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PRELUDE

OPENING SENTENCE

Please stand as you are able

Officiant May God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Behold, the dwelling of God is with mankind. He will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself will be with them, and be their God.
Revelation 21:3

HYMN

Brightest and best of the stars of the morning

H82 #117

CONFESSION OF SIN

Officiant: Kneeling as you are able, let us confess our sins to God.

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.**

VENITE

Psalm 95:1-7

Officiant God is the Rock of our salvation: O come let us worship.

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

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!

PSALM 84

Quam dilecta!

¹ How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! *
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the
LORD; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living
God.

² The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a
nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my
King and my God.

³ Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.

⁴ Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

⁵ Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a
place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of
water.

⁶ They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

⁷ LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; *
hearken, O God of Jacob.

⁸ Behold our defender, O God; *
and look upon the face of your Anointed.

⁹ For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in
my own room, *
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my
God than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.

¹⁰ For the LORD God is both sun and shield; *
he will give grace and glory;

¹¹ No good thing will the LORD withhold *
from those who walk with integrity.

¹² O LORD of hosts, *
happy are they who put their trust in you!

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

THE FIRST LESSON

Please be seated
Jeremiah 31:7-14

A Reading from the Prophet Jeremiah

For thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel." See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock." For the LORD has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the LORD.

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

CANTICLE C

The Song of Hannah

Please stand as you are able
1 Samuel 2:1-8

Officiant My heart exults in you, O God;
my triumph song is lifted in you.

All **My mouth derides my enemies,
for I rejoice in your salvation.**

There is none holy like you,
nor any rock to be compared to you, our God.
Do not heap up prideful words or speak in
arrogance;
Only God is knowing and weighs all actions.
The bows of the mighty are broken,
but the weak are clothed in strength.
Those once full now labor for bread,
those who hungered now are well fed.
The childless woman has borne sevenfold,
while the mother of many is forlorn.
God destroys and brings to life, casts down and
raises up;

gives wealth or takes it away, humbles and
dignifies.
God raises the poor from the dust;
and lifts the needy from the ash heap
To make them sit with the rulers
and inherit a place of honor.
For the pillars of the earth are God's
on which the whole earth is founded.

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

Please be seated
Ephesians 1:3-6,15-19a

THE SECOND LESSON

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able
1 John 4:7-11

CANTICLE N

A Song of God's Love

Officiant Beloved, let us love one another,
for love is of God.

All **Whoever does not love does not know God,
for God is Love.**

**In this the love of God was revealed among us,
that God sent his only Son into the world,
so that we might live through Jesus Christ.**

**In this is love, not that we loved God but that God
loved us and sent his Son that sins might be
forgiven.**

**Beloved, since God loved us so much,
we ought also to love one another.
For if we love one another, God abides in us,
and God's love will be perfected in us.**

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

Please be seated
Matthew 2:13-15,19-23

THE THIRD LESSON

A Reading from the Gospel According to Matthew.

Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the

death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son."

When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazorean."

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

In your mercy, Lord, you called me

Please stand as you are able
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THE PRAYERS

Please stand as you are able

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

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 God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of 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 Christ Church, Boston; Church of the Advent, Boston; and the CRECHE community. 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 Ed, Rick, Jim, Catherine, Carla, Chris, Alexis, Ken, Lynnette, Christina, Carol, Julie, Mary, Catherine, Michael, Parker, Sergio, Martha, Anne, Patricia, Kenneth, Maureen, Rachael, Louise, Scott, Kathleen, Paul, Eddy, Christopher, Julie Ann, Joan, and for those we now name either 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.**

CLOSING HYMN

The first Nowell the angel did say

H82 #109

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 QR Code or going to the web address below, you can find out more about who we are and what we're doing, follow us on social media, and check our e-news. You will also find ways to donate easily and quickly to Emmanuel. Your presence and support are very important to us, and crucial to making sure we are always here for you.



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CALENDAR

Epiphany Party and Service Tuesday, January 6, 7:00 p.m.
Annual Meeting Sunday, February 8, 11:30 a.m.
Shrove Tuesday – Mardi Gras Celebration Tuesday, February 17, 6:00 p.m.
Ash Wednesday – Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes Wednesday, February 18, 7:00 p.m.

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.