



**Emmanuel Newsletter**  
**Sunday, November 8, 2020**  
 Dear Friends,

Something happened last Sunday that we should pay attention to. We all wanted to sing our favorite All Saints Day Hymns. And so -- at coffee hour, we did! Of all the things we miss about church in these restricted times, I believe it is the hymns. Last Saturday, we were treated by the wonderful musical leadership of Andrew Castiglione, our parish organist and choir director who has a piano in his apartment. Thank you, Andy!

This week we will sing again during our coffee hour when the liturgy is concluded at our informal unrecorded coffee-less coffee hour. If you are interested, all you need is to **stay with us on Saturday, November 7 at 5 p.m. (See page 2 for this Saturday's hymn titles and numbers).**

In the Gospel for November 8<sup>th</sup> once again Jesus tells another parable of the Kingdom of Heaven. Ten virgins come with the bridegroom to the wedding feast but five of them do not have enough oil in their lamps and are shut out. Then, in Paul's letter to the Thessalonians we read Paul's explanation to first century followers for why so many are dying if eternal life is promised.

In the Amos passage we read the famous words, "let justice roll down like an everflowing stream". Words we recall preached and immortalized by Martin Luther King, Jr.'s speech at the Lincoln Memorial in 1963. These lessons encourage and inspire us to work for justice and to work for it now. We are called to prepare for God's kingdom to come on earth as it is in heaven. To wait for another day is to risk arriving at the heavenly banquet without enough oil to shine our light. We are indeed called to "let justice roll down."

There is much more to be said and we will get the chance to do that on Saturday!

God Bless you, The Rev. Joyce Caggiano



**NOTE: LIVE ZOOM SERVICE IS AT 5:00 PM this Saturday, November 7, 2020.**

Zoom Service Link:  
<https://zoom.us/j/99400964483?pwd=UzRSYlIGVkxmZVlVcG1LRGpRdHA1Zz09>

Meeting ID: 994 0096 4483  
 Passcode: 404123

**After 7:00 pm on Saturday, view the TAPED service anytime via our YouTube site:**

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEQm5KH2wGB\\_XbZ8h9jldhA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEQm5KH2wGB_XbZ8h9jldhA)

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**UPDATE ON FOOD PANTRY DRIVE**



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### Hymns for the Saturday, November 7, Virtual Coffee Hour

(Virtual Coffee Hour follows our live Saturday, Zoom service and is not recorded –so only those attending will hear how terrific your voices really are!)



#436 "Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates"

#68 " Rejoice, rejoice believers"

# 61 "Sleepers, wake! A voice astounds us"

"My Lord, What a morning"

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The Episcopal diocese of Massachusetts Annual convention takes place from 9:00 am -4:00 this Saturday, November 7.

The meeting is virtual and will also be live streamed for those who wish to observe. For more information, go to <https://www.diomass.org/news/reflections/word-bishops-about-diocesan-convention>

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And, finally, a joke Rev. Joyce wanted to share:

Dear Lord,  
Please don't let Brussel Sprouts  
be a part of the cure of Covid-19 Virus.



Donations are flowing in for Rose's Bounty Food Pantry and our goal of reaching \$500. We are awfully close and now, if we can, we would like to surpass our goal.

Contribute by sending a check, in any amount, made-out to Emmanuel Church and indicate that it is for the food pantry. Mail your check to the church at 21 Stratford Street, West Roxbury, MA 02132. Or just leave it in the church mailbox.

Thank you to those who have donated so far.

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