

Sunday, February 24, 2019
Seventh Sunday after Epiphany
Holy Communion

February 24, 2019 • 7:45 A.M., 9:30 A.M., 11:00 A.M. Services

WELCOME TO EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

INTRODUCTION

Mercy. Mercy. Mercy. Joseph lives it in Egypt. Jesus preaches it in the gospel. The Spirit guides us into merciful lives with the power of forgiveness to reconcile what is fractured and divided. Such merciful living is the baptismal blessing of having put on Christ. It is the gift of the life-giving Spirit. It is a reflection of the glory of God revealed in the Christ.

PRELUDE

Where'er You Walk
Martie Miller, flutist Joyce Finlay, pianist

G. F. Handel

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 creates us and forms us,
who redeems us and calls us,
who unites us and sends us.

Amen.

Gathered in God's presence, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection. The assembly may stand or kneel.

Mighty and loving God,
**we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.
We seek our own way.
We divide the body of Christ.
In your mercy, cleanse us and heal us.
Let the words of our mouths,
the thoughts of our hearts,
and everything that we do
be filled with faith, hope, and love.
Amen.**

Hear the voice of Jesus:
"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me
to proclaim release to the captives."
In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ,
I proclaim to you
that your sins are forgiven and you are released.
The joy of the Lord is your strength,
and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are yours forever.
Amen.

GATHERING SONG

O God beyond All Praising

ELW 880

GREETING

The boundless grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the wisdom of God,
and the light of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Genesis 45:3-11, 15

(Please turn to page 39 in the Old Testament of your pew Bible).

Many years after being sold into slavery by his jealous brothers, Joseph reveals himself to them. Now the second-in-command in Egypt, Joseph reassures his brothers that God has used their evil intentions for good, to preserve life during a devastating famine, and Joseph forgives them.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Luke 6: 27-38

(Please turn to page 56 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).

The holy gospel according to Luke the sixth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus continues to address a crowd of his disciples. He invites his followers to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even to enemies and outsiders. Living in harmony with God's intent brings the reward of overflowing blessing.

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

Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive

Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive (tune: *Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*)

- 1 "Forgive our sins as we forgive,"
you taught us, Lord, to pray;
but you alone can grant us grace
to live the words we say.
- 2 How can your pardon reach and bless
the unforgiving heart
that broods on wrongs and will not let
old bitterness depart?
- 3 In blazing light your cross reveals
the truth we dimly knew:
how trifling others' debts to us;
how great our debt to you!
- 4 Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls
and bid resentment cease;
then, by your mercy reconciled,
our lives will spread your peace.

Text: Rosamond E. Herklots, 1905-1987, alt. Text © Oxford University Press 1969

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

United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those 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.

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.

For the Beauty of the Earth

arr. John Rutter

(7:45) arr. Rice (9:30) Emmanuel Choir (11:00) Emmanuel Ensemble

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies. For the love which from our birth over and around us lies. Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For the beauty of the hour of the day and of the night. Hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light. Lord of all to thee we raise, this our joyful hymn of praise. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child. Friends on earth and friends above; for all gentle thoughts and mild. Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely given; graces human and divine. Flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n; Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

The assembly stands.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray

God of all creation,

all you have made is good,

and your love endures forever.

You bring forth bread from the earth

and fruit from the vine.

Nourish us with these gifts,

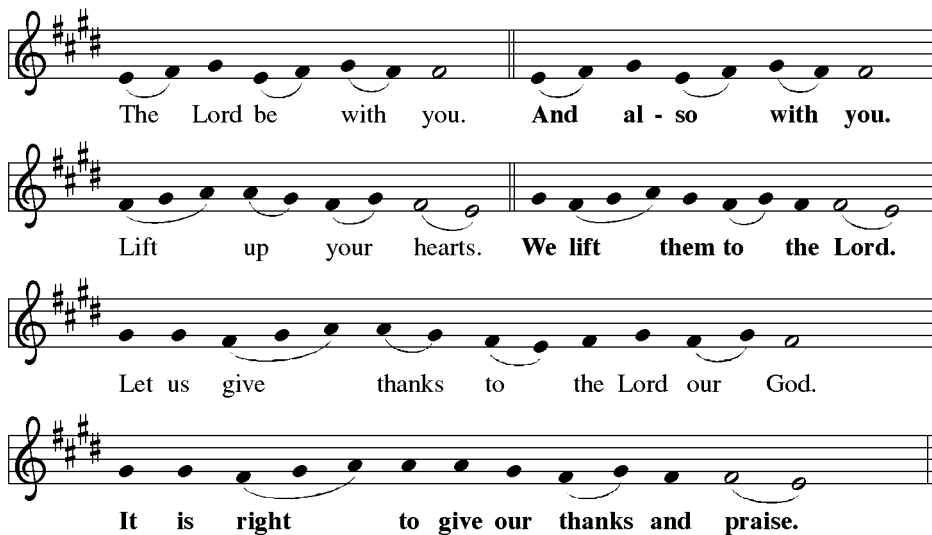
that we might be for the world

signs of your gracious presence

in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

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.

The image shows a musical score for a dialogue. It consists of four staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has two measures: 'The Lord be with you.' and 'And al - so with you.'. The second staff has two measures: 'Lift up your hearts.' and 'We lift them to the Lord.'. The third staff has one long measure: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.'. The fourth staff has one long measure: 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'. The notes are mostly quarter and eighth notes, with some slurs and ties.

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.
By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations;
In the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son,
And in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory.
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, HOLY, 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.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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.

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.**

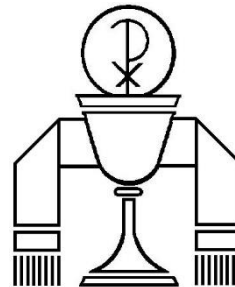
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table.
Feast on God's abundant life for you.

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. Wafers and bread will be available at 9:30 and 11:00. **If you are not able to take the wine, simply take the bread.** Children are invited to come forward for a blessing. Prayers are available by our Stephen Ministers at the altar at 9:30 and 11:00. 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 server.*



LAMB OF GOD

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

(9:30, 11:00)

Shine on Me

Smith/arr.Culpepper
Martie Miller, flutist

Come to the Table

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Bread of Life from Heaven

ELW 481

ELW 219

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

We thank you, O God,
that you have fed us at your banqueting table
with bread and wine beyond compare,
the very life of Christ for us.
Send your Spirit with us now,
that we may set the captive free,
use your gifts to build one another up,
and in everything reflect your glory
revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The God of glory dwell in you richly,
name you beloved,
and shine brightly on your path;
and the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always.
Amen.

SENDING SONG

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is your light.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC



The Emmanuel Choir will be singing *For the Beauty of the Earth*, arranged by English composer, John Rutter, at the 9:30 service (the Ensemble will sing at the 11:00 service). This beautiful melody and text pick up the language of Hebrews 13:15: "...let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God."

Flutist Martie Miller will be playing for the 9:30 and 11:00 services. Martie participates in the musical flute group Flute Cocktail, as well as the Naples Concert Band. She also teaches band at Marco Island Charter School. Martie is a member of Emmanuel, and we always appreciate her beautiful musical offerings.

Many thanks to the fine musicians we have sharing their gifts with us today!

7:45 Service

Greeters: *Jerry & Julie Kerr*

Assisting Minister: *Barry Borman*

Lector: *Joyce O'Neill*

Acolyte: *Jim Klinke*

Ushers: *Ray & Melissa Schrader, Gary & Marcia Piipponen*

Altar Guild: *Jean Dumouchel*

AV: *Alex Lyberg, Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Pat Day (camera), Jayden Wampler (helper)*

Hospitality: *Pat Goodyear, Pat Marlett, Jan Donnell*



*Today
in Worship*

9:30 Service

Greeters: *Warren & Karen Metzgar*

Assisting Minister: *Cheryl Carlson*

Lector: *David Cole*

Acolyte: *Ann Berlam*

Ushers: *Peter & Pat Shaulis, Hal & Barbara Linnerud*

Altar Guild: *Bruce & Cheryl Carlson*

AV: *Alex Lyberg, Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Pat Day (camera), Jayden Wampler (helper)*

Hospitality: *Pat Goodyear, Pat Marlett, Jan Donnell*

11:00 Service

Greeters: *Rick & Maridee Boe*

Assisting Minister: *Kathy Worley*

Lector: *Rick Boe*

Acolyte: *Jola Boe*

Ushers: *Frank Loney, Donna Rhode, Bruce & Kay Philp*

Altar Guild: *Diedre Milligan*

AV: *Alex Lyberg, Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Pat Day (camera), Jayden Wampler (helper)*

Hospitality: *Pat Goodyear, Pat Marlett, Jan Donnell*



*The flowers that beautify our altar today are given by
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