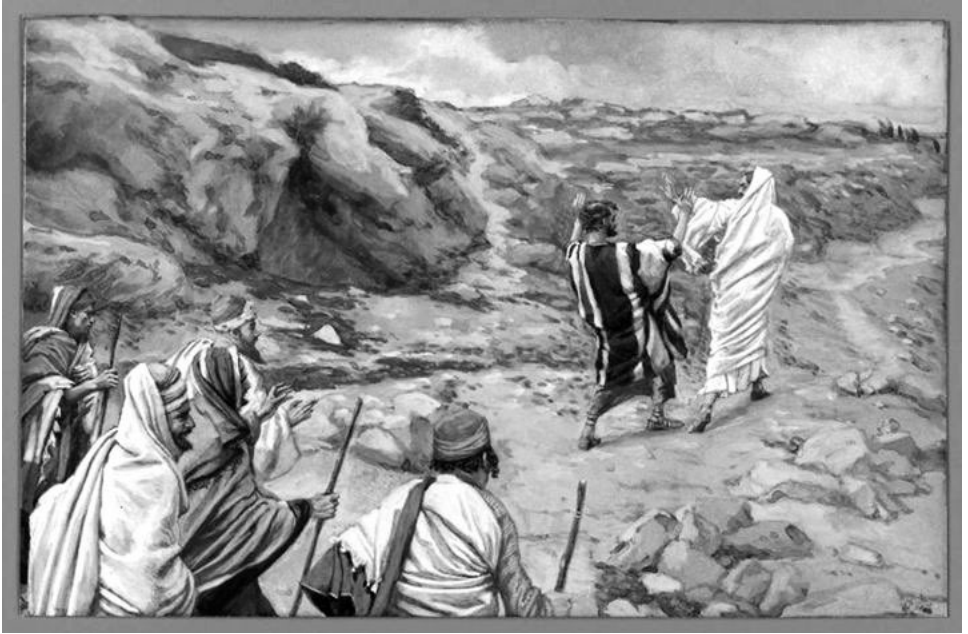


Holy Eucharist

Proper 17

August 30, 2026 at 8:00 a.m.

Rite III



Emmanuel Episcopal Church
of Orcas Island

We are a reconciling, affirming, and inclusive Christian community, striving, through worship and prayer, study and formation, compassion and service, and fellowship and community, to follow the life and teaching of Jesus the Christ. We welcome you as an image of God and invite you to join us as we grow more and more into God's likeness. We welcome you wherever you are in this spiritual journey; whether you are single, married, divorced, separated, or partnered; regardless of your age, race, ethnicity, culture, gender, sexual orientation, gender expression, economic condition, or physical or mental abilities. We believe that God delights in the diversity of creation, and so do we!

We remember, honor, and pray for the Indigenous people of the world, especially all the Coast Salish people of this region. We acknowledge and pray for the Lummi People (*Lhaq'temish*), whose ancestral land we now occupy, and for their enduring relationship with this land since time immemorial. This was their home, and it was taken from them. We give God thanks for their witness to a life connected to and respectful of this land. May we learn from them with humility, always remembering that Mother Earth does not belong to us; that we belong to her; and that we are all relatives. Help us repent of our past sins, learn from them, and be instruments of justice and peace for all people in today's world, particularly the original Indigenous inhabitants.

~ **MINISTERS FOR THE SERVICE** ~

Presider & Preacher ~ Fr. Berto Gándara Perea

Lector 1 ~ Mary Poletti

Lector 2 ~ Mimi Anderson

Usher ~ Lori Oakes

Eucharistic Minister ~ Vicki Clancy

Healing Minister ~ Antoinette Botsford

Altar & Flower Guild ~ Vicki Clancy



A donation has been made to the Flower Fund by the McDonald family
in loving memory of Ida Rae.

FIRST TIME AT EMMANUEL?

We are glad you have joined us today. After the service, please join us for Coffee Hour for fellowship and to meet our clergy. If you would like to book a meeting with our priest, use his scheduler at <https://bit.ly/frbert0> or scan this QR code:



Our Sunday service is the Holy Eucharist, also known as the Lord's Supper, Holy Communion, or the Mass. The service follows a steady rhythm of standing, sitting, kneeling, and spoken or sung responses; it's like learning the steps of a new dance. Worship unfolds at two tables: the Word and Holy Communion.

Table of the Word: Scripture readings and a sermon, followed by prayers and the peace. Before the peace, you're welcome (not required) to share your name and where you're from. An offering plate will be passed; if you are able and willing, your financial support is greatly appreciated. In any case, please pass it along. Simply touching it can be a gesture of offering yourself to God. You may also give here <https://bit.ly/Emmanuel-donations> or scan this QR code:



Table of Holy Communion: The priest consecrates bread and wine as the Body and Blood of Christ. All who thirst for God and strive to grow in love are welcome to receive. If you'd rather not receive, you may cross your arms over your chest and the priest will say a blessing for you. Need Communion brought to your seat? Just tell an usher. A **Healing Minister** is available near the Communion rail if you would like prayers for yourself or on behalf of someone dear to you. In keeping with ancient tradition, the Healing Minister will also offer the laying on of hands and anointing with oil.

- **Receiving the Bread**, the Body of Christ: Come to the rail (right to left), hands open, one palm atop the other. Gluten-free available on request. You may respond to the Minister: "Amen."
- **Receiving the Wine**, the Blood of Christ: To drink from the chalice, eat the bread first, then the minister will bring the cup to you. You may also keep the bread in your hand and dip it in the chalice when it comes to you. To decline, cross your hands over your chest. You may respond: "Amen."

To receive our weekly newsletter, visit bit.ly/Emmanuel-eNews or scan this QR code:



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

Dios es - tá a - qui, tan
God is here to - day: as

cier - to co - mo el ai - re que res - pi - ro, tan
cer - tain as the air I breathe, as

cier - to co - mo la ma - ña - na se le - van - - - ta, tan
cer - tain as the morn - ing sun that ris - - - es, as

cier - to co - mo que le can - to y me pue - de o - ír.
cer - tain when I sing you'll hear my song.

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND PRAYER

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

Please be seated

Presider Be still and know that I am God
Be still and know that I am God
Be still and know that I am
Be still and know
Be still
Be

Ps 46:10

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

THE COLLECT PRAYER

Presider God be with you.
Presider **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

All Faithful God, you are the hope of all the oppressed, and the source of freedom for those held captive. Make us strong to witness to your liberating power, in generosity of life and in humility of spirit, that all the world may delight in your goodness. Amen.

We chant

Mungu ni mwema.
Mungu ni mwema.
Mungu ni mwema,
ni mwema, ni mwema.

Know that God is good.
Know that God is good.
Know that God is good,
God is good, God is good.

FIRST READING

Lector 1 A reading from the prophet Jeremiah *[15:15-21 NRSVue]*

O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult.

Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts.

I did not sit in the company of merry-makers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation.

Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed?

Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail.

Therefore thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me.

If you utter what is precious and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them.

And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord.

I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Lector 1 A Retelling of Psalm 26

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.*

Speak on my behalf, O Beloved, for I would choose the path that leads back Home, trusting in your love without reserve.

May my heart be as your Heart; May my mind be as your Mind.

May your steadfast love guide me as I live according to your Will,

You, O Counselor, are my strength and my guide; so I choose the path of peace and wholeness.

I walk with friends of integrity, and associate with those who live in truth;

I love the company of faith-filled people, and count myself among those who make your Word their own.

Cleanse my heart in innocence that I might childlike be, singing songs of thanksgiving and proclaiming the Beloved's way.

O Loving Presence, I cherish your dwelling place, my heart; O, that I might radiate Love Divine.

SECOND READING

Lector 2 A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans [12:9-21 NRSV^{ue}]

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the

Lord.” Instead, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand and chant together

**Hale, haleluya.
Hale, Haleluya.
Hale, haleluya,
Haleluya, haleluya.**

THE GOSPEL READING

Presider The Holy Gospel of our LORD Jesus Christ according to
Matthew *[16:21-28 NRSVue]*

People **Glory to you, LORD Christ**

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me, for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?”

“For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

The Gospel of the LORD.

People **Praise to you, LORD Christ.**

We chant “Hale, Haleluya.”...

THE SERMON

We may be seated for the sermon. After the sermon, we keep a time of silence before the prayers.

WE PRAY FOR THE WORLD AND THE CHURCH

Please stand, as able, when the Intercessor invites us to pray for the world and the church.

Intercessor O God, the author and giver of all good things, we give thanks for all believers throughout the world and especially for our leaders, Sarah, Sean, Philip, Berto and Hugh. We pray that we listen as they remind us to set our minds on divine things rather than human things.

O God, remember me and visit me.

O God, the author and giver of all good things, we give thanks for this nation and our leaders. We pray that they help us to live in harmony with one another.

O God, remember me and visit me.

O God, the author and giver of all good things, we give thanks for vast expanse of interstellar space and especially this earth. We pray for protection from war and disasters and for the strength and resources to feed the hungry and heal the wounded.

O God, remember me and visit me.

O God, the author and giver of all good things, we give thanks for Orcas Island and the surrounding Salish Sea. We pray for wisdom to protect it for future generations and grace to welcome visitors and newcomers who join our island community.

O God, remember me and visit me.

O God, the author and giver of all good things, we give thanks for every human being and pray for all who suffer in body, mind or spirit, from addiction, unemployment, mental illness or homelessness, particularly those we now name either silently or aloud, (silent pause) and especially for those on our parish prayer list... **Bill & Jane... Heather... Jan... Cheryl... Ian... Dick... Renee... Nick... Sara... David... Pam... Laura and Dart... Skipper... Cynthia & Bruce... Wes & Carol... Diane... Chris... Lynn... Margaret... Maria... Ali... Debbie... Carol... John... Lalo... Morgan... Lynn... Mandy & Lara... Luanne... Christina... Joyce... Sally... John... Sparks... Paula & Ken...** as well as those for whom no one prays; may they be comforted by your Holy Spirit.

O God, remember me and visit me.

O God, the author and giver of all good things, we give thanks for the lives of the departed. We pray that those that mourn may find comfort in loving memories and in strength through their beliefs.

O God, remember me and visit me.

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 Galen Burghardt (8/30), Andre Giampietro (8/31), Ann Beck-Witte (9/4) 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 lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Presider Let us pray for those celebrating anniversaries this week.

Grant, O God, in your compassion, that *(insert names here)* 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.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Deacon or Presider says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Presider and People **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

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

Please be seated for the announcements and welcome of visitors.

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. Please be mindful of other people's boundaries.

WE PREPARE THE ALTAR AND PRESENT OUR OFFERINGS

Presider Live your life with love, following the example of Christ, who loved us and gave himself for us. *Ephesians 5:2a (CEB)*

Please stand, as you are able, when the offering plate is brought forward and we sing

**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 The LORD be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to LORD.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the LORD our God

People **It is right to give our 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, and then invites us to chant.

Sanctus WLP 785: Santo, Santo, Santo

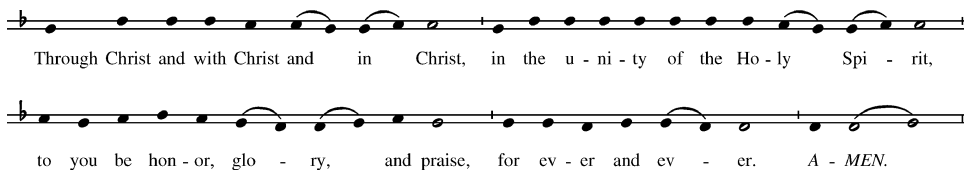
San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My

cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Se - ñor.
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

The Presider continues praying, asking the Holy Spirit to transform us, along with the bread and wine, into the Body and Blood of Christ. Jesus' words from the Last Supper are spoken over the bread and wine. The Presider will invite us to respond to the memorial by 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 the doxology



Presider Let us pray in Christ,

Eternal Spirit, Life-giver, Pain-bearer, Love-maker, source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, loving God, in whom is heaven: The hallowing of your name echo through the universe. The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world. Your heavenly will be done by all created beings. Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trials too severe to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

Retelling of Lord's Prayer by Jim Cotter

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread, and a period of silence is kept.

Presider: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

INVITATION FOR COMMUNION

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

We chant...

Come back, return, whoever you are:

Come home, come home, come close.

Though a skeptic or a nomad lost in gloom, you roam alone.

This threshold-gate of ours is not a door of dark despair.

Though you've broken vows a hundred times:

Come close, come close, come home.

Presider All are welcome at the Table of Holy Communion and to receive prayers from the healing minister.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Let us pray.

Please stand as you are able.

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

Presider Holy eternal Majesty, Holy incarnate Word, Holy abiding Spirit, Bless you for evermore.

People **Amen.**

FINAL CHANT

**May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.**

**May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.**

Chorus:

**Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all;
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ call.**

**God will be our shepherd as we go our way
and will not forsake us when we go astray.
Even though the load of life is hard to bear, we must not forget that
God is always there.**

DISMISSAL

Presider Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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*Please stay for coffee hour following this service in Benson Hall.*

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Please pray for those on our Parish Prayer List: Bill & Jane Newchurch, Heather Smith, Jan Koltun, Cheryl Danskin, Ian McDonald, Dick Thompson, Renee Hill, Nick Redfield, Sara Gerakaris, David Liebenberg, Pam Tinsley, Laura and Sherwood Botsford, and James Lawrence Botsford, Cynthia & Bruce Hubert, Wes & Carol Burger, Diane Gillespie, Chris, Lynn Jenssen, Margaret Black, Maria Bullock, Ali Walker, Debbie Durand, Carol Wright, John Olson, Lalo Gándara, Morgan Persons, Lynn Dziekan, Mandy & Lara Sirdah, Luanne Fose, Christina Orchid, Joyce Osland, Sally O’Brien, John Ermantraut, Deborah Sparks, Paula Kress & Ken Rusiska.

Calendar for This Week:

Sun	Aug 30	8&10 am	Eucharist	Church
Sun	Aug 30	11:30 am	Peace Vigil	Main St.
Mon	Aug 31	3:00 pm	Dream Group	Meditation Rm
Tue	Sept 1	5:30 pm	Scripture Study	Retreat Room
Tue	Sept 1	6:30-8 pm	Orcas-tra	Church
Wed	Sept 2	12-2 pm	Peace Meditation- Letter Writing	Church/BH
Thu	Sept 3	12:15 pm	Lectio Divina	Benson Hall
Thu	Sept 3	1:00 pm	Book Club	Benson Hall
Thu	Sept 3	5 pm	Dinner Kitchen	Parish Hall

Calendar for Next Week:

Sun	Sept 6	8&10 am	Eucharist	Church
Sun	Sept 6	11:30 am	Peace Vigil	Main St.
Mon	Sept 7	3:00 pm	Dream Group	Meditation Rm
Tue	Sept 8	5:30 pm	Scripture Study	Retreat Room
Tue	Sept 8	6:30-8 pm	Orcas-tra	Church
Wed	Sept 9	12-2 pm	Peace Meditation- Letter Writing	Church/BH
Thu	Sept 10	12:15 pm	Lectio Divina	Benson Hall
Thu	Sept 10	1:00 pm	Book Club	Benson Hall
Thu	Sept 10	7 pm	Movie Night	Parish Hall

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)*

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