



EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 25, 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.

On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalm 118:24

HYMN

O God of every nation

H82 #607

CONFESSION OF SIN

Officiant: Kneeling as you are able, let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence may be kept.

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.**

CHRIST OUR PASSOVER

1 Cor. 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Cor. 15:20-22

Officiant Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast,

All **Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.**

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.

So also consider yourselves dead to sin, and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For since by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

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.**

1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, show us
the light of his countenance and come to us.

2 Let your ways be known upon earth, your saving
health among all nations.

3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the
peoples praise you.

4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you
judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.

5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the
peoples praise you.

6 The earth has brought forth her increase; may God,
our own God, give us his blessing.

7 May God give us his blessing, and may all the ends
of the earth stand in awe of 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. Alleluia.**

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON

Please be seated

Acts 16:9-15

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE A

Please stand as you are able

A Song of Wisdom
Wisdom 10:15-19, 20b-21

Officiant Wisdom freed from a nation of oppressors a
holy people and a blameless race.

All **She entered the soul of a servant of the
Lord, withstood dread rulers with wonders and
signs.**

**To the saints she gave the reward of their labors,
and led them by a marvelous way;**

**She was their shelter by day and a blaze of stars by
night.**

**She brought them across the Red Sea, she led them
through mighty waters;**

**But their enemies she swallowed in the waves and
spewed them out from the depths of the abyss.**

**And then, Lord, the righteous sang hymns to your
Name, and praised with one voice your
protecting hand;**

**For Wisdom opened the mouths of the mute, and
gave speech to the tongues of a new-born people.**

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.**

THE SECOND LESSON*Please be seated*

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

A Reading from the Book of Revelation.

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE M*Please stand as you are able*A Song of Faith
1 Peter 1:3-4, 18-21

Officiant Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ, by divine mercy we have a new birth into
a living hope;

All **Through the resurrection of Jesus Christ
from the dead, we have an inheritance that is
imperishable in heaven.**

**The ransom that was paid to free us was not paid in
silver or gold,**

**But in the precious blood of Christ, the Lamb
without spot or stain.**

**God raised Jesus from the dead and gave him glory
so that we might have faith and hope in God.**

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.**

HYMN

God of mercy, God of grace

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THE THIRD LESSON*Please be seated*

John 5:1-9

A Reading from the Gospel According to John.

After Jesus healed the son of the official in Capernaum, there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids-- blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

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

HYMN

As those of old their first fruits brought

H82 #705

Please stand as you are able

THE PRAYERS

Officiant Hear our cry, O God.
People **And listen to our prayer.**
Officiant Let us pray.

THE 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.

SUFFRAGES B

Please kneel or be seated

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
R. **Govern and uphold them, now and always.**
V. Day by day we bless you;
R. **We praise your name for ever.**
V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;
R. **Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**
V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;
R. **For we put our trust in you.**
V. In you, Lord, is our hope;
R. **And we shall never hope in vain.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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. Anne's in-the-Fields Church, Lincoln; St. Paul's Church, Natick; Trinity Chapel, Shirley; St. Mark's Church, Southborough; and all Acolytes. 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 Rick, 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 either silently or aloud.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

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.

CONCLUDING SENTENCE

Please stand as you are able

Officiant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

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

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

HYMN

O Jesus, crowned with all renown

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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

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) 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.