THANKOFFERING SUNDAY



Women of the EvangeLical Church of America

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NOVEMBER 18, 2018



Sunday, November 18, 2018 Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion

November 18, 2018 • 7:45, 9:30, 11:00 AM Service

WELCOME TO EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

INTRODUCTION

November begins with All Saints Day and ends in Advent, where we transition into a season of waiting for Jesus Christ to come again. So this is really a season full of transitions. In Naples, we experience a transition from "out of season" to "in season'; liturgically, from "Sundays after Pentecost" to "Advent"; and in our text from 1 Samuel today, we experience a political and spiritual transition"-- from the rule of the Judges in Israel to that of the Kings. This transition was big! The book of 1 Samuel begins, therefore, with the story of Hannah and her son, the prophetic leader of this transition, Samuel. Hannah and Samuel are the key figures in this time of political and spiritual turmoil. Hannah provides an example of how to follow God in difficult times; thus, she also provides encouragement for us in our conversation around "Faith, Vocation, and Economics"—in difficult times.

PRELUDE

Fanfare on a Thanksgiving Theme (9:30, 11:00) Matt Sonneborn, trumpeter

Callahan

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The assembly stands. CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign 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:

Earth and All Stars!

ELW 731

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated. FIRST READING: Daniel 12:1–3 (Please turn to page 929 in the Old Testament of your pew Bible).

The book of Daniel is an example of apocalyptic literature, which is full of strange visions and symbolism. Arising during times of great persecution, apocalyptic literature is concerned with God's revelation about transitions, the end times, and the coming kingdom of God, when God will vindicate the righteous who have been persecuted.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: 1 Samuel 1: 25-2:12 (Please turn to page 272 in the Old Testament of your pew Bible).

This passage shows Hannah's transition by contrasting her sad song, lamenting her childlessness and vulnerability, with this glad song, praising God for the gift of her son. The source of Hannah's joy is found in the Lord throughout the poetic narrative. It is the Lord who has triumphed, and the Lord who brings about the reversal of bringing down the powerful and raising up the lowly. Hannah dedicates her son to God's service.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Mark 13:1–8 The holy gospel according to Mark, the thirteenth chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

In the last week of his life, Jesus warned his disciples concerning trials that were to come upon them and upon the world. He exhorts the listener: Do not be alarmed.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

The assembly stands.

HYMN OF THE DAY:

My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness, Lord

ELW 251

Verse 1 –this will be sung by a female voice, reflecting the songs of both Hannah and Mary. **Verses 2 & 3**—the Congregation will join the song.

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



Text and music: Paul Andress, b. 1956 Text and music © 2006 Augsburg Fortress.

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.

(9:30)

(7:45)	Aria	G. F. Handel

Let All the People Praise Thee

Emmanuel Choir

Natalie Sleeth Matt Sonneborn, trumpeter

Let all the people praise thee! Let all of the people praise thy name, O God, forevermore. Let all the nations bless thee! Let all of the nations bless thee now, O God, and bow before! Let every creature thee adore, and spread thy truth from shore to shore! Let all the people praise thee! Let all of the people praise thy name, O God, forevermore. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home. Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame, from everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same. Let all the people praise thee! Let all of the people praise thy name, O God, forevermore. Let all the nations bless thee! Let all of the nations bless thee now, O God, and bow before! Let every creature thee adore, and spread thy truth from shore to shore! Let all the people praise thee! Let all of the people praise thee! Let all of the people praise thee! Let all of the people praise the nations bless thee! Let all of the nations bless thee! Let all of the nations bless thee now, O God, and bow before! Let every creature thee adore, and spread thy truth from shore to shore! Let all the people praise thee! Let all of the people praise thee! Let all

(11:00)

Lied ("Lied" means "Song" in German)

Bozza Matt Sonneborn, trumpeter

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



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:



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. 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 the person serving Communion.

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

The presiding minister may address the assembly in these or similar words.

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

The assembly may be seated. The bread may be broken for the communion.

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.



COMMUNION SONG



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:

Here I Am, Lord

ELW 574

DISMISSAL

Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Verses from the "Te Deum"

Charpentier Matt Sonneborn, trumpeter

7:45 Service

Greeters: Marilyn Thomack, Eileen Swanson Assisting Minister: Jim Klinke Lector: Marilyn Thomack Acolyte: Ray Schrader Ushers: Rosy Myers, Marcia Piipponen, Keith & Beth McCullen Altar Guild: Joyce O'Neill Hospitality: Sandy Cole and America Marble

9:30 Service

Greeters: Marilyn Thomack, Lynn Reese Assisting Minister: Carolyn Heier Lector: Lynn Reese Acolyte: Sally Johnson Ushers: Janet Haughn, Bruce & Cheryl Carlson, Mike Conrad Altar Guild: Bruce & Cheryl Carlson Hospitality: Sandy Cole and America Marble

11:00 Service

Greeters: Ann Jones & Beth Supensky Assisting Minister: Kathy Worley Lector: Carol Hartman Acolyte: Jola Boe Ushers: Frank Loney, Tom & Karen Palmer, Donna Rhode Altar Guild: Nancy Omonte Hospitality: Sandy Cole and America Marble





The flowers that beautify our altar today are given by the Gronlund family. Wishing Glen a Happy Birthday!



ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC

Today Matt Sonneborn, principal trumpeter for the Naples Philharmonic, will be playing at the 9:30 and 11:00 services. Matt is the Race Director of the Thanksgiving Day Race, the "Gobble Gobble Four Miler" (also the husband and father of Kristen and Zach). Proceeds will go to St. Matthew's House in Collier County. Please use envelopes in the pews for cash and label them Gobble Gobble Race, or make checks payable to Emmanuel and indicate Gobble Gobble Race. For more information, go to the website,www.gobblegobblefourmiler.com.

The Emmanuel Choir will be singing Let All the People Praise Thee (at the 9:30 service) and will be accompanied by Matt Sonneborn on trumpet and Bev Ranstrom on piano.

Many thanks to everyone who has shared their musical talents this morning!

Join the Choir!

We are currently looking for new Choir members. Please consider ioining us! You can talk to a Choir member or contact Joyce, joyce@naplesemmanuel.org



VOICES OF NAPLES presents its annual Sing-Along Messiah TODAY AT 3pm -- at United Church of Christ (5200 Crayton Road) – Tickets are \$20 at the door; you can rent a score for \$1.00. Several of our Choir members will be singing in this wonderful event. Call 239-455-2582 or 239-434-8207, or visit www.voices of naples.org.

VOICES OF NAPLES 8th ANNUAL CONCERT ''Home for the Holidays''



Tuesday, December 4, 2018, 7:00 pm

Emmanuel Lutheran Church 777 Mooring Line Drive, Naples, Florida

> No ticket necessary Free-Will Offering

There are several of Emmanuel's own Choir Members singing in **Voices of Naples**.

Please come!