



# EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 18, 2025 | 10:00 A.M.  
HOLY EUCHARIST

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

## PRELUDE

### THE WORD OF GOD

## OPENING RITE

*Please stand as you are able.*

*Celebrant*



Bless-ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit.

*People*



And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ev-er. A-men.

## ENTRANCE HYMN

O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height

H82 #432

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

*All* 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.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* May God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING

Acts 11:1-18

*A Reading from the Book of Acts.*

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.'

But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 148

*Laudate Dominum*

1 Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights.  
2 Praise him, all you angels of his; praise him, all his host.  
3 Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars.  
4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens.  
5 Let them praise the Name of the Lord; for he commanded, and they were created.  
6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; he gave them a law which shall not pass away.  
7 Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea-monsters and all deeps;

8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing his will;  
9 Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars;  
10 Wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and winged birds;  
11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world;  
12 Young men and maidens, old and young together.  
13 Let them praise the Name of the Lord, for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.  
14 He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

### THE SECOND READING

Revelation 21:1-6

*A Reading from the Book of Revelation.*

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.  
He will dwell with them as their God;  
they will be his peoples,  
and God himself will be with them;  
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.  
Death will be no more;  
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,  
for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**SEQUENCE HYMN**

When Christ was lifted from the earth

*Please stand as you are able.*  
H82 #603

**THE GOSPEL**

John 13:31-35

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**THE SERMON**

The Rev. Jonathan Eden

**THE NICENE CREED**

*Please stand as you are able.*

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

*Standing or Kneeling, the Leader and People pray responsively*

*Intervenor* Let us pray together saying, "God ever faithful, God ever merciful, God of your people, hear our prayer."

*People* **God ever faithful, God ever merciful, God of your people, hear our prayer.**

For Sean and Julia, our Bishops, and for all those who lead and guide the Church of Christ; for loving care, we pray to you, O Lord:

**God ever faithful, hear our prayer.**

For faithful witness, fellowship in love; for living hope, we pray to you, O Lord:

**God ever merciful, hear our prayer.**

For those who guide the nations of the earth; that wisdom reign, we pray to you, O Lord:

**God ever redeeming, hear our prayer.**

For those who seek and serve the common good; that justice reign, we pray to you, O Lord:

**God ever present, hear our prayer.**

For neighbors' needs, for shelter from the storm; for homes of peace, we pray to you, O Lord:

**God ever nurturing, hear our prayer.**

For those in sorrow, anguish, despair and for those who are sick, especially Jim, Catherine P., Janet, Carla, 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 for those we now name silently or aloud (*pause*); that they may find hope, we pray to you, O Lord:

**God ever comforting, hear our prayer.**

For the oppressed, for those who live in fear; that they may be freed; that we might live in peace from day to day; that wars will cease, we pray to you, O Lord:

**God who seeks justice, hear our prayer.**

For all who have died, especially those we now name silently or aloud (*pause*). That they may gather one day, at a table we hope to share; we pray to you, O Lord:

**God who is eternal, hear our prayer.**

For St. John's Chapel, Groton School; St. Michael's Church, Holliston; St. Paul's Church, Hopkinton; St. Luke's Church, Hudson; and all congregational chapters of the Episcopal Church Women. That we may stay faithful and open to your Word. For all the dreams held deep within our hearts and for all our needs. Entrusting all that we are into your hands, we call your name, and pray to you, O Lord:

**God of your people, hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant* God ever faithful, God ever merciful, God of your people, hear the prayers we bring before you, strengthen us to share in the saving work of Jesus, and bring us and all you have created into the fullness of life that your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ has promised, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The Peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## OFFERTORY HYMN

I want to walk as a child of the light

*Please stand as you are able.*

H82 #490

# 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:

## SANCTUS

H82 #S129

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.\_\_\_\_\_

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

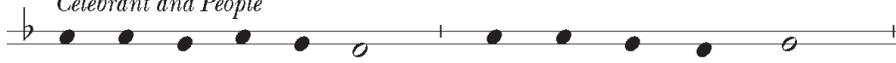
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*Celebrant*

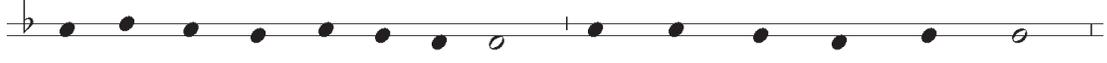


As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

*Celebrant and People*



Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,



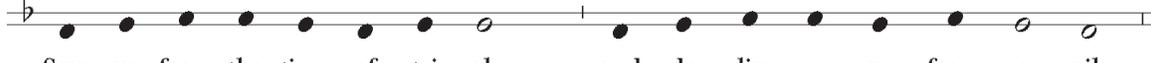
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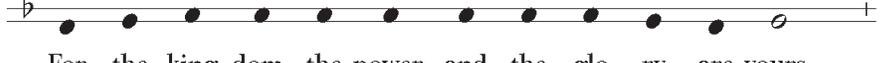
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.



For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.



Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.



For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,



now and for ev - er. A - men.

## 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.

*People*

Eternal 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.

### **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

Christ for the world we sing

H82 #537

### **DISMISSAL**

*Celebrant* Go in peace, to proclaim God's Word made flesh. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### **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](mailto:therev.jonteden@gmail.com) or at 617.798.0770 for more information.

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## CALENDAR

**Neponset River Deanery Assembly**

Wednesday, May 21, 7:00 p.m.  
St. Michael's, Milton

**Pentecost Sunday**

Sunday, June 8, 10:00 a.m.

On Pentecost, we read from the Book of Acts in many languages. If you are able to read a basic text in a language other than English, your participation would be most welcome! This does not require fluency, as everyone will be reading in different languages at the same time, creating a cacophony. Please tell Anne Jackson ([GrammarLady@verizon.net](mailto:GrammarLady@verizon.net)) that you'd like to read.

Pentecost is also one of the Sundays set aside for baptism. If you, or someone you love, is considering baptism, please let Fr. Jon know before June 1.

**Trinity Sunday – All Parish Potluck Picnic**

Sunday, June 15, 10:00 a.m.

More details to follow soon!

To learn more about 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.