

HOLY EUCHARIST

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

August 13, 2023 10:00 A.M.

Emmanuel Church 21 Stratford Street | West Roxbury, MA 02132 www.emmanuelwr.org

PRELUDE

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING RITE

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant	Blessed be God: most holy glorious, and undivided Trinity.
People	And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn

O God, our help in ages past

H82 #680

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant	May God be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

Grant 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 FIRST READING

1 Kings 19:9-18

A Reading from the First Book of Kings.

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but theLORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

Reader	The Word of the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

Benedixisti, Domine

Psalm 85:8-13

- 8 I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, * for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.
- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, * that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have met together; * righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, * and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- 12 The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, * and our land will yield its increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him, * and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 10:5-15

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans.

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart"

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Reader	The Word of the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Please stand as you are able. H82 #653

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22-33

Priest	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People	Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Priest	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

THE 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.

The Rev. Jonathan Eden

Please stand as you are able.

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 Standing or Kneeling, the Leader and People pray responsively.

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

For all people in their daily life and work;

People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For Christ Church, Hyde Park, Iglesia de San Juan, Hyde Park, Church of the Holy Spirit, Mattapan, Church of the Advent, Medfield, and for all Sextons and Custodians. 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.

For 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, and Alan and Carol our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For all those who have asked for our prayers, especially Bud Cederholm, Felix, Mary, Catherine, Michael, Parker, Sergio, Martha, Anne H., Patricia, Barbara, Maureen, Rachael, Louise, Scott, Kathleen, Marilyn, Paul, Eddy, Christopher, Laura, and for the special needs and concerns of this congregation (*pause*);

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 (*pause*);

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 (pause);

The People may add their own petitions

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

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant	Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
	Silence
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 s

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 Christ be always with you.
People	And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN

Eternal Father, strong to save

Please stand as you are able. H82 #608

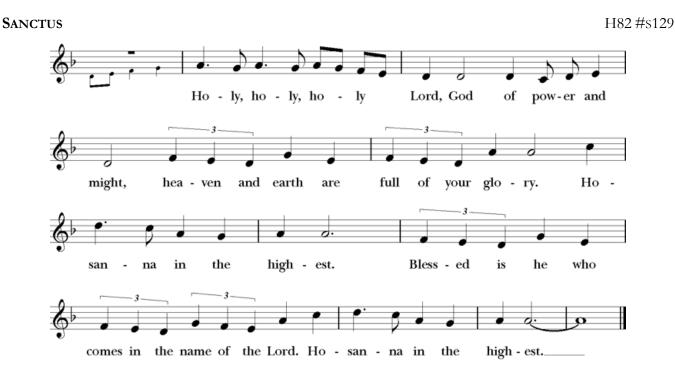
THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant	May God be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them up to God.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to our eternal God.
People	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant God who moves in light and love and life: From before time you have nurtured this creation as a loving parent cares for a beloved child. You fill it with beauty and, by its bounty, provide for its every need. In your good time you brought us forth from the world, created in your image. You made us stewards of this good earth and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. Then, as now, you spoke your love in many different languages, so that all might hear. You spoke to your people Israel and set them apart as a blessing to all people, and from them, again in your good time, you raised up a servant for us all, the eternal Word, Jesus, who would give his life for those he loved in hopes of bringing them new life.

And, singing with the whole company of heaven, we join those from every time and tongue and tribe who proclaim the glory of your name:



Jesus, the Blessed One, came and moved among us, healed, cured, and calmed, and challenged the authorities of this world to be faithful stewards of your people and messengers of your love. On the night he was taken captive by powers and principalities, Jesus spoke new words over bread and wine with his friends.

And so, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be, for your people, the Body and Blood of Christ; who, on the night before he died for us, took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to his friends, saying: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, Jesus 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 a new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Gathered here as the stewards of this table, and following your command,

People We remember His death, We proclaim His resurrection, We await His coming in glory.

Celebrant And we celebrate, O God, this memorial of Christ our Savior. With holy bread and cup, we show forth the sacrifice of Christ's death, and we proclaim His resurrection, until He comes in glory.

Gather us by this Holy Communion, and, as you have blessed these gifts to be the body and blood of Christ, bless us also to become Christ's Body in the world. Knit together in your love, and so made one in your eternal purpose, we offer and present to you, O God, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to become a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept.

Priest	Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People	Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.
Priest	The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion at Emmanuel Church.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

PeopleEternal God, by grace you accept us as living members of your Son Jesus Christ, and
feed us with spiritual food in this sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into
the world in peace to do your work of reconciliation as faithful witnesses of Christ
our Lord. To Him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit may all creation sing hymns of
thanks and praise. Amen.

BLESSING

Go forth into the world in peace, be of good courage. Hold fast to that which is good. Render to no one evil for evil. Strengthen the faint hearted. Support the weak. Help the afflicted. Honor all persons. Love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. And the blessing of God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us, be upon you, and remain with you always.

Hymn	In Christ there is no East or West	H82 #529

DISMISSAL

CelebrantLet us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE

WELCOME TO EMMANUEL CHURCH

We are glad that you joined us today and pray that you will know God's presence through our worship and in this community. Wherever you are in your journey with God or toward God you are welcome here. Indeed, you are invited and welcome here in our pews and in all the things we do together as a community each week. We would also love to be in better touch throughout the year. Please reach out to our Bridge Priest, the Rev. Jonathan Eden at <u>therev.jonteden@gmail.com</u> or <u>617.798.0700</u> for more information.

We meet every Sunday for worship at 10:00 A.M. and you can also learn more about who we are and what we do together through our Web and Social Media pages:









SERVING TODAY

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If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please be in touch with The Rev. Jonathan Eden.