



EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

7TH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
FEBRUARY 23, 2025 | 10:00 A.M.
MORNING PRAYER

HYMNALS WE USE: H82 (Blue); LEVAS (Black and Red); WLP (Green)

PRELUDE

OPENING SENTENCE

Please stand as you are able

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

Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

Isaiah 60:3

HYMN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

H82 #390

CONFESSION OF SIN

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept. Please sit or kneel.

All **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will.**

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Please stand as you are able

Officiant O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.

People **And your glory all the day long.**

All **Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

VENITE

Psalms 95:1-7

Officiant Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

All **Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to the Lord with psalms.**

For you are a great God, you are great above all gods.

In your hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are yours also.

The sea is yours, for you made it, and your hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For you are our God, and we are the people of your pasture and the sheep of your hand. Oh, that today we would hearken to your voice!

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

PSALM 37:1-12, 41-42

Noli aemulari

¹Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

²For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.

³Put your trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

⁴Take delight in the LORD, and he shall give you your heart's desire.

⁵ Commit your way to the LORD and put your trust in him, and he will bring it to pass.
⁶ He will make your righteousness as clear as the light and your just dealing as the noonday.
⁷ Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him.
⁸ Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
⁹ Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.
¹⁰ For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who wait upon the LORD shall possess the land.

¹¹ In a little while the wicked shall be no more; you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.
¹² But the lowly shall possess the land; they will delight in abundance of peace.
⁴¹ But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the LORD; he is their stronghold in time of trouble.
⁴² The LORD will help them and rescue them; he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because they seek refuge in him.

All **Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

THE LESSONS

Please be seated for the lessons, and stand as you are able for the canticles

THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 45:3-11,15

A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

³ Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. ⁴ Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵ And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶ For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷ God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸ So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹ Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. ¹⁰ You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹ I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’ ¹⁵ And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

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

CANTICLE J

A Song of Judith

Judith 16:13-16

Officiant I will sing a new song to my God, for you are great and glorious, wonderful in strength, invincible.

All **Let the whole creation serve you, for you spoke and all things came into being.**

You sent your breath and it formed them; no one is able to resist your voice.

Mountains and seas are stirred to their depths, rocks melt like wax at your presence.

But to those who fear you, you continue to show mercy.

No sacrifice, however fragrant, can please you, but whoever fears the Lord shall stand in your sight for ever.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:35-38,42-50

A Reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians.

³⁵ But someone will ask, “How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?” ³⁶ Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. ³⁷ And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. ³⁸ But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. ⁴² So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable.

⁴³ It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. ⁴⁴ It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. ⁴⁵ Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. ⁴⁶ But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. ⁴⁷ The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. ⁴⁸ As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. ⁴⁹ Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven. ⁵⁰ What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

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

CANTICLE K

A Song of Our Adoption

Ephesians 1:3-10

Officiant Blessed are you, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for you have blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.

All **Before the world was made, you chose us to be yours in Christ, that we should be holy and blameless before you.**

You destined us for adoption as your children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of your will,

To the praise of your glorious grace, that you have freely given us in the Beloved.

In you, we have redemption through the blood of Christ, the forgiveness of our sins,

According to the riches of your grace which you have lavished upon us.

You have made known to us, in all wisdom and insight, the mystery of your will,

According to your good pleasure which you set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time,

To gather together all things in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

THE THIRD LESSON

Luke 6:27-38

A Reading from the Gospel According to Luke.

²⁷ "But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸ bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹ If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰ Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹ Do to others as you would have them do to you. ³² "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³ If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴ If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵ But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶ Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

³⁷ "Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸ give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

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

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Please stand as you are able

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under

Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic
Church, the communion of saints, the

forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated

OFFERTORY HYMN

I come with joy to meet my Lord

Please stand as you are able

H82 #304

THE PRAYERS

Please remain standing

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

**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.**

SUFFRAGES B

all seated or kneeling

V. Help us, O God our Savior;

R. Deliver us and forgive us our sins.

V. Look upon your congregation;

R. Give to your people the blessing of peace.

V. Declare your glory among the nations;

R. And your wonders among all peoples.

V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned
away;

R. Never forget the lives of your poor.

V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know
you;

R. And your favor to those who are true of heart.

V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

**R. So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of
our life.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing; send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A PRAYER FOR MISSION

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Mary's Church, Barnstable; St. Peter's-on-the-Canal, Buzzards Bay; St. Paul's Church, Nantucket; and for all Wardens, Treasurers & Clerks For our city and neighborhood, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray together.

For those dear to us who have sought our prayers this morning, especially: Janet, Kafi, Chris, Alexis, Ken, Emerson, Kenneth, Lynnette, Christina, Carol, Julie, Stanley, Mary, Catherine, Michael, Parker, Sergio, Martha, Anne, Patricia, Maureen, Rachael, Louise, Scott, Kathleen, Paul, Eddy, Christopher, Julie Ann, Joan, Bob, and those we now name silently or aloud (*pause*).

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Please stand as you are able

All Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

All Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN

Go forth for God, go to the world in peace

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CONCLUDING SENTENCE

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Ephesians 3:20,21

POSTLUDE

WELCOME TO EMMANUEL CHURCH

We are glad that you have 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 in our pews and in all the things we do as a community each week. We would also love to be in better touch throughout the year. Please reach out to our Priest in Charge, the Rev. Jonathan Eden, at therev.jonteden@gmail.com or at 617.798.0770 for more information.

We meet every Sunday at 10:00 AM for worship. By scanning the first QR Code below, you can follow us on the web, check our e-news, and find out more about who we are and what we're doing.

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CALENDAR

Shrove Tuesday – *Mardi Gras* Celebration!

Tuesday, March 4, 6:00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday – Holy Eucharist and imposition of Ashes

Wednesday, March 5, 7:00 p.m.

Adult Education: "The Book of Common Prayer"

Sundays in Lent, 11:15 a.m.
(March 9, 16, 23 and April 6, 13)

To learn about more our offerings and news, please see our latest Newsletter,
on our website under "News & Events."

PARISH PRAYER LIST

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