

*Fourth Sunday after Pentecost*

*June 16, 2024*



WELCOME TO EMANUEL

If you have any questions or need any assistance, please ask an usher.

**ALL ARE WELCOME AT EMANUEL**

Recognizing that we live in a broken world, Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness. As members of Emanuel Lutheran Church and children of a loving and merciful God, we acknowledge that this reconciliation extends to people of any gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, race, culture, physical or mental ability, economic circumstances, relationship status, or any person that has ever experienced pain or oppression. Because members of different communities may have been excluded from the Church in the past, we wish to make explicit our welcome to all. It is for this purpose that we affirm that ALL people are welcome here, just as they are, contributing their individuality to the wholeness of the Body of Christ.



**SERVING TODAY**

- Presider ..... Pastor Mark Olsen
- Worship Leader ..... Vicar Christine Pelfrey
- Assisting Minister..... Maureen Leyes
- Reader..... Valerie Hansen
- Communion Preparers..... Chet and Glenna Brodnicki
- Director of Music ..... Jonathan Reuning-Scherer

**EMANUEL MUSICIANS**

Sarah Asmar, David Altschuler, Reham Atef, Adam Desmarais, Hillary Ekwall, Andy Foreman, Trey Hazard, Linda Helmke, Aron Kiehne, Kathryn Lees, Dan Luddy, Honoka Masuyama, Andy Nagle, Kari Olsen, Morgan Pope, Joel Reuning-Scherer, Jane Roets, Austin Tewksbury, Rachan Vamsi, Pastor Nancy Wright

**AV TECHNICIANS**

Paul Christianson, David Counterman, Baker Wainscoat

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

Given to the glory of God

*Though not expected, when it happens, applause is a spontaneous expression of our thanksgiving to God for the gifts of music and of musicians that enrich our lives and enhance our worship.*

***Soli deo gloria – Glory to God alone***

## INTRODUCTION

Today, the Emanuel Choir presents Will Todd's *Jazz Missa Brevis* (2015). We will be using this music at the appropriate parts of today's liturgy. The Latin texts and English translations are printed in the bulletin. English Composer Will Todd writes this of his work:

In writing *Jazz Missa Brevis* for the Portsmouth Cathedral Choir, I have aimed to create simple and lasting music that will work equally well in liturgy or in concert. Drawing on my own piano playing style, all of the movements begin life as extended improvisations which I then honed and developed into the completed movements. I hope this ensures that there is a genuine jazz heart to each of the sections.

## PRELUDE

Toccata

Georgi Mushel

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
the God of manna,  
the God of miracles,  
the God of mercy.

C: **Amen.**

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,  
let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: God, our provider,

C: **help us.**

**It is hard to believe there is enough to share.**

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways  
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding  
rather than trusting in you.**

**We take offense at your teachings and your ways.**

**Turn us again to you.**

**Where else can we turn?**

**Share with us the words of eternal life  
and feed us for life in the world.**

**Amen.**

P: Beloved people of God:  
 in Jesus, the manna from heaven,  
 you are fed and nourished.  
 By Jesus, the worker of miracles,  
 there is always more than enough.  
 Through Jesus, † the bread of life,  
 you are shown God's mercy:  
 you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: Amen.

**\*GATHERING HYMN      Almighty God, Your Word is Cast**

**ELW 516**

1 Al - might - y God, your word is cast like seed in - to the ground;  
 2 Let not the sly sa - tan - ic foe this ho - ly seed re - move,  
 3 Let not the world's de - ceit - ful cares the ris - ing plant de - stroy,  
 4 So when the pre - cious seed is sown, life - giv - ing grace be - stow,

now let the dew of heav'n de - scend and righ - teous fruits a - bound.  
 but give it root in ev - 'ry heart to bring forth fruits of love.  
 but let it yield a hun - dred - fold the fruits of peace and joy.  
 that all whose souls the truth re - ceive its sav - ing pow'r may know.

Text: John Cawood, 1775–1852, alt.  
 Music: ST. FLAVIAN, J. Day, *Psalter*, 1562

**\*GREETING**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

## KYRIE

*Kyrie eleison*  
*Christe eleison*  
*Kyrie eleison*

Lord, have mercy  
Christ, have mercy  
Lord, have mercy

## GLORIA

*Gloria in excelsis Deo.*  
*Et in terra pax*  
*hominibus bonæ voluntatis.*  
*Laudamus te; benedicimus te;*  
*adoramus te; glorificamus te.*  
*Gratias agimus tibi*  
*propter magnam gloriam tuam.*  
*Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,*  
*Deus Pater omnipotens.*  
*Domine Fili unigenite Jesu Christe.*  
*Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,*  
*Filius Patris.*  
*Qui tollis peccata mundi,*  
*miserere nobis.*  
*Qui tollis peccata mundi,*  
*suscipe deprecationem nostram.*  
*Qui sedes ad dextram Patris,*  
*O miserere nobis.*  
*Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,*  
*tu solus Dominus,*  
*tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe.*  
*Cum Sancto Spiritu*  
*in gloria Dei Patris.*  
*Amen.*

Glory be to God in the highest.  
And in earth peace  
to all of good will.  
We praise Thee; we bless Thee;  
we worship Thee; we glorify Thee.  
We give thanks to Thee  
for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, Heavenly King,  
God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son.  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father.  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy upon us.  
For thou only art holy,  
thou only art the Lord,  
thou only art the most high, Jesus Christ.  
Together with the Holy Ghost  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P:** O God,  
**C:** you are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth, that we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**FIRST READING: EZEKIEL 17:22-24**

*Tree imagery is used in a messianic prophecy to tell how the Lord will choose someone from Judah's royal family (the cedar tree) to reign over all creation. This tree will be planted on Mount Zion, the location of the holy temple.*

<sup>22</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD:

I myself will take a sprig  
from the lofty top of a cedar;  
I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one  
from the topmost of its young twigs;

I myself will plant it  
on a high and lofty mountain.

<sup>23</sup>On the mountain height of Israel  
I will plant it,  
in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,  
and become a noble cedar.

Under it every kind of bird will live;  
in the shade of its branches will nest  
winged creatures of every kind.

<sup>24</sup>All the trees of the field shall know  
that I am the LORD.

I bring low the high tree,  
I make high the low tree;  
I dry up the green tree  
and make the dry tree flourish.

I the LORD have spoken;  
I will accomplish it.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**



**\*GOSPEL: MARK 4:26-34**

*Jesus frequently uses parables to teach ordinary people as they are able to hear and understand. Images of sowing and growing show the vitality of God's kingdom.*

L: The holy gospel according to Mark.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>26</sup>[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground,<sup>27</sup> and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. <sup>28</sup>The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. <sup>29</sup>But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

<sup>30</sup>He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? <sup>31</sup>It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; <sup>32</sup>yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

<sup>33</sup>With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; <sup>34</sup>he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**Vicar Christine Pelfrey**

**SERMON**

**Vicar Christine Pelfrey**

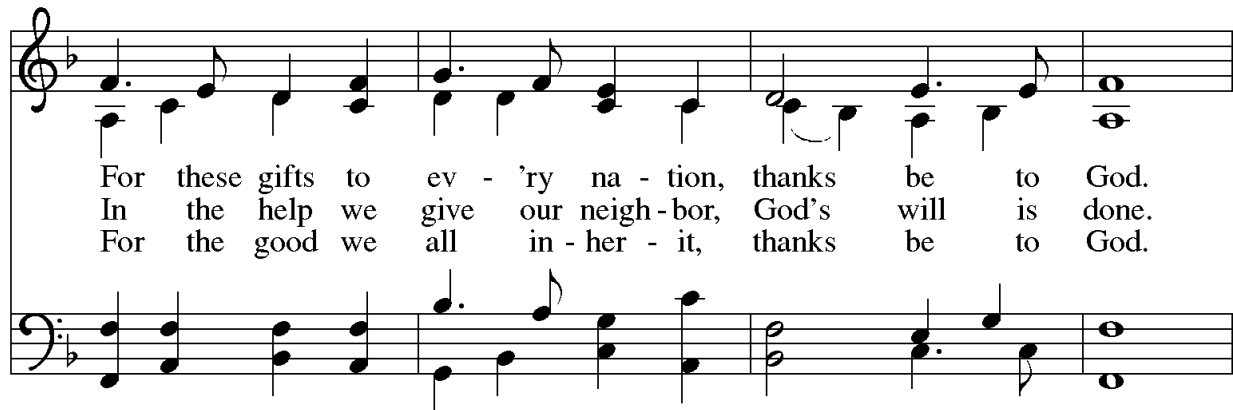
**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

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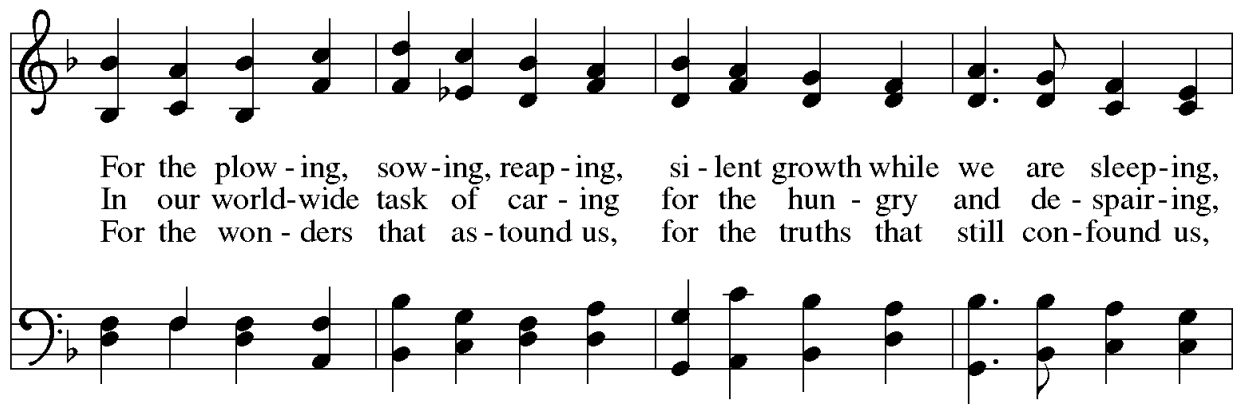




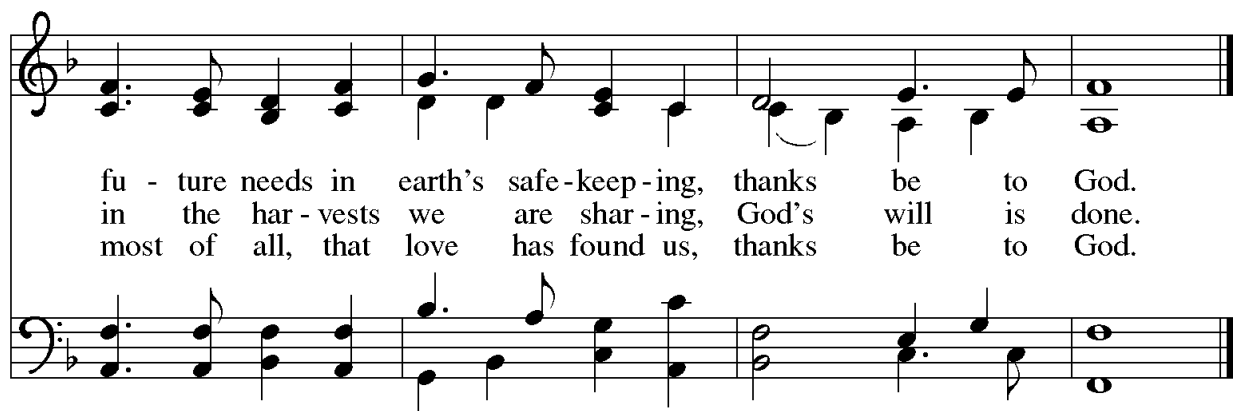
1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.  
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.  
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.  
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.  
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,  
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,  
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.  
 in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.  
 most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

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## **APOSTLES' CREED**

A: Let us join together in professing our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, died, and was buried;**

**he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;**

**he ascended into heaven,**

**he is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**The holy catholic church, the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*After each petition*

A: Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

## **\*PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

*We offer each other a sign of God's peace.*

## **OFFERING MUSIC**

*The Spark of Creation*  
Hillary Ekwel, soprano

Stephen Schwartz

## PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS



*We offer our gifts – our time, our talent, and our treasure - to God,  
in thanksgiving for all that God has given us.*

*To make your gift online, scan this code using your  
phone's camera or QR scanner app.*

### \*OFFERING PRAYER

A: Jesus, Bread of life,  
C: **you have set this table with your very self,  
and called us to the feast of plenty.  
Gather what has been sown among us,  
and strengthen us in this meal.  
Make us to be what we receive here,  
your body for the life of the world.  
Amen.**

### \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.  
C: **And also with you.**  
P: Lift up your hearts.  
C: **We lift them to the Lord.**  
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise**  
P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... and join their unending hymn:

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.  
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.  
Osanna in excelsis.*

Holy, Holy, Holy,  
Lord God of Hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.

### BENEDICTUS

*Benedictus qui venit  
in nomine Domini.  
Osanna in excelsis.*

Blessed is He that cometh  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

**\*EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: **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,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

**\*INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**All Are Welcome at the Table!**

P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

***This is the Lord's Table and all are welcome to receive the bread & wine of communion.***

*Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available as needed.*

*The ushers will guide you out of your pew down the center aisle to the front of the church. Once you receive communion, please return to your seat by the side aisles. If you would like to receive communion at your seat, please let an usher know. If, for any reason, you choose not to receive the bread and wine, we invite you to come forward for a blessing.*

**LAMB OF GOD**

*Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.  
Agnus Dei.  
Dona nobis pacem.*

Lamb of God,  
who takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
Lamb of God.  
Grant us peace.

**COMMUNION MUSIC**

Concert Piece No. 2, Op. 114  
Hannah Hickman, soprano saxophone  
Morgan Pope, bassoon

Felix Mendelssohn

**\*POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C: **Amen.**

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: Jesus, Bread of life,

C: **we have received from your table  
more than we could ever ask.**

**As you have nourished us in this meal,  
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.**

**In your name we pray.**

**Amen.**

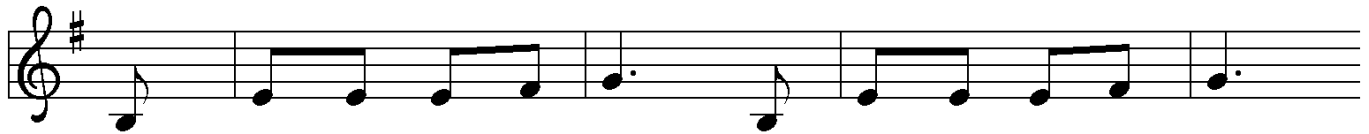
**\*BLESSING**

P: The blessing of God,  
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  
✠ be upon you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

**\*SENDING HYMN**

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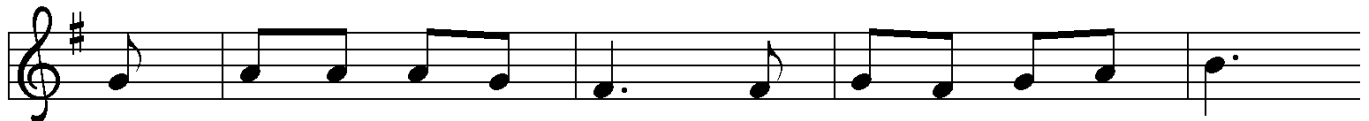
*En - via - do soy de Dios, mi ma - no lis - ta es - tá*  
 The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,



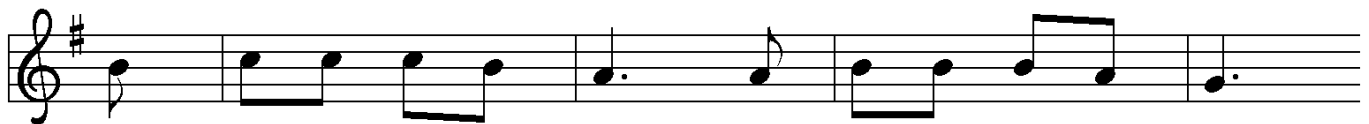
*pa - ra cons - truir con él un mun - do fra - ter - nal.*  
 to make of all the earth a bet - ter place to live.



*Los án - ge - les no son en - via - dos a cam - biar*  
 The an - gels are not sent in - to our world of pain



*un mun - do de do - lor por un mun - do me - jor;*  
 to do what we were meant to do in Je - sus' name;



*me ha to - ca - do a mí ha - cer - lo rea - li - dad.*  
 that falls to you and me and all who are made free.



*A - yú - da - me, Se - ñor, a ha - cer tu vo - lun - tad.*  
 Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will to - day.

Text: Anonymous, Central America; tr. Gerhard M. Cartford, b. 1923  
 Music: ENVIADO, anonymous, Central America  
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### \*DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.

## **LIVING OUT OUR DISCIPLESHIP – WAYS TO HELP AND SERVE**

### **Food Pantry**

The Food Pantry continues to serve hundreds of meals each month and helps to support our neighbors with basic needs. Thank you to all who have donated to help this cause! Your continued support is needed and appreciated. For June, we are asking for condiments, deodorant (Arm & Hammer brand preferred), toothpaste, and body soap (Irish Spring preferred).

### **Coffee Hour**

If you, your ministry team, or another organization would like to sponsor our after-service coffee hour, please sign-up by scanning this QR code with the camera on your phone.



**Prayer Shawls** are available for anyone to take for themselves or give to a friend or family member. A basket with shawls is in the Narthex and a larger supply is in the lounge in the Parish Building. Please take a shawl and write your name on the list provided so we can keep track of the number of shawls that are given. In addition, we have baby blankets for any newborn that you may know. They are in the lounge in the Parish Building. If you need help, the Prayer Shawl Committee can help - Bobbee Canfield, Lynne Strecker, and Lynn Sherman.

### **Be Part of Emanuel's Worship Leadership!**

Have you ever thought of serving as an Assisting Minister, lector, acolyte, usher, choir member or musician, communion assistant, altar guild, or greeter? If you are interested in any of these ministries, let Maureen Leyes know (except for choir and musicians—let Jonathan know) - and she'll connect you with the people that handle the scheduling. Information on becoming a lector is shared below.

### **Readers Needed**

Parishioners of all ages are invited to read the weekly Bible lessons. If you are interested, please email Lynn Sherman at [lynnsherman480@gmail.com](mailto:lynnsherman480@gmail.com) or call her cell phone: (860) 550-0518.

### **Altar Flowers**

Each Sunday we are blessed to have beautiful flowers in the sanctuary. You can sponsor these flowers by accessing the Sign-Up Genius with this QR code or by calling the church office at 860-525-0894. You can give the flowers in memory of a loved one or in honor of someone. You might want to mark a special birthday or anniversary or even give thanks for one of our ministry teams that is special to you. Your donation of \$75 will cover the cost of the flowers.



*Please remember the following individuals in your prayers.*

Carol Johnson † Karin Gottier † Bert Johnson † Betsyann Carter † Anne Louise Swanson  
† Lee Sherman † Jennings-Marzett Family † Mckenna Jobes † Brooklyn King  
† Elaine Wilson † Vito Vitrano † Monique Jennings † Rae Ann Gremel  
† Harris Kannah † Janet Starkes

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