Emmanuel Episcopal Church



3rd Sunday After Pentecost

and the 2nd Sunday in PRIDE Month

June 14, 2026

We are glad that you are here today — to worship God, renew your spirit, deepen your faith, meet new friends, and find new ways to serve.

Children are very welcome in worship:
in the pews, in the chapel Prayground, or in the parish hall!

If you are a visitor or newcomer, we welcome you! We invite you to sign the guest register or scan the QR code at the back of the bulletin so we can let you know of upcoming services and events.

This service is live-streamed. Full-service bulletins are available on our website along with the weekly announcements: ***www.emmanuelepiscopal.org. Wi-Fi: Emmanuel Guest - Password: Behold961***

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

We respectfully recognize that we are on traditional, ancestral lands of the Kaskaskia, Kiikaapoi (Kickapoo), Myaamia, Očhéthi, Šakówin, O-ga-xpa Ma-zho^{n} (O-ga-xpa) and Osage Nations. We acknowledge our complicity in the process of colonization that removed these people from their ancestral lands and affirm our commitment to stand with Indigenous communities today as we all work toward racial justice, equity, and liberation for all people.

Prelude: Voluntary on “Winchester New” C. S. Lang

Opening Hymn: Before the Lord's eternal throne (vs. 1-4) Hymnal 391



Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.; para. of Psalm 100. Music: *Winchester New*, melody from *Musicalishes Hand-Buch*, 1690; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

The Word of God

Priest: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People: Glory to God forever and ever.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God, Creator,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of God, 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 God: 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 Almighty. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: God be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Let us pray

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons *The people are seated.*

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I

will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" The Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "Oh yes, you did laugh.

[The Lord dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah as he had promised. Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. Now Sarah said, "God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me." And she said, "Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."
(18:1-15, (21:1-7))

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 116:1, 10-17 Dilexi, quoniam BCP. p. 759

1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.

10 How shall I repay the Lord *
for all the good things he has done for me?

11 I will lift up the cup of salvation *
and call upon the Name of the Lord.

12 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *
in the presence of all his people.

13 Precious in the sight of the Lord *
is the death of his servants.

14 O Lord, I am your servant; *
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and call upon the Name of the Lord.

16 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *
in the presence of all his people,

17 In the courts of the Lord'S house, *
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

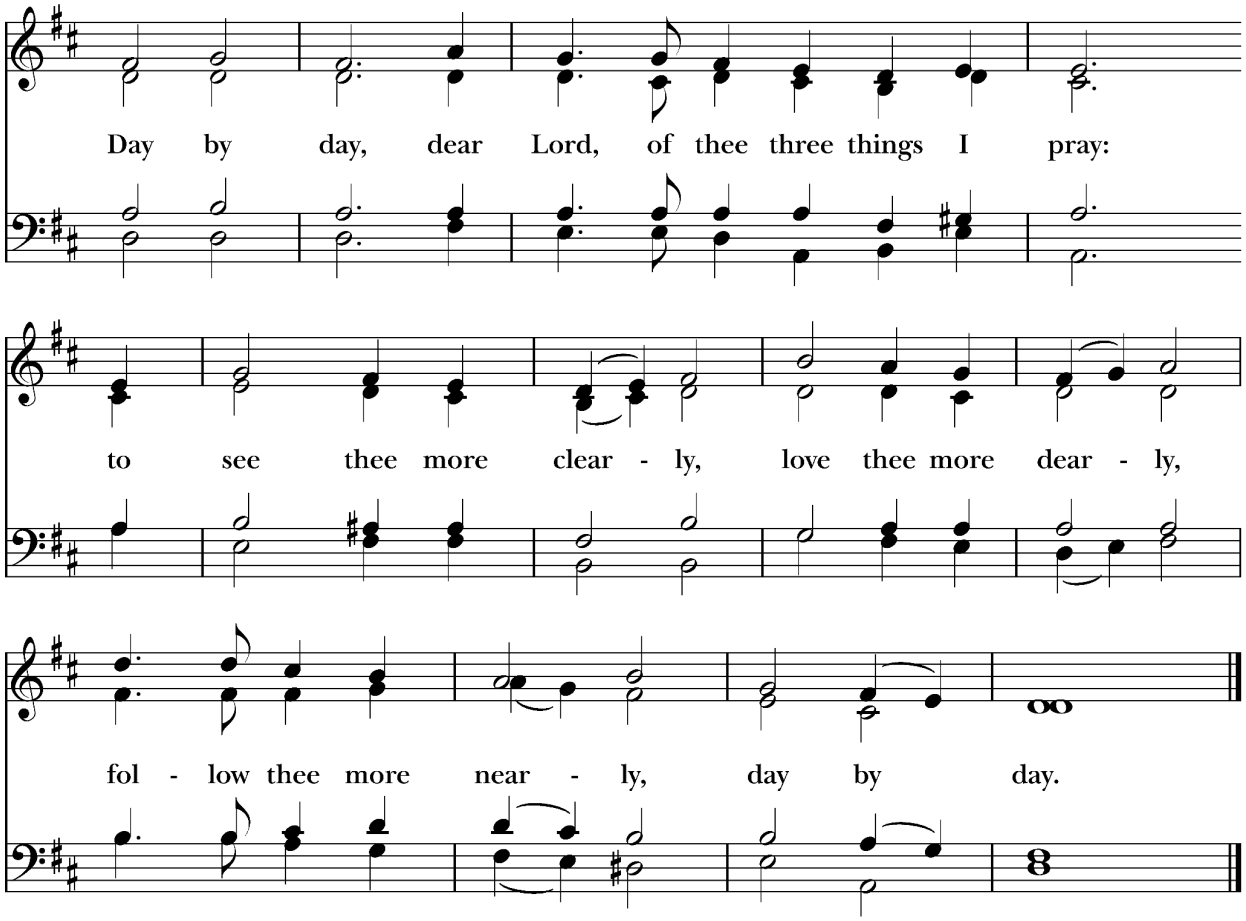
A reading from the letter to the Romans.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. (5:1-8)

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's church.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: Day by day Hymnal 654

Before the Gospel: Sing one time | After the Gospel: Sing one time again



Words: Att. Richard of Chichester (1197-1253). Music: *Sumner*, Arthur Henry Biggs (1906-1954). Copyright © The Church Pension Fund.

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. [Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

“See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”] (9:35-10:8(9-23))

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

A meditative moment of silence is kept after the sermon to allow time for the Holy Spirit to carry the Word deep into our hearts.

The Nicene Creed

The Nicene Creed: Adapted (Inclusive and Expansive Language) *All standing in body or spirit.*

We believe in one God, the Holy One, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the eternal Word of God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Creator; through whom all things were made. For us and for our salvation this Word came down from heaven: was incarnate from the Holy Spirit, born of Mary, and became truly human. For our sake Jesus was crucified under Pontius Pilate; suffered death and was buried. On the third day Christ rose again, in accordance with the Scriptures; ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Creator. Christ will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and God's reign will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Creator; who with the Creator and the Christ is worshiped and glorified; who 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

Leader: As God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, let us offer prayers for this broken world and for every person in need, praying, God of grace …
People: **Hear the prayers of your people.**

Leader: We pray for this holy gathering, that we may, following the example of Jesus, show compassion to the helpless; praying, God of grace …
People: **Hear the prayers of your people.**

Leader: We pray for the church throughout the world, that we may welcome all who appear to us as strangers:

- For Sean our Presiding Bishop, for Deon our Bishop, for Valori, Susanna, Jerre, Mandi, Paul, Warren, and Susie our clergy, and for all the holy people of God;
- In the Diocesan Cycle, we pray for the people and ministry of our Diocesan Campus Ministries and their chaplains; we pray for our Connections partner The Faith Christian Church of India;
- In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Sarah the Archbishop of Canterbury and The Church of the Province of South East Asia;
- In our companion Diocese of Puerto Rico, we pray for Sistema de Salud Episcopal San Lucas;
- In our parish family, we pray in thanksgiving for our Altar Guild and Eucharistic Visitors and for the outreach ministry of our Equity and Justice Pillar of Faith in Action;
- For those in our parish family celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week**;**
- For Anthony Romano, Gabriel Davis Reyes, and Russell Pey and their families as they prepare for their Baptisms;

We pray, God of grace …
People: **Hear the prayers of your people.**

Leader: For all nations and their leaders, especially the people of Ukraine, Sudan, Cuba, and the Middle East, that all may live in peace and justice; and for our nation, that we bring an end to division, mistrust, and violence; we pray, God of grace …
People: **Hear the prayers of your people.**

Leader: For the hungry, homeless, and the oppressed, for all immigrants and refugees, for those in detention, for those who live in fear of separation from their homes and families, and for all those who suffer from any illness of pain and their caregivers; we pray for the victims of last year's tornado in St. Louis who are still impacted by its destruction; we pray, God of grace …
People: **Hear the prayers of your people.**

Leader: We pray for our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need; in our parish family, we pray for … and for those we name either silently or aloud [pause]; we pray for all who struggle with the relentless demands of addiction, that God may strengthen them in their recovery; for those serving in the armed forces, we pray, God of grace …
People: **Hear the prayers of your people.**

Leader: During this PRIDE month, we pray for our LGBTQIA+ siblings, that they may find peace, comfort, and total inclusion in your Church which has so often been a source of pain and rejection; we pray, God of grace …
People: **Hear the prayers of your people.**

Leader: We pray for those who have died and have passed into eternal light, … , that they be welcomed to new and eternal life; we pray, God of grace …
People: **Hear the prayers of your people.**

The Celebrant adds a Concluding Collect.

The Confession

Deacon/Priest: Let us confess our sins to God.

People: **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. Amen.**

Priest: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **People: Amen.**



The Peace

La paz de Cristo sea siempre con ustedes.	***Y con tu espiritu.***
Christu shanti meetho ellapudu undunnugaka.	***Neetho kooda.***
The peace of Christ be always with you.	**And also with you.**

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings
Those with birthdays or anniversaries are invited to come forward for a blessing.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence *The 'Little Churches' offering today goes to local tornado relief.*

Offertory Anthem: Ave Maria J. S. Bach/Charles Gounod
Sara Thompson, cello & Paul Thompson, piano

The Doxology
The people stand in body or spirit.
The offerings are brought forward as the congregation sings the Doxology to the tune of Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures high and low
Praise God in Jesus fully known; Creator, Word, and Spirit One. Amen.

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord
People: **And of thine own have we given thee.**



The Holy Eucharist *The people stand in body or spirit.*

Celebrant: God be with you.
People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.

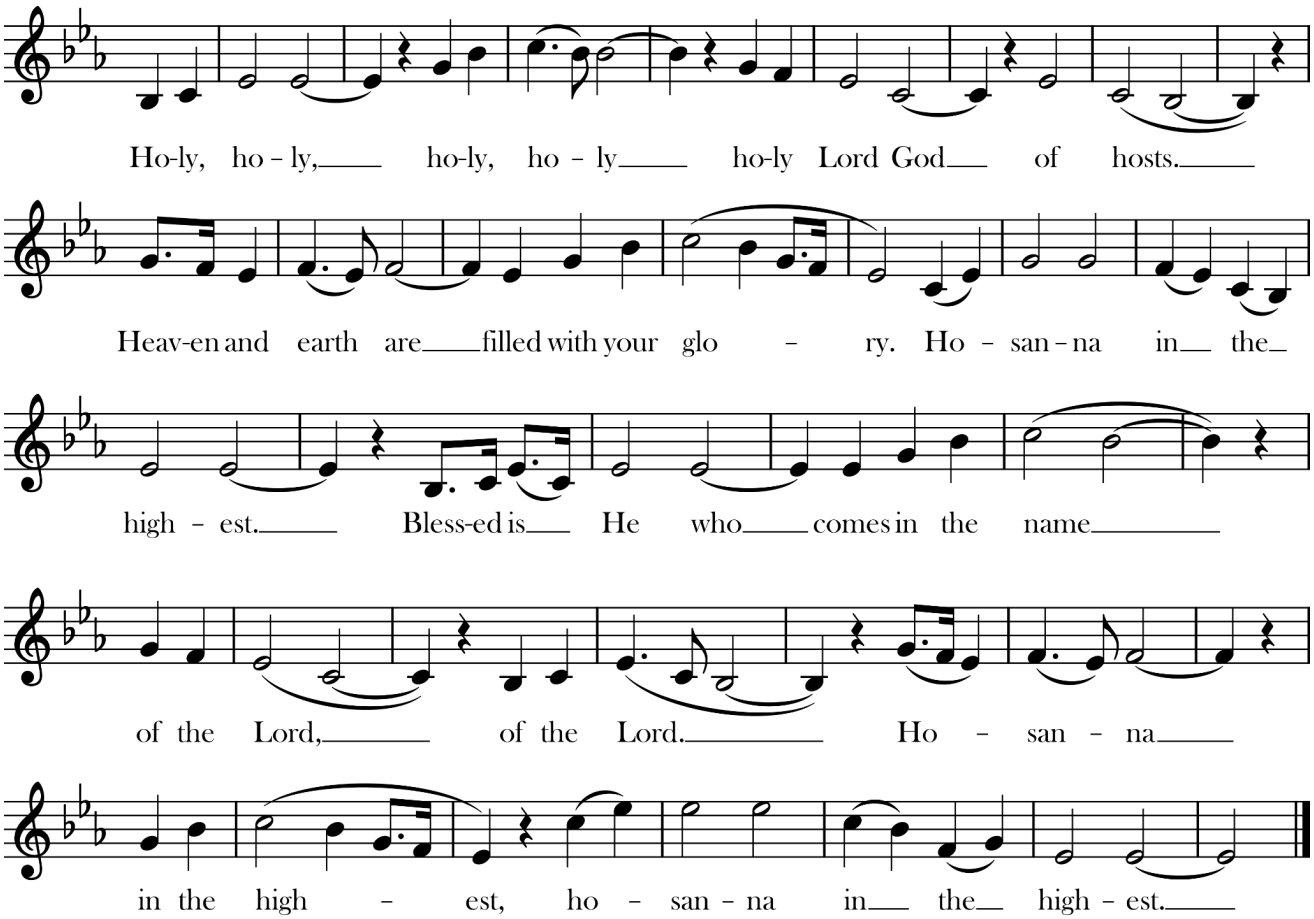
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Celebrant adds a Proper Preface here.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus Lift Every Voice and Sing 255



Music: Grayson Warren Brown (b. 1948), A Mass for a Soulful People.
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The Celebrant continues. The people may sit, stand, or kneel.

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, O God, Creator of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

+ Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. + Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

Celebrant: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say in the language of our hearts,

Our Father, who are 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.

Padre nuestro, que estas en el cielo
santificado sea tu Nombre,
venga tu reino,
hágase tu voluntad,
en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.
Perdona nuestras ofensas,
como también nosotros perdonamos
a los que nos ofenden.
No nos dejes caer en tentación
y líbranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino,
tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria,
ahora y por siempre. Amén.

The Breaking of the Bread *A period of silence is kept.*

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.
People: Therefore, let us keep the feast!

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

This is God's table, where all are welcome to receive communion. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a while or ever before; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed; Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here. ~ Adapted from the Iona Community invitation

About receiving Communion at Emmanuel:

The fullness of this sacrament is received by taking one or both kinds (bread and wine).

The ushers will guide you to Communion.

Bread: All of our communion bread is gluten-free, nut-free, soy-free, vegan, and dairy-free. The communion bread will be offered into your hands, not your mouth.

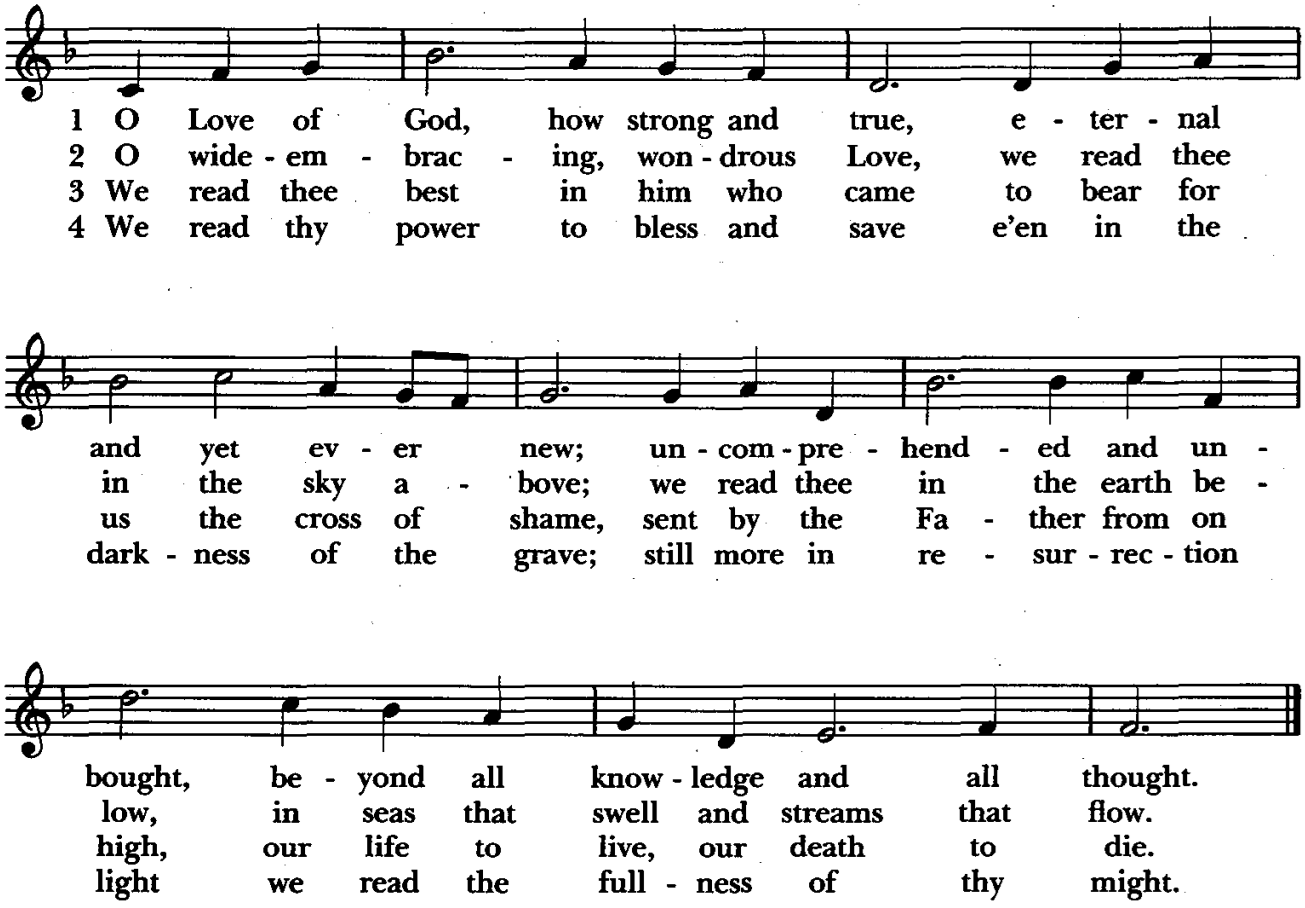
Wine: You may choose intinction (the clergy will dip the Communion bread into wine). Please do not reach into the cup of wine.

OR you may choose to drink from the common cup offered by the Eucharistic Minister.

Blessing: If you prefer not to receive the bread or wine, cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing.

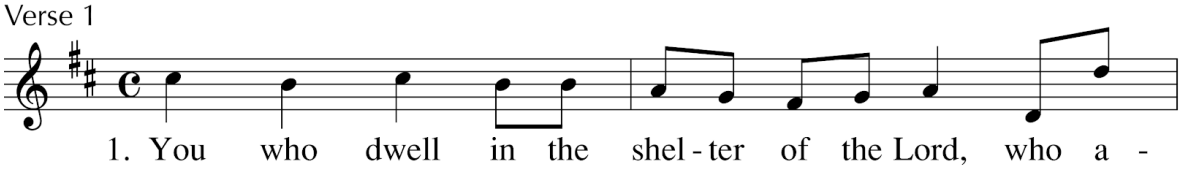


Communion Hymn: O Love of God, how strong and true Hymnal 455

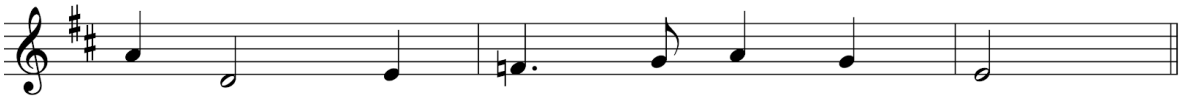


Words: Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)
Music: *Dunedin,* Vernon Griffiths (b. 1894)

Verse 1

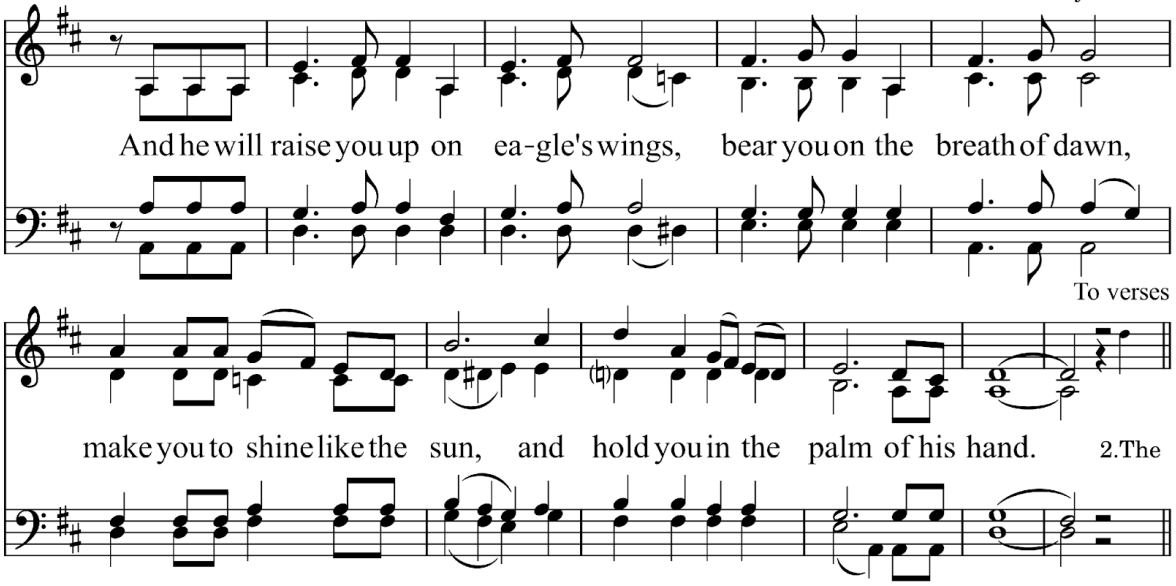






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Refrain SATB by J. Park



Verse 2









Text: Psalm 91; Michael Joncas, b.1951
Tune: Michael Joncas, b.1951
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The Commendation of the Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: **Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love… that we may serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: Lord, you give the great commission (vs. 1, 2 & 4) Wonder, Love & Praise 780





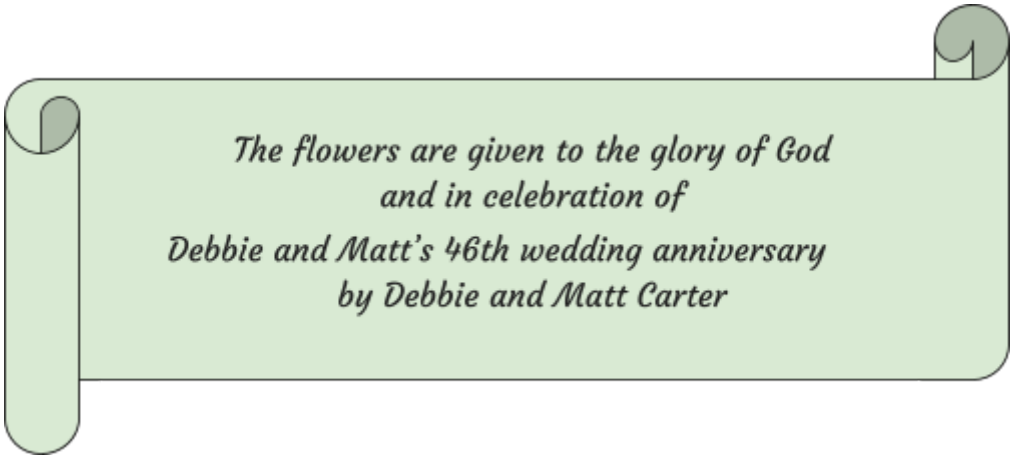
Words: Jeffery Rowthorn (b. 1934). Music: *Abbot's Leigh*, Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-1991).

The Dismissal

Deacon: Alleluia! Alleluia! Go into the broken places of this world to sow the compassion of Christ. Go into the hurting places of this world to share the healing of Christ. Go into the lonely places of this world to be the love of Christ. Go in peace. Go in hope. Go in love. Go with God!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude: Finale on “Abbot’s Leigh” arr. Austin Lovelace



A LOOK AT THE WEEK AHEAD AT EMMANUEL - from our online Calendar.

14 JUN, SUN	All day	Pentecost 3
	8 – 9am	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	9:30 – 10:30am	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	10:30 – 10:45am	Coffee & Biscuits
	3:30 – 5pm	Rehearsal for Pride Evensong (Sanctuary)
	5 – 8pm	PRIDE Evensong & Reception 9 S Bompart Ave Saint Louis, MO, ...
	6:30 – 7:30pm	12 Step Group (Closed Group)
15 JUN, MON	6:30 – 8pm	Vestry on Zoom
16 JUN, TUE	1 – 3pm	Racial Unity Training
17 JUN, WED	8 – 9am	Bible Study via Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87978802079
	4 – 5pm	Light to the Nations grocery pick-up
	7 – 8pm	12 Step Group (Closed Group)
18 JUN, THU	5 – 6pm	Nancy Moore Funeral
	6 – 7pm	12 Step Group (Closed Group)
19 JUN, FRI	All day	Office Closed - Juneteenth
	6 – 6:30pm	BLM Vigil
20 JUN, SAT	9 – 10am	Maafa and Racial History Tour
	10am – 3:30pm	Canon Doris Westfall Retirement Holy Eucharist and Open House
	5:30 – 7pm	12 Step Group (Closed Group)

Please check the online calendar for the most updated scheduled events. Thank you!

OUR DIVINE PURPOSE STATEMENT

WE BELIEVE that we are called to live in service to others following the example of Jesus Christ, our Savior, helping to heal a broken world and preserve God's creation. We believe God calls us to accept and celebrate everyone - LGBTQIA2S+, race/ethnicity, status, age, or ability - no exceptions.

WE WORSHIP in community, in-person and online. Grounded in the Book of Common Prayer, our prayer and music embraces diversity of spiritual life. All are invited to receive Holy Eucharist at God's table and to participate in worship. Children are a valued presence and contribute to worship.

WE SERVE all of God's people in partnership with our local, national, and international neighbors, learning from them and working with them toward true justice and equitable access to God's abundance.



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