

Emmanuel Episcopal Church

Sixth Sunday of Easter
Morning Prayer, Rite II
May 22, 2022

PRELUDE.....Hymn of Promise...Natalie Sleeth, arr. John Ferguson

Good morning and welcome to Emmanuel Church this Sixth Sunday of Easter. Our service of Morning Prayer, Rite II begins with Hymn 518. You may follow along with the service bulletin posted on Facebook and our website, or simply sit back and enjoy the service.

HYMN 518“Christ is Made the Sure Foundation”

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone; chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one; holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high, in exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody; God the One in Three adoring in glad hymns eternally.

To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of Hosts, today! With thy faithful loving-kindness hear thy servants as they pray, and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls always.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants what they ask of thee to gain; what they gain from thee forever with the blessed to retain, and hereafter in thy glory evermore with thee to reign.

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia

Leader: Lord, open our lips.

People: *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.*

Leader and People:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Alleluia. Amen.

sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Canticle 15 - Magnificat

**My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; ***

for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed: *

**the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.**

He has mercy on those who fear him *

in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm, *

he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, *

and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things, *

and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel, *

for he has remembered his promise of mercy,

The promise he made to our fathers, *

to Abraham and his children for ever.

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

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Second Lesson: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Canticle 16 - The Song of Zechariah

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *

he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *

born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old,

that he would save us from our enemies, *

from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers *

and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *

to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship him without fear, *

holy and righteous in his sight

all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *

**for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
To give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.
In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Third Lesson: John 5:1-9

After Jesus healed the son of the official in Capernaum, there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids-- blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon.....The Rev. Kristin Holbrook

The Apostles' Creed

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

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

OFFERTORY HYMN 505 “O Spirit of Life”

O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God, in every need thou bringest aid;
Thou comest forth from God’s great throne, from God, the Father and the Son; O
Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God.

O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God, increase our faith in our dear Lord; unless thy
grace the power should give, none can believe in Christ and live; O Spirit of Life, O
Spirit of God.

O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God, make us to love thy sacred word; the holy flame
of love impart, that charity may warm each heart; O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God.

O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God, enlighten us by that same word; teach us to know
the Father’s love, and his dear Son, who reigns above; O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of
God.

Hymn 380 vs. 3 ...At Presentation “The Doxology”

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

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray

**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.**

SuffragesS 52

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
- R. And grant us your salvation.**
- V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
- R. Let your people sing with joy.**
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
- R. For only in you can we live in safety.**
- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
- R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
- V. Let your way be known upon earth;
- R. Your saving health among all nations.**
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
- R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
- R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

The Collect of the Day

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Grace

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Guidance

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayers continue

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

General Thanksgiving

Leader and People:

Almighty God, Father of all mercies we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all

whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen.*

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN 345.“Savior, Again To Thy Dear Name We Raise”

Savior, again to thy dear Name we raise with one accord our parting hymn of praise; guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame, that in this house have called upon thy Name.

Grant us thy peace upon our homeward way; with thee began, with thee shall end the day: from harm and danger keep thy children free, for dark and light are both alike to thee.

Grant us thy peace throughout our earthly life; peace to thy church from error and from strife; peace to our land, the fruit of truth and love; peace in each heart, thy Spirit from above:

Thy peace in life, the balm of every pain; thy peace in death, the hope to raise again; then, when thy voice shall bid our conflict cease, call us, O Lord, to thine eternal peace.

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude..... “A Trumpet Fancy” Leon Nelson

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We pray for Christ's comfort and healing Grace for:

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Meneta D.
Mary
Nancy C. C. E.
Mickey F.
Richard F.
Frannie
Dolan G.
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Retta
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Ann B. T.
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Taybronne W.
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David L.**

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TODAY are given by Steve and Bev Coffman in memory of Kit Carter on her “would have been” 99th Birthday.

Lector & Intercessor; Riikka Halme-Berneking, Organist; Sarah Grove-Humphries, Audio; Meneta Deaton, Video; Matthew Poteat

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

AN UPDATE FROM STEVE ABOUT FATHER JONATHAN. While we continue waiting to hear about Father Jonathan's visa, I want to tell you that he is as eager to arrive as we are to have him here. Caitlin and I met with him a few days ago, and he expressed a desire to be more "present" among us...in zoom meetings, in Wednesday Words, and in a July visit, during which he will preach and celebrate Eucharist with us. I will give you these dates as soon as we confirm them.

There is no question that the visa process is grinding slowly along, perhaps casting some uncertainty and anxiety. But all things are moving steadily forward. I can tell you that our attorney expects that we will hear back from the immigration agency toward the end of summer. That will be the next step in securing Jonathan's visa.

For now, we can do little to rush this process, but what we can do is to hold one another and Jonathan up in prayer, asking for patience and fortitude and vision as we wait to cross the threshold of this liminal space. As always, if you have any questions or comments for me, do not hesitate to reach out. We are together on this journey. --- Steve Berneking, Senior Warden

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER PAUL. Dear Members of Emmanuel, I have been offered the position of Visiting Professor of Church Music, and my wife, Instructor of Church Music, at the School of Theology at Sewanee: The University of the South for the next academic year. The School of Theology is a premier seminary of the Episcopal Church, so the call to train future priests in music and worship, even for a year, was far too strong for us to resist. Florence and I will plan and lead daily prayer at the seminary, conduct two choirs, and teach courses in Church Music. I will also have the opportunity to preside at eucharists in the beautiful Chapel of the Apostles. Though Florence and I are Lutherans, we are excited to represent the diocese and hope that you will eagerly send me on this mission! When our appointment ends in early May, we look forward to returning to our beautiful home and life in Staunton.

I have so much enjoyed these five months at Emmanuel! My last Sunday with you will be June 19 before taking time off for family reunions and final preparations for the move to Sewanee. Thank you so much for your support

of my ministry. A special word of thanks to Steve for his exemplary leadership as senior warden of the parish. I will definitely miss the privilege of preaching and presiding at Sunday eucharists! Easter blessings and peace.
---Fr. Paul

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS! We are in need of volunteers to assist with our upcoming Noon Lunch on Tues. June 7. (We meet at Trinity at 10 am to prepare the meal we will serve from 11:30-12:15.) If you can help, please call or email June Steger or Carolyn Harvick.

SUMMER JAMS! Pickers and gridders needed! Bring an instrument, your voice, or just you and a friend to a weekly musical jam session each Friday evening from 6:00pm in Memorial Hall starting May 20. All ages and musical abilities are welcome. No set lists or formats, just pop in for a few minutes or a couple of hours to play music, or just listen and enjoy the fellowship of others. Bring a snack (or not) to share. Contact Matthew Poteat (540-294-3702) for more information.

DURING THE HOT SUMMER MONTHS, it's been our practice to combine our 8:00 and 10:30 service into one service and to schedule it at 9:30. We'll do the same this year, beginning on Pentecost Sunday, June 5 and continuing at least to September 11, the Sunday after Labor Day. We hope to continue meeting through the summer in the church proper, but we will consider moving to Memorial Hall if the heat dictates. Memorial Hall can be ventilated, and we can livestream there. We'll continue offering Eucharist on the first three Sundays of the month and Morning Prayer on the 4th and occasional 5th Sunday. Please plan to join us either in person or online.

THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA will have a Safeguarding God's People training on Tuesday, May 24, from 7-9 p.m. via Zoom. This is the last training that will be offered until late August or early September. Please register by emailing pames@dioswva.org

PRAYER LIST PRAYER GROUP - On June 5, when the worship service moves to 9:30, Prayer List Prayer Group will continue to meet on the first and third Sundays of the month, virtually at 11:15A.M. The link is in the weekly newsletter. Feel free to join us or reach out to Jim Lott or Meneta Deaton with questions.

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