

Holy Eucharist Rite III
Third Sunday after Epiphany
Year A
January 25, 2026 at 8:00 a.m.



Emmanuel Episcopal Church
of Orcas Island

Welcome to Emmanuel!

We are glad you are here. Our mission at Emmanuel is to love God and God's creation, and our neighbors as ourselves. We are a reconciling, affirming, and inclusive Christian community striving through worship and prayer, study and formation, compassion and service, fellowship and community, to welcome all people just as God created them. We welcome you wherever you are on your journey of faith, and whether you are single, married, divorced, separated, or partnered. We welcome you regardless of your age, race, ethnicity, culture, gender, sexual orientation, gender expression, economic condition, physical condition, or mental ability. We believe that God delights in the diversity of creation, and so do we. We welcome you to our inclusive family; come share the journey.

Prayer acknowledging the People and Land of Orcas Island

Creator, you made all people of every land. We are responsible for giving thanks and respect for this land we are upon and those who first inhabited it. We thank the Coast Salish people, especially the Lummi (Lhaq'temish) and Samish, the first people of this land. We respect those ancestors who are interred in this land. We are also thankful for the gifts of the people of this land. Creator, let us be of "Good Mind" to reconcile the mistreatment of this land and those who have been displaced. With thankful and respectful hearts, we pray in Your name, Your son the Peacemaker, and the Sacred Spirit. Amen.

~ MINISTERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE ~

Presider ~ Fr. Berto Gándara

Eucharistic Minister ~ Vicki Clancy

Healing Ministry ~ Betsy Nelson

Lector 1 ~ Luann Pamatian

Lector 2 ~ Betsy Nelson

Usher ~ Luann Pamatian

Altar Guild ~ Chris Kennedy, Karen Fox Ladd, and Betsy Nelson

Flower Guild ~ Lynn Baker

At the sound of the bell, please stand as you are able, as we chant

Wake up, you who sleep
rise from the dead
as the Anointed One fills you with light.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Presider 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.**

Please be seated

GATHERING IN CHRIST'S NAME IN SILENCE

Presider God be with you.
Presider **And also with you.**
Presider In this season after the Epiphany, let us take a moment of silence acknowledging the presence of Christ who humbled himself to share our humanity so that we may share in the divine life."

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Deeply descend into "I Am."
Deeply descend into One.

A period of silent prayer follows, and the conclusion is signaled by the singing bowl.

THE COLLECT PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.
All: **God of blazing light, through the power of the cross you shattered our darkness, scattering the fears that bind us and setting us free to live as your children. Give us courage and conviction that we may joyfully turn and follow you into new adventures of faithful service, led by the light that shines through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

WE PROCLAIM AND RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Chant

**Listen, listen, wait in silence listening.
For the One from whom all mercy flows.**

Lector 1: A reading from the prophet Isaiah [9:1–4 NRSV^{ue}]

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
on them light has shined.
You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.
For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

*After a period of silence, the reader says:
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.*

People **Thanks be to God.**

A Retelling of Psalm 40:1-12

The Lector chooses the manner of praying the Psalm or Canticle and explains it to the congregation

Direct Recitation: prayed in unison.

Antiphonal Recitation: one side of the congregation and the other.

Responsive Recitation: the Lector alternating with the congregation.

**Love is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear?
Love is the strength of my life, Of whom shall I be afraid?**

**One thing have I asked of Love, that I shall ever seek:
That I might dwell in the Heart of love all the days of my life.**

To behold the Beauty of my Beloved, and to know Love's Plan.

For I shall hide in Love's heart in the day of trouble,
As in a tent in the desert, Aways from the noise of my fears.

And I shall rise above my struggles, my pain, shouting blessings of gratitude in Love's Heart. And singing melodies of praise to my Beloved.

Hear, O my Beloved, when I cry aloud, be gracious and answer me!

You have said, "Seek my face." My heart responds, "Your face, my Beloved, do I seek: hide not your face from me."

Do not turn from me, You who have been my refuge, Enfold me in your strong arms, O Blessed One.

Lector 2: A reading from the Paul's first letter to the Corinthians

[1:10-18 NRSVue]

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

After a period of silence, the reader says:

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able, and let's chant to welcome the Gospel,

The veil between worlds, it is opening

Lk 23:45

Sophia is calling our names

Prov 8:1ff

to listen to her wisdom

Prov 9:1ff

to gather 'round sacred flame.

Mt 3:11

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew
[4:12-23 NRSVue]

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

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

After a period of silence:
The Gospel of our Savior.
Praise to you Lord Christ.

We chant once more “The Veil.”

THE SERMON

After the sermon we take a moment of silence before the prayers.

WE PRAY FOR THE WORLD AND THE CHURCH

Please stand as you are able as the Intercessor leads us in prayer.

Intercessor Spirit of Love, you are what holds the world together. May we learn each day how to walk in your love so that our brothers and sisters here and across the world will be the recipients of your love through us.

May we answer the call to show love to our neighbors

Spirit of Love, despite all the anguish of the world, there are so many people who are doing the right thing, feeding the hungry, tending the wounds, rescuing those in danger, caring for the children. May we not lose hope in these times. May we each find a way to be an instrument of Love.

May we answer the call to show love to the world.

Spirit of Love, while we weep for the injustices in our nation, may we be bold in addressing them and seek ways that we can make a difference, even if it seems like a small thing. May our anxieties not paralyze us, and may we find ways to take care of ourselves and each other.

May we answer the call to show love to our country.

Spirit of Love, we are fortunate to live on this island and be part of the Emmanuel community. We are so grateful for the vital spirit of this church, for our priests, Berto and Hugh, as they share their lives and their teachings with us, and for the many ways we have of connecting with the greater community of Orcas Island. May we not take it for granted.

May we answer the call to show love to our church and community.

Spirit of Love, may we be sensitive to the social injustices in our world and find ways to bring comfort to those who live with emotional and physical trauma, grave illness, lack of health care, addiction, lack of employment and housing.

May we answer the call to show love to those in need.

Spirit of Love, we think with love of those who have died and those who have lost someone dear. May your love and ours bring comfort, and may we remember what we have learned from those who have left us.

May we answer the call to show love to those who grieve.

Spirit of Love, we remember and pray for those on our parish prayer list
... Tamara... Bill & Jane... Heather... Jan... Cheryl... Ian... James...
Dick... Renee... John ... Nick ... Sara...David... The Rev. Pam...
Dart and Laura...Skipper...Cynthia & Bruce...Wes & Carol...
Bruce... Helen...Diane...Chris...Lynn...Margaret...as well as those
persons known only to us... and those for whom no one prays; may
they be comforted by your Holy Spirit.

May we answer the call to show love to those in need of your healing touch.

Those who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries are invited to come forward. If you would like your name printed in the bulletin, please let the parish office know.

Presider: Let us pray for those celebrating birthdays this week.

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants Leni Roberts (1/26), Myles Paige (1/27), and James Reid (1/30) as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Presider: Let us pray for those celebrating anniversaries this week.

Grant, O God, in your compassion, that Doug and Ida Rae McDonald (1/25) may grow in forgiveness, loyalty, and love; and come at last to the eternal joys which you have promised through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & WELCOME OF VISITORS

Please be seated. If you are visiting us this morning, we warmly welcome you! You may introduce yourself if you would like. We invite you to join us at coffee hour after the service in Benson Hall. Sign up for our weekly eNews by scanning this QR code:



WE SHARE THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Please stand as you are able.

Presider: The peace of Christ be always with you

People: **And also with you.**

We share a sign of peace with those around you.

WE PREPARE THE ALTAR AND PRESENT OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory Sentence: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

Psalm 50:14

The gifts of bread and wine and our offerings for our parish's support are placed on the offering plate. We thank you for your generous financial support. Checks may be made out to Emmanuel Parish. If you are not a pledging member, we invite you to consider making a yearly pledge to Emmanuel. Ask for a pledge card. You can also donate online at: <https://bit.ly/donateEmmanuel>



Please stand, as you are able, when the offering plate is brought forward.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.

Doxology: Old 100th

WE PRAY THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please stand as you are able.

Presider: May God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to God.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the One who created us.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Presider thanks God, on our behalf, for the goodness and beauty of creation and for the story of liberation, particularly in the life of Jesus Christ.

The Presider then invites us to say:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

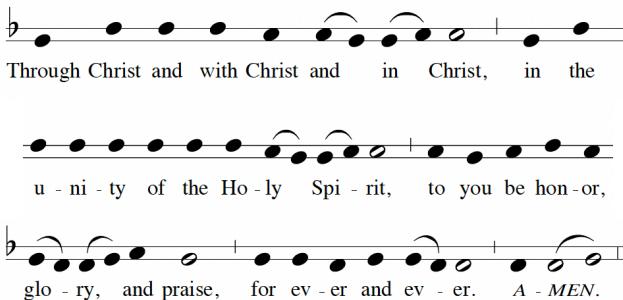
Hosanna in the highest.

The Presider continues praying, invoking the Holy Spirit to transform us and the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ Jesus' words at the Last Supper are said over the bread and wine.

*The Presider will then invite us to respond to the memorial, saying,
Great is the mystery of faith.*

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

The Presider will now pray for the world and church concluding with



Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the
u - ni - ty of the Ho - ly Spi - rit, to you be hon - or,
glo - ry, and praise, for ev - er and ev - er. **A - MEN.**

Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**
Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

All are welcome to receive Christ's sacramental presence in Holy Communion. Our Catechism (BCP p. 860) says that what is required is that we examine our lives and commit to the transformation of our hearts and lives, striving to live in love with God, all people, and creation. If

for personal reasons, you feel you cannot receive Communion at this time, you are nonetheless welcome to come to receive a blessing; indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest. If you want to request the sacrament of Baptism, Confirmation, or Reconciliation/Confession, speak with one of our priests.

Receiving the Bread, the Body of Christ: *You can kneel or stand at the Communion rail, filling it from right to left. The tradition is to receive the Body of Christ, forming “a throne” with your hands, your two palms open, one on top of the other in a receptive position. To the minister’s words, “the Body of Christ, the bread of heaven,” it is customary to respond: Amen.*

Receiving the Wine, the Blood of Christ: *If you wish to dip the Bread in the Wine, leave it in your hand, and the minister will come by to offer you the chalice. If you want to drink directly from the Chalice, consume the Bread before the minister arrives, and they will provide you with the cup to drink directly from; please guide and tip the chalice so you can drink comfortably. If you would not rather partake of the Blood of Christ, cross your hands over your chest. To the minister’s words, “the Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation,” it is customary to respond by saying: Amen.*

Receiving Communion in your pew: *If you would like the ministers to bring Communion to your seat, please let the usher know, and we will be glad to do so.*

Healing Ministry: *A healing minister will be available to pray for you or a loved one. They are seated towards the right of the altar rail, behind the priest’s chair. Feel free to approach them and share your intentions.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Let us pray.
All **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.**

BLESSING FOR THE SEASON OF EPIPHANY

Presider May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of life be with you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

RECESSATIONAL HYMN

The energy of love surrounds me
The energy of love moves through me
Guiding my way in all I do and say
Yes the energy of love surrounds me

GOING FORTH

Presider Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

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**All are welcome to join us for fellowship and coffee  
Please follow the group through the door on the right of the nave.**

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Please pray for those on our Parish Prayer List: Tamara West, Bill & Jane Newchurch, Heather Smith, Jan Koltun, Cheryl Danskin, Ian McDonald, James Hardman, Dick Thompson, Renee Hill, John Ehrmantraut, Nick Redfield, Sara Gerakaris, David Liebenberg, The Rev. Pam Tinsley, Laura and Sherwood (Dart) Botsford, and Skipper (James Lawrence) Botsford, Cynthia & Bruce Hubert, Wes & Carol Burger, The Rev. Bruce Freeman, Helen Menefee, Diane Gillespie, Chris, Lynn Jenssen, and Margaret Black.

From your Stewardship Team: Many thanks to everyone who pledged during our recent campaign. Continuing pledges, new pledges, and increased pledges mean that we anticipate a having balanced and increased budget for 2026. Thank you for your generosity and for your commitment to Emmanuel. If you have not yet returned your pledge card, please return it as soon as possible, or email the co-treasurers, Bill or Margie Bangs, with your pledge information.

Calendar for This Week:

Sun	Jan 25	8 & 10 am	Eucharist Services	Church
Sun	Jan 25	11:30 am	Peace Vigil	Main St.
Wed	Jan 28	12-1 pm	Peace Meditation	Church
Wed	Jan 28	5:30 pm	Sophia Circle	Church
Thu	Jan 29	12:15 pm	Lectio Divina	Benson Hall
Thu	Jan 29	1 pm	Book Club	Benson Hall
Thu	Jan 29	4 pm	Dinner Kitchen	Parish Hall
Fri	Jan 30	12:15 pm	Centering Prayer	Church
Fri	Jan 30	1 pm	Devotional Chanting	Retreat Room

Calendar for Next Week:

Sun	Feb 1	8 & 10 am	Eucharist Services	Church
Sun	Feb 1	11:30 am	Peace Vigil	Main St.
Wed	Feb 4	12-1 pm	Peace Meditation	Church
Thu	Feb 5	12:15 pm	Lectio Divina	Benson Hall
Thu	Feb 5	1 pm	Book Club	Benson Hall
Fri	Feb 6	12:15 pm	Centering Prayer	Church
Fri	Feb 6	1 pm	Devotional Chanting	Retreat Room

12-Step Meetings in Benson Hall

- Sundays at 5:30 pm AA open meeting, (*hybrid*)
- Mondays at 5:30 pm AA open meeting, (*hybrid*)
- Tuesdays at 1 pm AlAnon meeting, (*hybrid*)
- Tuesdays at 5:30 pm AA Women's meeting, (*hybrid*)
- Tuesdays at 7 pm AA Men's meeting, (*hybrid*)
- Thursdays at 5:30 pm AlAnon meeting, (*hybrid*)
- Fridays at 5:30 pm AA open meeting, (*hybrid*)
- Fridays at 7 pm AA open meeting (*in person only*)
- Saturdays at 8 am AA open meeting, (*hybrid*)

~ Attributions ~

This “*Order for Celebrating Holy Eucharist*” follows the instructions in the *Book of Common Prayer*, pages 400-405, Enriching Our Worship 1, pages 65-68, and the 2015 General Convention resolution D050 with permission from Bishop Greg Rickel. We are in the process of renewing our permission with Bishop Phil LaBelle.

- Chants: “Wake up,” “Deeply Descend,” “Listen” from the Oriental Orthodox Order in the West <https://soundcloud.com/user-112193632>
- Chants: The Veil and The Energy of Love from Heather Houston <https://heatherhoustonmusic.com/sisters-in-harmony-song-library/>
- Collect Prayer from The Consultation on Common Texts, *Revised Common Lectionary Prayers* (Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2002).
- Retelling of the Psalm from Nan Merrill, *Psalms for Praying*.
- Writers of the Prayers of the People: Antoinette Botsford, Jennifer Johnson-Fralick, Stewart Mehlman & Nancy Reas.
- Prayer for Wedding Anniversary from *The Book of Occasional Services 2024*.

- “Eucharist Prayer” from Samuel Well and Abigail Kocher, *Eucharistic Prayers* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2016).

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