

EMMANUEL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**The Divine Service**  
Sunday, May 2, 2021  
**The Fifth Sunday of Easter**

*In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, Emmanuel Presbyterian Church opens wide her doors and offers welcome to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are spiritually weak and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come.*

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**HONORED GUEST**

Rev. Dennis Hermerding, Lead Pastor, Kings Cross Church, Cypress TX

**PRELUDE**

Giyong Ahn

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness – W.M Runyan*

**WORDS OF PREPARATION/SILENCE**

Colossians 4:2-6

*All scripture passages printed in back of bulletin.*

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O God, you make the minds of your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what you have commanded and desire what you promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**SILENT PRAYER**

*Following the prelude, please observe silence in final preparation for gathered worship.*

**PASTOR'S WELCOME**

Liturgical Color: White—symbolizes the brightness of day, the birth of Christ, and his resurrection.

# The Service of Entrance

## CALL TO WORSHIP

### ✠ HYMN OF INVOCATION

Joachim Neander, 1680

*Stralsund Gesangbuch, 1655*



1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
 2. *Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly*  
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -  
 4. *Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath*  
 5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
*reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so*  
 fend thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here  
*made thee, decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand*  
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his  
*gent - ly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -*  
 dai - ly at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -  
*guid - ed and stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he*  
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the A - men sound from his



tem - ple draw near, join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion.  
*sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?*  
 might - y can do, if with his love he be - friend thee.  
*brought thee re - lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!*  
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

Minister: Christ has risen from the dead,

People: **God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor,**

Minister: He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

People: **He has put all things under his feet.**

Minister: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Minister: Let us pray.

## PRAYER OF ADORATION

... world without end. **Amen.**

## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Nikolaus Decius, 1531

German chorale, 1540



Pure and sin-less Lamb of God, who on the cross did suf-fer. Pa-tient, still, and  
low-ly, thy-self to scorn did of-fer. Our sins by thee were ta-ken, or  
hope had us for-sak-en: have mer-cy on us, O Je-sus!

**Minister:** If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor—

**People:** Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. **Amen.**

**Minister:** Having confessed together our great need for God's mercy, let us now silently and humbly confess to God our personal and particular sins.

## DECLARATION OF ABSOLUTION

Minister: Hear the Word of the Gospel: "Christ has died for our sins and been raised for our justification." All you who repent of your sin and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ for your salvation, rejoice and be glad and give glory to the Lord who has taken away all of your sins in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

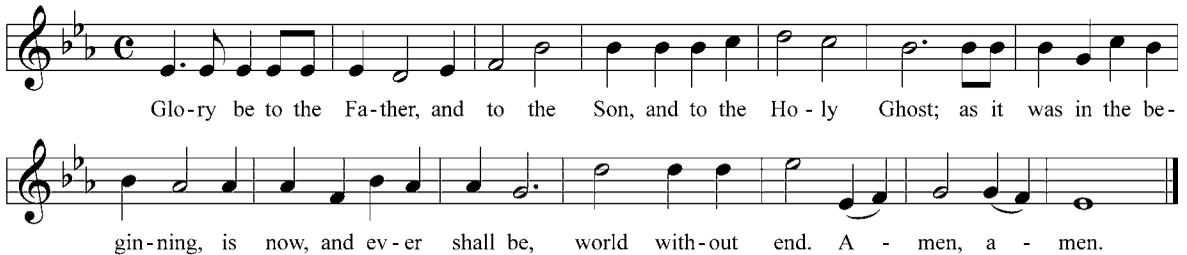
✠ Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: **the Maker of heaven and earth.**

Minister: O Lord, open our lips,

People: **and our mouth will declare your praise.**

## ✠ THE GLORIA



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be-  
gin-ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A - men, a - men.

✠ Congregation stands as able.

# The Service of the Word

## THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts 8:26-40  
Elder Joel Altsman

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

## PSALTER FOR THE CHOIR AND CONGREGATION

Psalms 46:1-5, 10

*God is Our Refuge and Strength*—Robert Lau, quoting *Ein Feste Burg* by Martin Luther

Choir: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.  
Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth should change,  
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;  
Though its waters roar and foam, and the mountains tremble,  
They tremble with its tumult.

“Be still, be still, and know that I am God.”

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
The holy place where the most high dwells,  
God is within her, she will not fall;  
God will help her at break of day.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress,  
On earth is not His equal.

**Congregation joins: A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;  
Our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe,  
His craft and pow’r are great, and armed with cruel hate,  
On earth is not his equal.**

Choir: God is our refuge and strength,  
Be still, be still and know that he is God.  
On earth is not his equal.  
Amen.

## THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 15:1-8  
Elder John Ellis

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise be to you, O Christ!**



# OUR RESPONSE

Matthew Bridges, 1851

George J. Elvey, 1868



1. Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;  
 2. Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side;  
 3. Crown him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scep - ter sways  
 4. Crown him the Lord of years, the Po - ten - tate of time;



hark! how the heav'n - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own:  
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied:  
 from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed in prayer and praise:  
 Cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime:



a - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
 no an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,  
 his reign shall know no end; and round his pierc - ed feet  
 all hail, Re - deem - er, hail! for thou hast died for me:



and hail him as thy match - less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 but down - ward bends his burn - ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.  
 fair flow'rs of par - a - dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.  
 thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

## WELCOME

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# The Service of Installation

INTRODUCTION

Rev. Greg Ward

## QUESTIONS FOR ORDINATION

Rev. Whit Anderson

1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
2. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Confession of Faith and the Catechisms of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will on your own initiative, make known to your Presbytery the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow?
3. Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of Biblical polity?
4. Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?
5. Have you been induced, as far as you know your own heart, to seek the office of the holy ministry from love to God and a sincere desire to promote His glory in the Gospel of His Son?
6. Do you promise to be zealous and faithful in maintaining the truths of the Gospel and the purity and peace and unity of the Church, whatever persecution or opposition may arise unto you on that account?
7. Do you engage to be faithful and diligent in the exercise of all your duties as a Christian and a minister of the Gospel, whether personal or relational, private or public; and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your manner of life, and to walk with exemplary piety before the flock of which God shall make you overseer?

## QUESTIONS TO THE SESSION OF EMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**Leader:** Do you, the Session of this congregation, continue to profess your readiness to receive Adam Lopez, whom you have called to be an Assistant Pastor of this church?

**Session:** **We do.**

**Leader:** Do you promise to receive the word of truth from his mouth with meekness and love?

**Session:** **We do.**

**Leader:** Do you promise to encourage him in his labors, and to assist his endeavors for your instruction and spiritual edification?

**Session:** **We do.**

**Leader:** Do you engage to continue to him while he is your Assistant Pastor that competent worldly maintenance which you have promised, and to furnish him with whatever you may see needful for the honor of religion and for his comfort among you?

**Session:** **We do.**

## PRAYER OF INSTALLATION AND THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

Rev. Terry Dykstra

### DECLARATION OF THE MODERATOR

I now pronounce and declare that Adam Lopez has been regularly ordained and installed as Assistant Pastor at Emmanuel Presbyterian Church, agreeable to the Word of God, and according to the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church in America; and that as such he is entitled to all support, encouragement, honor, and obedience in the Lord: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

We give you the right hand of fellowship, to take part in this ministry with us.

THE EPISTLE LESSON

1 Timothy 4:13b-16  
Elder Doug Hancock

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

CHARGE TO THE PASTOR AND SESSION

Rev. Greg Ward

INTERLUDE

PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION AND THANKSGIVING

Elder Dan Dunn

Unison: 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Please go to [emmanuelcedarpark.church/pray](http://emmanuelcedarpark.church/pray) to submit prayer requests.

✠ THE SERMON LESSON

Colossians 4:2-6

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MORNING SERMON

Rev. Dennis Hermerding

*Kingdom Communication*  
Colossians 4:2-6

## The Service of the Table

✠ CORPORATE CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Unison: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and  
buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he  
ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.  
Amen.



## PASSING OF THE PEACE

Minister: Christ is risen!

People: **He is risen indeed!**

Minister: Filled with the hope and joy of the resurrection let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of friendship such as the ancient words that the church has used over the centuries, "The peace of Christ be with you," and the response, "And also with you." Please do not move around to greet one another, but rather turn to one another and greet from your place.



Minister: The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof;

People: **the world, and they that dwell therein.**

### DOXOLOGY

*Geistliche Kirchengesäng, Cologne, 1623*

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low: Al - le -  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a - bove ye heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly  
 Ghost: O praise him, O praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Minister: Our Glorious God and Father, you have shown your great power in raising the Lord Jesus Christ from the dead. By his death you brought us life, and in his resurrection you have secured our hope. We acknowledge that you have created us, redeemed us, and will bring us to yourself, for from you, and through you, and to you are all things. Because we are wholly yours and so that the glad tidings of this resurrection might be made known in all places, we offer now these tithes and our offerings to you. Receive them O Lord, and distribute them according to your wisdom for the honor of your name, and all through the power of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

*You may place your tithes and offerings in the plate as you come forward for Communion. Or you may give online at [emmanuelcedarpark.churchcenteronline.com/giving](http://emmanuelcedarpark.churchcenteronline.com/giving). Please make checks payable to Emmanuel Presbyterian Church. All gifts are tax deductible and as such are at the discretion of the Session of EPC for the ministry of the Church.*



Congregation stands as able.

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you!  
**People:** **And also with you!**  
 Minister: Lift up your hearts!  
**People:** **We lift them up to the Lord!**  
 Minister: Let us give thanks to our Lord God!  
**People:** **It is good and right to do so!**

Minister: It is very good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord; but chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us and has taken away the sins of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing:

SANCTUS William Mathias, b. 1934

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*Emmanuel invites all baptized Christians to come to the table of our Lord and rejoice with us in God's grace given to us in Christ. This includes all Christians, whether you are a member of Emmanuel Presbyterian Church or another Church. Baptized children are admitted to the Table upon an age-appropriate profession of faith in Christ. If you require a gluten free communion bread, please notify your server when you come forward. The center cup and inner circle contain grape juice and the outer circles contain wine. Parents please serve your communing children. Please hold your elements until all have been served so that we may partake together.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION  
PRAYER OF CONSECRATION  
COMMUNION HYMN

Giyong Ahn, piano

*Be Thou My Vision* – Ancient Irish poem

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art—  
Thou my best thought by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I thy true son;  
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my battle shield, sword for my fight;  
be thou my dignity, thou my delight,  
Thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tower:  
raise thou me heaven-ward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Traditional Irish melody

PARTAKING OF THE BREAD

AGNUS DEI

Minister

People

Be - hold the lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world. A - men.

PARTAKING OF THE CUP



# BENEDICTION

## DEPARTING HYMN

Johann Lindemann, 1549-1631

Giovanni Giacomo Gastoldi, c. 1556-c. 1622



1. In thee is glad - ness a - mid all sad - ness, Je - sus,  
 2. Since he is ours, \_\_\_\_\_ we fear no pow'rs, \_\_\_ not of



sun - shine of my heart. By thee are giv - en the gifts of  
 earth nor sin nor death. He sees and bless - es in worst dis -



heav - en, thou the true Re - deem - er art. Our souls thou  
 tress - es; he can change them with a breath. Where - fore the



wak - est, our bonds thou break - est; who trusts thee sure - ly has built se -  
 sto - ry tell of his glo - ry with hearts and voic - es; all heav'n re -



cure - ly; he stands for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! Our hearts are  
 joic - es in him for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! We shout for



pin - ing to see thy shin - ing, dy - ing or liv - ing to thee are  
 glad - ness, tri - umph o'er sad - ness, love him and praise him and still shall



cleav - ing; naught can us sev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 raise him glad hymns for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!

### Announcements



Congregation stands as able.

## The Lessons

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts 8:26-40

26 Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert place. 27 And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship 28 and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. 29 And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over and join this chariot." 30 So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" 31 And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. 32 Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter  
and like a lamb before its shearer is silent,  
so he opens not his mouth.

33 In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth."

34 And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" 35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. 36 And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" 38 And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. 39 And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. 40 But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God

THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 15:1-8

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. 2 Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. 3 Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. 4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. 5 I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. 6 If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. 7 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

**Leader:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Praise be to you, O Christ!

## THE EPISTLE LESSON

1 Timothy 4:13b-16

13 Devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching. 14 Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophecy when the council of elders laid their hands on you. 15 Practice these things, immerse yourself in them, so that all may see your progress. 16 Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching. Persist in this, for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God**

## THE SERMON LESSON

Colossians 4:2-6

2 Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving. 3 At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison— 4 that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak.

5 Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time. 6 Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*Kingdom Communication*  
Colossians 4:2-6

# Taking Gathered Worship Home

The Fifth Week of Easter– Sunday, May 2, 2021

*Taking Gathered Worship Home” (TGWH) has been developed for you to use in the private worship of your home, whether you are married or single, and whether or not you have children. It is a tool to knit us together throughout the church year. While we would encourage the use of TGWH in its entirety, you are encouraged to adapt the offerings to your particular circumstances. The prayer is taken from “Lutheran Worship” and the psalm readings are taken from the “Book of Common Prayer” and the daily readings are from “The Daily Office.”*

## DAILY COLLECT

O God, you make the minds of your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what you have commanded and desire what you promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SUNDAY Morning Psalter – 24, 29  
Isaiah 32:1-8  
2 Thessalonians 2:13-17  
Matthew 7:7-14  
Evening Psalter – 8, 84  
HYMN OF INVOCATION

MONDAY Morning Psalter – 56, 57  
Jeremiah 32:1-15  
Colossians 3:18–4:18  
Luke 7:36-50  
Evening Psalter – 64, 65  
THE GLORIA

TUESDAY Morning Psalter – 61, 62  
Jeremiah 32:16-25  
Romans 12:1-21  
Luke 8:1-15  
Evening Psalter – 68  
HYMN OF RESPONSE

WEDNESDAY Morning Psalter – 72  
Jeremiah 32:36-44  
Romans 13:1-14  
Luke 8:16-25  
Evening Psalter – 119:73-96  
DEPARTING HYMN

THURSDAY Morning Psalter – 71  
Jeremiah 33:1-13  
Romans 14:1-12  
Luke 8:26-39  
Evening Psalter – 74  
HYMN OF INVOCATION

FRIDAY Morning Psalter – 106:1-18  
Deuteronomy 31:30–32:14  
Romans 14:13-23  
Luke 8:40-56  
Evening Psalter – 106:19-48  
THE GLORIA

SATURDAY Morning Psalter – 75, 76  
Deuteronomy 32:34-43  
Romans 15:1-13  
Luke 9:1-17  
Evening Psalter – 23, 27  
HYMN OF RESPONSE

## IN PREPARATION FOR THE DIVINE SERVICE

*The Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 9, 2021*

Preaching: Rev. Adam Lopez  
Judges 16

### Scripture Lessons:

Acts 10:44-48  
1 John 5:1-6

Psalm 98  
John 15:9-17

## CHURCH LIFE

### CALENDAR

|                  |          |   |
|------------------|----------|---|
| Today, May 2     | 10:00 am | The Divine Service                      |
|                  | 11:15 am | Reception for Adam Lopez                |
| Wednesday, May 5 | 6:00 am  | Men's Bible Study                       |
|                  | 9:00 am  | Women's Ministry Online Meeting         |
| Saturday, May 8  | 2:00 pm  | Crawfish Boil at Brushy Creek Lake Park |
| Sunday, May 9    | 10:00 am | The Divine Service                      |
|                  | 4:00 pm  | Youth Group Meeting                     |

### PLEASE BE IN PRAYER FOR:

- The father of our missionaries in the Middle East has died of COVID-19 recently. Pray for comfort and strength for them as they grieve, and that they will be courageous in their ministry to Muslims, especially in this month of Ramadan. Pray that they can make clear who it is who is our true sacrifice for our sins.
- Pray that Dana Dewita would have the time and energy to take care of her home and family as well as her job responsibilities. She has a new job, and is having trouble switching between all her new tasks with different projects, programs, and details. Pray for her mental acuity and focus to prioritize tasks.
- Please continue to pray for Pastor Frohlich, who recovering after another round of chemo. Pray that it would be effective, that his scans would show good news, and that the treatment would not take a toll on his heart.
- Pray for Kindell Lopez's stepfather, Terry Hahn, that he would be able to get a permanent job soon.
- Pray for Doug and Nancy Hancock's good friend, Dawne, that she would regain strength following major pancreatic cancer surgery as she prepared for additional chemotherapy.
- Please pray that the Lord will contain the spread of the COVID-19 virus, providing wisdom for all the decision-makers and caregivers, and healing for those affected by the disease.

If you have a prayer request, please submit it at  
[emmanuelcedarpark.church/pray](https://emmanuelcedarpark.church/pray)

## GETTING INVOLVED

We have a variety of opportunities to get involved, either virtually or in person! Please consider joining a community group, and taking part in a fellowship opportunity.

### DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

#### Youth Group Meeting (in person)

Sundays, 4:00 pm

Studying the Epistle to the Ephesians

**Contact:**

Adam Lopez – [alopez@emmanuelcedarpark.church](mailto:alopez@emmanuelcedarpark.church)

#### Men's Bible Study

Wednesdays, 6:00 am

Studying *Indispensable*

**Contact:**

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#### Women's Ministry (virtual)

Wednesday mornings, 9:00 am

Studying the Psalms

**Contact:**

Meghan Anderson – [megs.c.anderson@gmail.com](mailto:megs.c.anderson@gmail.com)

#### Men's Breakfast (in person)

Third Saturday of the Month, 8:00 am

**Contact:** JD Stewart – [jd@jd-stewart.com](mailto:jd@jd-stewart.com)

#### Altsman Group (virtual)

First and Third Sundays, 6:00 pm

Studying *Devotional Classics*

**Contact:** Joel Altsman – [jaltsman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jaltsman@sbcglobal.net)

#### Connell Group (in person)

Wednesday evenings, 7:30 pm

Studying *The Gospel-Centered Parent*

**Contact:** Tommy Connell – [tconnelljr@gmail.com](mailto:tconnelljr@gmail.com)

#### Ward Group (virtual)

Sundays evenings, 7:30 pm

Study: "Origins: Where Faith & Reason Intersect"

**Contact:**

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**Financials Year-to-Date**  
**Actuals vs. Budgeted**  
October 1, 2020–March 31, 2021

|  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| Budgeted Income                        | \$150,450         |
| Actual Income                          | \$119,807         |
| Deficit                                | <u>(\$30,643)</u> |
| Budgeted Expense                       | \$176,356         |
| Actual Expense                         | \$166,163         |
| Surplus                                | <u>\$10,193</u>   |
| Actual Income vs. Expense<br>(Deficit) | <u>(\$46,356)</u> |
| Building Fund                          | \$25,300          |
| Deacons' Fund                          | \$11,026          |



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## EPC Leadership and Staff

### *Elders*

Joel Altsman

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Doug Hancock

Tommy Connell (inactive)

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