



Eastertide

EMMANUEL CHURCH IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

Emmanuel Episcopal Church has been serving the urban community of greater Boston as a dynamic center for spiritual discovery and renewal since 1860. We explore Christian tradition and foster inquiry through the celebration of liturgy, music, and the arts. We strive for justice and peace. Emmanuel

Church welcomes all people without exception to our Eucharistic table. We honor individuals of every age, gender, ethnic heritage, sexual orientation, and religious background, and we respect the dignity of every living being.

May 18, 2025

**10:00am—Holy Eucharist & Holy Baptism
in the Lindsey Chapel**

Presiding and Preaching: The Rev. Pamela L. Werntz

Organist & Choir Director: John Dilworth

Subdeacon: Karen King

Crucifer: Jamie Shore

First Reader: Galen Gilbert

Second Reader: Karen King

Altar Guild: Glenn Seberg, Tatiana Stridh

Greeters: Galen Gilbert, Lucille Heenan

Sexton: Dennis Gaskell

Are you visiting or new to Emmanuel?

We'd love to talk with you! Newcomers and Visitors are encouraged to fill out a Welcome Card by using the camera on your smartphone to scan the QR code to the right or at this address:
<https://forms.gle/hxpUdqMnEX12JvLT9>



Paper copies are also available in the pews.

Do you want to sign-up for Emmanuel Music's e-list? Send an email to music@emmanuelmusic.org and we'll add you to our list!

Land Use Acknowledgment

Founded in 1860, Emmanuel Church is located on land once used by the matriarchal Massachusetts Tribe for fishing in the estuary of the Quinobequin (now Charles River). Acknowledging this is an expression of our appreciation and a small, first step on the Way of Love, toward respect and accountability to Indigenous or First Peoples, who continue to suffer as a consequence of genocide and forced removal perpetrated by white ancestors of European descent. Our next steps have to do with actions to end violence directed toward them, which occurs when their histories are erased, cultures are trivialized, labor is exploited, and resources are seized. As the current occupiers of this territory, we must amplify First Peoples' voices, honor their dignity, and repent of our complicity in their oppression. Read more about our Land Use Acknowledgment on our website:

<https://www.emmanuelboston.org/mission/social-justice/land-acknowledgement/>

The Holy Eucharist
The Fifth Sunday After Easter: Year C

Prelude Prelude in F

Emma Louise Ashforth (1562-1621)

Announcements

Opening Hymn Thou art the way
(Please rise in body or spirit and open your hymnal)

Hymn 457
ST. JAMES

The Word of God

Presider: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia

Presider: There is one Body and one Spirit;

People: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Presider: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: One God and Creator of all.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

(Please be seated)

The Lessons

First Reading Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 148 *Please join in singing the antiphon when indicated; verses are sung by the choir.*

Antiphon



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- 1 Alleluia! Praise God from the heavens;
sing praise in the heights.
- 2 Praise God, all you angels;
sing praise, all the heavenly host.
- 3 Praise God, sun and moon;
sing praise, all you shining stars. [ANT.]
- 4 Praise God, heaven of heavens
and you waters above the heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the Name of God,
by whose command they were created.
- 6 God made them stand fast for ever and ever,
and gave them a law which shall not pass away. [ANT.]
- 7 Praise God from the earth,
you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and fog,
tempestuous wind, doing God's will;
- 9 Mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars;
- 10 Wild beasts and all cattle,
creeping things and winged birds; [ANT.]
- 11 Sovereigns of the earth and all peoples,
leaders and all rulers of the world;
- 12 Young men and maidens,
old and young together. [ANT.]
- 13 Let them praise your Name, O God,
for your Name only is exalted;
your splendor is over earth and heaven.
- 14 You have raised up strength for your people
and praise for all your loyal servants,
the children of Israel, a people who are near you.
Alleluia! [ANT.]

Second Reading Revelation 21:1-6

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.
He will dwell with them as their God;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn When Christ was lifted from the earth (St. 1-2)

(Please rise in body or spirit and open your hymnal)

Hymn 604

SAN ROCCO

The Gospel Reading John 13:31-35

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

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

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Gospel Hymn When Christ was lifted from the earth (St.3-4)

(Please rise in body or spirit and open your hymnal)

Hymn 604

SAN ROCCO

The Sermon

Ms. Werntz

The Baptism

Presider: The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents & Godparents: We present Bodie Richard Coulon to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Presider: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents & Godparents: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you by your prayers and witness help him to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents & Godparents: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents & Godparents: **I renounce them.**

Presider: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents & Godparents: **I renounce them.**

Presider: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents & Godparents: **I renounce them.**

Presider: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Parents & Godparents: **I do.**

Presider: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Parents & Godparents: **I do.**

Presider: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Parents & Godparents: **I do.**

The Presider addresses the congregation.

Presider: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Bodie in his life in Christ?

People: **We will.**

Presider: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Presider: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Presider: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: **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.**

Presider: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: **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.**

Presider: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect the beauty and integrity of all creation?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Let us now pray for Bodie, who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth

Persons appointed lead the following petitions.

Leader: Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Open him to your grace and truth.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Send him into the world in witness to your love.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Presider: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever.

Amen.

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, O God, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Bodie Richard, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier Amen.

Let us pray. Heavenly God, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon your servant Bodie the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. Amen.

Bodie Richard, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. Amen.

Receive the light of Christ. (A candle is lit from the paschal candle)

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All: **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

I beseech you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love. (Eph. 4:1-2)

Offertory Anthem Lead me, Lord

Samuel Sebastian Wesley(1810-1876)

Text: Psalm 5: 8, Psalm 4: 9

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness,
make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord only,
that makest me dwell in safety.

*During the Offertory, we invite you to donate online using our CashApp cashtag \$EmmanuelBostonGive.
If you are visiting or new to Emmanuel, we also invite you to take this moment to complete the Welcome Card online,
linked on the inside cover of the bulletin. Paper Welcome Cards and gifts
may be brought to the box at the chancel steps at the end of the service.*

Offertory Hymn Awake, arise, lift up your voice

(Please rise in body or spirit and open your hymnal)

Hymn 212

RICHMOND

The Great Thanksgiving

EOW 1

The musical notation is presented in four systems, each with a staff and lyrics below. The first system is for the Presider and People. The second system is for the Presider and People. The third system is for the Presider. The fourth system is for the People. The notation includes a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are: The Lord be with you. And al - so 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 our thanks and praise.

Presider *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Presider *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Presider
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

mp cresc.
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
più f
hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. *più f* Ho - san - na, ho -
cresc.
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the Name of the
ff
Lord. *rall.* Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Presider: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Presider: Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

All:
A - men.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: **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 the Bread

Presider: Alleluia! We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread. Alleluia!**

Fraction Anthem

Cambridge Mass, Stuart Forster

p
Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the

mp
bread. Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the

bread. The bread which we break is the com - mun - ion of the

poco a poco cresc.
bo - dy of Christ. Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the

break - ing of the bread. One bo - dy are we, for though

ma - ny we share one bread. Be known to us, Lord

dim. *p*
Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

Communion

There is one communion station at the foot of the chancel steps. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request, as well as non-alcoholic grape juice in the ceramic chalice *All without exception are welcome to receive. You who hunger and thirst for deeper communion with the Holy One come to the table.*

*As you receive communion, we ask that you refrain from dipping the bread in the cup.
As an alternative, please sip from the cup or hold your bread over the cup
without touching the cup as the chalice is presented.*

Post-Communion Prayer *(Please rise in body or spirit)*

EOW

Sub-deacon: Let us pray.

All: **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Blessing

Presider: The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the love of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do God's will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in God's sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn Holy God, we praise thy Name (St. 1-4)

Hymn 366

(Please rise in body or spirit and open your hymnal)

GROSSER GOTT

Dismissal

Priest: Alleluia, alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

Postlude Choral Song

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

Welcome Cards may be brought with any gifts to the box at the chancel steps at the conclusion of the Postlude.

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Emmanuel Church Announcements

Today and Upcoming

Thank you for joining us in worship today! We welcome Bodie Richard Coulon and his parents Jesse Coulon and Lily Cabour Coulon. Bodie joins the Christian family today through his baptism.

Our worship has moved into the Lindsey Chapel for the summer. There will be no livestream of the service until we return to the sanctuary on September 21.

Chapel Camp Begins Sunday June 1

Mark your calendars for the first Chapel Camp of 2025, Sunday, June 1, when we'll be discussing **Toni Morrison's only (yes, only) short story, Recitatif**. First published in 1983, "Recitatif" is, to quote Morrison, "an experiment in the removal of all racial codes from a narrative about two characters of different races for whom racial identity is crucial."

You can get this story from your local library, from [Frugal Bookstore](#) in Roxbury, or from [bookshop.org](#). There will also be a handful of copies available at Emmanuel on May 18. Just look for Mary Beth Clack at coffee hour.

We'll have discussion questions for you as the date draws near, but we wanted to get this event on your calendar as soon as possible so you'd have time to buy or borrow a copy of the story. (We particularly recommend the 2022 edition with an introduction by Zadie Smith.)

B-SAFE & B-LOVE 2025 – The Bishop’s Summer Academic and Fun Enrichment

Each year we join with many others to support the summer day-camp activities organized by St. Stephen’s Youth Programs (<http://www.ssypboston.org/>). There are many fun activities planned along with the all-important academic support that all children need in the summer months.

Emmanuel has signed up for something we did successfully the last four years—B-LOVE. Partnering with our friends at Central Reformed Temple, we will be supporting B-SAFE families for one of the four weeks on Thursday, July 25, with bags full of groceries. There is hardship with many families to provide adequate meals during the summer school vacation.

Here is the new two-fold plan for this summer: First, our specific assignment is to fill 25 grocery bags with non-perishable items (contact us at info@emmanuelchurch.org for a detailed list of groceries and a copy of the sign-up sheet to follow shortly). Items can be ordered through Amazon, for example, and delivered directly to Alston Abbey.

Second, we will include a \$25 Gift Card with each bag (also included in the sign-up sheet) so that the families can purchase perishable items. The bags with gift cards will be delivered to St. Stephen’s in the South End, by a few volunteer drivers.

The aim is to help meet family needs during these times of continued economic upheaval and higher food prices. If you wish, there are other opportunities to volunteer at St. Stephen’s, 419 Shawmut Street. (<https://www.ssypboston.org/bSAFE>).

Jill Silverstein, Pam Werntz, Bob Greiner, and Peggy Bradley have been busy dreaming up ways to help find funding for Emmanuel’s endeavor. Look for our annual raffle with some special treats, a concert in June, and ways to help fill those grocery bags.

If you are interested in volunteering on July 24-25 or have any questions, please contact Peggy Bradley at peggy.bradley@emmanuelboston.org. When we gather to pack and then deliver the bags, it will be a great morning to get to know each other and spend the time having fun!

Emmanuel Music welcomes Executive Director Vanessa Holroyd

Emmanuel Music, a cornerstone of Boston’s classical music scene, announces the appointment of Vanessa Holroyd as its new Executive Director. She will assume the role fully on August 1.

Vanessa brings to Emmanuel Music over 20 years of experience in arts administration with a proven track record of multifaceted and interdisciplinary arts management. As the former co-owner of Music Management, Inc. and founder and Music Director for the chamber music collective Anima, Vanessa has spent two decades curating entertainment programs for high-profile events nationally. Vanessa has also served as the Vice-President of the board for the Apple Hill Center for Chamber Music in New Hampshire.

Emmanuel Music is especially excited about this appointment as Vanessa has been a long-time musician with the orchestra, regularly serving as principal flute and soloist for the past 15 years. We look forward to continuing and deepening our relationship with Vanessa through her work as our new Executive Director.

Learn more about Vanessa here:

<https://www.emmanuelmusic.org/who/new-executive-director>

Ways to Get Involved

Let's Show our Love! Join DioMass at Pride this June

The Diocese of Massachusetts is organizing delegations of LGBTQ+ people and allies to walk, march, sashay (take your pick!) in Pride celebrations across eastern Massachusetts this year. Emmanuel plans to join Boston Pride for the People on Saturday, June 14th at 10:30am. Contact Jamie Shore at jamielizshore@gmail.com to join Emmanuel team proclaiming love and support for the LGBTQ+ community!

Language Reading Groups at Emmanuel - Want to learn or brush up an ancient language? Join one of Emmanuel's Reading Groups. We currently offer:

Hebrew Reading Group - Wednesdays at 6PM (co-sponsored with Central Reform Temple)

Greek Reading Group - Thursdays at 9AM

Latin Reading Group - Fridays at 9AM

Beginners are always welcome. Email Carolyn Beard at beard@emmanuelboston.org for the Zoom link.

Bible Study via Zoom continues in May - Bible Study meets virtually on Tuesdays from 7:30-8:30 am in all odd-numbered months. These lively conversations with the Rector take place via Zoom. If you would like to participate next month, please [contact the Parish Office](#).

Do you know someone who is in the hospital, or confined at home? The **Care Commission** provides pastoral ministry by writing notes, making visits, and more. Pastoral care needs are being coordinated by Pavel Hradecky (pavel.hrx@gmail.com) and Deacon Bob Greiner (deacon@emmanuelboston.org). If you have a need, please contact them.

Emmanuel Church Photography and Social Media - Communicating through social media helps our efforts to build community and expand our reach to people who are new to Emmanuel, as well as to Emmanuelites around the world. Volunteers help spread the Word by taking photos before, during, and after services, posting and sharing online. We value the sanctity of our worship and aim to strike a balance between sharing life at Emmanuel and creating a sacred space for all, filled with wonder, love, thanksgiving, and praise. No one will be tagged or identified by name in a photo without their permission and other privacy wishes will be respected on request. If you are interested in helping in these efforts, have concerns, or have high resolution photos of the Emmanuel community to share, please email photos@emmanuelboston.org.

Emmanuel Announcements & "This Week at Emmanuel" - If you would like to submit an announcement for inclusion in our Sunday Announcements, please email the Parish Office. Our weekly E-news is sent by email every Wednesday with announcements listed here plus many more. If you would like to receive those, please contact the Parish Office or sign up on our website.

Worship Today in Lindsey Chapel

Are you visiting Emmanuel for the first time today? Our congregation moves into the beautiful Lindsey Chapel during the summer. The chapel was built by William and Anne Lindsey, in memory of their newlywed daughter, Leslie Lindsey and her spouse Stewart Mason, who both tragically passed away on the Lusitania.

The chapel, originally a brownstone, was purchased by the Lindseys in 1919 and offered to the church as a memorial chapel. It was built in the style of a Lady Chapel, a space meant to honor the Blessed Mother.

Visit our website to learn more about the chapel's architecture, stained glass windows and more:

<https://www.emmanuelboston.org/mission/history/history-of-lindsey-chapel/>

New to Emmanuel?

Welcome to Emmanuel Church! You honor us with your presence. We are a faith community with a long history of challenging assumptions, of outreach, good preaching, and mission. We also have a long history of attracting deeply thoughtful people to engage in faith, doubt, music and art, conversation and fine liturgy. If you would like to learn more, please contact the Parish Office so we can connect.

In Episcopal liturgy, please stand in body or spirit when indicated. If you prefer to kneel during the prayers, please do. Please join in with the text in bold, when indicated. Hymns and responses to the liturgy usually found in the Hymnal 1982, Book of Common Prayer, and others are included in the bulletin. Our scripture readings are prescribed by the Revised Common Lectionary and are taken from the NRSV translation of the Bible. Psalm translations often come from the St. Helena Psalter.

Our commitment to expansive language dates from January 19, 1986, when the vestry vowed that our worship should “...speak of God, Christ, and our humanity in both male and female images.” Thirty-five years later, we continue to expand our language to embrace non-binary and gender-fluid words for people and the Divine, as well as non-anthropomorphic words for the Divine that are theologically coherent and biblically grounded. In accordance with this commitment, we welcome everyone to make changes in the language of the liturgy and in the hymns to that which is more fully inclusive. Our rector considers the disturbances this causes to be signs of the Holy Spirit, even as she acknowledges that words will always be insufficient to describe the Mystery of Life and Love.

In the sixth century, the **“filioque” clause** referring to the Holy Spirit crept into the Nicene Creed in the Church in the West (Roman) without consultation or agreement from the Church in the East (Orthodox): “...Holy Spirit, who proceeds from the Father **and the Son.**” The Episcopal Church meeting in General Convention in 1994 agreed to remove the clause in the next revision of the Book of Common Prayer. In the meantime, since Emmanuel Church prints the creed text in our bulletins, we have removed the clause and adjusted musical settings to put the Episcopal Church’s intention into practice.

In our worship service, **there are periods of silence** which serve as transitions and moments of reflection within a rich liturgy. In scripture, silence lets Elijah hear the still small voice of God, and the Revelation to John speaks of the silence in heaven. You are encouraged to embrace this silence as an integral part of “God with us.”

Whoever you are, wherever you’ve been, whatever you’ve done, **you are welcome to participate in communion here.** At this time communion may be received by bread alone or by praying the Prayer of Spiritual Communion.

Children are welcome to participate fully in the service.

It is our practice to remain seated through the **Postlude.** You are encouraged to respond “Amen” at its conclusion.

Monetary gifts may be made by dropping your donation in the box by the pulpit, mailing it to the church, or electronically via CashApp. CashApp (our cashtag is \$EmmanuelBostonGive) is a secure platform designed to allow you to quickly and easily make donations or payments. Please be sure to indicate if your gift should go towards your annual pledge or another special designation. If you are new to giving to Emmanuel Church and are using CashApp, please contact the Parish Office with your contact information.

In a typical week, Emmanuel Church provides sanctuary and hospitality for as many as fifteen hundred people who are living on the various margins of our society because of race, class, gender, sexual orientation, disability, addiction, immigration status, religion, and so on. Coming together to help lift heavy hearts and carry heavy burdens is what we do, and many hands make light work. Every single one of us has some capacity to join in this vital mission, thanks to Love.



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