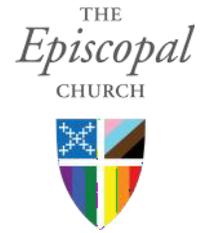




**Emmanuel**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
STAUNTON VA



**A SERVICE OF MORNING PRAYER**

**THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

**March 1, 2026**

**10:30am**

**bringing People&God together**  
SPIRITUAL • INCLUSIVE • ENGAGED • COMPASSIONATE

**WELCOME - BIENVENIDO**  
to Emmanuel Episcopal Church

Whether you're new here, visiting us for the first time,  
or the first time in a long time, **you are welcome here.**

**Please complete our Welcome Register  
by scanning this QR code**



**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

We remember and honor  
the Indigenous people of the world,  
especially the Monacan,  
whose land that we now occupy  
in this region which was once their home,  
and was taken from them.

We give thanks for them  
and express our gratitude  
for their witness to living  
in honorable and humble ways.

We remember  
that the Earth does not belong to us;  
rather, we belong to the Earth,  
and that we belong to one human family.

May we learn from our past mistakes  
and be instruments of justice and peace  
for all.

**THIS WEEK AT EMMANUEL**

**SUNDAY (March 1)**

9am Lectionary Discussion Group  
10:30am Morning Prayer  
12:00pm Rector Search Listening Session  
5:30pm Centering Prayer (online)

**MON**

8:45am Morning Prayer

**TUES**

8:45am Morning Prayer  
5:30pm Lectio Divina  
7pm AA Meeting

**WED**

8:45am Morning Prayer  
10-12 VPAS Café

**THU**

8:45am Morning Prayer  
5:30pm Centering Prayer (In Church)  
6:15pm Compline (New Meeting Time!)

**FRIDAY**

**Office Closed (every Friday)**  
7pm AA Meeting

**SAT**

10am AI-Anon

**Next SUNDAY (March 8)**

10:30am Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
5:30pm Centering Prayer (online)

**LEADERSHIP**

Vestry Members: Mitzi W, Skip B, Elijah D, Teresa H,  
Kethera M, Ginny W, Robert W, Dan L  
John K. (Treasurer)

**SERVING IN TODAY'S LITURGY**

Officiants	Matthew Poteat & Katherine Turner
Music	The Worship Band
Pianist	Trace Stokes
Welcomers	Larry and Barbara Damico
Intercessor	Pearl Estrada
Lectors	Sally Hurme
Altar Guild	Carter Hopkins & Hunter Hopkins
Audio/Video	Liz Benbow
Coffee 'n' Cookies	Rector Search Team

**SERVING NEXT WEEK (FEB 8)**

Officiant	The Rev. Paul Weber
Organist	Florence Jowers
Welcomers	Teresa Hester
Altar Server	Sam Starcher
LEAs	Sally Hurme
Intercessor	Jim Roepke
Lector	Jim Lott
Spanish Gospel Reader	
Altar Guild	Carter Hopkins & Hunter Hopkins
A/V & Livestream	Jeff and Lucy Gaines

## **A Service of Morning Prayer**

Adapted from the 1662 Anglican Book of Common Prayer, with readings from the King James Bible

### **PRELUDE**

The Ash Grove

### **WELCOME**

### **OPENING HYMN**

The God of Abram praise • **Hymnal 401**

Please be seated.

### **OPENING SENTENCES OF THE SCRIPTURE**

When the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. (*Ezekiel 18.27*)

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. (*Psalms 51.17*)

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us: but if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (*1 John 1.8-9*)

### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

**D**EARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

**A**LMIGHTY and most merciful Father, **We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done, And there is no health in us: But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders; Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults, Restore thou them that are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord: And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

### **ABSOLUTION**

**A**LMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live; and hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him, which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure, and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE COLLECT

**G**RANT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## ALL STAND

Officiant: O Lord, open thou our lips.

People: **And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.**

Officiant: O God, make speed to save us.

People: **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Officiant: Praise ye the Lord.

People: **The Lord's Name be praised.**

Please be seated.

## MUSIC

I lift up my eyes to the hills

Canon

1 lift up my eyes to the hills; from

2 where shall come my help? My help is in God who cre

4 at ed the earth and the heav - ens. I

(Last time)

## FIRST LESSON (Please sit)

*Here beginneth Chapter 12 of the Book of Genesis*

Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed. So Abram departed, as the Lord had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

**TE DEUM LAUDAMUS** (Please stand)

**We praise thee, O God: we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.  
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.  
To thee all Angels cry aloud, the heavens, and all the powers therein.  
To thee Cherubin and Seraphin continually do cry,  
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;  
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of thy glory.  
The glorious company of the Apostles: praise thee.  
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets: praise thee.  
The noble army of Martyrs: praise thee.  
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee;  
The Father of an infinite Majesty;  
Thine honourable, true and only Son;  
Also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.  
Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.  
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.  
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man, thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.  
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all  
believers.  
Thou sittest at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father.  
We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge.  
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.  
Make them to be numbered with thy Saints in glory everlasting.  
O Lord, save thy people and bless thine heritage.  
Govern them and lift them up for ever.  
Day by day we magnify thee;  
And we worship thy Name, ever world without end.  
Vouchsafe, O Lord to keep us this day without sin.  
O Lord, have mercy upon us have mercy upon us.  
O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us as our trust is in thee.  
O Lord, in thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.**

**THE SECOND LESSON** (Please sit)

*Here beginneth the fourth chapter of St Paul's first letter to the Romans*

What shall we say then that Abraham our father, as pertaining to the flesh, hath found? For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath whereof to glory; but not before God. For what saith the scripture? Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness. Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt. But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness.

For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. For if they which are of the law be heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect: Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, there is no transgression. Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all, (As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were.

Here endeth the Second Lesson

## **JUBILATE DEO** Psalm 100 (Please stand)

**O** BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God : it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting : and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

## **THE GOSPEL** (Please remain standing)

*Here beginneth the third chapter of the gospel of St. John*

There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit. Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be? Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things? Verily, verily, I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness. If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall ye believe, if I tell you of heavenly things? And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

*Here endeth the Gospel.*

## **THE SERMON**

## **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

Officiant and People together, all standing

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.**

Officiant: The Lord be with you.  
 People: **And with thy spirit.**  
 Officiant: Let us pray.  
 Lord, have mercy upon us.  
 People: **Christ, have mercy upon us.**  
 Lord, have mercy upon us.

**O**UR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Officiant: O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.  
 People: **And grant us thy salvation.**  
 Officiant: O Lord, save this nation.  
 People: **And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**  
 Officiant: Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.  
 People: **And make thy chosen people joyful.**  
 Officiant: O Lord, save thy people.  
 People: **And bless thine inheritance.**  
 Officiant: Give peace in our time, O Lord.  
 People: **Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.**  
 Officiant: O God, make clean our hearts within us.  
 People: **And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

**OFFERTORY HYMN**

Ubi Caritas

Ubi Caritas

Refrain

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,  
 Live in char - i - ty and stead - fast love,

u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.  
 live in char - i - ty; God will dwell with you.

Text: 1 Corinthians 13:2-8; Where charity and love are found, God is there; Taizé Community, 1978  
 Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994  
 © 1979, Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent

All we have and all we are is a gift from God. We all have a faithful offering to make. All gifts received today will be used to support Emmanuel's ministry, empower our service to the community, and help sustain our buildings. You may place your offering in the Offering Plate, or you can give via this QR code.



## THE FIRST COLLECT FOR TODAY *(the Second Sunday in Lent)*

**O** GOD, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE SECOND COLLECT, FOR PEACE.

**O** GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE THIRD COLLECT, FOR GRACE.

**O** LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Prayers of Intercession

### A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom.

**A**LMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling • **Hymnal 657**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

Permission to podcast/stream the music in this service obtained from ONE LICENSE, License #738412-A  
All rights reserved.

**FOR OUR PRAYERS:**

Blount & Baird	Betty	Mary
Wayne & Wendy	Jeff	Linda
Jim & Janet	Ruth	Diane
Nancy	Fabian	Neal
Lee	Paula	Carter
Webster	Bill C	Trace
Libby	Jeff J	Joseph C

**Departed:** All the recently departed

**ABOUT THESE PRAYERS**

The names included here are those for whom prayer has been requested by a church member or someone close to that person. In addition to this *Public Prayer List*, our prayer team prays on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month for those on the *Private Prayer List*. We invite you to add yourself or members of your immediate family/ friendship circle to either of the prayer lists by notifying the Church Office by email at [office@emmanuelstaunton.org](mailto:office@emmanuelstaunton.org).

Please let the office know if you or a family member/ friend is hospitalized and/or in need of a pastoral call or visit. We have no other way of knowing of such pastoral needs. Please never assume we just, somehow, know!

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayers:**

For the people of St. John's, Roanoke, their associate rectors, the Rev. Kelly Bayer Derrick and the Rev. Tray Light and their interim rector, the Rev. David Olson.

Our companion Anglican / Episcopal Dioceses of:

-Leeds (Church of England), and its Bishop, Nick+

-The Diocese of Haiti

**Celebrations**

**Birthdays:** Frank Strassler, Martin Krupinski, and Riikka Halme-Berneking

## Our Listening Session is Today!

The Rector Search Committee invites you to share your thoughts with us after the service this Sunday, March 1. Come to Fellowship Hall for refreshments and discussion of three questions posed by the Search Committee. We expect the session to last 60-75 minutes.

*Your input matters. Please join us!*

## NEW Additional Meeting Time for Compline



**COMPLINE**  
*Evening Prayer*

Join us for a short 15 minute Compline on Thursdays at 6:15pm in the Sanctuary. All are welcome!

## A Prison Ministry Invitation

**Cookies for Kairos Inside** are a special part of the ministry. Cookies are provided to the participating inmates throughout the weekend and are a popular reason to attend. Cookies are also provided to all the inmates as well as the prison staff. What a great way to get everyone on board! Most specially, each KI inmate is given a dozen cookies to give out to other inmates they want to forgive or receive forgiveness from. They are generally well used. I would like to invite you to help me bake cookies to help this ministry. I propose we get together on **Saturday March 7 at 1p** at the church. I will provide the materials so I just need folks to come help put it together and bake the cookies. Let me know if you can come so I can prepare for everyone. Looking forward to working with you! Laura Barnett [snlncnp@gmail.com](mailto:snlncnp@gmail.com) or 540-556-0191.





It's time to order

---

# *Easter Lilies*

---

*Easter lilies to adorn the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 5 may be purchased for \$15 each. These may be given in honor or in memory of someone. Orders must be received no later than Monday, March 30. Please fill out the form located at the back of the church and return it to an usher or the church office with your enclosed payment.*



A Prayer for Our Rector Search Process

Holy Spirit, you search us and know us more deeply than we know ourselves.

All our thoughts, hopes, and fears lie open before you.

Quiet our hearts, and free us from opinions, preferences, and perceptions  
that bind, divide, or limit our vision.

Release us from nostalgia for what has been and from fear of what may yet be.

Turn our hearts toward your mission and toward the future you are  
calling our parish to embrace.

In our discernment, help us seek not simply a leader for ourselves, but the shepherd  
you have already chosen -- one who will proclaim your truth with humility,  
shepherd your people with love, and guide this parish  
in faith, hope, and unity.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Written by Rector Search Committee, January 2026*