

Emmanuel Episcopal Church

Advent 1

Sunday, November 29, 2020



Welcome to Emmanuel. We invite you to join with us in worship. This morning's later service will be recorded for posting on Facebook. Music will be part of the 10:30am service but there will be no congregational singing. Please maintain prayerful silence in the Nave to prepare for worship.

Prelude "Prelude in C" [JS Bach]

Lighting of Advent Candles

Processional Hymn 57 (v. 1,4) *Lo! He come, with clouds descending* [Hemsley]

Liturgy of the Word

All standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

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.*

Kyrie *The following is said at 8:00 a.m. and sung at 10:30 a.m. by choir*

S-96 Schubert

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray together

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your 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 living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Reading (*seated*) Isaiah 64:1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence--
as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil--
to make your name known to your adversaries,
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who works for those who wait for him.
You meet those who gladly do right,
those who remember you in your ways.
But you were angry, and we sinned;
because you hid yourself we transgressed.

We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
There is no one who calls on your name,
or attempts to take hold of you;
for you have hidden your face from us,
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.
Yet, O LORD, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD,
and do not remember iniquity forever.
Now consider, we are all your people.

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18 (Said in unison)

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.
- 3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 4 O LORD God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
- 6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
- 7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
- 18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Second Reading (*seated*)

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 73 (v. 1,5) *The King shall come when morning dawns* [St. Stephen]

Holy Gospel (*stand*)

Mark 13:24-37

Priest 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."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

The Rev. Rhonda E. Wheeler

Nicene Creed (*standing*)

BCP 358

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

Intercessor

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 Trump, President-elect Biden and Governor Northam. 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.

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 for Sally, Ralph, Geoff, Helen, Rose, Dorris, Jim, Jerry, Samantha, 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 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

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

Then the minister and the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Holy Communion

Offertory (Emmanuel Choir)

"Like a Rive in My Soul"

Spiritual, arr. Tim Osiek

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

(Eucharistic Prayer C)

BCP 369

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.**

Celebrant: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People: **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People: **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight**

Celebrant: Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People: **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant: And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People Sanctus (said at 8a; sung at 10:30 by choir only) S-130 [Schubert]

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.

Celebrant: And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People: **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant: Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the bread.**

Celebrant: Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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. During this period we will be receiving in one kind. When indicated by an usher, please proceed to the front of the chancel steps via the center aisle

Hymn 341 *For the bread which you have broken* [Omni die]

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 72 (v. 1,4) *Hark the glad sound! The Savior comes* [Richmond]

Dismissal BCP 366

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude L-14 *Soon and very soon* Andrae Crouch

Emmanuel Episcopal Church Hampton, Virginia November 29, 2020

Welcome to Emmanuel!

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.

If this is your first visit to Emmanuel Episcopal Church, consider making this your spiritual home. During our COVID-19 season, the entire services will be from the printed order of worship. Because we love *you*, we will refrain from shaking your hand or hugging you; we'll keep our masks on; and practice physical distancing. ***Please feel free to sit in any pew that has a flower decoration as you come up the center aisle. There are gold emblems marking where to sit within that pew.***

All people are welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church. During this transition period, we will receive communion in one kind (bread only). When indicated by an usher, please proceed to the front of the chancel steps via the center aisle and receive bread from Rev. Rhonda and consume immediately.

Filming during the service - While weekly services were on pause, we started to live stream our Sunday morning worship via Facebook. Recognizing that not all are able to re-gather, we will continue to broadcast our 10:30am service.

The **sanctuary flowers** are given to the glory of God by Diane Kaputka in loving memory of Herbert Lawrence.

The **sanctuary candle** is given to the glory of God by Diane Kaputka in honor of Grant's birthday.

Lay Eucharistic Ministers

8:00a R - Lexy Chinnery; C - Karl Duff

10:30a R - Rhonda Burrell-Garguilo; C - Scott Arnott

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Contact Tracing & Name Tags - If you are a visitor to Emmanuel, the ushers probably asked for your name and telephone number so that we could reach you in case a COVID-19 case arose among one of our church attendees. If you would like to be put on the church mailing list or would like a name tag, please call the parish office at 723-8144 or email us at office@emmanuelhampton.org.

Reminder - Emmanuel's sanctuary and chapel are open for quiet prayer and reflection during office hours.

Picture Directory - The directories are finally here! Please take your copy home. If you had your picture taken for the directory, your name is labeled on the outside cover. If you didn't get a chance to have your picture included, there are some unlabeled extras in a separate box for you to take.

Stewardship Update - We continue to thank those who have turned in their pledge cards. The good news, as of November 24 we have received 66 pledges totaling \$214,024. The not so good news, we need to reach at least \$280,000 to continue the good work of Emmanuel in our church family and our community. If you have not had a chance to fill out a pledge card, they will be available as you exit on Sunday. If you are a technology expert and have been using the donate button on Emmanuel's web site, please make sure you have filled out a pledge card. You can email the card to the church (office@emmanuelhampton.org) or mail it in.

Advent Isaiah Trail - We will offer a socially distant but meaningful way to prepare for the coming of our Lord on two Sunday evenings in Advent. You will start at the altar in the courtyard and use a flashlight to follow the signs to reflect, pray and complete activities. The experience will culminate with Holy Communion with Rev. Rhonda on the front porch of the church. *The trail will be open tonight, November 29 and next Sunday, December 6, 5-7 pm.*

Family Nativity Activity Book - At the conclusion of the Advent Trail, a family devotional kit for young families will be available. If you are unable to come to this event, you may arrange a pick-up at the church office.

Night's Welcome - Emmanuel has agreed that our day will be the second Tuesday of each month, so we will begin on the evening of *December 8 through breakfast on December 9*. They have asked us to restrict the number of volunteers actually coming to CUMC, so most of our meal preparations will be done offsite (either at church or at homes) and then brought to CUMC for distribution. We will be setting up an on-line sign-up sheet for those who can help and provide more details about the dining situation once we know.

Stations of the Nativity - On *December 13*, we will present an online Stations of the Nativity service as a companion to our contemplative Stations of the Cross service that was offered during Lent. A tableaux of nativity silhouettes and candles will connect readings, reflections and prayer.

Blood Drive - Start the Christmas season by giving the gift of life. Emmanuel is hosting a blood drive for the American Red Cross on *Thursday, December 17 from 2p - 6p*. You may register directly with the Red Cross or see Karen in the office for assistance.

In Need of Prayer - *Sally, Bryan, Douglas, Ron, Jerry, Karyn, Cannon, Sebastian, Bob, Rachel, Karen, Willie, Amber, Sandy, Frances, Judy, Molly, Jeremiah, Tracy, Dakarai, Dalton, Shirley, Diane, Joey, Pete, Andrew, Michael, Rosemarie, Francis, Anna, Charlene, Beth, Lisa, Sammy, Tristan, Martha, Mike & Amanda, Ramon, Carol, Jim, Eddie, Billy, Jenny, Rick, Kathy, Nancy & Dan, Carter, Raisa, Greg, Erin, Jerry-Marie, Kikki, Betty, Charlie, Bruce, Bruni, Faye, Matt, Kim, Teddie Jo, Ralph, Susie, Re'mon, Te'orii, Laila, Kiyah, Dejhon, Jayden, Zihree, Silas, Richard, Arline, Sandy, Carole, Noel, Connor, Sophia, BK, Joe, Karen, Brandon, Carol Sue, Winn, Betty Ann, Bonnie, Laura, Barbara, Maria, Janis, Shawn, Willie T, Sue & Jim, David S., Lori, Kevin, Bob, Kathy, Beth, Elizabeth, Ashby, Rob, Judy, Hazel, Nancy, Lena, Betty & Bobby, Randy, Pixie, Alex, Nikkita, Fran, Deacon Earl, Anna, Patty, Pat, Carl, Tony & Sue, James, Bev,*

Rich, Sarah, Chris D., Chessick family, Tylia, Daniel, Jane, Al, Larry, Barbara, John, Dianne, Sandy, Laura, Angela, Angela C., Bobby, Lisa, Diane, Cathy, Monica, Rose, Erin & family, Jean & Larry, Mark & Tanya, Paulette, Kelly, Gina, Will, Charlie, Cephise, Walt, Joni, Cris, Bobby Lee, Angalee, Carla, Geoff, Mabel, Helen, Ellie; Jim, Jerry, Kamea, the Shuker family, Bowers family, Dowdy/Dula family



SHINING OUR LIGHT

EVENTS THIS WEEK	
Sunday, November 29 - 8:00am & 10:30am: 5:00pm:	ADVENT 1 Worship Advent Isaiah Trail
Monday, November 30—10:00am: 7:00pm:	EfM AA
Tuesday; December 1—12:00pm: 6:00pm: 7:00pm: 7:00pm:	Porch Communion Finance Mission Recovery
Wednesday, December 2 - 7:00pm:	Compline
Thursday, December 3 - 11:00am:	Porch Communion Landscape Group
Friday, December 4 -	
Saturday, December 5 - 8:00am: 9:30am:	AA Altar Guild
Sunday, December 6 - 8:00am & 10:30am: 5:00pm:	ADVENT 2 Worship Advent Isaiah Trail

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