

# Emmanuel Episcopal Church

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 10, 2024

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



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*If you wish to light a prayer candle, they are located on the right side as you enter the Sanctuary.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## **Prelude**

Jerusalem, my happy home

*Charles Callahan*

*Wayne Hatwich, organist*

## **Processional Hymn**

*When Christ was lifted from the earth*

**Hymn #603**

*(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: **A**lmighty 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)*

*(S numbers are located at the front of The Hymnal 1982)*

**S96**

## The Collect for The Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**G**racious 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.*

# The Lessons

## Old Testament

### A Reading from Numbers


*Numbers 21:4-9*

From Mount Hor the Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.” Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, “Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.” So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

### The Word of the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God.*

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## Psalm 19

1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is / good, \*  
and his mercy endures for / ever.

2 Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed pro-/ claim \*  
that he redeemed them from the hand of the / foe.

3 He gathered them out of the / lands; \*  
from the east and from the west, from the north and from the / south.

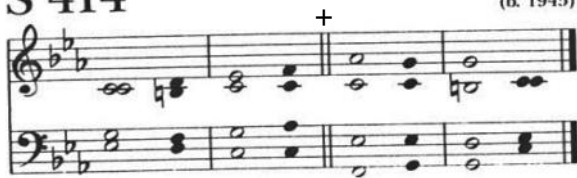
17 Some were fools and took to rebellious / ways; \*  
they were afflicted because of their / sins.

18 They abhorred all manner of / food \*  
and drew near to death's / door.

19 Then they cried to the Lord in their / trouble, \*  
and he delivered them from their dis-/ tress.

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20 He sent forth his word and / healed them \*  
and saved them from the / grave.

21 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his / mercy \*  
and the wonders he does for his / children.

+ 22 Let them offer a sacrifice of thanks-/ giving \*  
and tell of his acts with shouts of / joy.

## Epistle

### A Reading from Ephesians

*Ephesians 2:1-10*

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ-- by grace you have been saved-- and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God-- not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

### The Word of the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God.*

### Gradual Hymn

*Sing, my soul, his wondrous love*

**Hymn #467**

*(stand as you are able)*

## **The Gospel**

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

*John 3:14-21*

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

**J**esus said, “Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

## **Sermon**

The Reverend Diane Tomlinson

*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"*

**F**or 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*

**F**or 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*

**F**or 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*

**F**or 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*

**F**or 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*

**F**or 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*

**F**or this congregation, for those who are present, for those who are absent, for those celebrating birthdays, especially Jordan Neal (03/11), Robert Cramford (03/14), and Susan Rubendall (03/16); 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*

**F**or 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*

**F**or 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*

**F**or 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*

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

*Lord, have mercy*

**F**or 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**

The Eyes of All wait upon thee

*Jean Berger (1909-2002)*

*(text from Psalm 145: 15, 16)*

*The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season.*

*Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.*

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

Celebrant: All things come of thee O Lord.

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



*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.*

b *Celebrant*      *People*  

 The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

b *Celebrant*      *People*  

 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

b *Celebrant*  

 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

b *People*  

 It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: **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)      (*S numbers are located at the front of The Hymnal 1982*)

*(kneeling or seated)*

Celebrant: **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

*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.*

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)

**S164**

## Communion Hymn

*Jerusalem, my happy home*

**Hymn #620**

## 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

*Guide me, O thou great Jehovah*

Hymn #690

### Dismissal

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

People: *Thanks be to God.*

### Postlude

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

*Paul Manz*

*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  
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.

**Nametags:** 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, March 12, at 1pm in the Janet James Room March's choice is "Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingsolver. Listen to Ezra Klein's interview with Kingsolver about the book.

**Grief Group:** meets next on March 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Entry at parking lot entrance. All are invited to come.

**Save the Date:** 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>

**Dining Out Group:** 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*

## Early voting at Emmanuel

Today, March 10th 10am-4pm  
Monday thru Friday, March 11th thru March 15th 9am-7pm  
Saturday, March 16th 9am-3pm  
Sunday, March 17th 9am-4pm  
Monday, March 18th 9am-7pm

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Mary G. Johnson- Clerk, Mickey Swart,  
Travis Castrey, Barb Anderson, Maryanne Theyerl,  
Jean Frana, Ginny Hatwich, & Valerie Sanders

## Assisting in the Liturgy

8:00 a.m.

Lector: Maria Mendia

10:30 a.m.

Crucifer/Server: Stacey LaRosa

1st Reading: Mark Baldwin

2nd Reading: Mark Baldwin

Prayers of the People: Judy Schnauffer

Altar Guild: Gale Degner

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