

# Emmanuel Episcopal Church

The Baptism of our Lord  
January 8, 2023

8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.



*Andrei Rublev, c.1405  
Cathedral of the Annunciation, Moscow, Russia*

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

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## **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

### **Prelude**

Dundee Trio and Fughetta  
*Trish Rooney, organist*

*Lovelace*

### **Processional Hymn**

*Brightest and best of the stars of the morning*

**Hymn #117**

### **The Opening Acclamation**

**A**t our Lord's baptism in the River Jordan God showed himself to all who have eyes to see and ears to hear. The Father spoke from heaven, the Spirit descended as a dove and Jesus was anointed with power from on high. Here is the door of faith, through which we enter the kingdom of heaven. As children of God, we are adopted as his sons and daughters, and called out to proclaim the wonders of him who called us out of darkness and into his marvelous light.

### **The Collect for Purity**

*Celebrant:* **A**lmighty 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.*

### **The Gloria in Excelsis (8:00am spoken)**

*People:* **G**lory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.  
*Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

(10:30am sung)

# GLORIA



Glo - ry, glo - ry to God in the high - est,



and — peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord — God, —



heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther We



wor - ship\_ you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your



glo - ry, we praise you\_ for your\_ glo - ry, Lord, — Lord\_



Je - sus Christ, — on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord\_ God, —



Lamb of\_ God, you take a - way the sin of the world, have



mer - cy on us, — You are\_ seat - ed at the right hand of the



Fa - ther, re - ceive our pray'r, re - ceive our pray'r.

(cont.)

For\_ you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone\_ are the Lord.  
You a - lone are the Most\_ High, - Je - sus Christ, -  
with the\_ Ho - ly Spir - it\_ in the glo - ry of God the  
Fa - ther. A - men. A - men.

(standing)

## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**F**ather in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

# The Lessons

## Old Testament

### A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah

*Isaiah 42:1-9*

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,  
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;  
I have put my spirit upon him;  
he will bring forth justice to the nations.  
He will not cry or lift up his voice,  
or make it heard in the street;  
a bruised reed he will not break,  
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;  
he will faithfully bring forth justice.  
He will not grow faint or be crushed  
until he has established justice in the earth;  
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the LORD,  
who created the heavens and stretched them out,  
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,  
who gives breath to the people upon it  
and spirit to those who walk in it:

I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness,  
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;

I have given you as a covenant to the people,  
a light to the nations,  
to open the eyes that are blind,

to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
from the prison those who sit in darkness.

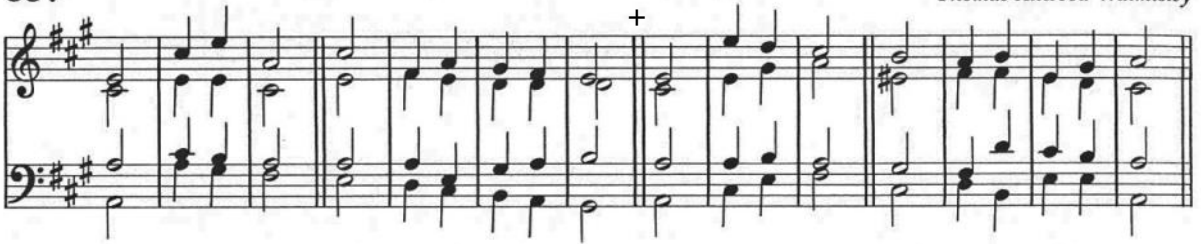
I am the LORD, that is my name;  
my glory I give to no other,  
nor my praise to idols.

See, the former things have come to pass,  
and new things I now declare;

before they spring forth,  
I tell you of them.

### **The Word of the Lord.**

*People: Thanks be to God.*



## Psalm 29

1 Ascribe to the / LORD you gods, \*  
ascribe to the LORD / **glo**-ry and strength.

2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory / due his Name; \*  
worship the LORD in the / beauty of holiness.

3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;  
the God of / glory thunders; \*  
the LORD is u-/pon the mighty waters.

4 The voice of the LORD is a / power-ful voice; \*  
the voice of the / LORD is a voice of splendor.

5 The voice of the LORD breaks the / cedar trees; \*  
the LORD breaks the / **ce**-dars of Lebanon;

6 He makes Lebanon skip / like a calf, \*  
and Mount Hermon / like a young wild ox.

7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;  
the voice of the LORD / shakes the wilderness; \*  
the LORD shakes the / wilderness of Kadesh.

8 The voice of the LORD makes the / oak trees writhe \*  
and / strips the forests bare.

+9 And in the temple / of the LORD \*  
-/all are crying, "Glory!"

10 The LORD sits enthroned a-/bove the flood; \*  
the LORD sits enthroned as / King for evermore.

11 The LORD shall give strength / to his people; \*  
the LORD shall give his people the / **ble**-ssing of peace.

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.

# Epistle

## A Reading from Acts

*Acts 10:34-43*

**P**eter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

### The Word of the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God.*

### Gradual Hymn

*Christ, when for us you were baptized*

**Hymn #121**

*(stand as you are able)*

### The Gospel

#### The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

*Matthew 3:13-17*

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

**J**esus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

### Sermon

The Reverend Douglas Rogers, Deacon

*(stand as you are able)*

## **The Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

Celebrant: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People: *I do.*

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: *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.*

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: *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.*

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen.*



## **The Prayers of the People**

*In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

**I** ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop Michael and for our Bishop Paula; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

**I** ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

**I** ask your prayers for the poor, the sick especially, Nancy, Kylla, Damar Hamlin, Russell, Karen, the people of Ukraine and Rockford, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

**I** ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

**I** ask your prayers for those celebrating birthdays especially, Judy *Pike* (01/14).

*Silence*

**I** ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

**P**raise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

*The celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## Confession

*Deacon:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*(you may kneel or be seated)*

*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.

**Celebrant:** 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 and Announcements

**Celebrant:** The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* And also with you.

## Offertory Anthem

Who Is This Child?

*Wagner*

*Who is this child that cries in the darkness? Who is this child that kings now seek?  
With feeble steps, draw near to the cradle, on a night cold and bleak.  
Who is this child on straw now reposing? Who is this child that shepherds have found?  
High from the heavens, sweet, lovely music, songs of angels abound.*

*What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping?  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping?  
This, this is Christ the king, whom shepherds guard and angels sing:  
Haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.*

*Who is this child that princes now worship? Who is this child that we now praise?  
Welcome him still, the dawn of our mornings, Christ, the hope of our days.  
The babe, the son of Mary.*

*(8:00am spoken)*

## Offertory Response

**Celebrant:** All things come of thee O Lord.

*People:* And of thine own have we given thee.

*(10:30am sung)*

## Offertory Response

**Hymn #124**

vs. 5

*To God the Father, heavenly Light, to Christ, revealed in earthly night,  
To God the Holy Ghost we raise our equal and unceasing praise.*



(10:30 am sung)

*mp*  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might...

— Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord, God of pow'r and might...

*f*  
— Heav - en and earth are full, full of your

*mf*  
glo - ry. Ho - sa - na in the high - est, ho -

*f*  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

*mp*  
comes in the name of the Lord Ho -

*dim.*  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est

*(kneeling or seated)*

*Celebrant:* **W**e 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,

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

*Celebrant:* **A**nd 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:

### **Lord's Prayer**

*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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

*A period of silence is kept.*

### **Agnus Dei** (8:00 am spoken)

*Celebrant and People:*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us your peace.*

(10:30 am sung)

## AGNUS DEI

Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us

Je - sus, Bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on us

Je - sus, Re - deem - er, Re - deem - er of the world,

give us your peace, give us your peace.

### Communion Hymn

*"I come," the great Redeemer cries*

Hymn #116

### Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People:*

***E**ternal 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 (†)**

*(standing)*

### **Recessional Hymn**

*The people who in darkness walked*

**Hymn #126**

### **Dismissal**

**Celebrant:** Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

**People:** *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.*

### **Postlude**

Dundee

*Childs*



# Announcements

If you don't want your information to be listed in the church directory, please let the office know.

**Book Club will meet Tuesday, January 10th at 7pm on Zoom.** January's book is "The Dickens Boy" by Thomas Keneally. Edward Dickens, the tenth child of England's most famous author Charles Dickens, has consistently let his parents down. Unable to apply himself at school and adrift in life, the teenaged boy is sent to Australia in the hopes that he can make something of himself—or at least fail out of the public eye.

**The Annual Meeting is on January 29th following one service at 10:00 a.m.**

**All committee chairs please submit an annual report to churchoffice@emmanuelrockford.org** by January 22nd.

**The Vestry candidates are:** Maryanne Theyerl, Jean Frana, Judy Pike, Barb Denis, and Travis Castrey. Bio's will be published in the next couple of weeks.

**We are looking for someone to take over the birthday card ministry.** If you are interested, please contact the church office.

**St. Anskar is looking for a part time Parish Administrator.** If interested, please contact pastor Jill at 224-456-9228.

Steven is away on a retreat today for Seminary.

*Thank you to everyone that helped with the Christmas services.*

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Mary G. Johnson, Stacey LaRosa, Owen Carter,  
Phil James, and Denis Anderson

## Assisting in the Liturgy

**8:00 a.m. Lector: Kyla Chapman-Neal**

**10:30 a.m. Crucifer/Server: Stacey LaRosa  
Old Testament: Stacey LaRosa  
Epistle: Judy Schnauffer  
Prayers of the People: Mark Baldwin  
Altar Guild: Gale Degner  
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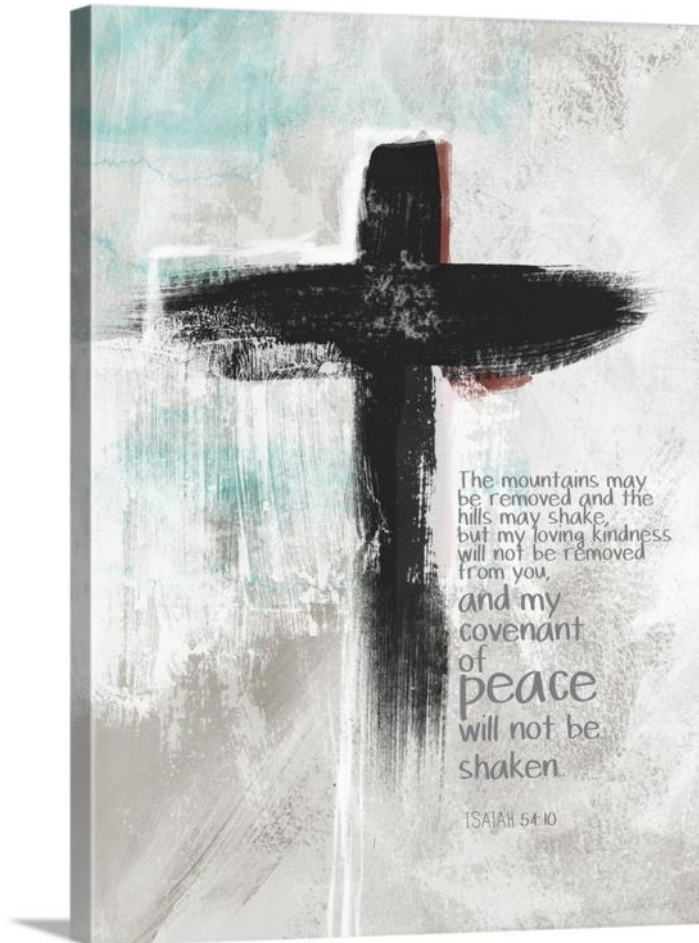
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The mountains may  
be removed and the  
hills may shake,  
but my loving kindness  
will not be removed  
from you,  
and my  
covenant  
of  
peace  
will not be  
shaken.

ISAIAH 54:10

