

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 3, 2021

Welcome!

*Today we dedicate two plaques for two priests very special to Emmanuel,
the Rev. James Mathieson and the Rev. John Ruef.*

The readings used for this service are appointed for the ordination to the priesthood.

*The Gospel will be read in both English and Greek in tribute to John Ruef
and his love for the Greek New Testament.*

*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and
in honor of the Rev. James Mathieson
and in memory of the Rev. John Ruef
who gave of themselves in service to Emmanuel Church
By Bill Simpson and Charles Williams.*

Worship Notes

We give thanks that you have joined us for worship this morning.

We give thanks that we are able to gather in this sacred space to hear from and speak to God.

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Our broadcast service is found on FM station 100.1

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As the Delta variant has brought new health challenges, the vestry and I, in consultation with health professionals, are exercising caution. Due to the recent rise in positive testing rates and in the numbers of cases, Pittsylvania County is now a High Risk area. These decisions were difficult but we feel are prudent. Our new health safety protocols are:

- Regardless of vaccination status, we are wearing masks while inside either of our buildings. Those serving/leading worship will remove their mask when at the lectern or pulpit.
- When coming forward during the distribution of the Holy Elements, please:
 - Come forward using the center aisle. Return to your pew via the side aisle.
 - Maintain 6' spacing!
 - Keep your mask on. Receive the bread and wine, step to the side. Then remove your mask. Place your cup on the tray. Put your mask back on.
- As you leave church to serve the Lord, please greet each other ***outside***.

Birthdays in October

Wayne Millan	4	Ashby Cothran	26
Alejandra Olivas	11	Joan Mathieson	29

Serving Today

Prisider: The Rev. Becky Crites Organist and Music Director: Kenyon Scott

Reader: Charles Williams EM: Betty Camp

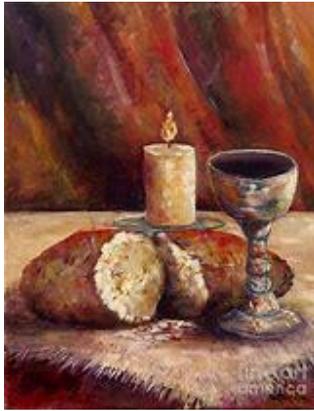
Counters: Llewellyn Coles, Rick Dixon

Reception: John Geyer, Martha Jane Rush, Virginia Chapin

Emmanuel Wonder Wednesdays 11 AM

Join us and our good conversations about living our faith!

This week we begin a series on Paul's Letters and how they might help us be *church* today.



THE ENTRANCE RITE

Announcements

Prelude

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn (*please stand*)

Praise my soul the King heaven

Hymnal 1982 #410

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

Hymn of Praise (*standing*)

Hymnal 1982 #s280

***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.***

The Collect

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray. Heavenly Father, Shepherd of your people, we thank you for your servants, James and John, who were faithful in the care and nurture of your flock; and we pray that, following their way of holy living, we may by your grace grow into the stature of the fullness of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

(please be seated)

The First Reading

Isaiah 6:1-8

Charles Williams

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

1 Peter 5:1-4

Betty Camp

Now as an elder myself and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as one who shares in the glory to be revealed, I exhort the elders among you to tend the flock of God that is in your charge, exercising the oversight, not under compulsion but willingly, as God would have you do it —not for sordid gain but eagerly. Do not lord it over those in your charge, but be examples to the flock. And when the chief shepherd appears, you will win the crown of glory that never fades away.

Hymn (*standing*)

I sing a song of the saints of God

Hymnal 1982 #293

The Holy Gospel

John 6:35-38

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe. All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me.

Presider The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

***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.***

The Prayers of the People

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed, especially Macon Riddle, eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence. We invite your petitions in this silence

We are surrounded by people who are in pain, physically and spiritually. We pray that they are upheld by our prayer and come to know healing in their lives. We pray for: *Rosemary, Sharon, Ruth, Bill, Ashby, Jane, Charles, Jay, Ryan and his parents Morgan and Andrew, Brett, Ed, Larry, Dale, William, April, Jim and his wife Kathleen.*

Silence

We give thanks for the ministry of the Revs. Jim Mathieson and John Ruef for whom the altar flowers are given.

In God's close keeping we pray for the forgiveness of our sins:

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.***

The Absolution

The Dedication

Antiphon Solomon beautified the sanctuary, and multiplied the vessels of the temple.

V. Oh, the majesty and magnificence of God's presence!

R. Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!

Let us pray. O God, whose blessed Son has sanctified and transfigured the use of material things: Receive these plaques which we offer in thanksgiving and grant that they, in revealing the servant ministry of these priests, proclaim your love, and benefit your Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Reading of the inscriptions

Almighty God, we thank you that you have put it into the hearts of your people to make offerings for your service, and have been pleased to accept their gifts.

Be with us now and bless us as we set apart this plaque to your praise and glory
and in honor of the Rev. James Mathieson; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Be with us now and bless us as we set apart this plaque to your praise and glory
and in memory of the Rev. John Ruef; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.

People: AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

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

***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.***

The Breaking of Bread.

Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

All are invited to receive communion or a blessing. To receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.

Hymn during communion

As the bread of life is broken

James J. Chepponis, Gustav Holst

Chorus

*As the bread of life is broken,
the cup of love outpoured,
We Are one in Christ, our Savior,
and sent to serve the Lord.*

*1 We, the many who are gathered,
are united now as one.*

*In this joyful celebration,
we recall what God has done.*

*3 In the bread of life here given,
we become what we receive.*

*In the cup of love here offered,
we affirm what we believe.*

*2 In the word of God proclaimed here
the good news of truth is heard.*

*In the telling of the stories,
we are open to God's word.*

*4 Sent as blessing for God's people,
to go forth in love and peace,*

*In our witness to God's kingdom,
may our charity increase.*

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

***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 *(please stand)*

Friends, life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Closing Hymn

Joyful, Joyful we adore Thee

Hymnal 1982 #376

Dismissal: Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

After the postlude, please join us for a reception in the church yard.

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September Vestry Meeting Notes

- Received proposal on Beech tree removal and, with great sadness, voted to remove the tree.
- Approved recommendation for removal of trees behind the parish house.
- Formed three new areas of focus on Sunday music, a tree plangent project and a history project with the four Episcopal Churches in our area.

Check out our videos, reflections and fun:

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