With his true saints alone the courts of heav’n are filled;
On his great love our hopes we place of present grace and joy above.*

*Here, gracious God, do thou for evermore draw nigh;
Accept each faithful vow, and mark each suppliant sigh;
In copious show’r on all who pray each holy day thy blessings pour.*

*O then with hymns of praise these ballowed courts shall ring;
Our voices will we raise the Three in One to sing;
And thus proclaim in joyful song, both loud and long that glorious name.*

The Apostles’ Creed

Officiant and People (stand as you are able)

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

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

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

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

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

*He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

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

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen*

The Prayers *(stand or kneel)*

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Officiant: Let us pray

*Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.*

*And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.*

*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*

Suffrages B *(congregation reads R)*

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

R. *Govern and uphold them, now and always.*

V. Day by day we bless you;

R. *We praise your name for ever.*

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

R. *Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.*

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;

R. *For we put our trust in you.*

V. In you, Lord, is our hope;

R. *And we shall never hope in vain.*

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for Sundays

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

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, and remembering particularly my own parish and those worshiping especially those on our parish prayer list: Ann, Jan, Byron, Nancy, the victims of gun violence, and for those who have died. I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and since I cannot at this time receive Communion, I pray that you will come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you, let me serve you in this life until by your grace, I come into your glorious kingdom and unending peace. *Amen.*

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

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

Recessional Hymn:

Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth

Hymn #598

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Officiant: Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine:
Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever.
Amen.

Postlude:

Scherzo in 5

Andrew Fletcher

Announcements

Book Club will meet via zoom October 10th at 7pm. October's book is Solito: A Memoir by Javier Zamora. Javier Zamora's adventure is a three-thousand-mile journey from his small town in El Salvador, through Guatemala and Mexico, and across the U.S. border. He will leave behind his beloved aunt and grandparents to reunite with a mother who left four years ago and a father he barely remembers. Traveling alone amid a group of strangers and a "coyote" hired to lead them to safety, Javier expects his trip to last two short weeks.

Calling all crafters: We are asking those of you who knit, crochet, weave, work with fleece, etc., to consider making a commitment to create an extra scarf or two this fall to donate to the Jubilee Center. More information to follow in the weekly newsletter.

The Episcopal Charities' Annual Gala will be hosted Friday, October 27th from 7:00 P.M. to Midnight in the great hall of Epiphany Center for the Arts in Chicago – formerly Church of the Epiphany in the Diocese of Chicago. Come indulge with us in a delightful evening filled with your favorite cocktails/mocktails, delicious heavy hors d'oeuvres, spiritual inspiration, and dancing until midnight. The Soiree promises to be a celebration of compassion where every gesture of grace and generosity resonates far beyond the walls of the Epiphany Center for the Arts.

Valet parking will be available, and guests will be welcomed at the Ashland Avenue entrance. Chic, fun, and festive apparel will be warmly welcomed! You can make online reservations at <http://episcopalcharities.org> or contact Trustees Cheryl Rogers and Mark Baldwin for more information.

Sunday coffee hour is hoping to discover those of you who enjoy baking (or shopping) to consider sharing some of your goodies with your coffee hour family. If so inspired, there is a sign up sheet and calendar in the kitchen area. This is an experiment we are trying for a few months hoping some of you are so moved. We do not "serve breakfast" but just a "bite" to entice your coffee. A variety is always a challenge don't you think?

Dining Out Group: Eight Emmanuelites recently enjoyed the Vietnamese cuisine and fellowship at Pho Square on Riverside. Thursday, October 26th at 11:30, our next adventure will take us to Jerry's Cafe, Brynwood, 2601 N. Mulford on the corner of Mulford and Springcreek. Look forward to seeing you there. Call Mary Nielsen, 815-654-89955.

Adult Forum: Starting up in October.

Art Show: Friday November third 5:00-8:00pm. The Hospitality Committee hosts a "retrospective show." Featuring the works of Sydney Baldwin, David Hatch, and Ginny Hatwich. Freewill Offering to benefit the Soup Kitchen.

The Hospitality Committee has planned these events through the end of the year

November 3 Art Show
December 10 Lessons and Carols

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Mickey Swart, Travis Castrey, Barb Anderson,
Maryanne Theyerl, & Jean Frana

Assisting in the Liturgy

8:00 a.m. Lector: Mary Kowing

**10:30 a.m. Crucifer/Server: Stacey LaRosa
First Reading: Elizabeth Castrey
Second Reading: Thailer Castrey
Third Reading: Steven KinCannon
Suffrages: Travis Castrey
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