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PRELUDE

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING RITE

*Please stand as you are able.*

*Celebrant*

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en.

*People*

The Lord is risen indeed. Al - le - lu - ia.

ENTRANCE HYMN

Come, we that love the Lord

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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.

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.**

THE FIRST READING

Acts 17:22-31

*A Reading from the Book of Acts.*

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and

move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said,

'For we too are his offspring.'

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 66:7-18**

*Jubilare Deo*

- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; \*  
    make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in life, \*  
    and will not allow our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us; \*  
    you have tried us just as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into the snare; \*  
    you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads;  
    we went through fire and water; \*  
    but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.
- 12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings  
    and will pay you my vows, \*  
    which I promised with my lips  
    and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.
- 13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts  
    with the smoke of rams; \*  
    I will give you oxen and goats.
- 14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, \*  
    and I will tell you what he has done for me.
- 15 I called out to him with my mouth, \*  
    and his praise was on my tongue.
- 16 If I had found evil in my heart, \*  
    the Lord would not have heard me;
- 17 But in truth God has heard me; \*  
    he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- 18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, \*  
    nor withheld his love from me.

**THE SECOND READING**

1 Peter 3:13-22

*A Reading from the First Letter of Peter.*

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if

suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

*Please stand as you are able.*

## SEQUENCE HYMN

O Love of God, how strong and true

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## THE GOSPEL

John 14:15-21

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

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

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

*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, Julia, Ian, and Mary, 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 Robert, Logan, Bobbie, Joshua, Ed, Rick, Jim, Catherine, Carla, Chris, Alexis, Ken, Lynnette, Christina, Carol, Julie, Mary, Michael, Parker, Martha, Anne, Patricia, Kenneth, Maureen, Rachael, Louise, Scott, Kathleen, Paul, Eddy, Christopher, Julie Ann, Joan, 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 Church of the Good Shepherd, Acton; St. Andrew's Church, Ayer; Trinity Church, Concord; St. Andrew's Church, Framingham; and the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society. 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**

O Jesus, crowned with all renown

*Please stand as you are able.*

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# 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

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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

H82 #S148

*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,



your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.



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

At the Lamb's high feast we sing

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## 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.

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

**Neponset River Deanery Assembly** Wednesday, May 13, 7:00 p.m.  
Location TBA

**Pentecost** Sunday, May 24, 10:00 a.m.  
Multilingual Reading If you are able to read in a language other than English, please let us know, so you can join the cacophony!

**Bishop's Visitation and Parish Picnic** Sunday, June 21, 10:00  
Join us for Bishop Mary Glasspool's first visitation, followed by our annual Parish Picnic!  
More details to come.

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.