

# Emmanuel Episcopal Church

The Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2022

8:00am & 10:30am



*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

Fantasia: 'Savior of the Nations, Come' BWV 659a  
*Wayne Hatwich, organist*

*J. S. Bach*

### Processional Hymn

*Hark! A thrilling voice is calling*

**Hymn #59**

*(stand as you are able)*

### The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins. (†)

People: *His mercy endures for ever. Amen.*

### 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.*

### Trisagion

**S-100**

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -  
mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,  
Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy  
up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,  
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

## Collect for The Second Sunday of Advent

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

*People: And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**M**erciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

# The Lessons

## Old Testament

### A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah

*Isaiah 11:1-10*

**A** shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,  
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,  
or decide by what his ears hear;  
but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,  
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;  
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,  
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,  
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb,  
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,  
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,  
and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze,  
their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the  
ox.

The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,  
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

They will not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain;  
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD  
as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

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

*People: Thanks be to God.*



### **Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19**

- 1 Give the King your / justice, O God, \*  
and your righteousness / to the **King's** Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people / righteously \*  
— /and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity / to the people, \*  
and the little / hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy a- / mong the people; \*  
he shall rescue the / poor and crush the op-pressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and /moon endure, \*  
from one gener- / ation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon / the mown field, \*  
like showers that / **water** the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the /righteous flourish; \*  
there shall be abundance of peace till the / moon shall be no more.
- 18 Blessed be the Lord God, the / God of Israel, \*  
who / alone does wondrous deeds!
- 19 And blessed be his glorious / Name for ever! \*  
and may all the earth be filled / with his glory. Amen.

## Epistle

### A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans

*Romans 15:4-13*

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

"Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope."

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

### The Word of the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God.*

### Gradual Hymn

*Comfort, comfort ye my people*

**Hymn #67**

*(stand as you are able)*

## The Gospel

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

*Matthew 3:1-12*

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:  
'Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.'"

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

*Alleluia! Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight his paths;  
all nations shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia!*

*(choir)*

*(seated)*

## **Sermon**

The Reverend Diane Tomlinson

*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.*

## **The Prayers of the People**

**W**ith all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

**F**or the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

**F**or Michael our Presiding Bishop, for 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 our President Joseph, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

**F**or this city of Rockford, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

**F**or the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

**F**or the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially Nancy, Kylla, the people of Ukraine and Rockford, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

**F**or those celebrating birthdays especially, Jody Nerhood— Edwards (12/04), Linnea Liken-Aduddell (12/05), Sybil White (12/06), Kay Hatch (12/07), and Ruth Wheaton-Cox (12/08), let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

**F**or the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

**F**or all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

*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: **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.

## The Peace and Announcements

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

*People: And also with you.*

## Offertory Anthem

Advent Joy

*Nancy Gifford*

*Prepare ye to celebrate the Savior's birth. Emmanuel is coming to earth.*

- 1. John the Baptist, in the wilderness, eating locust and honey wild,  
Mother Mary, in her faithfulness, bravely waiting this Holy Child.*
- 2. Light a candle, sing with gladness; Mary welcomes the Living Word.  
John the Baptist can still be heard. Emmanuel is coming to earth.  
The light of the world is coming. Sing for joy!*



(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 #68

vs. 3

*Our hope and expectation, O Jesus now appear;  
Arise, thou Sun so longed for, above this darkened sphere!  
With hearts and hands uplifted, we plead, O Lord, to see  
The day of earth's redemption, and ever be with thee!*

## LITURGY OF THE TABLE

### Eucharistic Prayer B

(standing)

#### The Sursum Corda (8:00am spoken)

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.*

(10:30am sung)

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.*

(10:30am sung)

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. 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** (8:00am 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)

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
 have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
 sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
 you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant: **T**he Gifts of God for the People of God.

**Communion Choir Anthem** Now May God, the God of Hope

Larry Visser

*Now may God, the God of hope, fill you with all joy in believing.*

*Now may God, the God of hope, fill you with all peace in believing.*

*So that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

**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 (†)**

**Recessional Hymn**

*Prepare the way, O Zion*

**Hymn #65**

**Dismissal**

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

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

**Postlude**

Toccata on 'Veni, Redemptor gentium'  
*('Savior of the Nations, Come')*

*Paul Manz*

# Announcements

*If you have not turned in your pledge for 2023, please do so at your earliest convenience.*

**Jubilee Christmas gift cards:** We are collecting donations for McDonald's gift cards for Jubilee members to be distributed at their December Christmas party.

**Book Club will meet Tuesday, December 13th at 7pm on Zoom.** December's book is "The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek" by Michelle Richardson. Inspired by the true and historical blue-skinned people of Kentucky and the brave and dedicated Kentucky Pack Horse library service, *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* showcases a first in traditionally published literary novels— a bold and unique story and tale of fierce strength and one woman's belief that books can carry us anywhere.

**Each Wednesday during Advent from 11:30 to 1:00** we will examine and reflect on a different piece of art for Advent. A short devotion and Eucharist will begin our time. Followed by lunch and a time of reflection. Sign up to bring soup, salad, or bread

**Art items:** Items created by Scott Miles from wood and metal removed from the Austin Organ during its recent renovation are available in the undercroft. Perhaps there is someone on your Christmas list who would enjoy a unique gift. Please stop by and browse. Donations to the Organ Restoration Fund are appreciated.

**Blue Christmas:** For those who find the holiday season less than merry, join us December 21 at 6:00 pm for a Blue Christmas Service.

**The Soup Kitchen is asking for cash donations** to buy turkeys for the annual Christmas lunch. Please make your checks payable to Emmanuel Episcopal Church designating soup kitchen Christmas in the memo line.

**Looking for something rewarding to do on Christmas Eve?** Come join the merry little elves from Emmanuel on Saturday, December 24 at the Jubilee Center. We'll be serving the annual Christmas meal of turkey with all the trimmings to the soup kitchen guests at noon. We need shifts of volunteers for turkey carving, meal prep, and set up in the morning and serving, assisting, and clean up in the afternoon. If you can help, let us know what you would like to do and we'll get you scheduled. Contact Tammy Lewis at 815 601-8612 / mstam7@aol.com or John Birnbaum at 815 209-6822 / jrbirnbaum@aol.com.

Also, we need carolers to add to the festivities. If you love to sing holiday music, please enter at the back door of the Jubilee Center at 11.50 am. All music will be provided, and ugly Christmas sweaters are perfectly acceptable! No need to RSVP for singing, but please do contact Tammy or John (info above) for helping with the soup kitchen. THANK YOU and MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

**Help us fit the pieces together!** Please join us in this unique way of tracking stewardship pledges by completing our Fishes and Loaves jigsaw puzzle. During coffee hour, you'll find the puzzle on a table in the back of the undercroft. For every \$14,000 in pledges, we add a bag of puzzle pieces to the table. When we reach our goal of \$280,000, the puzzle will be complete. Looking forward to a completed puzzle and a successful stewardship campaign!

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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: Tamara Ross**  
**Epistle: Jennifer Smith**  
**Prayers of the People: Michael Smith**  
**Altar Guild: Julie Beck & Tyler Hillman**  
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# Nine Lessons and Carols

2022

## Emmanuel Festival Choir

Wayne Hatwich, Director

Trish Rooney, Organist

following the tradition of  
the Christmas Eve service, broadcast annually  
from King's College in Cambridge, England  
featuring  
readers from the greater Rockford community  
guest choristers joining Emmanuel Choir  
a reception follows



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