

*Sunday, November 11, 2018*  
*Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost*  
*Holy Communion*

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**November 11, 2018 • 7:45, 9:30, 11:00 AM Service**

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**WELCOME TO EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**INTRODUCTION**

*Widows are visible everywhere in today's readings. Jesus denounces those scribes who pray impressive prayers but devour widows' houses. He commends the poor widow who in his view gave far more than the major donors. Jesus doesn't see her simply as an object of compassion or charity. She, like the widow of Zarephath who shares her last bit of food with Elijah, does something of great importance.*

**PRELUDE**

***Chorale on 'O Savior Sweet, O Savior Kind'***

**J. S. Bach**

**(9:30)**

***All Things Bright and Beautiful***

**Alexander/arr. Denisen**

**Jan Gazdic and Denise Larson, duettists (lyrics, p. 7)**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*The assembly stands.*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
who calls us into an everlasting hope,  
who guides us to springs of the water of life,  
who enlightens us with the spirit of wisdom.

**Amen.**

One with the communion of saints in all times and places,  
let us confess our sin against God and one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination. The assembly may stand or kneel.*

O God, our merciful redeemer,  
**we confess the ways we live only for ourselves.**  
**We fail to see you in our neighbor's face.**  
**We turn our ears from voices that cry out.**  
**We pass by the hungry and the oppressed.**

**In your great mercy, forgive our sin  
and strengthen us for service to all in need;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God,  
Jesus Christ was given to die for you,  
and for † his sake,  
God forgives you all your sin.  
Blessed are you! Rejoice and be glad,  
beloved people of God.  
**Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG**

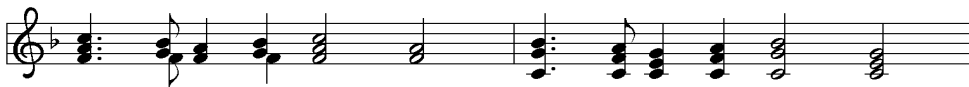
*All Are Welcome (Verses 1, 3, 5)*

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**GREETING**

From the one who is and who was and who is to come,  
and from Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead,  
grace and peace be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

## KYRIE



1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.  
 2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.  
 1, 3 Lord, . . . have mer - cy. Lord, . . . . have mer - cy.  
 2 Christ, . . . have mer - cy. Christ, . . . . have mer - cy.



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.  
 Chris - te e - le - i - son.  
 Lord, . . . have mer - cy.  
 Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE

## Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading



*Njo - o kwe - tu, Ro - ho mwe - ma, M - fa - ri - ji we - tu.*  
 1 Gra - cious Spir - it, heed our plead - ing, fash - ion us all a - new.  
 2 Come to teach us, come to nour - ish those who be - lieve in Christ.  
 3 Guide our think - ing and our speak - ing done in your ho - ly name.



*Tu - fu - ndi - she ya mbi - ngu - ni, tu - we wa - tu wa - pya.*  
 It's your lead - ing that we're need - ing, help us to fol - low you.  
 Bless the faith - ful, may they flour - ish, strength - ened by grace un - priced.  
 Mo - ti - vate all in their seek - ing, free - ing from guilt and shame.

### Refrain



*Njo - o, njo - o, njo - o, Ro - ho mwe - ma.*  
 Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.



*Njo - o, njo - o, njo - o, Ro - ho mwe - ma.*  
 Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

O God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

### **FIRST READING: 1 Kings 17:8–16**

**(Please turn to page 359 in the Old Testament of your pew Bible).**

*This chapter begins the story of Elijah. God sends a drought on Israel because of the sins of King Ahab. This passage depicts God's saving acts not only on behalf of Elijah, but also on behalf of those who are associated with the prophet, even a foreigner, the widow of Zarephath.*

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **SECOND READING: Hebrews 9:24–28**

**(Please turn to page 240 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).**

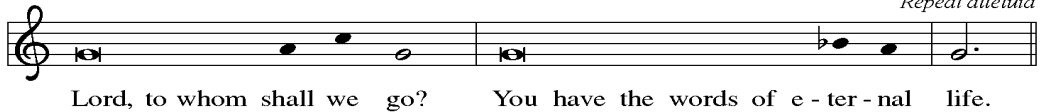
*The letter to the Hebrews describes Christ as a high priest who offers himself as a sacrifice for our sin. Christ does not die again and again each year. He died once, is alive with God, and will reveal himself on the last day.*

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The assembly stands.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



### GOSPEL: Mark 12:38-44

(Please turn to page 50 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).

The holy gospel according to Mark, the twelfth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*After engaging in a series of public arguments with religious leaders in the temple, Jesus contrasts the proud and oppressive ways of those leaders with the sacrificial humility and poverty of the widow.*

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The assembly is seated.*

**SERMON**

**Pastor Steven Wigdahl**

*The assembly stands.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

***Take My Life, That I May Be***

**ELW 583**

### THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
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,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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.

\*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

### *Congregational refrain: Hear Our Prayer*



Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:  
peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.  
God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

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We bring to you, Christ, members and friends of Emmanuel who need your healing touch.

*(Names from our congregation...)*

*Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior. **Amen.***

**Congregational refrain: Hear Our Prayer**

**PEACE**

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.*

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

*The assembly is seated.*

**OFFERING**

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.*

*During this time, the table is set.*

**OFFERTORY**

**(7:45, 11:00)**

***All Things Bright and Beautiful*      Alexander/arr. Denisen  
Jan Gazdic and Denisen Larson, duettists**

*All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, All things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all. Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings, He made their glowing colors, He made their tiny wings.*

*The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun, the ripe fruits in the garden, He made them every one: He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell: How great is God Almighty, who has made all things well.*

**(9:30)**

***With a Voice of Singing*  
Emmanuel Choir**

**Martin Shaw**

*With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia! Utter it even unto the ends of the earth. The Lord hath delivered His people! O be joyful in God, all ye lands. O sing praises to the honor of His name, make His praise to be glorious. With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!*

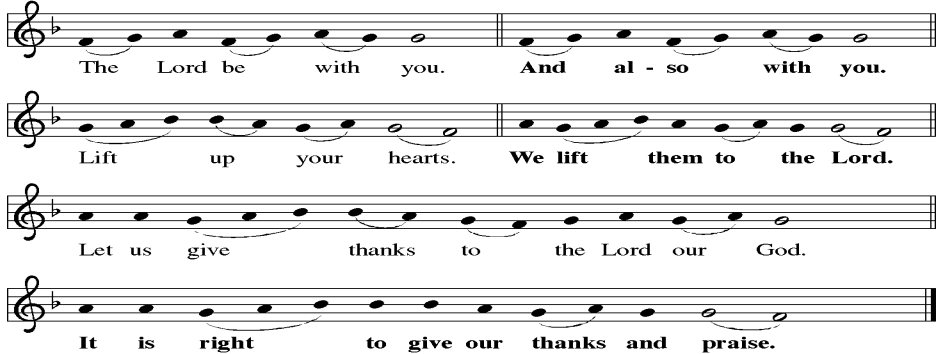
*The assembly stands.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.  
Creator God,  
you made everything, and you provide for every need.  
The bread we break and the wine we pour come from you.  
As we eat and drink with thanksgiving,  
fill us with your love;  
let that love flow through us to others;  
and join us to the saints before us  
in a holy and boundless communion;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

### DIALOGUE



The Lord be with you. **And** al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. **We lift** them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

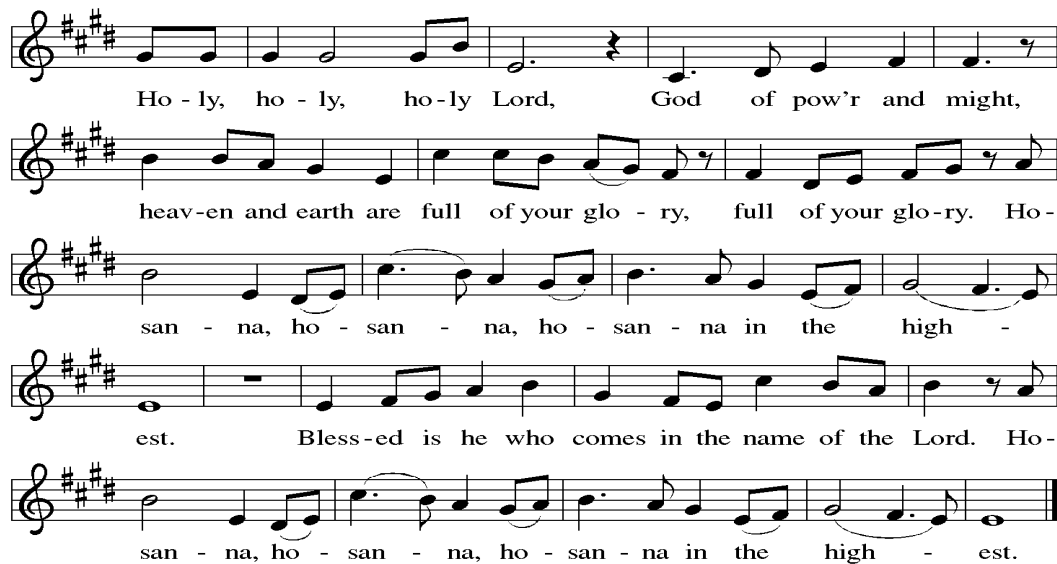
**It is right** to give our thanks and praise.

### PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ;  
who on this day overcame death and the grave,  
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.  
And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



## HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,  
we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again. Amen.**

## 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,  
forever and ever. Amen.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Hunger no more. Thirst no more.  
Come to the banquet of life.

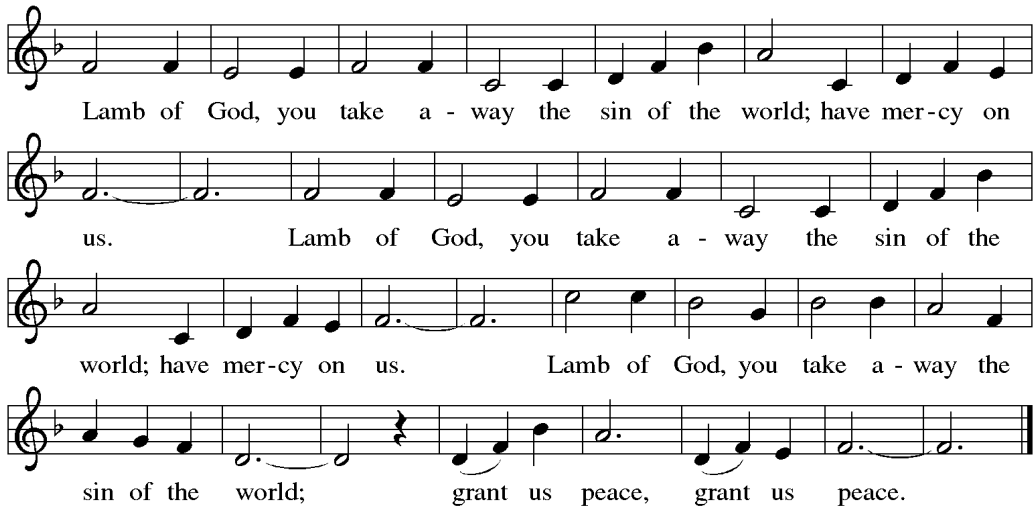
## COMMUNION

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*  
The body of Christ, given for you.  
The blood of Christ, shed for you.  
*and each person may respond*  
Amen.

*Invited to the Lord's Table are all baptized Christians who celebrate with us the Real Presence of Christ in the Sacrament. The Communion is administered by "intinction," that is, the bread is handed to the communicant and the communicant dips the bread into the wine. **If you are not able to take the wine, simply take the bread.** Children are invited to come forward for a blessing. If you desire Communion, but are not able to come forward, please let an usher know. We'll bring it to you. If you do not wish to partake of the Sacrament, simply remain seated when your row is directed to come forward. Gluten-free wafers are available. Simply ask a server.*



## COMMUNION SONG

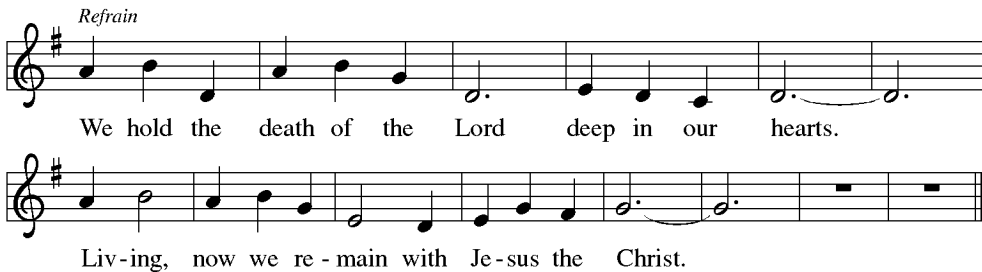


Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION MUSIC

### ***Now We Remain***

*(The cantor will sing the verses; the Assembly will join on the refrain):*



*Refrain*  
We hold the death of the Lord deep in our hearts.  
Liv-ing, now we re - main with Je-sus the Christ.

- 1 *Once we were people afraid, lost in the night.  
Then by your cross we were saved;  
dead became living, life from your giving. **Refrain***
- 2 *Something that we have known, something we've touched,  
what we have seen with our eyes,  
this we have heard: life-giving Word. **Refrain***
- 3 *He chose to give of himself, became our bread;  
broken, that we might live;  
love beyond love, pain for our pain. **Refrain***

4 *We are the presence of God; this is our call;  
now to become bread and wine,  
food for the hungry, life for the weary;  
for to live with the Lord, we must die with the Lord. Refrain*

**COMMUNION MUSIC**      *Blessed Assurance  
We Give Thee but Thine Own  
Bread of Life from Heaven*

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ELW 474**

*The assembly stands.*

**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.  
Sovereign God,  
in this meal you give us a foretaste  
of the great feast to come.  
Keep us faithful to you,  
that we, with all your saints,  
may at length celebrate  
the marriage feast of the Lamb,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**BLESSING**

The love of God surround you;  
the grace of ✠ Christ release you;  
and the Holy Spirit be your guide and strength,  
now and forevermore.  
**Amen.**

**SENDING SONG:**                      *For the Fruit of All Creation*

**ELW 679**

## DISMISSAL

Led on by the saints before us,  
go in peace to serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Toccata on 'God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending'*

Hughes

### 7:45 Service

Greeters: *Chuck & Joan Spangler*

Assisting Minister: *Clayton Blomseth*

Lector: *Jill Weber*

Acolyte: *Jim Klink*

Ushers: *Marilyn Thomack, Marcia Piiipponen, Keith & Beth McCullen*

Altar Guild: *Joyce O'Neill*

Hospitality: *Kerstin Beitzel & Jan Donnell*

### 9:30 Service

Greeters: *Dave & Kerstin Beitzel*

Assisting Minister: *Sally Johnson*

Lector: *Marianne Zarek*

Acolyte: *Will Kittinger*

Ushers: *Janet Haughn, Bruce & Cheryl Carlson, Mike Conrad*

Altar Guild: *Bruce & Cheryl Carlson*

Hospitality: *Kerstin Beitzel & Jan Donnell*

### 11:00 Service

Greeters: *Bruce & Kay Philp*

Assisting Minister: *Rick Boe*

Lector: *Kathy Worley*

Acolyte: *Maridee Boe*

Ushers: *Frank Loney, Karen Palmer, Liv Herman, Donna Rhode*

Altar Guild: *Nancy Omonte*

Hospitality: *Kerstin Beitzel & Jan Donnell*



Altar Flowers

*The flowers that beautify our altar today are given by Donna Rhode in loving memory of her husband, Edward Rhode (a WWII vet) and her grandson, James.*





## ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC



The Emmanuel Choir will be sharing the anthem *With a Voice of Singing* at the 9:30 Sanctuary service. They are accompanied by Bev Ranstrom, who is a wonderful addition to our group.

Jan Gazdic and Denise Larson, both members of the Emmanuel Choir, will sing *All Things Bright and Beautiful* at all Sanctuary services. This beautiful Anglican hymn was arranged for Jan and Denise by composer (and recently retired Choir Director) Doug Denisen.

We are so grateful for the musical talent we have here at Emmanuel!