



*Sunday, February 2, 2020*  
*Fourth Sunday after Epiphany*  
*Holy Communion*

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**February 2, 2020 • 9:30 & 11:00 A.M. Service**

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**WELCOME TO EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**INTRODUCTION**

*Who are the blessed ones of God? For Micah, they are those who do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God. For Paul, they are the ones who find wisdom in the weakness of the cross. For Jesus, they are the poor, mourners, the meek, those who hunger for righteousness, the merciful, the pure in heart, the peacemakers. In baptism we find our blessed identity and calling in this countercultural way of living and serving.*

**PRELUDE**

***The Heavens Declare the Glory of God***

**Marcello**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**TRINITARIAN CHIMES**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
the eternal voice from heaven,  
the anointed and beloved one,  
the Spirit moving over the waters.

**Amen.**

As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession,  
trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

*Silence is kept for reflection. The assembly may stand or kneel.*

God who searches us and knows us,  
**you have shown us what is good,**  
**but we have looked to other lights to find our way.**

**We have not been just in our dealings with others.  
We have chosen revenge over mercy.  
We have promoted ourselves  
instead of walking humbly with you.  
With what shall we come before you?  
Forgive us our sin,  
and show us your salvation  
in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Beloved of God,  
you have not received the spirit of the world,  
but the Spirit that is from God,  
poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ.  
Receive the promise of baptism:  
You are God's child; † your sins are forgiven.  
Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.  
**Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG:**

***Blest Are They***

**ELW 728 (verses 1-3)**

**GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom  
in giving your kingdom to the lowly and the pure in heart.  
Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice,  
and perseverance in striving for peace,  
that in our words and deeds the world may see the life of your Son,  
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

**FIRST READING: Micah 6:1–8**

**(Please turn in the Old Testament to page 966 in your pew Bible).**

*With the mountains and the foundations of the earth as the jury, God brings a lawsuit against Israel. God has "wearied" Israel with a long history of saving acts. God does not want or expect lavish sacrifices to*

attempt to earn divine favor. Rather God empowers the people to do justice, to love loyalty to God, and to walk shrewdly in God's service.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:18–31**

**(Please turn in the New Testament to page 173 in your pew Bible).**

*According to the world's standards of power and might, the message of the cross seems stupid and offensive. Yet this word reveals the paradoxical way God has chosen to work power and salvation through weakness, rejection, and suffering. Hence the message of the cross becomes true wisdom and power for believers.*

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

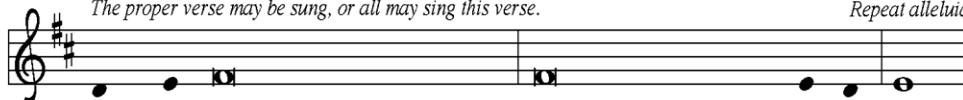
*The assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



*The proper verse may be sung, or all may sing this verse.*

*Repeat alleluia*



**GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1–12**

**(Please turn in the New Testament to page 4 in your pew Bible).**

The holy gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Jesus opens the Sermon on the Mount by naming those who are blessed in the reign of God.*

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The assembly is seated.*

**SERMON**

**Pastor José Lebrón**

*The assembly stands.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**      *Blest Are They*

**ELW 728 (verses 4, 5)**

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
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,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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.**

*\*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.*

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Trusting that God hears us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need. *Hear us, O God.*

**Your mercy is great.**

## HEAR OUR PRAYER



Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:  
peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.  
God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

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We bring to you, Christ, members and friends of Emmanuel who need your healing touch

*(Names from our congregation...)*

*Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior. **Amen.***

**Congregational refrain: "Hear Our Prayer"**

### PEACE

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.*

*The peace of Christ be with you always.*

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

*The assembly is seated.*

### OFFERING

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.*

*During this time, the table is set.*

**(9:30)**

**Eternal God**

**John Rutter**

## Emmanuel Choir

*Eternal God, we give you thanks for music, blest gift from heaven to all your servants here on earth: In time of joy a crown, in sorrow consolation; companion through our days of tears and mirth. We give you thanks for every sound of beauty: for sweetest harmony that echoes in our hearts. for melodies that soar on high like birds at morning, for voice and instrument in all their parts. As we are blest, so may our gifts bless others: may hearts be touched and spirits lifted up anew. Let music draw together those who live as strangers, as we are blest, so may our gifts bless others: may hearts be touched and spirits lifted up anew. Let music draw together those who live as strangers. Bring joy to those we love, in thankfulness true. And when at last we come into your kingdom, all discord over and all earthly labour done, then sound and silence yield before one equal music, and with the Giver shall our souls be one.*

**(11:00)**

### ***I Need Thee Every Hour*** **Karla Lauro, soloist**

**Hawks/Lowry**

*I need Thee every hour most gracious Lord. No tender voice like Thine can peace afford. I need Thee O I need Thee, every hour I need Thee! O bless me now my Savior, I come to Thee. I need Thee every hour; stay Thou near by. Temptations lose their pow'r when Thou art nigh. . I need Thee O I need Thee, every hour I need Thee! O bless me now my Savior, I come to Thee. I need Thee every hour, most Holy One. O make me Thine indeed, Thou Blessed Son! I need Thee O I need Thee, every hour I need Thee! O bless me now my Savior, I come to Thee. I need Thee O I need Thee, every hour I need Thee! O bless me now my Savior, I come to Thee.*

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*The assembly stands.*

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

God of wonder,  
you formed us in our mother's womb,  
and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine.

We place them on your table,  
together with our lives and all that you have made.

Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit.

We wait for your mercy;  
we long for your peace;  
we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ,  
our banquet of life.

**Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

### DIALOGUE

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.

### PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ.  
By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations;  
in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son;  
and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory.  
And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

## LORD'S PRAYER

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,  
forever and ever. Amen.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! Come to the table of mercy and joy.

*The assembly may be seated.*

## COMMUNION

***When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say***

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

***And each person may respond*** Amen.

*Jesus Christ is the host of this Holy Communion, in which we celebrate the Real Presence of our Lord. All are welcome! The Communion is administered by "intinction," that is, the bread is handed to the communicant and the communicant dips the bread into the wine. **If you are not able to take the wine, simply take the bread.** Children are invited to come forward for a blessing. If you desire Communion, but are not able to come forward, please let an usher know. We'll bring it to you. If you do not wish to partake of the Sacrament, simply remain seated when your row is directed to come forward. Gluten-free wafers are available; simply ask the server.*



COMMUNION SONG

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
 us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
 sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Music: *Bread of Life*, Jeremy Young, b. 1948  
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(9:30)

*I Need Thee Every Hour*

Hawks/Lowry

*Karla Lauro, soloist (Lyrics: page 6 of bulletin)*

COMMUNION HYMNS

*Give Me Jesus*

ELW 770

*Let Streams of Living Justice*

ELW 710

*Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life*

ELW 719

*The assembly stands.*

**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

Faithful God,

you have kept your promise to us in this meal,  
 nourishing us with the gift of salvation.

Now send your servants forth in peace,  
 that we may testify to your goodness  
 and share the hope that is ours  
 in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## BLESSING

May Christ, the wisdom and power of God,  
and the source of our life together,  
keep you united in mind and purpose.

And the blessing of almighty God,  
the Father, the  $\text{†}$  Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be with you always.

**Amen.**

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Let Your Light shine.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SENDING SONG**

*We Are Called*

ELW 720

**POSTLUDE**

*Festive Tune*

D. German

## ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC



The Emmanuel Choir will be singing at today's 9:30 worship service. The lyrical anthem, *Eternal God*, by the renowned composer John Rutter, gives thanks to our Eternal God "for music and for every sound of beauty."

Soloist Karla Lauro will be singing the beloved hymn *I Need Thee Every Hour* for Communion (9:30) and the 11:00 Offertory. Karla is a soprano in the Emmanuel Choir.

Many thanks to the Emmanuel Choir and Karla for sharing their musical gifts today!

## WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

### 9:30 Service

Greeters: *Dan & Amy Lyberg*

Assisting Minister: *Sally Johnson*

Lector: *Bob Goodin*

Acolyte: *Gussie Paulson*

Ushers: *Hal & Barbara Linnerud, Peter & Pat Shaulis*

Altar Guild: *Bruce & Cheryl Carlson*

AV: *Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Jayden Wampler (helper)*



*Today  
in Worship*

### 11:00 Service

Assisting Minister: *Rick Boe*

Lector: *Kathy Worley*

Acolyte: *Maridee Boe*

Ushers: *Donna Rhode, Tom & Karen Palmer, Hal Williams*

Altar Guild: *Diedre Milligan*

AV: *Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Jayden Wampler (helper)*



*The flowers that beautify our altar today are given Mike and Frances Maslowski in honor of the 13<sup>th</sup> birthday of their dog, Angel.*