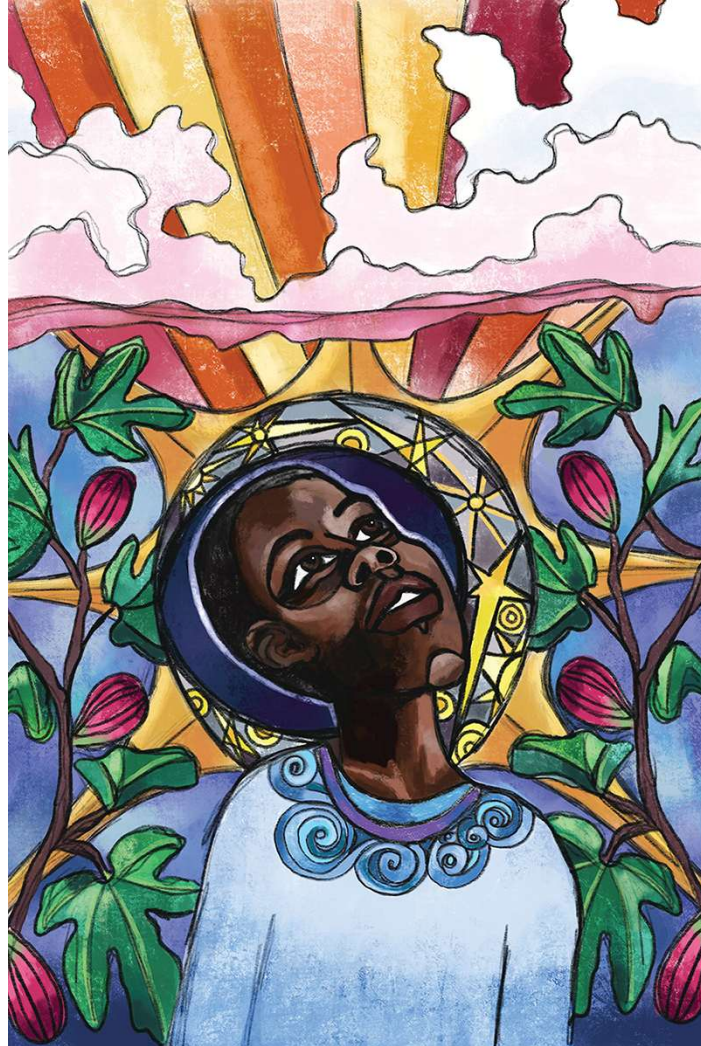


The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

A Celebration of Juneteenth

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II



“Raise Your Head,” Lauren Wright Pitman, 2018

Sunday, June 21, 2026
9:15 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 currently 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.

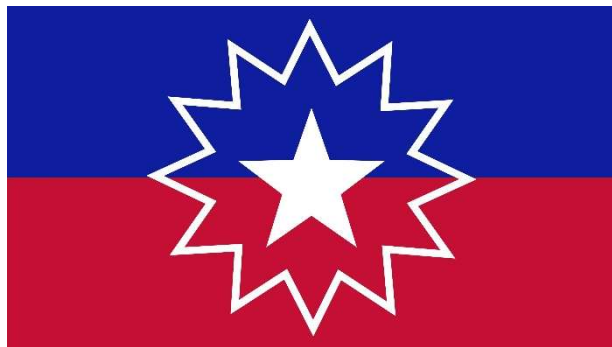
JUNETEENTH

Juneteenth marks our country's second independence day. Although it has been long celebrated in the African American community, this monumental event remains largely unknown to many Americans.

On "Freedom's Eve," or the eve of January 1, 1863, the first Watch Night services took place. On that night, enslaved and free African Americans gathered in churches and private homes all across the country awaiting news that the Emancipation Proclamation had taken effect. At the stroke of midnight, prayers were answered as all enslaved people in Confederate States were declared legally free. Union soldiers, many of whom were black, marched onto plantations across cities in the South reading small copies of the Emancipation Proclamation spreading the news of freedom in Confederate states. Only through the Thirteenth Amendment did emancipation end slavery throughout the United States.

But not everyone in Confederate territory would immediately be free. Even though the Emancipation Proclamation was made effective in 1863, it could not be implemented in places still under Confederate control. As a result, in the westernmost Confederate state of Texas, enslaved people would not be free until much later. Freedom finally came on June 19, 1865, when some 2,000 Union troops arrived in Galveston Bay, Texas. The army announced that the more than 250,000 enslaved black people in the state were free by executive decree. This day became known as "Juneteenth" by the newly freed people in Texas.

-National Museum of African American History & Culture



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

Prelude

Why should I feel discouraged?
Why should the shadows come?
Why should my heart be lonely
And long for heaven and home,
When Jesus is my portion
My constant Friend is He:
His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know He watches me;
His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know He watches me.

CHORUS 2x

I sing because I'm happy —
I sing because I'm free —
For His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know He watches me.

Processional Hymn

I have decided to follow Jesus
I have decided to follow Jesus
I have decided to follow Jesus
No turning back, no turning back

INTERLUDE

Though no one join me, still I will follow
Though no one join me, still I will follow
Though no one join me, still I will follow
No turning back, no turning back

INTERLUDE

The world behind me, the cross before me
The world behind me, the cross before me
The world behind me, the cross before me
No turning back, no turning back
No turning back, no turning back
(soloist does last time alone)

His Eye is on the Sparrow
Solo by Kawanna Ramsey

I have decided to follow Jesus
Congregation

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p.355

Celebrant ✠ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria

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

BCP p.228

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

Almighty and eternal God, in every generation you kindle in the hearts of your people the flame of freedom and the light of liberty. We remember before you those who, on this day, received the glad tidings of emancipation and those who were messengers of freedom. Grant us grace, in our own time, to contend fearlessly with the evils of slavery and to make no peace with oppression; that we may use our liberties for the cause of justice and peace among the nations; through Jesus Christ our liberating Savior. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The First Lesson • *A reading from the book of Isaiah*

Isaiah 58:6-9

Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you; the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, "Here I am."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

to be read responsively

Psalm 118:1-9

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord who is good;
the mercy of the Lord endures for ever.
- 2 Let Israel now proclaim,
“The mercy of the Lord endures for ever.”
- 3 Let the house of Aaron now proclaim,
“The mercy of the Lord endures for ever.”
- 4 Let those who fear the Lord now proclaim,
“The mercy of the Lord endures for ever.”
- 5 I called to the Lord in my distress;
who answered by setting me free.
- 6 The Lord is at my side, therefore I will not fear;
what can anyone do to me?
- 7 The Lord is at my side to help me;
I will triumph over those who hate me.
- 8 It is better to rely on the Lord
than to put any trust in flesh.
- 9 It is better to rely on the Lord
than to put any trust in rulers.

The Second Lesson • *A reading from the book of Galatians*

Galatians 3:23-29

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore, the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be reckoned as righteous by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

All are invited to stand.

The Gospel

Luke 4:16a-22

*Deacon
People*

✠The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: “The

Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth.

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

Please be seated.

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. David Jackson

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

The Nicene Creed

BCP p.358

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 God of love, we pray for your church: For Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Paula, our Bishop; for all lay and ordained ministers; and for all who seek you in the community of the faithful. Equip us with compassion and love, to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world. God of love,

People Hear our prayers for the church.

God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all the nations of the world: For peace and unity across barriers of language, color, and creed; for elected and appointed leaders, that they would serve the common good. Inspire all people with courage to speak out against hatred, to actively resist evil. Unite the human family in bonds of love. God of freedom,

People Hear our prayers for the world.

God of justice, we pray for the earth, your creation entrusted to our care: For the animals and birds, the mountains and oceans, and all parts of your creation that have no voice of their own. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources, that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us. God of justice,

People Hear our prayers for the earth.

God of peace, we pray for the communities of our diocese: For our local leaders; for our schools and workplaces; for our neighborhoods and homes. Kindle in every heart a desire for equality, respect, and opportunity for all. Give us courage to strive for justice and peace among all people. God of peace,

People Hear our prayers for our communities.

God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need or trouble: For those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and those connected to us as part of the human family. For refugees and prisoners; for the sick and suffering, the lonely and despairing; for those facing violence; for all held down by prejudice or injustice.... Awaken in us compassion and humility of spirit, as we seek and serve Christ in all persons. God of mercy,

People Hear our prayers for all who are in need.

God of grace, ✠we pray for those who have died: For the faithful in every generation who have worked for justice; for prophets who called us to racial reconciliation; for martyrs who died because of hatred; and for all the communion of saints. Make us faithful to your call to proclaim your Good News, by word and example, and bring us at last into the glorious company of the saints in light. God of grace,

People Hear our prayers for those who have died.

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

Deacon Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Please be seated.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

That Name
Solo by Kawanna Ramsey

The Doxology • Hymnal '82 #380 (verse 3 only)

All are invited to stand and sing as the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. **Amen.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

Celebrant and People

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

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

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:

Celebrant and People

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

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. **AMEN.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

BCP p.364

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.

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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Invitation to Communion

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.

Communion Hymn

Goodness of God
Solo by Kawanna Ramsey

I love You, Lord
For Your mercy never fails me
All my days, I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

'Cause all my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night You are close like no other
I've known You as a Father
I've known You as a Friend
And I have lived in the goodness of God, yeah

'Cause all my life You have been faithful, oh yes You have
And all my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

Your goodness is running after, it's running after me
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me
With my life laid down, I surrendered now
I give You everything, oh Lord
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me (oh yeah, oh yeah)
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me
With my life laid down, I surrendered now

I give You everything
Your goodness is running after, it keeps running after me

And all my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God (3x)

Prayer after Communion

BCP p.366

All are invited to stand or kneel.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior.
Amen

The Blessing ✠

Closing Hymn

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me
Congregation

I want Jesus to walk with me
I want Jesus to walk with me
All along my pilgrim journey
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord walk with me
In my trials, Lord walk with me
When the shades of life are falling
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me

In my sorrows, Lord walk with me
In my sorrows, Lord walk with me
When my heart within is aching
(*soloist only*) Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me

The Dismissal

BCP p.366

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

Postlude

Oh how I love Jesus

Congregation sings **BOLD** – soloist sings *Italics*

CHORUS:

**O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
Because He first loved me**

*There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth
It sounds like music in mine ear, the sweetest name on earth*

CHORUS

*It tells me what my Father hath in store for every day,
And though I tread a darksome path, yields sunshine all the way.*

CHORUS 2x

(Soloist sings ending)

Copyright and License Information:

The Offertory song was written by Richard Smallwood, © Century Oak Publishing Group. The Communion song was written by Ben Fielding, Brian Johnson, Edward Martin Cash, Jason Ingram, and Jenn Johnson, © 2018 Bethel Music Publishing. All other music is believed to be in the public domain. Permission to reproduce and/or stream any copyrighted music in this service was obtained from One License under license #A-717831, CCLI under license #20566659, CCS under license #13355, or directly from the publisher.

Scripture quotations are from *New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition*, copyright National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved worldwide. The Eucharistic Prayer and the Prayer After Communion were taken from *Enriching Our Worship v1*, copyright © 1998 by The Church Pension Fund, and is used by permission.

The image on the front cover is Lauren Wright Pitman and is used under license from the artist. The image inside the front cover is used under a Pixabay content license.

THE SUNDAY TIMES

Today, June 21st Third Sunday after Pentecost Juneteenth

- 9:15am, Holy Eucharist Rite II (summer schedule)

- 10:15am, Coffee Hour

Sunday, June 28th Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

- 9:15am, Holy Eucharist Rite II (summer schedule)

- 10:15am, Coffee Hour

Anniversaries: Ailysh & Jake, Sue & Stan, Michelle & David.

In our prayers: John, Patti, Jeanne, Ellen, Michael, Claire, Robert, Jeannine, Julius, Jeff, Kurt, Mike, Renee, Cliff, Linda, Janice & Steve, Chris, Suzanne, Sara & family, Mary, Roupi, Elizabeth, Leah, Julian, Andy, Grace & Vinny, Colleen.

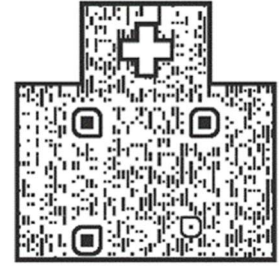
Prayer List: We will be refreshing our prayer list. Names will now remain on the prayer list for a period of four weeks. After that time, you are welcome to resubmit names if continued prayers are wanted. If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please contact the church office.

Annual Garage Sale: Friday August 28 & Saturday August 29, 8am-2pm. You are welcome to bring in your donations starting **July 6th -Aug 23rd**. We especially encourage housewares, small furniture pieces, working appliances, puzzles, yard tools, tools, games, toys, books, bikes, linens, rugs, decorations, holiday items, jewelry, and crafts.

We are not accepting sports equipment, exercise equipment, plush animals, clothes, tv's, entertainment centers, stereo systems, china cabinets, or large bookcases. Please contact Penny Longo before bringing any large items or if you have any questions at 708-275-5028. **We will need many hands to help over the 2-3 days. If you can and would like to help at the sale – please contact Ellen Busch at 708 354 5847. Thank you**

Upcoming Events at Emmanuel:

Saturday, July 11th @ 7pm & 9pm Lumos Candlelit Concert



We would like to thank our guest musicians for making our worship today extra special:

Vocals - Kawanna Ramsey

Bass - Patrick Forestor

Trumpet and Trombone - David Vietez





Weekly Worship Schedule

Tuesdays	at 7:30am	Contemplative Prayer (online)
Thursdays	at 7:30am	Contemplative Prayer (online)
	at 8:00pm	Compline (online)
Sundays	at 9:15am	Holy Eucharist, Rite II (summer schedule)

Clergy & Staff

The Rev. Dr. David Jackson	<i>Rector</i>	revdave@eeclg.org
The Rev. William Rimkus	<i>Deacon</i>	dnbill@eeclg.org
Mrs. Erin McClellan-Zhoushi	<i>Parish Administrator</i>	admin@eeclg.org
Mr. Paul Johnson	<i>Music Director/Organist</i>	paul@eeclg.org
Mr. Clarence Johnson	<i>Sexton</i>	

Wardens & Vestry

Carry Zaras, *Senior Warden* Andy Doliff, *Junior Warden*
Marc O'Brien, Drew Beyer, Jake Goes, Marie Narvaez, Dave Knecht, Christiaan Raftery, Ron Throckmorton, Diane Clark-Coutre, Emily Birks, *Members*

Serving Today

Katie Raftery, *Lector* Margaret & Bill Coffee, *Altar Guild*
Stacy Jackson, *Livestream Operator*

203 S. Kensington Avenue, La Grange, Illinois 60525
(708) 352-1275

www.emmanuel-lagrange.org

Follow us on:



Facebook



Instagram



YouTube