

Emmanuel Episcopal Church
Wakefield, Massachusetts

The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany



February 23, 2025

10:00 AM

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II WITH HOLY BAPTISM

*Emmanuel Episcopal Church is a diverse, inclusive, and welcoming community
dedicated to spiritual growth through worship and education for adults
and children.*

Welcome to Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Wakefield, MA
Belong, Be Loved, Flourish!

We are thrilled that you are here to worship with us today! Indeed, we welcome every person without exception in the name of Jesus Christ. You ***belong*** here and are an essential part of our family. We celebrate that you are ***beloved by God***. We strive to “love God and love our neighbor,” affirming that God created us for a relationship that leads to all creation ***flourishing***. We pray you are drawn to healing and joy by being here today.

If this is your first time with us or your first time back in a while, please fill out the visitor’s card in the pew or the Narthex (the entrance hall). We are a friendly family, so please introduce yourself to everyone, especially our rector, Reverend Brett.

A Note about Communion

The most important thing to know is that *you are welcome*. God invites you to be fed. All are welcome at the altar rail. Please let an usher know if you cannot come forward, and we will come to you.

The options for receiving wine include the chalice or intinction (dipping cup, a separate cup). In our tradition, we believe that taking communion in one kind – taking the bread – bestows the full benefit of the sacrament. Therefore, you may choose not to take the wine. If you would not like to receive, we encourage you to come forward, cross your arms across your chest, and allow the clergy to bless you. We offer consecrated gluten-free wafers and a non-alcohol alternative; simply let the clergy know.

Remember: this is God’s table and you are welcome to meet God here!

A Note about Children

We *love* all our children. Most Sundays, we have childcare for the littlest ones alongside our Kids’ Club in their special place off the Parish Hall. We encourage your children to gather with their peers there, guided by our team of leaders. Once a month, usually the first Sunday, our children join us in the sanctuary to lead us as ushers and readers and assist Rev. Brett at the altar during Communion.

All children are welcome in the sanctuary! We ask that their big people help to teach them that this is a sacred space for quiet play and quiet voices. This helps ensure we honor those who need to worship in quiet.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: #390 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation*

Descant

4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -
 1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly
 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -
 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -
 dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with
 a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his
 fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall
 dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound — from his
 health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,
 saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou
 ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.
 or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion,
 need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

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WELCOME

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever 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.

GLORIA #S278

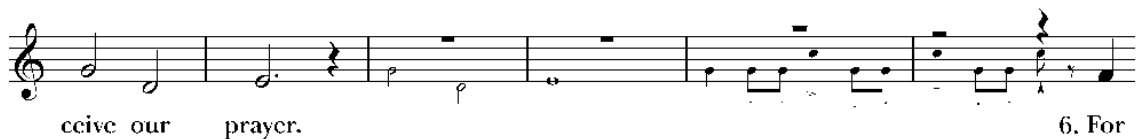
1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



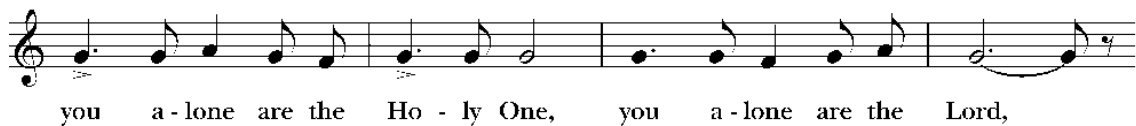
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



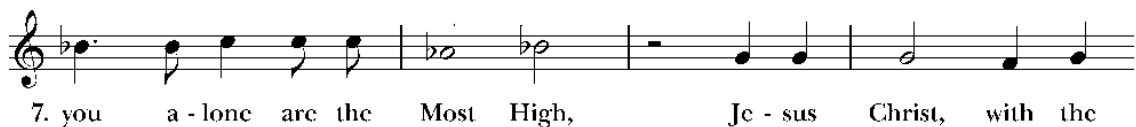
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the fa - ther: re -



ceive our prayer. 6. For




you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of



God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray together.

O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing; Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON: GENESIS 45:3-11, 15

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there--since there are five more years of famine to come--so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.'"

And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 37:1-12, 41-42

The Psalm will be sung by the congregation and choir.

**The congregation will sing the bolded verses,
changing notes at the italics.**



1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; *
do not be jealous of those who do *wrong*.

2 For they shall soon wither like the *grass*, *
and like the green grass fade *a-way*.

3 Put your trust in the Lord and do *good*; *
dwell in the land and feed on its *riches*.

4 Take delight in the *Lord*, *
and he shall give you your heart's *de-sire*.

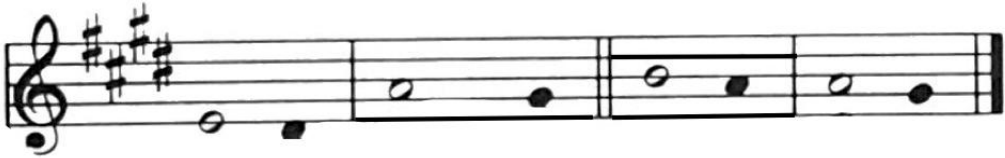
5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in *him*, *
and he will bring it to *pass*.

6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the *light* *
and your just dealing as the *noontday*.

7 Be still before the *Lord* *
and wait patiently for *him*.

8 Do not fret yourself over the one who *prosper*s, *
the one who succeeds in evil *schemes*.

9 Refrain from anger, leave rage *a-lone*; *
do not fret yourself; it leads only to *evil*.



10 For evildoers shall be cut *off*, *
but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the *land*.

11 In a little while the wicked shall be no *more*; *
you shall search out their place, but they will not be *there*.

12 But the lowly shall possess the *land*; *
they will delight in abundance of *peace*.

41 But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the *Lord*; *
he is their stronghold in time of *trouble*.

42 The Lord will help them *and* rescue them; *
he will rescue them from the wicked and *de-liver* them,
because they seek refuge in *him*.

SECOND LESSON: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:35-38, 42-50

Someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and

as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN vs. 1,2&4 O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

1. O Love that will not let me
 2. O Light that fol - l'west all my
 3. O Joy that seek - est me through
 4. O cross that lift - est up my

2
 go, I rest my wea - ry soul in
 way, I yield my flick - 'ring torch to
 pain, I can - not close my heart to
 head, I dare not ask to hide from

4
 Thee; I give Thee back the life I
 Thee; My heart re - stores its bor - rowed
 Thee; I trace the rain - bow through the
 thee; I lay in dust life's glo - ry

6

owe, That in Thine o - cean depths its
ray, That in Thy sun - shine's glow its
rain, And feel the prom - ise is not
dead, And from the ground there blos - soms

8

flow May rich - er, full - er be.
day May bright - er, fair - er be.
vain That morn shall tear - less be.
red, Life that shall end - less be.

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WORDS: George Matheson
MUSIC (ST. MARGARET 8.8.8.8.6.): Albert L. Peace

GOSPEL LESSON: LUKE 6:27-38

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke.

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

Jesus said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies,

do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON THE REV. BRETT R. JOHNSON

THE BAPTISM

The Presentation and Examination of the Candidate for Holy Baptism page 301

Celebrant: The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents: I present *Emma Snow Brett-McQuillin* to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant asks the parents and godparents:

Celebrant: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents and Godparents: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents and Godparents: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents and Godparents: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Parents and Godparents: I do.

Celebrant: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Parents and Godparents: I do.

Celebrant: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Parents and Godparents: I do.

Celebrant: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Emma in her life in Christ?

People: **We will.**

Celebrant: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

page 304

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: **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.**

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect, and restore, the beauty and integrity of all creation?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Prayers for the Candidate

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Celebrant: Let us now pray for Emma who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader: Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People: **Lord hear our prayer.**

Leader: Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People: **Lord hear our prayer.**

Leader: Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People: **Lord hear our prayer.**

Leader: Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People: **Lord hear our prayer.**

Leader: Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People: **Lord hear our prayer.**

Leader: Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People: **Lord hear our prayer.**

Leader: Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People: **Lord hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

All children are invited to gather at the font to assist with the baptism.

HYMN TO THE FONT #490 vs.1 & 2 *I want to walk as a child of the light*

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.
3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.

I want to fol - low Je - sus.
 I want to look at Je - sus.
 I want to be with Je - sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The
 Clear sun of right - eous - ness, shine on my path, and
 When we have run — with pa - tience the race, we

star of my life — is Je - sus.
 show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 shall know the joy — of Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The

night and the day are both alike. The

Lamb is the light of the city of God.

a tempo

Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

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THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was

anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Emma Snow Brett-McQuillin, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Emma, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

Emma, receive the Light of Christ, to show that you have passed from darkness to light. And let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain *Emma*, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

WE WELCOME THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

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Emma Snow Brett-McQuillin

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People:

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Welcome by applause as Emma and her family walk through the congregation.

THE PEACE

Christ is already here making peace among us.

The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The community shares a sign of peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

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Through Christ, let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15, 16*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *How shall I sing that majesty*

Naylor, arr. Hebert

*Which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
Sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around
Thy throne, O God most high;
Ten thousand times ten thousand sound
Thy praise; but who am I?*

Thy brightness unto them appears,
Whilst I Thy footsteps trace;
A sound of God comes to my ears,
But they behold Thy face.
They sing because Thou art their Sun;
Lord, send a beam on me;
For where heaven is but once begun
There alleluias be.

Enlighten with faith's light my heart,
Inflame it with love's fire;
Then shall I sing and bear a part
With that celestial choir.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,
With all my fire and light;
Yet when Thou dost accept their gold,
Lord, treasure up my mite.

How great a being, Lord, is Thine,
Which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line
to sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore,
A sun without a sphere;
Thy time is now and evermore,
Thy place is everywhere. Amen.

DOXOLOGY (all singing)

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***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.***

Celebrant: The Lord 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, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 (*from Lorain Service*)

Luca Cantone

Ho - ly, — ho - ly, — ho - ly, — Lord God of hosts, Hea - ven and

7
earth are full — of thy glo - ry; Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High.

14
Bles - sed is he that co - meth in the name of the Lord: Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

AGNUS DEI

Willis Bodine, 1958

O Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the

sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

O Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sins of the

world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of God, that

tak - est a - way the sins of the world, grant us Thy peace.

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

COMMUNION

All are invited to come forward to receive communion or a blessing.

Prayers for healing are also offered.

Choir members will receive communion first.

*Please stay seated until you are invited forward by the usher,
beginning from the back of the church.*

COMMUNION ANTHEM *Jesus is this dark world's light*

J.S. Bach

*Jesus is this dark world's light, Jesus is his Father's pleasure,
If his words do tell a right; So let him be all my treasure.*

*Sweet is Jesus' touch and sure, Setting all my love a burning,
Satisfying all my yearning For a peace that shall endure.*

*Jesu, rest and peace of mine, Jesu, Jesu, seek and find me.
With the cords of love divine To thy self, sweet Jesu, bind me.*

*Ever will I turn to thee, For thou only shalt possess me.
Though all hell's fierce powers oppress me, Thine for ever will I be.*

COMMUNION HYMN #593 *Lord, make us servants of your peace*

1 Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace: where there is
2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is
3 Je - sus, our Lord, may we not seek to be con -
4 May we not look for love's re - turn, but seek to
5 Dy - ing, we live, and are re - born through death's dark

1 hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we for -
 2 gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow
 3 soled, but to con - sole, nor look to un - der - stand - ing
 4 love un - self - ish - ly, for in our giv - ing we re -
 5 night to end - less day: Lord, make us ser - vants of your

1 give; where there is strife, may we make one.
 2 light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.
 3 hearts, but look for hearts to un - der - stand.
 4 ceive, and in for - giv - ing are for - given.
 5 peace, to wake at last in hea - ven's light.

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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, 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 and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN #610 *Lord, whose love through humble service*

1 Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man
 2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less; still the hun - gry cry for
 3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing
 4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we

need, who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, of - fered mer - cy's
 bread; still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we
 light, in its height and depth and great - ness, dawns up - on our
 go, to the child, the youth, the a - ged love in liv - ing

per - fect deed, we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship
 mourn our dead. As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion
 quick - ened sight, mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens
 deeds to show; hope and health, good will and com - fort,

not of voice a - lone, but heart, con - se - crat - ing
 healed the sick and freed the soul, use the love your
 your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring us to
 coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, that your ser - vants,

to your pur - pose ev - ery gift that you im - part.
 Spi - rit kin - dles still to save and make us whole.
 tire - less striv - ing, your a - bun - dant life to share.
 Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

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 Music: *Blaenhafren*, Welsh melody.

DISMISSAL

Priest: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

**Please join us after the service for a potluck loaves and fishes coffee hour
in the Parish Hall.**

This month's coffee hour recipient is the Wakefield Veterans Relief Fund.

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PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Celebrant:	The Rev. Brett R. Johnson
Organist & Music Director	Luca Cantone
Lector:	Audra Bartz
Litanist:	Elizabeth Downs
Eucharistic Minister:	Amy Walsh
Acolyte:	Tess Nash-MacIsaac
Altar Guild:	Jen Miles and Cynthia Peach
Usher:	Dawn Jackson
Streaming Coordinator:	Dave McSweeney
YouTube Editor:	Kim Collins
YouTube Scheduler:	Denise Mallen



*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory
of her dear friend and former Emmanuel parishioner, David Morrill,
by Mo Pollman and in loving memory of her mother, Thelma Sparks by Lisa Ventura.*

WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BE AN EPISCOPALIAN?

Are you interested in becoming a member of the Episcopal Church? Please see Rev. Brett, as the Inquirers class will begin on Sunday, March 2nd at 12 noon. Remember, all are not just welcome; all are *wanted and belong!* We hope to see you there!

*If you would like to give to the ministries
of Emmanuel Episcopal Church,
please use this QR code*



PARISH PRAYER LIST

We pray for healing for those on the parish prayer list, including: Allison, Phoebe Babb, Kristin Baird, Berry, Bruna, Heather Cameron, Cathie Cardelucci, Lydia Cedrone, Ann Daily, Dave, John DeNatale, Peggy Downs, Jonathan English, David Fieldhouse, Claudette Forss, Connor Gallagher, Kristen Goddard, Louise Haldeman, Lester Hartman, Karen Dodd Howard, Jeffrey, Pete Jeffrey, Jack Jephson, Jerry, Jordan, Debra Katt-Lloyd, John & Theresa Kelly, Kevin MacKenzie, Keith & Joanne Manville, Mark Martino, Melissa, Becky Miller, Sebastian Miller, Jim & Sara Murphy, T.A.N, Steve Newman, Jim O'Reilly, Emma Parese, Pat & Joe, Jane Pennacchia, Muriel Peters, Kirk Ronaldson, Cheryl Santarelli, Linda Shapiro, Carol Slaughter, Trudy, Mariann Ventura, Bill & Jan Walsh, Jane Wilkins and Kelly Wood.

WAKEFIELD FOOD PANTRY

The Wakefield Food Pantry most needed items for the month of February are: boxed pasta, canned beef stew and canned cannellini beans.

EXPLORING OUR HISTORY

We've found a treasure trove of old photographs here at Emmanuel but many of the photos have no notes to identify them. We need your help! Over the next several weeks, copies of the photos will be passed around during coffee hour. Please leaf through them at your leisure and if you recognize the time, place, event or people in any of the images, please make a note in the margin. Thank you!



Ash Wednesday Morning Service

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

7:30AM
5 MARCH 2025

A PRAYER BOOK SERVICE WITH
DISPENSATION OF ASHES

EMMANUEL WAKEFIELD
5 BRYANT STREET WAKEFIELD MA

LET TODAY BE THE DAY YOU
GIVE UP WHO YOU'VE BEEN FOR
WHO YOU CAN BECOME.

LEARN MORE ABOUT EMMANUEL

The poster features a background image of a sunset over water with a large, dark, hand-drawn cross in the sky. A QR code is located in the bottom left corner.



Ash Wednesday Evening
Service Of Remembrance

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

7:00PM
5 MARCH 2025

A QUIET SERVICE OF HEALING AND
REMEMBRANCE WITH DISPENSATION OF ASHES

EMMANUEL WAKEFIELD
5 BRYANT STREET WAKEFIELD MA

GOD OF ASHES, THROUGH OUR BLACKENED
FOREHEADS AND BROKEN HEARTS
PROCLAIM TO THE WORLD THAT WE ARE NOT
ALONE. MAKE US WITNESSES OF GRIEVING
WILL. OPEN OUR HANDS AND HEARTS TO
HOLD ONE ANOTHER'S BROKENNESS UNTIL
WE ARE READY TO TURN IT OVER TO
YOU, FOR HEALING AND NEW LIFE. AMEN.

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OPPORTUNITIES TO GATHER



- Saturday, March 8th** Lenten Quiet Day for Women at
9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Adelynrood Retreat Center, 46 Elm St., Byfield, MA
Led by Rev. Brett
Registration required: joanbigwood@gmail.
- Monday, March 10th** Lenten Book Study begins on Zoom
How We Learn To Be Brave by Bishop Budde
7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
Facilitated by Debra Plummer & Nicole Russo
Please purchase the book and let the office
know if you plan to attend: eecw@verizon.net
- Thursday, March 13th** Soul Supper “From Gifted to Giver” Part Two
6:00 p.m. Supper & 6:45 p.m. Session
Led by Dr. Brian Litzenberger
- Monday, March 17th** Grief Support Group begins.
4:00 p.m.- 5:30 p.m.
Led by Laurel Martino & Alison Shaw
You must register: laurelmartino@yahoo.com
- Saturday, March 29th** Lenten Quiet Day at Emmanuel
9:00 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.
Led by Steve Garnaas-Holmes
Please RSVP to: eecw@verizon.net

PARISH SCHEDULE
WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23, 2025

Sunday, February 23	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
	9:00 AM	Coffee Hour
	9:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	9:45 AM	Kids' Club
	9:45 AM	Nursery Care
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II with baptism of Emma Snow Brett-McQuillin
	11:00 AM	Loaves & Fishes Coffee Hour
Tuesday, February 25	12 Noon	Bread of Life Meeting
	6:00 PM	Lectionary Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Canterbury Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 26	10:00 PM	Brightview
	3:00 PM	Wardens Meeting
	6:00 PM	Evening Prayer
	7:00 PM	Mission and Outreach Meeting
Thursday, February 27	7:00 PM	Vestry Meeting
Saturday March 1	3:00 PM	Winter Bowling Party at Wakefield Bowladrome
Sunday, March 2	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
	9:00 AM	Coffee Hour
	9:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	9:45 AM	Kids' Club
	9:45 AM	Nursery Care
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	11:00 AM	Coffee Hour
	12:00 noon	Inquirers' Class

LENT-TO-EASTER DEVOTIONAL

Rev. Brett has pre-ordered several copies of *The Road to Joy: A Lent-to-Easter Devotional*. If any parishioner is interested in following this path with him, please see him for a copy.



OUR MISSION:

Emmanuel Episcopal Church is a diverse, inclusive, and welcoming community dedicated to spiritual growth through worship and education for adults and children.



OUR VISION:

Emmanuel embodies Christ's light in service to all. Here, through God's love and grace, all are accepted, purpose is found, and together we flourish.



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Organist and Music Director	Luca Cantone	332-209-8432
Co-Warden:	Kim Collins	339-224-8455
Co-Warden:	Beth Martin	781-308-3474

Please be advised that our services are live streamed on our YouTube channel. Your participation in the service serves as your consent to the broadcast of your image and voice and to the broadcast of the image and voice of your participating minor children.

Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that Emmanuel sits on the traditional land of the Alquonuian-speaking Pawtucket tribe. We are grateful to these caretakers of the land and waters: the elders who lived before, the Indigenous people today, and the generations to come. We are guests on this land and have used it and its people for our betterment, often at their expense. We commit to doing our part to become better stewards of this land, understanding the impact of present and past exploitation, and working toward a more just and equitable future.

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