

# Emmanuel Episcopal Church

## The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

October 27, 2024  
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.*

*We also ask you to silence your phones.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### Prelude

Amazing Grace  
Rachel Schmitt, Organ

Hal H. Hopson

*(stand as you are able)*

### Processional Hymn

*Amazing grace*

Hymn #671

*(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.**

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.**

### 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.**

(sung at 10:30am)

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and  
peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-  
might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus Christ,  
on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;  
5. you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-  
ceive our prayer. 6. For  
you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,  
7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the  
Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of  
God the Fa-ther. A-men.

*(standing)*

## **Collect for The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**A**lmighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **The Lessons**

### **First Reading**

#### **A Reading from Job**

*Job 42:1-6, 10-17*

**J**ob answered the Lord:

“I know that you can do all things,  
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.

‘Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?’

Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,  
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.

‘Hear, and I will speak;  
I will question you, and you declare to me.’

I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,  
but now my eye sees you;

therefore I despise myself,  
and repent in dust and ashes.”

And the Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job’s daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children’s children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**



### Psalm 34:1-8, (19-22)

- 1 I will bless the LORD / at all times; \*  
his praise shall / ever be in my mouth.
- 2 I will glory / in the LORD; \*  
let the humble / **hear** and rejoice.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness / of the LORD; \*  
let us e-/xalt his Name together.
- 4 I sought the LORD and he / an-swered me \*  
and delivered me / out of all my terror.
- 5 Look upon him / and be radiant, \*  
and let not your / fac-es be ashamed.
- 6 I called in my affliction and the / LORD heard me \*  
and saved me / **from** all my troubles.
- 7 The angel of the LORD encompasses / those who fear him, \*  
and he / will deliver them.
- 8 Taste and see that the / LORD is good; \*  
happy are / they who trust in him!
- 19 [Many are the troubles / of the righteous, \*  
but the LORD will de-/liver him out of them all.
- 20 He will keep safe / all his bones; \*  
not one of / **them** shall be broken.
- 21 Evil shall / slay the wicked, \*  
and those who hate the / righteous will be punished.
- 22 The LORD ransoms the life / of his servants, \*  
and none will be / punished who trust in him.

## Epistle

### A Reading from Hebrews

*Hebrews 7:23-28*

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual Hymn

*Thine arm, O Lord*

**Hymn #567**

*(stand as you are able)*

## The Gospel

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

*Mark 10:46-52*

**People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*(seated)*

### Sermon

The Rev. Conrad Selnick

*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**

*In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

**I** ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops Michael and Paula and our Presiding Bishop Elect Sean Rowe; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.  
*Silence*

**I** ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.  
*Silence*

**I** ask your prayers for the poor and the sick, especially Nancy, Bob, Sydney, Tyler and family, Lynn, Mabel, Sarah and family, Tim, those participating in Shelter Care Ministry programs, the victims of gun violence, and the people of Ukraine, Israel, and Palestine. Pray for those in any need or trouble.  
*Silence*

**I** ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.  
*Silence*

**I** ask your prayers for those celebrating birthdays, especially Kevin *Gayden* (10/27), Lee *Joesten* (10/27), Sally *Goddard* (10/28), Delbert *Brown* (10/30), Travis *Castrey* (10/30), and Sandra *Chapman* (11/02) and for those celebrating anniversaries, especially Phil and Diane *Wing* (10/30).  
*Silence*

**I** ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died, especially Josephine, Vicki, Alma, Melinda, Ted, and Bob.  
*Silence*

**I** ask your prayers for those serving in the military, especially Pierce, Hayden, Nate, Colin, Tyler, and Harry.  
*Silence*

**P**raise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.  
*Silence*

*The celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*



## Confession

Celebrant: 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 Anthem

O Praise God in His Holiness

*Noel Ransthorne*

O praise God in his holiness, praise him in the firmament of his pow'r. Praise him in his noble acts, praise him according to his excellent greatness. Praise him in the sound of the trumpet. Praise him upon the lute and harp. Praise him in the cymbals and dances. Praise him upon the strings and pipe. Praise him upon the well tuned cymbals. Praise him upon the loud cymbals. Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord.

*(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.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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.**

*(10:30am sung)*

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven 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: **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. When ever 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.*

## 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)



Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy  
on us. Je - sus, bear-er of our sins: Have mer - cy  
on us. Je-sus, re-deem-er of the world: Give us your peace.

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

## Communion Hymn

*Just as I am*

Hymn #693

## 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:**

*Praise my soul*

Hymn #410

### Dismissal

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

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

### Postlude

Festive Piece

*Dennis Eliot*

***Today's flowers are given in loving memory of  
Tony Cameron  
from Norma & Rodney Cameron.***

*Sunday School each Sunday at 9:30 a.m.*

*Please join us in the undercroft for coffee hour each Sunday after the 8:00am service  
and 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.*

# Adult Forum Schedule

*Sundays at 9:15am (unless stated otherwise)*

**Today** - Ann O'Keefe - The new RPL - what they offer and opportunities for volunteering

**November 3** - Father Selnick on Episcopal traditions

**November 10** (tentative) - Mark Baldwin on Bonhoeffer and Us

**November 17** - Open

**November 24** - All generations craft project for Thanksgiving TBA

## Announcements

**Community Garden update:** The Jeremiah community garden was closed on Saturday, October 19th. With the help of two Boylan students and three women, we wrapped it up. Lots of work had been done by LDS youth and our volunteers earlier in October. Thank you to each and everyone.

**The Resurrection Garden:** We are aware of illicit activity being conducted in our Resurrection Garden at all hours. Please help us minimize the activity by contacting non-emergency police if you see anything while visiting the garden at: 815-966-2900. Police officers have said that increased foot traffic will deter unwanted activity as well, so please feel free to continue to visit your loved ones. The Vestry is working on other avenues to continue to make this space meaningful.

**Our Church's Anniversary:** In honor of Emmanuel's 175th Anniversary, here's what we are doing for the rest of the year to keep celebrating our Anniversary through acts of Service!

***October*** - We are collecting winter hats and gloves for the students at Haskell STEAM Academy, our local grade school. We hope to get donations of 175 items, for children ages 5 to 11. A container of donations will be in the Narthex through the month of October.

***November*** - In conjunction with our annual Bears/Packers food drive, we want to collect 175 POUNDS of food for each team! So get to stockpiling for when we put the barrels out!

***December*** - 175 cards to those in need. We will ask parishioners to write heartfelt cards for us to give/send out to those who may need a warm thought. More details to come.

**Coffee Hour Hosting Needed:** We are in need of volunteers to host the coffee hour after the 10:30 service. Cooler weather makes us ready for warm drinks and yummy treats. Coffee hour is a wonderful time to gather after the service to share some fellowship. We would love to have you as a host to make this time of connection and reflection possible. For more information please contact Rosa Birnbaum at 815-218-8240.

**Grief Group:** meets next on November 4th at 7 p.m. Entry at parking lot entrance. All are invited to come.

**Let Jeremiah Development feed you after Grubby Saturday!** Saturday, November 9, 2024 after Grubby Saturday at the Second-First Church Dining room. \$10 per person. Pasta dinner. Contact Nitro at: 815-627-0004 to reserve tickets.

**Electronic Recycling Day and Grubby Saturday at Emmanuel Episcopal Church Saturday, November 9th from 9 a.m. – noon.**

If your closets and drawers are cluttered with old electronic equipment, this is your chance to clean house!

Emmanuel is sponsoring an Electronics Recycling Day on Saturday, November 9th from 9 a.m. to noon. Items such as old computers, printers, cell phones, stereos, cd and tape players, TVs, etc., may be dropped off in the church parking lot that morning.

All equipment will be scrubbed of data before reselling or gifting. Donators will be charged \$10 for old tube computer monitors and \$20 for tube TVs. All other items will be accepted for free. Let's hope we can keep at least 175 electronic goods out of our landfills.

This event will coincide with our fall Grubby Saturday church grounds cleanup.

**Sports Sunday will take place on November 10th with a tailgate party after the 10:30 service.** All parishioners are encouraged to wear their favorite sports attire and bring their favorite snack or tailgate food. Drinks provided. The barrels will be out November 1st for the Bear-Packer food raiser challenge. Deadline for donating food will be Sunday, November 17th, the date of the Packer-Bear football game.

**Book Club:** Join us on **Tuesday, November 12th at 1pm** in the Janet James Room. November's choice is "The Earth Moved" by Amy Stewart. In *The Earth Moved*, Amy Stewart takes us on a journey through the underground world and introduces us to one of its most amazing denizens. The earthworm may be small, spineless, and blind, but its impact on the ecosystem is profound. It ploughs the soil, fights plant diseases, cleans up pollution, and turns ordinary dirt into fertile land. Who knew?

**December's book is:** "Tom Lake" by Ann Patchett

**January's book is:** "The Women" by Kristin Hannah

**Calling all crafters!** We are making scarves for the Jubilee members again this year. Please consider making an extra to donate to a member. Donations should be completed by November 22nd. Please contact Greg Cox with any questions at: [gcox@aghllaw.com](mailto:gcox@aghllaw.com)

**Date for the Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols is:** Sunday, December 8th, at 4 p.m.

**Nametags:** If you would like a nametag made, please contact the church office via email at [churchoffice@emmanuelrockford.org](mailto:churchoffice@emmanuelrockford.org) or via phone at 815-964-5514.

**Church Directory update:** If you have changed your address or phone number, please reach out to the church office via phone: 815-964-5514 or email: [churchoffice@emmanuelrockford.org](mailto:churchoffice@emmanuelrockford.org). We would like to print an updated directory before the holiday season. Please submit any changes to the office by November 12th.

**Early Voting at Emmanuel:**

Today from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Monday thru Friday, October 28th - November 1st from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 2nd from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 3rd from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Monday, November 4th from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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## Assisting in the Liturgy

8:00 a.m.      Server: Tyler Hillman  
                    Lector: Valerie Sanders

10:30 a.m.    Crucifer/MC: Stacey LaRosa  
                    1st Reading: Dennis Horton  
                    2nd Reading: Jody Nerhood Edwards  
                    Prayers of the People: Theresa Sinks  
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