

EMMANUEL CHURCH, NEWPORT RI

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The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 21
Rite II Holy Eucharist
September 26, 2021



PRELUDE*

HYMN#564*

He who would valiant be

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING SENTENCES

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The Collect for Purity

GLORIA

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST READING

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

A Reading from the Book of Numbers.

The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, “If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.” Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the LORD, “Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,’ to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.”

So the LORD said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, “My lord Moses, stop them!” But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would

that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!" Lector:

The Word of the Lord Response: *Thanks be to God*

PSALM 124

BCP pg. 781

If the LORD had not been on our side, *
let Israel now say;
If the LORD had not been on our side, *
when enemies rose up against us;
Then would they have swallowed us up alive *
in their fierce anger toward us;
Then would the waters have overwhelmed us *
and the torrent gone over us;
Then would the raging waters *
have gone right over us.
Blessed be the LORD! *
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
Our help is in the Name of the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

THE SECOND READING

James 5:12-20

A Reading from the Letter of James.

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven.

Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner’s soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Lector: *The Word of the Lord* Response: *Thanks be to God*

SEQUENCE HYMN#488* Be thou my vision

THE HOLY GOSPEL	Mark 9:38-50
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The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John said to him, “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” But Jesus said, “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

“If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and

to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

“For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Christ

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COMMUNION HYMN#664*

My Shepherd will supply my need

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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RECESSIONAL HYMN# 680*

O God, our help in ages past,

POSTLUDE*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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The Emmanuel Cycle of Prayer: Groups using our facilities

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: For St. Michael's, Bristol.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Episcopal Church

I ask your prayers for Janet, Diane (*pronounced Dee-On*), Brian, Jill, Gardner, Lori, William, Ellie, Ash, Paula+, CH, Don, Patty, Carole, Michael, Scott, Joan, Ruth, Joanne, Deb, Matthew, Vanessa, Joe, Bill, Julie, Nellie, Rick, Donna, and Jackie Breen's son Christopher.

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Parish

During the first week of September, Emmanuel Church donated 65 pounds of food and 11 pounds of produce to the **MLK Community Center**. Development Director Alyson Novick wrote in her letter of thanks this week, "We rely on the generosity of our friends at Emmanuel. You make it possible for us to keep offering healthy food in significant quantities. It's so important that our shelves are full...because that means tables are full!"

The Gathering Circle regroupes September 16 after the summer break. The meetings will be on Thursday's from 5:00 – 6:30 pm. We meet to talk, listen and share our thoughts on a weekly topic. Jere Wells has been leading the conversations and asks for ideas of a spiritual focus.

We are still meeting on Zoom as COVID still persists. Emmanuel Episcopal Church can live into the meaning of its name—"God with us"—in such a gathering. All are welcome. Contact the office for the Zoom link and to get on the email list.

The Newport Music Festival has provided updated discount codes for members of Emmanuel Church.

When Emmanuel Church members are checking out, after they enter their Name and Address there is a box that says, "If you have a discount code, please enter it." In that box, patrons should enter Emmanuel with a capital E to receive 10% off.

Vestry news - Your vestry has been working to find creative, collaborative alternatives to some of the costs of our use of Emmanuel's beautiful, historic building.

Newport Music Festival extends into fall with new chamber series, community concerts - The chamber music series will be held here at Emmanuel Church, while the free community concerts will be held in green spaces across Aquidneck Island.

Your help is needed! Lectors and Intercessors are in short supply. Please contact the Parish Administrator at 401-847-0675 if you would like to join this ministry. A training session will be held as needed.

Fresh Food Connect - Schedule surplus produce pickups through the Fresh food Connect app through the MLK Center.

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Prayer requests with first names only may be submitted to Audrey Bennett at ash244@icloud.com prior to 3 PM on Monday each week. Please indicate if your prayer request is Long Term, Short Term (30 days), or Urgent. If urgent, Audrey will forward to our 12 Intercessors right away.

Gathering Circle Summer break - Our weekly gatherings on Wednesdays will resume in September.

Giving at Emmanuel:

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TEXT-to-GIVE to 73256, text EmmanuelNewport on your mobile.

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Our Community

On **Sunday September 26th at 2pm**, the Newport String Project is excited to kick off the 2021-22 season with a live, in-person quartet

concert at the Newport Art Museum, featuring music inspired by the composers' friends, families, and loved ones. The **Season Opening Concert** pairs old cherished works by Romantic era composers Franz Schubert and Robert Schumann with an evocative and sentimental 20th century work by American composer William Grant Still.

Program

Franz Schubert - String Quartet No. 10 in E-flat major

William Grant Still - Lyric String Quartet "Musical Portraits of Three Friends"

Robert Schumann - String Quartet Op. 41 No. 3 in A minor

MLK Donations - Throughout the month of September and beyond, we ask for contributions of adult supplemental nutrition drinks, like Ensure and Boost, for distribution in our food pantry programs.

Music Events at Trinity Church this Fall - Trinity Church will be hosting a number of small concerts this upcoming fall.

Our RI Diocese

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