# Emmanuel Episcopal Church

## The Fifth Sunday in Lent March 17, 2024

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



## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**Prelude** 

Voluntary on an Irish Air

John S. Dixon

(The prelude is based on the tune "Ragland Road" and was composed for the Rockford Chapter of the American Guild of Organists)

Trish Rooney, Organist

**Processional Hymn** 

Now quit your care

Hymn #145

(standing)

The Salutation

Officiant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures for ever.

The Decalogue: Contemporary

(stand as you are able)

Officiant: 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.

Officiant: You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

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

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Officiant: Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Officiant: Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Officiant: You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Officiant: You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Officiant: You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Officiant: You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Officiant: You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Officiant: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:14,16

#### 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*.

Kyrie (8:00am spoken)

Lord, have mercy. *Christ have mercy*. Lord, have mercy.

Kyrie (10:30am sung)

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## The Collect for The Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

## The Lessons

## Old Testament A Reading from Jeremiah

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

#### The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



#### Psalm 119:9-16

- 9 How shall a young man cleanse his / way? \*
  By keeping to your / words.
- 10 With my whole heart I / seek you; \* let me not stray from your com-/mandments.
- 11 I treasure your promise in my / heart, \* that I may not sin against / you.
- 12 Blessed are you O / LORD; \* instruct me in your / statutes.
- 13 With my lips will I re-/cite \* all the judgments of your / mouth.
- 14 I have taken greater delight in the way of your de-/crees \* than in all manner of / riches.
- 15 I will meditate on your com-/mandments \* and give attention to your / ways.
- 16 My delight is in your / statutes; \* I will not forget your / word.

## **Epistle**

#### A Reading from Hebrews

Hebrews 5:5-10

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place,

> "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

#### The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### Gradual Hymn

When I survey the wondrous cross

Hymn #474

(stand as you are able)

## The Gospel

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

John 12:20-33

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

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

A moment of silence is observed after the sermon

Nicene Creed Confirmation class

We believe in one God, Creator of all things, compassionate, all knowing, powerful, and pretty chill, who looks over the whole world, controls everything, and loves unconditionally.

We believe in Jesus, the son of God, who is a "pretty cool dude." He spreads love and joy, ministers to the sick, the friendless, the needy, and the forgotten. He saved people from impending doom, and forgives all of our sins.

We believe in the Holy Ghost, God's middle man, who is part of God, who comes down from Heaven to speak God's word.

We believe that God created all things, both good and bad.

We believe that Jesus was nailed to the cross for our sins, and that when raised from the dead, Jesus "dipped from earth."

We believe that salvation is the forgiveness of our sins and Jesus taking the wheel.

We believe that the church is a pretty chill place to worship and a holy place.

We believe that sins are things that God doesn't like, and that Jesus forgives our sins by letting them go and by loving us.

#### The Prayers of the People

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy"

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Paula our Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

**F**or all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, have mercy

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

**F**or those in positions of public trust especially Joseph our president and JB our governor, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy* 

**F**or a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, have mercy

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For this congregation, for those who are present, for those who are absent, for those celebrating birthdays, especially Mercy *Goddard (03/18)*, Theresa *Sinks (03/20)*, and Owen *Carter (03/23)*; that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy* 

For our enemies and those who wish us harm, and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors, especially Byron, Amber, Patrick, Larry, Roger, Julie, Emily, Lisa, Peter, Crystal, the victims of gun violence, and the people of Rockford, Ukraine, Israel, and Palestine; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For those serving in the military, especially Pierce, Hayden, Nate, Colin, Tyler, and Josh, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, especially Alexei Navalny, Jean, and for those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

**R**ejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

Silence

Celebrant: For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen*.

#### The Peace and Announcements

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

People: And also with you.

#### Offertory Anthem

#### A Gaelic Benediction

Brian Glading

Deep peace of the running wave to you, deep peace of the flowing air to you, Deep peace of the quiet earth to you, deep peace of the quiet earth to you.

Deep peace of the running wave to you, deep peace of the flowing air to you, Deep peace of the quiet earth to you, deep peace of the quiet earth to you. Deep peace of the gentle night to you, deep peace of the shining stars to you, Deep peace of the Son of Peace to you, deep peace of the love of God to you.

#### Offertory Response (8:00am spoken)

Celebrant: All things come of thee O Lord. *People:* And of thine own have we given thee.

#### Offertory Response (10:30am sung)

Hymn #43

vs. 4

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

## LITURGY OF THE TABLE

#### Eucharistic Prayer A

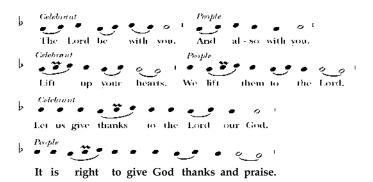
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *People:* It is right to give God thanks and praise.



Celebrant:  $\mathbf{I}$ t is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

#### Sanctus (8:00am spoken)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. (†) Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Sanctus (10:30am sung)

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(kneeling or seated)

Celebrant:  $\mathbf{H}$ oly and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

> He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

> On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

> Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

> All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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

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.

Our Father, who art in heaven,

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

#### Agnus Dei (8:00am 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.

**Agnus Dei** (10:30am sung) (S numbers are located at the front of The Hymnal 1982)

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### Communion Hymn

And now, O Father

Hymn #337

## Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Blessing (†)

(standing)

Recessional Hymn Now let us all with one accord Hymn #147

**Dismissal** 

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** Irish Medley

Adult forum each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Sunday School each Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Please join us in the undercroft for coffee hour each Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Emmanuel's Women's Guild meets on the third Thursday of each month at 11:30 a.m. in the undercroft, followed by a brown bag lunch. Come join us, we'd love to have you.



March 24th Liturgy of the Palms 8am and 10:30am
March 28th Maundy Thursday 7pm
March 29th Good Friday 9am Emmanuel Parking Lot
& Noon Solemn Collects in the Church
March 30th Holy Saturday 7pm
March 31st Sunday of the Resurrection 8am and 10:30

## **Announcements**

Wednesdays during Lent
11:30 a.m. Stations of the Cross and Holy Eucharist
Lunch and a discussion in the Undercroft with Lenten program "Share the Dream"
Books available via the office.

<u>Nametags:</u> If you would like a nametag made, please contact the church office via email at churchoffice@emmanuelrockford.org or via phone at 815-964-5514.

Book Club: The Book Club is changing! Join us Tuesday, April 9th at 1pm in the Janet James Room April's choice is "The Love Songs of W.E.B. Du Bois" by Honorée Fanonne Jeffers. Ailey is reared in the north in the City but spends summers in the small Georgia town of Chicasetta, where her mother's family has lived since their ancestors arrived from Africa in bondage. From an early age, Ailey fights a battle for belonging that's made all the more difficult by a hovering trauma, as well as the whispers of women—her mother, Belle, her sister, Lydia, and a maternal line reaching back two centuries—that urge Ailey to succeed in their stead.

May's book is "The Shipping News" by E. Annie Proulx. Quoyle, a third-rate newspaper hack, with a "head shaped like a crenshaw, no neck, reddish hair...features as bunched as kissed fingertips," is wrenched violently out of his workaday life when his two-timing wife meets her just desserts. An aunt convinces Quoyle and his two emotionally disturbed daughters to return with her to the starkly beautiful coastal landscape of their ancestral home in Newfoundland. Here, on desolate Quoyle's Point, in a house empty except for a few mementos of the family's unsavory past, the battered members of three generations try to cobble up new lives.

Grief Group: meets next on April 1st at 7 p.m. Entry at parking lot entrance. All are invited to come.

<u>Save the Date:</u> Wednesday, May 1, 2024 Emmanuel Celebrates its 175th Anniversary with Confirmation at 6pm. The Rt. Rev Paula Clark, Presiding. Reception to follow in the Undercroft.

**Rockford Area Pride:** Emmanuel is marching in Rockford's Annual Pride Parade on Saturday June 1. If you are interested in participating contact Todd Burton at todd.r.burton@gmail.com. Show your Pride by ordering a Pride T-shirt at:

https://www.rockfordareapride.org/product-page/unisex-eco-friendly-cotton-t-shirt

<u>Dining Out Group:</u> Due to Easter, the Dining Out Group will meet one week later on Thursday, April 4th at 11:30. We will be enjoying the cuisine at the Pomodoro Restaurant located on East Riverside. If you would like to join us, please let Mary Nielsen know so reservations can be made. Thanks and hope you can join us. 815-654-8995.

If you are interested in how to use Narcan, Diane is working with Live4Lali to teach you how to use it.

Watch for further announcements

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## Assisting in the Liturgy

8:00 a.m.

Lector: Kyla Chapman-Neal

10:30 a.m.

Crucifer/Server: Stacey LaRosa 1st Reading: Elizabeth Castrey 2nd Reading: Thailer Castrey Prayers of the People: Travis Castrey Altar Guild: Maryanne Theyerl

Ushers: Lou & Karen Matjasko

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