

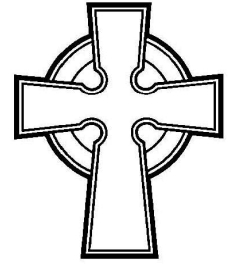
Emmanuel

Episcopal Church

19th Sunday after Pentecost

September 29, 2024, 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Emmanuel. We invite you to join with us in worship. Music is part of the later worship service.



Prelude *"Tú has venido a la orilla (You have come down to the lakeshore)"* Pescado

Processional Hymn 574 *Before thy throne, O God we kneel* [St. Petersburg]

Liturgy of the Word BCP 355

All standing, the Celebrant says

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

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

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 (said at 8a, sung at 10:30a) S-278 Mathias

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day BCP 355

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Together, let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading (*seated*) Esther 7:1-6, 9-10, 20-22

The king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, "What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled." Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have won your favor, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me-- that is my petition-- and the lives of my people-- that is my request. For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king." Then King

Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, "Who is he, and where is he, who has presumed to do this?" Esther said, "A foe and enemy, this wicked Haman!" Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen.

Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, "Look, the very gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai, whose word saved the king, stands at Haman's house, fifty cubits high." And the king said, "Hang him on that." So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the anger of the king abated.

Mordecai recorded these things, and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, enjoining them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same month, year by year, as the days on which the Jews gained relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sorrow into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and presents to the poor.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 124 (*said at 8:00 a.m. & sung at 10:30 a.m.*)

BCP 781

- 1 If the LORD had not been on our side, *
let Israel now say;
- 2 If the LORD had not been on our side, *
when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive *
in their fierce anger toward us;
- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us *
and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters *
have gone right over us.
- 6 Blessed be the LORD! *
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the Name of the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

Second Reading

James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn W-819 *Guide my feet Lord*

Spiritual, arr. Carl Harris, Jr.

Holy Gospel (*stand*)

Mark 9:38-50

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it

is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

“For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Homily

The Rev. Rhonda E. Wheeler

Nicene Creed (*stand*)

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.

Prayers of the People—Form IV

BCP 388

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

We pray for President Biden and Governor Youngkin. We pray for our service members at home and abroad. Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the students and staff of Jane Bryan Elementary School, especially for Ms. Thompson's 1st-grade class. Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

We pray Beth, Bonnie, Tal, Carol Sue, Evelyn, Ramon, Barbara, Vic and Odile. and for others we name at this time (pause for petitions from congregation)

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially John Slade and Donna Fagersten, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution

Peace *(all stand.)*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence *(in unison)*

“All that we are and all that we have comes from God. Let us offer our best to God in thanksgiving, remembering that God loves a cheerful giver.” (2 Corinthians 9:7)

Offertory Anthem *(Emmanuel Choir)* *“Here I am, Lord”* Daniel Schutte

Doxology

Great Thanksgiving ***(Eucharistic Prayer B)*** BCP 367

The people stand.

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 him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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

S-128 Mathias

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

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,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

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.**

The Celebrant then continues

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

People and Celebrant

**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

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you do not wish to receive from the cup, it is acceptable to receive the bread only. Those who do not wish to receive Communion, are invited to come to the altar for a blessing, indicated by placing crossed hands over the chest. Please speak to the Rector if you would like to learn more about baptism.

Hymn 343 *Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless*

[St. Agnes]

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 365

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 344 *Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing* [Sicilian Mariners]

Dismissal

BCP 366

Celebrant Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude

"Hallelujah! We sing your praises! Haleluya! Pelo tso rona"

Emmanuel Episcopal Church Hampton, Virginia

September 29, 2024

Welcome to Emmanuel!

If this is your first visit to Emmanuel Episcopal Church, consider making this your spiritual home. Sunday services are found in the red Book of Common Prayer located in your pew or in the printed bulletin. Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal, the red & black Lift Every Voice and Sing hymnal (L), or the green Wonder, Love, & Praise hymnal (W).

If this is your first time visiting the Episcopal Church, simply relax and enjoy the service. Don't worry about doing things "right," for God has brought you here for a purpose and together, as the people of God, we can enjoy each other's company and the presence of God you bring into our midst.

All people are welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church and you can do so by coming to the rail, standing or kneeling, and holding out your hands to receive the bread (Body of Christ) and when the cup is offered to you, either drink from the common cup- first cup; or dip the bread in the wine yourself (intinction) - second cup. Communion in one-kind (bread) is a completely full & sufficient communion. If you would prefer to have Rev. Rhonda and a chalice come to you, please notify an usher.

Filming during the service - Recognizing that not all are able to re-gather, we will broadcast the later service.

Cell Phones - Please remember to mute or turn off your phone before the service starts.

Safety Protocols at Emmanuel - Mask wearing is appropriate anytime but not required. In close quarters, like the Vestry room and library, it may make sense to consider wearing masks depending on the participants. Hand sanitizer is available. In the event of an emergency, please stay calm, stay seated, and listen for instructions.

The sanctuary flowers are given this week by Vic & Melissa Hellman to the glory of God and in loving memory of their son, Charlie.

The sanctuary candle is given this week by Anne Chisman to the glory of God and in loving memory of her brother, Randy Atkinson.

Lay Eucharistic Ministers

8:00am R - Vi Cooper; C - Karl Duff, Vi Cooper

10:30am R - Gary Burgess; C - Barb Fisher, Laura L. Manigault

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminder - Emmanuel's sanctuary and chapel are open for prayer and reflection during office. This week's office hours are *Tuesday - Friday, 8:30a - 3p*.

"Love God, Love the World" - This call to action is offered during our Adult Forum time *at 9:15a* in the parish hall. Come join us for the journey!

Theological Reflection Time - *This Monday, September 30 at 11a* in the vestry room. All are welcome!

EECinema will be showing another classic - *An Affair to Remember* - *this Tuesday, October 1 at 12 noon*. This 1957 movie stars Cary Grant and Deborah Kerr as two people who fall in love and agree to meet in 6 months at the Empire State Building, but will they? Come see what happens! Popcorn provided.

Fitness Class - Please join us on *Thursdays at 12p Noon*. You will learn some "Simple Adjustments" to your daily activity that will aid your overall Health, Balance and Fall Prevention.

Garden Stewards meet *this Thursday, October 3, at 3p* in the vestry room. Any who would like to assist are welcome to attend.

Mission Project - We will be building a ramp at a parishioners home on *Saturday, October 5, starting at 9a*. If you are available to help, please contact the parish office. There will be tasks for all skill levels. Our next monthly meeting is *this Tuesday, October 1 at 7p*. All are invited.

Sacred Ground will begin the second half of the program on *Tuesday, October 8 at 6p*.

Blessing of the Animals - Our annual service of blessing the animals will be on *October 13 at 4p* in the courtyard. As an alternative, we will also be blessing photos of our pets at both morning services. Our monthly stewardship focus will be the Animal Aid Society in Hampton and we are collecting food for that shelter as well that Sunday.

Start of the New Stewardship Year Next Sunday, October 6! - The Parish Breakfast will be hosted by the Stewardship Team. They are asking that we bring a breakfast or brunch dish to share and to share the recipe if you would like. Breakfast starts at 9a in the parish hall.

Vestry Highlights from the September 25 meeting -

- Vic Hellman, Treasurer, presented a very well done report from Cary Kelly and the Finance Committee. The daily operations are clearly delineated. Work is being done on completing Federal taxes for 2023.
- We've been given a graceful extension to complete our 2023 audit.
- Lavon Vickery has agreed to lead the Audit Team this year. We are ready to prepare it along with Cary and Karen.
- Because we have had a number of newcomers, we'd like to plan a special event to welcome them, officially, to EEC.

- Vestry will be researching a nice “welcome” banner.
- P&P for Designated Funds has been updated and approved.
- Technology:
 1. An external hard drive was purchased for Cary and installed by Karen.
 2. Our security cameras are doing their job. Our shed was broken into on September 8 at 9:30 PM. The camera caught the person entering and leaving empty/handed

Next vestry meeting-October 23 at 6:30

In Need of Prayer — *Alex, Bob, Cephise, Carol, Diane, Becky, Clara, Boyd, Patti, Beth, Earl, Claire, Tristan, Maria, Willie, Carole, Nancy, Karen T, Arline, Ron, Bonnie, Sandy H, Kim, EJ, Jerry, Malka, Faye, Mike, Betty, Tom, Sheila, Mary, Elizabeth, Doug, Geoff, , Barbara, Barbara & Harold, Jim & Susie, Richard, Ed, Helen, Gina & Tal, Bill, Rhonda T, Mary B, Carl, Pixie, Sharon & Denis, Fran, Velma, Bobby L, Rand family, Jan F., Brenda, , Judy, Laura, Lee Ann, Betty F., Sandy, Tim & Debra, Sally Sue, Donna B., Diane K, Aaron, Mary, Kathleen, Charlene, Rebecca, Beth M., LaMar, Kai, Dakota, Doris, Carol Sue, Hellman family, Gerry, Mary Jane, Betty Anne, Barbara, Gale, Richard, Jane, Diane W., Delores, Carla, Anna, Andrew, Michelle, Bria, Abby, Xaria, Jonel, Mary & Lee, Belinda, Brian, Robin, Dynes family, Shirley, Edith, Mikon, Michelle, Breonna, Morgan, John, Keith A., Bishop Curry, Parker, Jon, Karla, Gary & Sheila, Debra Sue, Alice, Sandy R., Jack, Kyle, Pat, Jackie & Calvin; Lisa & David, Pam, Teddie Jo, Iva, Autumn, Tage, Kent, Brigid & Rick, Diana, Carol Sue Bob B., Ben, Bill B., Nancy, Kellie, Preston, Marlo, Heather, Jimmy M., Bill W., Nolan, A.J., Carrie, Sandy P., Tina, Paul, Evelyn, Steven, Virginia, Helms family, Phillips family, Bill K, Shanda, Karen, Cathy S., Chisman family, Wendy, Judy, Brian, Gary & Chuck, Vic, Odile, Mona, Lorey, Carole*

EVENTS THIS WEEK	
Sunday, September 29 - 8:00am & 10:30am: 9:00am & 11:30am: 9:15am	19 PENTECOST Worship Emmanuel Cafe YEAs & "Love God, Love the World"
Monday, September 30 - 11:00am: 7:00pm:	Theological Reflection Time AA & Al-Anon
Tuesday, October 1—12:00pm: 7:00pm:	EECinema Mission
Wednesday, October 2 -11:00am & 5:00pm: 12:00pm & 6:00pm: 6:30pm:	WoW & Bible Study Healing Services Compline
Thursday, October 3 - 12:00pm: 3:00pm: 5:30pm:	Fitness Garden Stewards Choir
Friday, October 4 -	
Saturday, October 5 - 8:00am: 9:00am: 9:00am:	AA Altar Guild Mission Project
Sunday, October 6 - 8:00am & 10:30am: 9:00am: 11:30am: 3:00pm:	20 PENTECOST Worship Parish Breakfast Emmanuel Cafe Wedding

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