

# The Fifth Sunday in Lent

## HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II



“Raising of Lazarus.” by Sebastiano del Piombo, 1519.

**Sunday, March 22, 2026**

**10:00 am**



***Welcome to Emmanuel Episcopal Church. We are glad you joined us today!***

*Whoever you are and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, there is a place for you here. We welcome everyone to join and participate fully in worship. The bulletin should contain all you need to participate in worship. Text the congregation reads aloud is printed in bold. This symbol ☩ denotes the appropriate time to make the sign of the cross upon yourself, if it is your custom.*

*Mask-wearing is optional. The rear pews are designated for socially-distanced seating for those who wish. Please sanitize your hands as you enter and immediately before Communion.*

## THE SEASON OF LENT

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As our Prayer Book describes it, Lent is a time of self-examination, repentance, prayer, fasting, and self-denial. This helps us prepare to fully and joyfully celebrate the feast which is to come at Easter. In the ancient church, this was also a time during which converts to the faith were prepared for baptism and that those who were guilty of especially notorious sins went through a process to be welcomed back to the congregation.

The 40 days of Lent begin on Ash Wednesday and end before the Great Vigil of Easter. Since we recognize that all Sundays are, in a sense, mini-Easters, they are technically not part of Lent. That is why we number these Sundays “in” Lent and not “of” Lent as we do with other seasons. Many people also choose to relax their practices of self-denial on the Sundays of Lent.

You will find that our worship has a more somber and penitential note during this season. The crosses will all be veiled. In keeping with ancient tradition, use of the word “Alleluia” is suppressed throughout the season. You will also see that the holy water normally available in the baptismal font has been replaced with sand, to remind us of our own desert journeys this Lent. The blessing at the end of the service is replaced with a solemn prayer over the people. The color is purple except for the fourth Sunday in Lent, which is called “Laetare Sunday” when we wear rose-colored vestments. During Holy Week, we switch to red and then black.



*Please note that this service is being livestreamed and recorded.  
Videos may be found on our Facebook page, YouTube channel, and website.*

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**Prelude**

*Wondrous Love*  
(Arranged by Paul Johnson)

# The Word of God

Processional Hymn • *Hymnal '82* #567

*Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old*



1 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to  
2 And lo! thy touch brought life and health, gave hear - ing,  
3 Be thou our great de - liv - erer still, thou Lord of  
heal and save; it tri - umphed o'er dis - ease and death,  
strength, and sight; and youth re - newed and fren - zy calmed  
life and death; re - store and quick - en, soothe and bless,  
o'er dark - ness and the grave. To thee they went, the  
owned thee, the Lord of light: and now, O Lord, be  
with thine al - might - v breath: to hands that work and  
blind, the deaf, the pal - sied, and the lame, the lep - er  
near to bless, al - might - y as of yore, in crowd - ed  
eyes that see, give wis - dom's heav - en - ly lore, that whole and  
set a - part and shunned, the sick with fe - vered frame.  
street, by rest - less couch, as by Gen - es - aret's shore.  
sick, and weak and strong, may praise thee ev - er - more.

*Celebrant*  
*People*

✠ Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.  
His mercy endures forever.

## The Decalogue

*The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p.350*

*Please kneel, as able.*

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Hear the commandments of God to God's people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me. Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not make for yourself any idol.  
*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.  
*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.  
*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* Honor your father and your mother.  
*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not commit murder.  
*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not commit adultery.  
*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not steal.  
*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not be a false witness.  
*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.  
*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. (*Hebrews 4:14, 16*)

## The Confession & Absolution

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All* Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, ✠forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

**Kyrie** • *Hymnal '82 #S-96*

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

**The Collect of the Day**

BCP p.219

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*Please be seated.*

**The First Lesson** • *A reading from the Book of Ezekiel*

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover

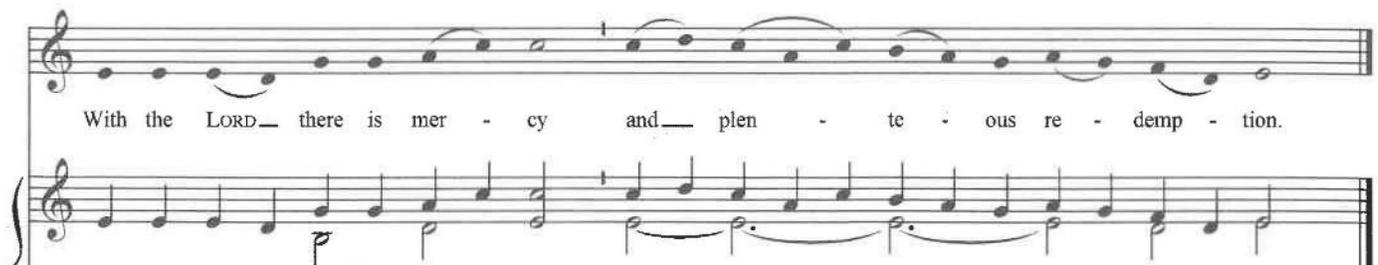
you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.”

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.”

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

**The Psalm** *the refrain is sung by the choir, sing the verses, then refrain by all as indicated* **Psalm 130**



Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;  
Lord, hear my voice; \*  
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.  
If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, \*  
O Lord, who could stand?  
For there is forgiveness with you; \*  
therefore you shall be feared.

*Refrain by all*

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; \*  
in his word is my hope.  
My soul waits for the Lord,

more than watchmen for the morning, \*  
more than watchmen for the morning.

*Refrain by all*

O Israel, wait for the Lord, \*  
for with the Lord there is mercy;  
with him there is plenteous redemption, \*  
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

*Refrain by all*

**The Second Lesson** • *A reading from the Letter to the Romans*

Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

**Sequence Hymn** • *Hymnal '82 #440*  
*All are invited to stand and sing*

*Blessed Jesus at thy word*

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to  
2 All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness  
3 Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro -  
hear thee; let our hearts and souls be stirred  
shroud - ed, till thy Spi - rit breaks our night  
ceed - ing, o - pen thou our ears and heart,  
now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teach - ings  
with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; thou a - lone to  
help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing. Hear the cry thy  
pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.  
God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.  
Church up - rais - es; hear, and \_ bless our prayers and prais - es.

*Deacon*

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

*People*

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of

the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

*Deacon*            The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*            Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*Please be seated.*

## **The Sermon**

Deacon Bill Rimkus

*After the sermon there is a brief time of silence for reflection.*

## **The Nicene Creed**

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*All are invited to stand and recite together.*

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

*Intercessor* Friends in Christ, the Spirit of God dwells in you. Let us appeal to our God, saying, “We call to you, O Lord; *Lord, hear our voice.*”

Breathe new life into your Church, O Lord. Where our bones are dried up, where our hope is lost, cause your life-giving breath to enter. Give us confidence in the truth that the same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead dwells in us. We call to you, O Lord;

*People* Lord, hear our voice.

Many are they who wait for you, O Lord. Speak into the souls of those suffering throughout the world, a word of hope. We call to you, O Lord;

*People* Lord, hear our voice.

Creating God, it is the wind of your Spirit that sweeps across this planet. Renew and refresh your creation; bring forth newness in dead places. We call to you, O Lord;

*People* Lord, hear our voice.

With you, O Lord, there is plenteous redemption. Restore the hope of this city. Renew our trust that you have a life-giving future in mind for us. We call to you, O Lord;

*People* Lord, hear our voice.

With you, O Lord, there is mercy. Consider well the voice of those who call out from their depths. As they wait for you in their pain and sorrow, give life to their mortal bodies by your healing Spirit.... We call to you, O Lord;

*People* Lord, hear our voice.

✠ God, we trust your Son Jesus to be for us resurrection and life. Give to the dead your life. Assure the living with the promise of resurrection. We call to you, O Lord;

*People* Lord, hear our voice.

*Here, additional intercessions are offered, and then the Deacon adds a concluding Collect:*



and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Sanctus & Benedictus** • *Hymnal '82 #S-130*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are  
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. 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.

*The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues*

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:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

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.

**AMEN.**

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

## **The Lord's Prayer**

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*Celebrant and People*

**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.

### **Agnus Dei • Hymnal '82 #S-164**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then is sung*

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

*The Celebrant says the following invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*and may add*

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*We are receiving both bread and wine at Communion. Please sanitize your hands prior to coming forward. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. There are two options for receiving the consecrated wine. If you wish to drink from the chalice, please go the left side of the altar rail. If you prefer to receive it in a single-use compostable cup (to drink or intinct), please pick one up from the table and go to the right side of the rail. The cup can be discarded on the table in the sacristy to be reverently rinsed out. If you are sick, we ask that you please refrain from using the chalice and either get a single-use cup instead or rest assured that the fullness of Communion is received in either just bread alone or wine alone. If you do not wish to receive, you are invited to cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would like a blessing, which will be delivered without touch.*

1 Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life a - new,  
 2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,  
 3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,  
 4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die;

that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.  
 un - til with thee I will one will, to do or to en - dure.  
 till all this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.  
 but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

**Prayer after Communion**

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*All are invited to stand or kneel.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

**The Prayer over the People**

*Deacon* Bow down before the Lord.

*The people kneel and the Celebrant prays:*

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Closing Hymn • Hymnal '82 #610**

*Lord, whose love through humble service*

1 Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man  
 2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less; still the hun - gry cry for  
 3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing  
 4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we

need, who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, of - fered mer - cy's  
 bread; still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we  
 light, in its height and depth and great - ness, dawns up - on our  
 go, to the child, the youth, the a - ged love in liv - ing

per - fect deed, we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship  
 mourn our dead. As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion  
 quick - ened sight, mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens  
 deeds to show; hope and health, good will and com - fort,

not of voice a - lone, but heart, con - se - crat - ing  
 healed the sick and freed the soul, use the love your  
 your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring us to  
 coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, that your ser - vants,

to your pur - pose ev - ery gift that you im - part.  
 Spi - rit kin - dles still to save and make us whole.  
 tire - less striv - ing, your a - bun - dant life to share.  
 Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

**The Dismissal**

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*Deacon*  
*People*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
 Thanks be to God.

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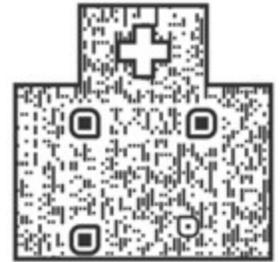
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# THE SUNDAY TIMES

**Today, Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>      The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent**

- 8:00am, Holy Eucharist Rite I (no music)
- 10:00am, Holy Eucharist Rite II (with music)
- 11:00am, Coffee Hour
- 11:15am, Adult Formation: Prayer Book Revision and the Situation in the 1920s



**Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>      Palm Sunday**

- 8:00am, Holy Eucharist Rite I (no music)
- 10:00am, Holy Eucharist Rite II (with music)
- 11:00am, Coffee Hour

**Birthdays:** Andrea Bial Szyperski, Sarah Hemmelgarn, Eloise Skertich, Tom Lampert, Avery Workman.

**Anniversaries:** Marc & Mary Borge

**In our prayers:** Barbara, Patti, Elizabeth, Christina, Suzanne, Jaylen, Ginny, Kathy, Carrie, Chris, Leslie, Tracy, Janice, Steve, Robert, Michael, Claire, Jeannine, Jeff, Kurt, Mike & Renee, Bill, Julius, Sara & family.

**Blood Drive, Tuesday March 24<sup>th</sup>:** Blood donation is a simple yet profound act of love. A single donation can help cancer patients, accident victims, and children with serious illnesses, bringing hope where it's needed most. We invite you to take part in this life-saving mission as we come together as a community on March 24th to offer the gift of life to those in need. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**Adult Formation “Learn about our history”:** The final session will be held on April 12<sup>th</sup> when we will use a historic liturgy at both services and then gather afterwards to unpack what we experienced and observed.

**Exodus world service:** Exodus World Service will be hosting their Celebration of Hope annual banquet April 16<sup>th</sup>, 6-8pm, at Drury Lane Oakbrook. As a supporter of Exodus and refugee families in Chicagoland, Emmanuel has the opportunity to fill a table, learn about the successes, challenges and plans around refugees, and meet other supporters of this active, growing initiative. There is no cost to attend, and we will take up a table collection when our table is filled. There may be additional opportunities to donate during the evening. Please reserve your spot by letting Randy Valenta know of your interest, and we'll make plans to carpool to and from.

**Important Reminder:** Parishioners are asked to be cautious of emails, texts, or phone calls requesting money or financial assistance in any way from the Church, clergy or Church staff. The church will never request funds or personal information this way. Please don't not respond or send money, as these are often scams. If you receive a message you are unsure of, please contact the church office directly.



## BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday  
March

**24**

2:45PM – 7:00PM

**Helpful tip:**  
Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.

1-800-786-4483

### Emmanuel Episcopal Church of LaGrange Blood Drive

Memorial Hall, 203 S Kensington Ave LaGrange, IL

APPOINTMENTS PREFERRED: Call 1-800-786-4483, visit <https://tinyurl.com/bp5ywrk5or> or scan the QR Code Below



27 Donors Needed at this Drive!

**Donate blood to support most area patients who require blood products at most Chicago-area and NW Indiana hospitals!**



**EXODUS**  
world service



## Bless Refugee Neighbors with a Household Care Pack

*Join with Emmanuel Episcopal to purchase items for a refugee family*

**Drop off items by Sunday, April 12**

Emmanuel Episcopal Church

You can provide a refugee family with useful supplies as they rebuild their lives. By collecting and delivering these essentials, you offer practical support, along with a neighborly visit of encouragement.



**Scan to purchase an item!**

QUESTIONS? Contact Jeanna Choi  
[jeanna.choi@exodusworldservice.org](mailto:jeanna.choi@exodusworldservice.org) | 630.642.9059 | [exodusworldservice.org](http://exodusworldservice.org)

## Friends of Casavant Presents



**Friday, April 24, 2026 7:30 pm**

**Emmanuel Episcopal Church  
203 S. Kensington Ave. La Grange, IL**

**Cantus**, A nationally renowned vocal ensemble, presents an unforgettable evening of choral artistry. They will also lead a masterclass at Lyons Township High School, with students joining them for one selection.



Scan for Tickets and more informaton



### Weekly Worship Schedule

Tuesdays	at 7:30am	Contemplative Prayer (online)
Thursdays	at 7:30am	Contemplative Prayer (online)
	at 8:00pm	Compline (online)
Sundays	at 8:00am	Holy Eucharist, Rite I (during Lent) no music
	at 10:00am	Holy Eucharist, Rite II (with music)

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 Marc O'Brien, Drew Beyer, Jake Goes, Marie Narvaez, Dave Knecht, Christiaan Raftery, Ron Throckmorton, Diane Clark-Coutre, Emily Birks, *Members*

### Serving Today

Randy Valenta, *Lector* Marty Caldwell & Marybeth Bonetto, *Altar Guild*  
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