

Holy Eucharist

Proper 19

September 13, 2026 at 8:00 am
Rite II and EOW I



Emmanuel Episcopal Parish
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 THIS MORNING'S SERVICE ~

Presider & Preacher ~ Rev. Rilla Barrett

Lector 1 ~ Mimi Anderson

Lector 2 ~ Antoinette Botsford

Usher ~ George Eberle

Eucharistic Minister ~ Vicki Clancy

Acolyte ~ Sharman Ensminger-Stapp

Healing Minister ~ Betsy Nelson

Altar Guild ~ Vicki Clancy

Flower Guild ~ Lynn Baker

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.**"

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OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider

Blessed be our God.

People

For ever and ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

COLLECT PRAYER

Presider

God be with you.

People

And also with you.

Presider

Let us pray.

O God of Joseph and all his brothers, your forgiveness transcends whatever wrong exists between us. Grant us the courage to forgive others, and to practice reconciliation by the kindness of our speaking, the sharing of our resources, and the honoring of your desire for good. Amen.

FIRST READING

We may be seated.

Lector 1

A reading from the book of Genesis

[50:15-21 NRSV^{ue}]

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

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

All **Thanks be to God.**

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.*

You are merciful and gracious, quelling our anger with your patient Love.

You love us more than we can ask or imagine; in truth, we belong to You.
For You understand us, requiting us not according to our ignorance and error.

As far as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is your loving response toward those who are humble;

So far does your enduring strength uphold those who face the darkness within.

As parents are concerned for their children, so You come to those who reach out in faith.

SECOND READING

Lector 2 A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans [14:1-12 NRSV^{ue}]

Welcome those who are weak in faith but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat, for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on slaves of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it for the Lord. Also those who eat, eat for the Lord, since they give thanks to God, while those who abstain, abstain for the Lord and give thanks to God.

For we do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

“As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God.”

So then, each one of us will be held accountable.

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

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL READING

Presider The Holy Gospel of our LORD Jesus Christ according to Matthew

[18:21-35 NRSV^{ue}]

People **Glory to you, LORD Christ**

Then Peter came and said to him, “Lord, if my brother or sister sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him, and, as he could not pay, the lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him by the throat he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

The Gospel of the LORD.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

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

NICENE CREED

Please stand as you are able.

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.**

WE PRAY FOR THE WORLD AND THE CHURCH

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

Intercessor Holy Love of All, Creator of All that is and shall be,
We pray for those around the world who devote themselves to your love and
compassion,. Bless all who teach, lead and inspire us in church and in our
daily life.

Holy Lord, You are the way to mercy, compassion and forgiveness.

We thank you for Reverend Rilla Barrett presiding at Emmanuel with us today. We pray for Fr. Berto and Fr. Hugh as they travel on a well deserved vacation.

Holy Lord, You are the way to mercy, compassion and forgiveness.

Holy Love of All, Bless our Children, Families, Teachers and Administrators this new school year, as they transition from summer sunshine to school studies. Keep them in kindness with each other, and connection with nature around them,

Hold them and protect them in your love dear Lord.

Holy Lord of All, We are grateful for you in the beauty of each day. Let us pause for the seagulls and herons fishing the shoreline, the Kingfishers chattering through the trees, Eagles sailing wide over Crow Valley, and the cloudscapes painted in abstract beauty lighting at sunset.

Keep us in awe and involved in Nature as your church.

Holy Love of All, We are all in transition. Bless us in sharing your love to the world, Bless those struggling for food, shelter and safety, those living in fear and danger of war, and for the victims of floods, storms and earthquakes.

We are grateful and pray for those who move quickly to rescue and restore lives.

Holy Love of All, You are everywhere. You are the common goodness we praise. Bless those we hold in our hearts, those in pain, illness, and recovery and those on our Parish Prayer list ...**Heather... 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... Lynn... Mandy & Lara... Luanne... Christina... Joyce... Sally... John... Sparks... Paula & Ken... Doug...**

We are one in your love.

Bless those who have passed from our sight. We know they are free in the peace of your love, and a blessing for us to carry in our hearts.

May we see a beautiful world that is bright, light and hopeful in peace for all.

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 Harry Harris (9/14), Nancy Malott (9/16), Jon Wilkins (9/17), Jenny Hovelman (9/18), Sharman Ensminger-Stapp (9/18) 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 Sharman & Colin Ensminger-Stapp (9/17) 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. The people may kneel.

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 Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Please stand, as you are able.

Doxology:

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

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 2

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The people remain standing. The Presider says

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

Presider 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 the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Presider continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked

with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

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

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

“Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said:

“Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

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

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

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF 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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Let us pray:

Please stand as you are able

All **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

BLESSING

Presider The Wisdom of God, the Love of God and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity.

People **Amen.**

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: Heather Smith, 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, Lynn Dziekan, Mandy & Lara Sirdah, Luanne Fose, Christina Orchid, Joyce Osland, Sally O’Brien, John Ermantraut, Deborah Sparks, Paula Kress & Ken Rusiska, & Doug Marshall.

Calendar for This Week:

Sun	Sept 13	8&10 am	Eucharist	Church
Sun	Sept 13	11:30 am	Peace Vigil	Main St.
Mon	Sept 14	3:00 pm	Dream Group	Meditation Rm
Tue	Sept 15	5:30 pm	Scripture Study	Retreat Room
Tue	Sept 15	6:30-8 pm	Orcas-tra	Church
Wed	Sept 16	12-2 pm	Peace Meditation- Letter Writing	Church/BH
Thu	Sept 17	12:15 pm	Lectio Divina	Benson Hall
Thu	Sept 17	1:00 pm	Book Club	Benson Hall
Sat	Sept 19	1 pm	Death Cafe	Parish Hall

Calendar for Next Week:

Sun	Sept 20	8&10 am	Eucharist	Church
Sun	Sept 20	11:30 am	Peace Vigil	Main St.
Mon	Sept 21	3:00 pm	Dream Group	Meditation Rm
Tue	Sept 22	5:30 pm	Scripture Study	Retreat Room
Tue	Sept 22	6:30-8 pm	Orcas-tra	Church
Wed	Sept 23	12-2 pm	Peace Meditation- Letter Writing	Church/BH
Thu	Sept 24	12:15 pm	Lectio Divina	Benson Hall
Thu	Sept 24	1:00 pm	Book Club	Benson Hall
Thu	Sept 24	5 pm	Dinner Kitchen	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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