# Emmanuel Episcopal Church

# The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost August 7, 2022

8:00am & 10:30am



The Penitent Magdalene , detail Georges de La Tour Metropolitan Museum of Art

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

Please recycle your bulletin. Bins are located at the entrances.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude Oh, What Their Joy arr. Cherwien
Trish Rooney, organ

Processional Hymn

O what their joy and their glory must be

Hymn #623

(stand as you are able)

## **Opening Acclamation**

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

## The Collect for Purity

Celebrant: Almighty 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

People: Glory 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.

# Collect for the Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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**G**rant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

# The Lessons

#### **Old Testament**

# A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom!

Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah!

What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord;

I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts;

I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats.

When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more;

bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me.

New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation--I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.

Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates;

they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them.

When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood.

Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes;

cease to do evil, learn to do good;

seek justice, rescue the oppressed,

defend the orphan, plead for the widow.

Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord:

though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow;

though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land;

but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

#### The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



# Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24

- 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.

(cont.)



- 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 above \* 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.
- 7 Hear O my people and I will speak:
  "O Israel I will bear / witness against you; \*
  for / I am God, your God.
- 8 I do not accuse you because / of your sacrifices; \* your / offerings are always before me.
- 23 Consider this well, you who / forget God, \* lest I rend you and there be / none to de-/liver you.
- 24 Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving / honors me; \* but to those who keep in my way will I / show the sal-vation of God."

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 Paul's Letter to the Hebrews

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

#### The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

# Gradual Hymn

O God of gentle strength

Hymn #771

(stand as you are able)

# The Gospel

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

Luke 12:32-40

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

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

#### Sermon

A moment of silence is observed after the sermon

#### Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(stand)

# The Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. Silence

For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

**F**or all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Chilton our own Bishop, and Paula our Bishop-elect; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially Alan, Travis, the people of Ukraine, Highland Park, Kentucky, and Rockford, for those celebrating birthdays, especially Bob Magill (08/08), and for those celebrating anniversaries, especially Jake & Danielle Hardesty (08/08), Bill & Judy Schnauffer (08/09), Wayne & Ginny Hatwich (08/10), and David & Tammy Hooks (08/10); Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord; For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King; And praise your Name for ever and ever. We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. *Silence* 

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; *Who put their trust in you.* 

#### 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

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

People: And also with you.

**Offertory Solo** 

When from Bondage We are Summoned *Jennifer Smith, Alto* 

Delores Dufner

(8:00 am 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 #380

vs. 3

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.

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

(standing)

## 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.

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Celebrant: It 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:



(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.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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 sung)



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

**Communion Solo** 

This is the Hour of Banquet and of Song Jennifer Smith, Alto

Horatius Bonar

# 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 How firm a foundation Hymn #636

Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude How Firm a Foundation arr. Childs

# Announcements

A reminder to everyone, the Park Street doors are locked on Sunday mornings for everyone's safety. If you arrive at church and the narthex is empty, ring the bell and we will let you in.

**Book Club** will meet Tuesday, August 9th at 7pm on Zoom. August's selection is "People of the Book" by Geraldine Brooks. The story focuses on imagined events surrounding the protagonist and real historical past of the still extant Sarajevo Haggadah, one of the oldest surviving Jewish illuminated texts. Inspired by a true story, *People of the Book* is at once a novel of sweeping historical grandeur and intimate emotional intensity, an ambitious, electrifying work by an acclaimed and beloved author.

**Join us September 17th in the Undercroft** to watch the Consecration of Rev. Paula. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share. This is due to the fact that each parish is allowed 8 tickets. If you would still like to attend, let the office know.

**EPISCOPAL CHARITIES FALL GALA:** Registration is now open for the Episcopal Charities Fall Gala on October 14th at Union Station. The event will welcome and honor the new episcopal ministry of Bishop Elect Paula Clark and focus, anew, on the ministries of Episcopal Charities – the social outreach arm of the Diocese of Chicago. We want as many new friends as possible to join us. You can get all tickets by going to https://episcopalcharities.org/gala-2022.

Do you love to write? To take pictures? To keenly observe the goings on of Emmanuel Episcopal Church? If so, you are a candidate for our revived Communications Committee! We're looking for anyone who likes to share news about our church, our parishioners, and our events. We will meet occasionally (in person or Zoom) to discuss publicity, public relations, and Emmanuel news to be shared. Please contact Mickey Swart at MRinkrat@aol.com if you are interested. The more the merrier and the lighter-the-load! Thank you in advance!

Several people have approached me about discussing their concerns regarding our country with a group of like-minded individuals about the lack of civility present in our culture. There is palpable anger in our society brought on by the never-ending pandemic, financial worries, and our ever-widening divide between the right and the left. I propose we meet and share our thoughts the August 14th after the 10:30 service in the undercroft. Light refreshments will be served. Please click on the button to RSVP. In the meantime, I suggest we all read the book "Choosing Civility" by P.M. Forni to begin the conversation.

<u>Polish Festival</u>: The annual festival went on hiatus during COVID-19, but it is back on August 14th at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church, 201 Buckbee Street, Rockford. Guests can enjoy Polish foods and beers while watching traditional performances. The Polish party starts at 10 a.m.

Narcan Training: The Winnebago County Health Department offers free Naloxone training classes for the community. When given in time, naloxone, a non-addictive drug, can reverse the effects of an opioid overdose and save a life. Free Narcan kits are provided after completion of the class. Either register online or view the in person drop in sessions at https://www.wchd.org/trainings.

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# Assisting in the Liturgy

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

10:30 a.m. Crucifer/Server: Stacey LaRosa

Old Testament: Rachel Schmitt

Epistle: Leadell Schmitt

Prayers of the People: Russell Schmitt Altar Guild: Nancy Sauer, Stacey LaRosa,

& Jody Nerhood-Edwards

Ushers: Norma Cameron & Cheryl Rogers

Alto: Jennifer Smith

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