



Emmanuel
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
STAUNTON VA



HOLY EUCHARIST

RITE II

October 25, 2026
10:30am

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

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.*

**God loves you.
No exceptions.**
The Episcopal Church Welcomes You.

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

THIS SUNDAY

OCTOBER 25 - THE 22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9am Lectionary Discussion Group
10:30am Holy Eucharist Rite II
5:30pm Centering Prayer (online)

MON Office Open 10am-12:30pm, 1:30pm-4pm
8:45am Morning Prayer

TUES Office Open 10am-12:30pm, 1:30pm-4pm
8:45am Morning Prayer
5:30pm Lectio Divina and Compline
7pm AA Meeting

WED Office Open 10am-12:30pm, 1:30pm-4pm
8:45am Morning Prayer

THU Office Open 10am-12:30pm, 1:30pm-4pm
8:45am Morning Prayer
5:30pm Centering Prayer (in church)
6:15pm Compline (night prayer)

FRIDAY Office Closed (every Friday)
7pm AA Meeting

SAT 10am AI-Anon Meeting

Next SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 1 - ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

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

LEADERSHIP

Vestry Members: Mitzi White, Skip Barnett, Kethera Moore, Ginny Wemmerus, Robert Wiard, Dan Lynn, Jim Echols, Barbara Damico, John K (Treasurer), Laura Barnett (Clerk, Asst. Treasurer)

SERVING IN TODAY'S LITURGY

Preacher & Officiant	The Rev. Paul Weber
Organist	Florence Jowers
Welcomers	Rick Marks
Lector	Susan Roepke
Intercessor	Elaine Echols
Spanish Gospel	Kristin Holbrook
LEM's	
Altar Guild	Bonnie Starcher & Mary Jane Joyce
Audio/Video	Laura Barnett (V)

SERVING NEXT WEEK

NOVEMBER 1 - THE 23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Officiant	The Rev. Gail Goldsmith
Organist	Florence Jowers
Welcomers	Bob Wiard and Jim Echols
Lectors	Sally Hurme and Kristin Holbrook
Intercessor	Bonnie Dawson
Spanish Gospel	Carlos Canales
Altar Server	
LEM's	Steve Berneking and Mitzi White
Altar Guild	Debbie Casado and Jill Kimbrough
Audio/Video	Jeff Gaines and Lucy Gaines

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER P. 355

PRELUDE

Fugue in E Flat Major • J.S. Bach

RINGING OF THE BELL AND WELCOME

The people stand for the Processional Hymn.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Christ is made the sure foundation • **Hymnal 518**

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

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

you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

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

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the

glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The People are seated for the Lessons.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

MOSES went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The Lord said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants’; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.” Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord’s command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

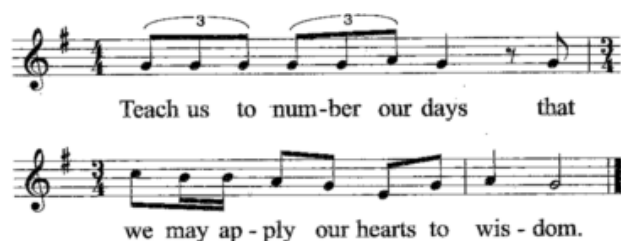
Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequaled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM *Sung by all.*

Psalms 90:1-6, 13-17



LORD, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God. *Refrain*

3 You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."

4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night. *Refrain*

5 You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.

6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered. *Refrain*

13 Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.

14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity. *Refrain*

16 Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.

17 May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork. *Refrain*

THE SECOND LESSON

I Thessalonians 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The People stand for the Sequence Hymn and remain standing for the Gospel.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

All hail the power of Jesus' Name • **Hymnal 451**
Stanzas (1-3)

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 22:34-46

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

WHEN the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"?'

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Santo evangelio de nuestro Señor Jesucristo según Mateo.
Gloria a ti, Cristo Señor.

Los fariseos se reunieron al oír que Jesús había hecho callar a los saduceos. Uno de ellos, experto en la Ley, le tendió una trampa con esta pregunta: Maestro, ¿cuál es el mandamiento más importante de la Ley? “Ama al Señor tu Dios con todo tu corazón, con toda tu alma y con toda tu mente” respondió Jesús. Este es el primero y el más importante de los mandamientos. El segundo se parece a este: “Ama a tu prójimo como a ti mismo”. De estos dos mandamientos dependen toda la Ley y los Profetas.

Mientras estaban reunidos los fariseos, Jesús preguntó: ¿Qué piensan ustedes acerca del Cristo? ¿De quién es descendiente? De David —respondieron ellos. Jesús les dijo: Entonces, ¿cómo es que David, hablando por el Espíritu, lo llama “Señor”? Él afirma:

“Dijo el Señor a mi Señor: ‘Siéntate a mi derecha, hasta que ponga a tus enemigos debajo de tus pies’”.

Si David lo llama “Señor”, ¿cómo puede entonces ser su descendiente? Nadie pudo responderle ni una sola palabra y desde ese día ninguno se atrevía a hacerle más preguntas.

El evangelio del Señor.
Te alabamos, Cristo Señor.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

All hail the power of Jesus' Name • **Hymnal 451**
 Stanzas (4-6)

THE SERMON

The Rev. Paul Weber

The people stand for the Nicene Creed, the Prayers of the People and the Peace.

THE NICENE CREED

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

During the prayers, this response, or an alternative may be used:

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude with the following words:

Source of all life
and giver of all that is good, hear our prayers
and grant us all that is in accordance with your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE CONFESSION

BCP p. 360

Let us confess our sins before God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says:

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

The People greet one another in the name of the Lord and then are seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Lord, You Have Been Our Refuge • Paul D. Weber

REFRAIN All



Lord, you have been our re - fuge, from ev - er - last - ing you are God.

Refrain: Lord, you have been our refuge, from everlasting you are God.

1. Before the mountains were brought forth, the land and the earth were born. (*Refrain*)
2. Satisfy us by your steadfast love, that we may be glad all our days. (*Refrain*)
3. May the graciousness of the Lord our God prosper the work of our hands. (*Refrain*)

*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 GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP p. 361

The Lord be with you.

And also 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 him 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.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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 *Sung by all*

Hymnal S 129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The People stand or kneel.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died,

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OUR Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF BREAD AND FRACTION ANTHEM *Spoken by all.*

Hymnal S 154

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu -

ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

There - fore — let us — keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are invited to receive **communion** or a **blessing**. If you wish to have a prayer of blessing instead of communion, please cross your arms over your chest. Please wait to be invited forward by a Welcomer. All the consecrated bread has **already been marked with consecrated wine**. Therefore, please do not 'dip' your bread. We have already done this for you. You may receive the bread alone, or after receiving the bread, drink from the chalice. **Gluten-free bread and non-alcoholic wine are also available**. If you require communion to be brought to you, please let one of the Welcomers know.

COMMUNION HYMN

How lovely is thy dwelling place • HYMNAL 517

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER *Said by all, standing*

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN

O God, our help in ages past • Hymnal 680

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

O God, Our Help In Ages Past • Robert Hobby

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FOR OUR PRAYERS:

Blount & Baird	Mary	Jeff
Wendy	Linda	Ruth
Diane	Nancy	Fabian
Neal	Lee	Paula
Carter	Bill C	Libby
Joseph C	Dan	Jim and Janet
Joann	Breiley	Cayla F
Michael L	Willis	Teddy and Elliot
Carolyn	Jennie G	Monica & son
Mike D	Jasper, Leo & Conrad	

Departed: Ian Black (son-in-law of Bunny Gross)

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 1st and 3rd 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. 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 Bishop's Visitation to St. John's, Bedford.

Our companion Anglican / Episcopal Dioceses of:

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

-The Diocese of Haiti

Celebrations

Birthdays: Rick Dietrich, Sally Hurme, and Jeff Gaines.

Flowers on the altar are given by Jim and Elaine Echols
in loving memory of

KATYE KOWIERSCHKE

A Thank You Reception for Rev. Paul Weber

Please join us after the service on Sunday, October 25, in Memorial Hall as we thank Rev. Paul Weber for his ministry to Emmanuel during our search for a new rector. We are grateful for the time, care, and support he has given our parish during this transition. Come enjoy some cake and refreshments as we show Paul our appreciation.



Reception

to Thank
Rev. Paul Weber
for his service to Emmanuel

Emmanuel Mini Market

presented by Mission & Outreach



Say Cheese!
Nov. 15

All Saints' - All Souls' Prayer List

Please use the form at the back of church to write in the names of the departed to be remembered on Sunday, November 1. Or, contact the church office at office@emmanuelstaunton.org or (540)886-8172 by Wednesday, October 28.



Vestry News - October 2026

1) The Vestry voted to send \$3780 to Haiti that was raised at the QCMC Pancake breakfast. The Vestry voted to pay the \$571 for expenses instead of taking it out of the proceeds. Nice going pancake breakfast team!

2) The Vestry began a first run at the budget and our Stewardship drive for 2027 has begun! Please carefully discern your pledge for the coming year as we welcome a rector and look forward to where we

3) We are inviting interested church members to please let us know if you would like to join the Vestry in January. We will have our annual meeting December 6 and elect folks to fill four terms. We have three one-year terms and one one-year term to fill.

4) We have several more exciting events coming up!

November 1 Soup off to celebrate Rev Gail beginning her ministry at Emmanuel. All free will donations will go towards the Rector Discretionary Fund.

November 7 will be the funeral for beloved Emmanuel member Jane Manning at 11:00am. Ed Covert and Gail will officiate.

November 15 is our Advent Making event in the dining room. Please email Barbara Damico at bcdamico@gmail.com if you would like to attend. The cost is \$20 to cover materials

December 13 is our Annual Christmas Bazaar. We are taking donations of baked goods and other crafted items you would like to make and donate. Proceeds will go towards local organizations to help our marginalized neighbors.

5) November 29 is the first Sunday in Advent. Our 8:00am service will resume that morning.

6) Our Annual Meeting will be December 6. Keep an eye out for more details.

7) Please sign up when you are able to help our worship each week. It is helpful to know all tasks will be covered ahead of Sunday morning. Caitlin creates the bulletin and it is ready Thursday. If you sign up after that, we do not know if tasks are covered and have no idea who is helping out so they can be listed in the bulletin. Sign up using the QR code or contact Caitlin in the office.



Soup Sunday Cookoff
November 1st
Join us to welcome Rev. Gail

Join us on **Sunday, November 1st**, immediately following the morning service for fellowship and a delicious meal!

All Proceeds raised will directly benefit the **Rector's Discretionary Fund**, providing vital emergency assistance to neighbors in need within our community.

How You Can Help:

- Soup:** Dust off your favorite recipe and bring a crockpot of hot soup to share.
- Also Needed:** Bread and Salad. Dessert will be provided!
- Volunteer:** Help us with setup, serving, or clean-up.

Please visit **SignUpGenius** to volunteer or bring a pot of soup, bread or salad.

A prize will be awarded to the soup chef getting the most votes.



Advent Wreath Making Workshop

Led by **Bev Coffman**
Sunday, November 15th
after the service in the Fellowship Hall

The Parish Life Committee is hosting an Advent Wreath Making Workshop. The cost is \$20.00 per wreath/person. This cost covers wreath forms, candle holders, and candles.

We Have 12 SPOTS LEFT!

Please let Barbara Damico know **by Sunday, November 8th** if you would like to reserve a spot.

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