

***The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 19, 2021***

**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 and speak to God.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God  
in thanksgiving for the people of Emmanuel by Alice and Wayne Wilson .*

*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 all wearing masks while inside either of our buildings. Those serving/leading worship will remove their mask when at the lectern or pulpit.
- Choir members will wear the special choir masks when singing.
- 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**.
- After the service, join us outside for Lemonade on the Lawn, keeping a 6 foot physical distance.

**Birthdays and Anniversaries in September**

Anne Hunt 15

**Serving Today**

Presider: The Rev. Becky Crites      Organist and Music Director: Kenyon Scott  
Reader: Rick Dixon      EM: Betty Camp

**Vestry**

Laura Chappell (Sr. Warden) Llewellyn Coles (Jr. Warden),  
Kenyon Scott, Rick Dixon, Betty Camp

**The Vestry meets after church today!**

**Emmanuel Wonder Wednesdays 11 AM**

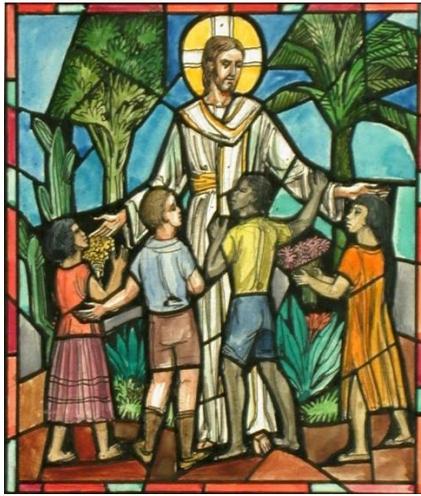
Join us and our good conversations about living our faith!  
This week we explore the Lord's Prayer!!

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## THE ENTRANCE RITE

Announcements  
Prelude

## THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn (*please stand*)

*I want to walk as a child of the Light*

Blue Hymnal 1982 #490

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 of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

**People And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray. Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. (*please be seated*)

The First Reading

Jeremiah 11:18-20

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!" But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

The Response to the Reading

Psalm 54

*read responsively by whole verse*

1 Save me, O God, by your Name; \*in your might, defend my cause.

2 Hear my prayer, O God; \*give ear to the words of my mouth.

3 For the arrogant have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life, \*those who have no regard for God.

4 Behold, God is my helper; \*it is the Lord who sustains my life.

5 Render evil to those who spy on me; \*in your faithfulness, destroy them.

6 I will offer you a freewill sacrifice \*and praise your Name, O Lord, for it is good.

7 For you have rescued me from every trouble, \*and my eye has seen the ruin of my foes.

Hymn (*standing*)

*Blest are the pure in heart*

Hymnal 1982 #656

The Holy Gospel

Mark 9:30-37

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

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

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one 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, Peggy, and the departed 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, Harry, Macon, Ryan and his parents Morgan and Andrew, Christine, Rick, Brett, Ed, Larry, Dale, William and April.*

*Silence*

We give thanks for all the people of Emmanuel, 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 Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People And also with you**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer 2, EOW

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.**

Celebrant: We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we now sing:

***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.***

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, 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. Again, he gave thanks to you, 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."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us with St. Francis and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. 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.

**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.

***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 *(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

O day of radiant gladness

*Hymnal 1982 #48*

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

***People: Thanks be to God!***

Postlude

*We invite you to be seated for the postlude*

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