

Emmanuel Episcopal Church



I Advent, 28 November 2021
The Holy Eucharist
Rite I at 8:00 am

Welcome to Emmanuel!
We are glad you've joined us today.

The Holy Eucharist (Rite I) at 8:00 a.m.

The Service begins on page 319 of the Book of Common Prayer.

THE BLESSING AND LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Reader: You, O lord are my lamp; my God, you make my darkness bright.

People: **You, O lord are my lamp; my God, you make my darkness bright.**

Reader: You have been my helper:

People: **My God, you make my darkness bright.**

Reader: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit

People: **You, O Lord, are my lamp; my God, you make my darkness bright.**

Reader: Let my prayer be set forth, O Lord.

People: **As incense in your sight.**

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

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The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.**

Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION, *kneeling*

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The Deacon or Celebrant then says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against thee

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved thee with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in thy will,

and walk in thy ways,

to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

**Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All are seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 25:1-9 *said together*

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.
All stand.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 13:24-37

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. *People:* **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Robert C. Lord

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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 *read by lay reader*

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Please respond to each petition with reverent silence.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop Gregory Brewer; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

THE PEACE

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Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

THE SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People **It is meet and right so to do.**

The Celebrant then says

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

The celebrant then says a Proper Preface and continues

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS,

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O lord Most High.
Blessed is he who cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Then is said

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP 1928 p. 82

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, and our souls washed through his most precious Blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Then the Celebrant says

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.

AT THE COMMUNION

All baptized Christians, including young children, are welcome to receive the Sacrament. If you are unable or do not wish to receive, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing; please indicate this by crossing your arms on your chest.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION: AN ACT OF RECEPTION

Many Christians across the world have used prayers like this one when unable to receive the Sacrament at celebrations of the Holy Eucharist. Please feel free to incorporate this prayer while we offer worship online in these extraordinary times.

In Union, dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of thy Church where thy blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer thee praise and thanksgiving. I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affection of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

Come Lord Jesus, dwell in thy servant in the fullness of thy strength, in the perfection of thy ways, and in the holiness of thy spirit, and rule over every hostile power in the might of thy Spirit, and to the glory of thy Father. Amen.

May the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my body and soul unto everlasting life. Amen.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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THE FINAL BLESSING

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THE DISMISSAL

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FOR VISITORS...

WE'RE HONORED BY YOUR VISIT! Whether you are just stopping by or searching for a new church home, we encourage all visitors to sign our guestbook or a visitor's card!

PARISH LIFE

Support Afternoons @ Emmanuel: There is a wish list of items needed for after school program in the narthex. Grab an item posted or keep it simple and donate a gift card from one of our often-used suppliers like Walmart, Costco, and Amazon.

BUD VASES NEEDED

The Flower Guild is in need of bud vases! These are used to take to folks in nursing homes, hospitals, and Eucharistic Visitations. If you have some lying around that you do not want, (and I know you do!) please bring them on Sunday or drop at the office during the week (Mon, Wed, Fri).

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Adult Sunday School - After the pandemic hiatus and a brief time via Zoom, Adult Sunday School is meeting in person, between services! We will meet at 9:00 am on Sundays and finish no later than 10:00. Those in choir are welcome to leave when they need to, and nobody will feel slighted! We will meet in the Parish Hall, which is bigger than the library, at least to start.

Our first study will be on the book of Ecclesiastes. We will use the book Ecclesiastes: A 12 Week Study by Justin S. Holcomb. Justin is our Diocesan Canon for Vocations - recruiting new clergy to our Diocese as well as a recipient of a \$1 million grant from Lilly Endowment Inc. to support leadership development. (He is not Canon Scott Holcombe, Canon to the Ordinary, who is currently helping with our rector search.) You may, of course, buy the book on your own, but if you would like, Lisa Mouton is willing to order them and hand them out on October 3. You can let her know by emailing her at lisa.d.mouton@gmail.com. No advance reading is necessary for the first meeting! Actually, you are welcome to pop in without advance preparation every week if you prefer! Hope to see you there!

OUTREACH

November/December Outreach: It is hard to believe the holidays are approaching so quickly! We will begin collecting for our large Salvation Army project now through December 19. We need lots and lots of new towels (standard sized) along with washcloths. We also need puff puffs, toothbrushes and toothpaste (regular size in a box please). For the kids, we need pillows (regular size), kids sized (rolled) blankets and fun kid friendly pillow cases. We continue to collect dry goods (especially holiday items such as hams, cake mixes, stuffing, cranberry sauce, etc.). If you don't want to shop, we will be delighted to accept your cash donations to support the supplies provided by the church for this project (baskets, sleeping bags, toiletries, etc.). Checks can be put in the alms or on Realm with Outreach noted. Any items purchased can be placed in the basket in the Narthex! Thank you for all that you do!!

NURSERY UPDATE

We are always evolving and I'm so happy to introduce Jesse Brown as new to our nursery team and afterschool program. He is looking forward to caring for our children as he pursues his education in the child care industry. Jesse joined Olivia in the Sunday rotation beginning August 8th. Olivia and Jesse will be alternating Sundays.

I would love to have volunteers for the nursery crew! Ideally, I would have four volunteers so that they can rotate through the Sundays. Please think of students needing community service hours! Anyone interested, please get in touch with Molly Carrera at kids@emmanuelepiscopal.net or Sue Grosso at admin@emmanuelepiscopal.net.

TRANSPORTATION NEEDED!

Are you willing to drive someone to church that needs a lift? During this time of isolation and COVID, getting to church is more important than ever! If you are willing to assist in this ministry to our parishioners, please contact Ginger Grimm gingergrimm@cfl.rr.com for details! Thank you!

THIS WEEK AT EMMANUEL

Sunday	11/28	I ADVENT	
	8:00am		Holy Eucharist Rite I (Church)
	10:15am		Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)
	11:30am		Make-up Choir Rehearsal in Sanctuary
Monday	11/29	3pm-6pm	Afternoons @ Emmanuel
Tuesday	11/30	3pm-6pm	Afternoons @ Emmanuel
Wednesday	12/01	2pm-6pm	Afternoons @ Emmanuel
Thursday	12/02	3pm-6pm	Afternoons @ Emmanuel
Friday	12/03	3pm-6pm	Afternoons @ Emmanuel
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**Learn about the Pipe Organ!
Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza!**

Free event for kids!

Saturday, January 22nd, 2022
9:30 am - 12:30 pm
St. Andrew's Conservatory Sanctuary
5525 Wayside Dr.
Sanford, FL 32771
407-556-5467

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Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday: Closed