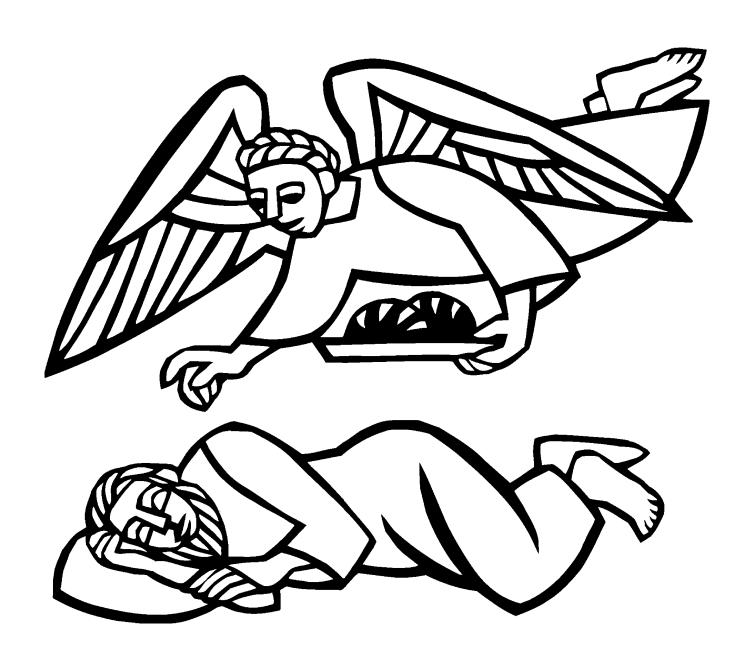
# Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost August 11, 2024



# 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	
Reader	Bobbee Canfield
Communion Preparers	Val and Craig McDonald
Director of Music	Jonathan Reuning-Scherer

#### **EMANUEL MUSICIANS**

Rebekka Almond, David Altschuler, Sarah Asmar, David Byrne, Ash De Las Casas, Adam Desmarais, Hillary Ekwall, Andy Foreman, Trey Hazard, Linda Helmke, Akeva Koulla, Kathryn Lees, Dan Luddy, Honoka Masuyama, Andy Nagle, Kari Olsen, Morgan Pope, Joel Reuning-Scherer, Jane Roets, Arlo Tucker, 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

Jesus says that the bread he gives for the life of the world is his flesh, and whoever eats this bread has eternal life now and will be raised on the last day. In Ephesians Paul tells us what this life Jesus gives us looks like, this life we live as those marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit in baptism. We live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. The whole purpose of life is giving yourself for the other.

**PRELUDE** Toccatta on 'In Babilone' Richard Purvis

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, 中 one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C: Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: 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.

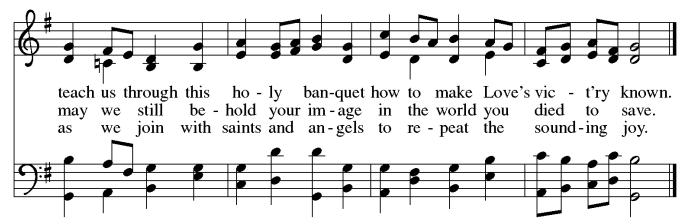
Amen.

# 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.

L:





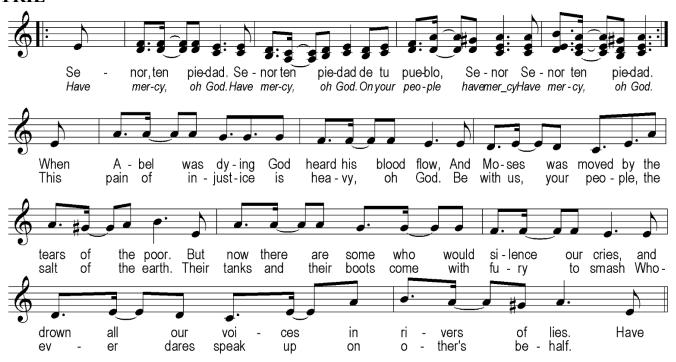
Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855–1932 Text © 1989 Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL 60188. All rights reserved, Used by permission.

#### \*GREETING

- L: 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



#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Gracious God,

C: your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### FIRST READING: 1 KINGS 19:4-8

First Kings chapter 18 describes the contest between Elijah and the prophets of Baal. The contest proves that the Lord is God, and afterward Elijah orders the killing of the Baal prophets. Angered by the deaths of her prophets, Queen Jezebel threatens to kill Elijah. This reading finds Elijah fleeing, fatigued, and in utter despair.

<sup>4</sup>[Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### **SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 4:25—5:2**

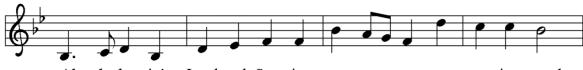
Christians are called to be imitators of God. This does not mean Christians are perfect. Rather, the Spirit is at work in our lives so that our actions and attitudes genuinely reflect the love and forgiveness we have received through Christ and his death.

<sup>25</sup>So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. <sup>26</sup>Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup>and do not make room for the devil. <sup>28</sup>Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. <sup>29</sup>Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup>And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup>Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, <sup>32</sup>and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. <sup>5:1</sup>Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, <sup>2</sup>and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



# \*GOSPEL: JOHN 6:35, 41-51

After feeding more than five thousand people in the wilderness, Jesus teaches them regarding the true significance of this remarkable sign.

P: The holy gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to [the crowd,] "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

<sup>41</sup>Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." <sup>42</sup>They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" <sup>43</sup>Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. <sup>44</sup>No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. <sup>45</sup>It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. <sup>46</sup>Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup>Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup>This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**SERMON** 

Pastor Mark Olsen
Pastor Mark Olsen



Text: Johann Rist, 1607–1667; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

#### \*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** 

Bread of Heaven Emanuel Choir David Ashely White

#### 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.

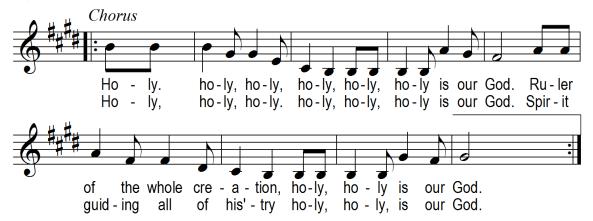
C: We lift them to the Lord.

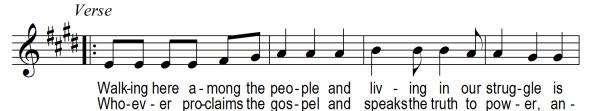
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# \*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY







God, who rules the heav-ens and holds the earth in love. noun-cing li - ber - a - tion, will be for - e - ver blessed. Repeat to Chorus

#### \*EUCHARISTIC 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!

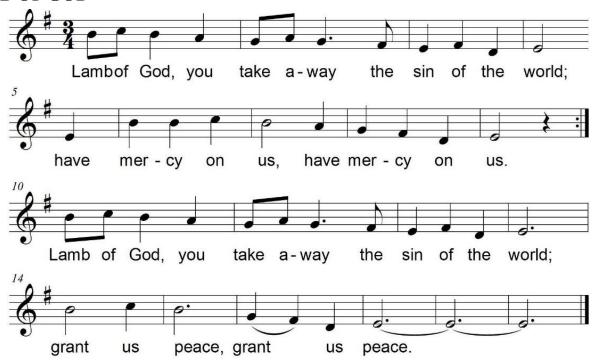
P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

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



#### **COMMUNION MUSIC**

Invention No. 14 in B-flat Major, BWV 785 Honoka Masuyama and Jonathan Reuning-Scherer, marimba

J.S. Bach





#### \*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 Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

**ELW 535** 



#### \*DISMISSAL

P: 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 August, we are asking for cereal and pancake mix.

#### **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 in a basket in the Narthex for anyone to take for themselves or to give away. Baby blankets along with a larger supply of shawls are available in the lounge of the Parish Building. With questions, please be in touch with a member of the Prayer Shawl Ministry Team (Bobbee Canfield, Lynne Strecker, and Lynn Sherman).

# Be Part of Emanuel's Worship Leadership!

If you are interested in serving as an Assisting Minister, acolyte, usher, communion assistant, greeter, or altar guild member, please contact Maureen Leyes. If you are interested in serving as a musician, please contact Jonathan.

#### **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 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 in memory or honor of someone by accessing the Sign-Up Genius with this QR code or by calling the church office at 860-525-0894. 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

Homebound: Elaine Wilson † Joan Johnson † Anna-Lisa Johnson † Peggy Zachariasen † Inge Levin

#### **Emanuel Lutheran Church**

311 Capitol Avenue Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Office: 860-525-0894 | Emergency: 860-365-9510

www.emanuelhartford.org | www.facebook.com/emanuelhartford



#### **STAFF**

#### Pastor Mark Olsen

Senior Pastor—extension 1 pastorolsen@emanuelhartford.org

#### **Vicar Christine Pelfrey**

Intern—extension 2

Christine.Pelfrey@emanuelhartford.org

#### **Jonathan Reuning-Scherer**

Director of Music

Jonathan.rs@emanuelhartford.org

#### Kate Bozzo

Operations Manager—extension 4 Kate.Bozzo@emanuelhartford.org

#### Naomi Ngoma

Community Life & Outreach—extension 3 Naomi.Ngoma@emanuelhartford.org

# Hannah Maynard

**Education Coordinator** 

Hannah.Maynard@emanuelhartford.org

# Morgan Pope

Administrative Assistant—extension 5 adminassist@emanuelhartford.org

#### Rachid Chelali

Sexton

Copyright © 2024 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License. New Revised Standard Version Bible, Copyright © 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

Revised Common Lectionary, Copyright © 1992 Consultation on Common Texts, admin Augsburg Fortress. Used by permission.