

# Emmanuel Episcopal Church

The Last Sunday after Epiphany

February 11, 2024

8:00am & 10:30am



*Detail from "Transfiguration of Jesus" (1405) by Andrei Rublev  
Cathedral of the Annunciation (Moscow Kremlin), Moscow, Russia*

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

*Please silence your cell phones.*

**Prelude**

Andante (movement 4)  
*from Organ Concerto in G Op.4, No.1*  
Wayne Hatwich, organist

G. F. Handel

**Processional Hymn**

*O wondrous type*

**Hymn #137**

**Opening Acclamation**

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**Collect for Purity**

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

**S280**

**Collect for the Last Sunday after the Epiphany**

**O** God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**Old Testament**

*II Kings 2:1-12*

**W**hen the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?” And he said, “Yes, I know; keep silent.”

Elijah said to him, “Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?” And he answered, “Yes, I know; be silent.”

Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

## The Word of the Lord

*Thanks be to God*



## Psalm 50:1-6

1 The Lord, the God of gods, / has spoken; \*  
he has called the earth from the / rising of the sun to its setting.

2 Out of Zion, / perfect in its beauty, \*  
God re- / veals himself in glory.

3 Our God will come and will / not keep silence; \*  
before him there is a consuming flame, and round a- / bout him a raging storm.

4 He calls the heavens and the / earth from a-bove \*  
to witness the / judgment of his people.

5 "Gather before me my loyal / followers, \*  
those who have made a covenant with me and / sealed it with sacrifice."

6 Let the heavens declare the rightness / of his cause; \*  
for / God himself is judge.

## **New Testament**

*II Corinthians 4:3-6*

**E**ven if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

## **The Word of the Lord**

*Thanks be to God*

## **Gradual Hymn**

*Christ upon the mountain peak*

**Hymn #129**

## **The Gospel** *(stand)*

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

*Mark 9:2-9*

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

**J**esus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

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**

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## **The Prayers of the People**

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## **Confession**

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## **The Peace & Announcements**

## **Offertory Anthem**

Christ upon the mountain peak

*Paul Bouman*

*(text the same as Hymn 129)*

**Offertory Response**

Hymn #11, 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.*

**Eucharistic Prayer B**

BCP pg. 367

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

**S129**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

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

**S163**

**Communion Hymn**

*Songs of thankfulness and praise*

**Hymn #135**

**Postcommunion Prayer**

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**Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn**

*Sing alleluia forth in deuteous praise*

**Hymn #619**

**Dismissal**

**Postlude**

Badinerie BWV 1067  
*final movement from Orchestral Suite in B minor*

*J.S. Bach*

**Birthdays** John Dempster (02/13) and Phil James (02/14)

**Anniversaries** Stan McGroarty & Trish Rooney (02/14)

**Prayer list** Byron, Amber, Patrick, Larry, Roger, Julie, Emily, the victims of gun violence, and the people of Rockford, Ukraine, Israel, and Palestine

**Those serving in the military:** Pierce, Hayden, Nate, Colin, Tyler, and Josh

*Today's flowers are given to the Glory of God  
in thanksgiving for  
Trish Rooney and Stan McGroarty's  
25th Wedding Anniversary.*

*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.*

## Announcements

**Mardi Gras:** Tuesday, February 13 from 530pm to 730pm. Bring an appetizer or dessert.

**Ash Wednesday:** February 14th Noon and 6:00pm Imposition of Ashes and Holy Eucharist.

**Book Club:** will meet on March 12, due to Shrove Tuesday on February 13.

**Lent Weekly Study:** begins February 21st at 11 in the Sanctuary. Sign up for soup and bread.

**Dining out Group:** Sitting adjacent to a cozy fire in the toasty, rustic Thunder Bay Grill, nine Emmanuelites enjoyed lunch and fellowship while urging January to be on its way.

February will find the group at "The Machine Shed" on East State Street on Thursday, Feb. 22 at 11:30. All are welcome to call Mary Nielsen for reservations at 815-654-8995. Hope you can join us.

**Grief Group:** meets next on March 4<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Entry at parking lot entrance. All are invited to come.

**Online Giving:** If your pledge payment was rejected by Giving Tools, please update your information and resubmit your payment.

**Vestry:** will meet next Thursday, February 15th in the Nicholas Center at 6:00 p.m. All are invited.

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## Assisting in the Liturgy

8:00 a.m.

Lector: Maria Mendia

10:30 a.m.

Crucifer/Server: Stacey LaRosa

1st Reading: Tamara Ross

2nd Reading: Stacey LaRosa

Prayers of the People: Stacey LaRosa

Altar Guild: Gale Degner

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