



Emmanuel Church

The Episcopal Church on Mercer Island



Trinity, watercolor by Mark Jennings, 2004

PAROCHIAL VISITATION OF THE RT. REV. PHILIP LABELLE

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – TRINITY SUNDAY

MAY 31, 2026 + 9:00 A.M.

Welcome Guests & Visitors

+ Welcome to the Episcopal Church. The mission of the Episcopal Church, as stated in our Book of Common Prayer, is “*to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ.*” We seek to follow Jesus in loving and life-giving relationships with God, with one another, with all people, and with all God’s creation. Our worship, beliefs and practices are diverse and reflect influences from Roman Catholic, Protestant and Orthodox traditions as well as on going reflection and prayer about what it means to believe in and follow Jesus Christ in a rapidly changing world. We Episcopalians are also known as Anglicans, part of the worldwide Anglican Communion with origins and ongoing ties to the Church of England.

+ Welcome to Emmanuel Episcopal Church. We trace our history on Mercer Island to a first worship service in 1909 and to a prior church building, built in 1914, in an area of the island once known as East Seattle. We have met, worshiped, served at and gone forth in faith from the present church since 1959.

+ Welcome to Our Worship Today. The order for worship that we call the Holy Eucharist is printed, with music, on the following pages. It begins with the Liturgy of the Word: Bible readings, a sermon, an affirmation of faith, prayers, and greeting one another at the Peace. All this prepares us for the Eucharist itself — the word is derived from the biblical Greek word for thanksgiving. Here and elsewhere it may also be called Holy Communion, the Lord’s Supper or the Mass.

+ Welcome to Communion. The Real Presence of Christ in the blessed bread and wine is a primary belief in our Anglican tradition. Here at Emmanuel, any and all who are drawn to do so may receive Communion. Additional notes may be found at the appropriate place in today’s printed order of worship.

+ Welcome to Getting Around Here.

◆ **Our nursery and ministries with young children** are offered in various ways at various times. Please inquire with an usher, the clergy or other parents, or look for information on our website.

◆ **An accessible restroom** may be found across from the stairway outside the west doors of the narthex (the gathering area just beyond the doors of the church proper). Other restrooms may be found up the ramp and stairs at the east side of the narthex.

◆ **Hearing assistance devices**, with related instructions, may be found in and borrowed from a basket on a narthex table.

Please let us know how we may better welcome you.

Worship and Pastoral Notes

Welcome, Bishop LaBelle!

We’re blessed today to welcome the Ninth Bishop of the Diocese of Olympia, the Rt. Rev. Philip LaBelle.

A visitation of this kind provides opportunities to strengthen our faith and identity as a member parish of our diocese. Baptisms and Confirmations are often a part of a bishop’s visitation. Regrettably we have none to celebrate today, however:

An opportunity for Emmanuel members to Reaffirm Baptismal Vows will be provided as part of today’s liturgy.

Bishop LaBelle previously served as priest in the Diocese of Massachusetts and in the Diocese of Colorado. He was elected as Bishop of Olympia in May 2024 and Consecrated September 14, 2024.

Please take time to read more about Bishop LaBelle by way of the information shared on our diocesan website and reprinted on the inside back cover of this morning’s bulletin.

Trinity Sunday

Always observed on the first Sunday after Pentecost, Trinity Sunday celebrates the Christian doctrine of the three Persons of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Trinity Sunday was first observed at the direction of Archbishop of Canterbury Thomas Becket (1118-70). The observance spread from Canterbury and is now included in Roman Catholic, Lutheran, Methodist and Anglican/Episcopal calendars. Our present Book of Common Prayer designates Trinity Sunday as one of seven principal feasts of the church.

Additional welcomes, thanks ... and regrets

Bishop LaBelle may be accompanied today by his wife Melissa, and by the Venerable David Bishop, serving our diocese as Canon Missioner for Transitions and Archdeacon for Mission and Formation. If present, he will serve as Deacon in the liturgy. Please share in welcoming them and in thanking Rev. Marilyn Cornwell for representing Emmanuel as clergy in my regrettable absence (due to a trip with family planned before this date was set for Bishop LaBelle’s visitation).



The Rev. Patrick Raymond,
Interim Rector

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

VOLUNTARY

PROCESSION – Hymnal 1982, #362 – “Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!”

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Bishop Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Bishop There is one Body and one Spirit;

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People **One God and Father of all.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Bishop God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Bishop Let us Pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

A READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT – Genesis 1:1-2:4a *Sit.*

Lector A reading from the Book of Genesis

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE 13 - Hymnal 1982, #S-236

A READING FROM THE EPISTLES — 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Lector A reading from the Second Letter to the Corinthians.

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL – Hymnal 1982, #423 – “Immortal, invisible, God only wise”

THE HOLY GOSPEL – Matthew 28:16-20

All standing, the Deacon says to the People

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” Jesus said to the disciples, “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

After the Gospel the Deacon says

The Gospel of our Savior.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON The Rt. Rev. Philip LaBelle, Bishop of the Diocese of Olympia

REAFFIRMATION & RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Those wishing to reaffirm their faith are invited to come forward. When all wishing to do so are standing before the bishop they are presented as follows

I present these persons who desire to reaffirm their baptismal vows.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidates **I do.**

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidates **I do.**

Bishop Let us now together renew our own baptismal covenant.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People **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.**

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread,
and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return
to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every
human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect and restore the beauty and
integrity of all creation?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Let us now pray for and with those who are reaffirming their faith, and for the witness of the
whole Church, and all God's people.

Leader Deliver us, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

***People* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open our hearts to your grace and truth.

***People* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill us with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

***People* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep us in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

***People* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach us to love others in the power of the Spirit.

***People* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send us into the world in witness to your love.

***People* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring us to the fullness of your peace and glory.

***People* Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Bishop says

Grant, O gracious God, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. *Amen.*

One by one, those reaffirming their faith approach the Bishop, who joins hands with them and says

____(*Name*)____, may the Holy Spirit, who has begun a good work in you, direct and uphold you in the service of Christ and his kingdom.

All respond Amen.

Then the Bishop says

Almighty and everliving God, let your merciful hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

THE PEACE

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

All share the Peace of Christ with others. Those who have reaffirmed their faith do so as they return to their pews.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Please use the separate envelope included in this leaflet to make a generous gift by cash or check to Bishop LaBelle's discretionary fund, allowing him to respond to special needs that arise in the course of his ministry.

Information on receiving Communion may be found on page 15.

OFFERTORY – “Laudate Dominum”

W.A. Mozart

OFFERTORY HYMN – Hymnal 1982, #367 – “Round the Lord in glory seated”

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer 2, Enriching Our Worship (1997)

The people remain standing. The Bishop says

God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift our hearts to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Bishop continues

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 a 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 sing:

Ho- ly, ho- ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heaven__ and earth__ are
full__ of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high- est. Ho - san-na in the high- est.
Blessed_ is the one who comes in the name__ of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high- est. Ho - san - na in the high- est._____

The Bishop 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,

<i>All</i> 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.
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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Bishop breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept after which the Bishop says

We break this bread and share this cup to share in the Body and Blood of Christ.

People **We who are many are one body, for we share in one bread, one cup.**

Bishop The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to participate in communion at Emmanuel. Primarily our communion takes place at the altar rail. You can stand or kneel. If you want to abstain from the bread or wine, please cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available. If the steps to the altar rail present a challenge for you, you may stand at the bottom of the stairs, or ask an usher to have communion brought to you in your seat.

COMMUNION HYMN – Hymnal 1982, #312 – “Strengthen for service, Lord”

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER. *Please stand or kneel as you are able.*

The Bishop says Let us pray.

Celebrant and People God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world in word and deed,
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND GENERAL THANKSGIVINGS

Whether recently, today or in days to come, whether members of this parish or guests: Those celebrating a birthday or anniversary are welcomed to come forward. Led by the Celebrant, all pray:

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Bishop blesses the People, using the following or another form

Bishop Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

***People* The maker of heaven and earth.**

Bishop Blessed be the Name of the Lord;

***People* From this time forth for evermore.**

Bishop The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

***People* Amen.**

PROCESSION – Hymnal 1982, #432 – “O praise ye the Lord!”

THE DISMISSAL *All respond: Thanks be to God.*

VOLUNTARY

*All are invited and encouraged to join Bishop LaBelle
for a festive coffee hour in the narthex.*

THE RT. REV. PHILIP N. LABELLE is the Ninth Bishop in the Episcopal Diocese of Olympia. The Diocese elected Bishop LaBelle on May 18, 2024, and he was Consecrated and Ordained on September 14, 2024.

Bishop LaBelle previously served as rector of St. Mark’s Church in Southborough, Massachusetts. During his time in the Diocese of Massachusetts, Bishop LaBelle co-led the Mission Strategy Committee, served on Executive Committee and Diocesan Council, and directed the Fresh Start program. He co-founded Southborough Neighbors for Peace with Dr. Safdar Medina in their small town. The organization hosted peace vigils, began a community-wide Iftar dinner during Ramadan, established an interfaith Thanksgiving service, and sponsored other bridge-building events. Additionally, Bishop LaBelle served on the core team of Central Mass. Connections in Faith, an organization centered on fostering relationships and learning about other religious faiths through quarterly gatherings.

In June of 2024, Bishop LaBelle received his Doctor of Ministry from Fuller Seminary focused on Christian Spirituality. His thesis work explored the theology and practice of zimzum and how to make space in our overly busy lives for God, others, and the natural world. He received his MDiv from Yale University in 2004, along with a diploma in Anglican Studies from Berkeley Divinity School at Yale. He holds a Master’s degree in composition and rhetoric from Northeastern University and a Bachelor’s degree in English with an additional concentration in theological studies from Gordon College. He has also received certificates in congregational development and religious fundraising.

Additionally, Bishop LaBelle served in the Diocese of Colorado—where he was on the Commission on Ministry—and in the Diocese of Connecticut. Over his nearly 20 years of ordained ministry, he co-led more than a dozen mission trips for youth and adults. Before seminary, he worked in marketing communications and web development at multiple internet startups.

Bishop LaBelle is married to Dr. Melissa Tobey LaBelle, an Assistant Professor of Secondary Education at Bridgewater State University focused on language and literacy development. Together, they have two young adult children: Noah, a recent high school graduate currently on a bridge year program in Senegal, and Olivia, a high school senior who has been recruited to run track at college. Both Noah and Olivia began their university studies in the fall.

With St. Mark’s, Bishop LaBelle received a Clergy Renewal Grant from the Lily Endowment in 2017. He explored wilderness spirituality, the beauty of the natural world, and the need for climate justice. Additionally, he and his family walked the Camino de Santiago in Spain, and he and Noah have summited Mt. Kilimanjaro.

Collect for all Christians in their vocation

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*





Covenant for Our Common Life and Witness

We, the members, staff, and clergy of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, aspire to personally and collectively demonstrate and advocate the following principles in all of our relationships.

- 1. We Demonstrate Christ's Command to Love One Another**, treating all with generosity, kindness, and empathy. *"My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you."* John 15:12
- 2. We Respect the Dignity of Every Person**, listening to one another and honoring differences.
Jesus said, *"In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets."* Matthew 7:12
- 3. We Speak Truth in Love**, sharing our hopes, concerns, and perspectives in a spirit of collaboration.
"Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body." Ephesians 4:25
- 4. We Promptly Address Conflicts and Pursue Reconciliation**, whenever and with whomever it is needed, seeking to heal and restore broken relationships.
"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." Ephesians 4:32
- 5. We Promote Unity**, acknowledging that we share a love for this community and its future.
"Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace." Ephesians 4:3
- 6. We Practice Humility**, recognizing the needs, concerns and interests of others alongside our own.
"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit." Philippians 2:3a. *"What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"* Micah 6:8
- 7. We Pray For Each Other, the Church, Our Community, and Our World.**
"I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercessions and thanksgiving be made for all people." 1 Timothy 2:1

By way of this covenant, we seek to share in a parish community that reflects Christ's love and peace to all, where every person is valued and respected, and where we work together for the common good of the church, our community and our world.

Clergy and Staff: The Rev. Patrick Raymond, Interim Rector; The Rev. Marilyn Cornwell, Assisting Priest; Fred McIlroy, Director of Music; Julene Levin, Parish Administrator; John Pritchard, Bookkeeper

2026 Emmanuel Vestry: Michael Spencer, Senior Warden; Pat Angell (Treasurer), Janet Bell, Stacy Dimmich, Nathan Ihle, Sandy Maloof, Leslie Moore, Marcia Palk, Sue Stiles. askvestry@emmanuelmi.org