



Emmanuel
LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

**10 AM Worship, August 9, 2026
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Year of Matthew**

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Vienna, VA

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Gathering: The Holy Spirit Gathers Us in Worship

Prelude

"In the Garden" by Phillip Bliss, arranged by Mark Hayes and Marvin Gaspard.
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Jostien Nygaard, piano
Arla Clapp, organ

Welcome

Good morning and welcome to worship at Emmanuel Lutheran Church! You can find bulletins and ways to give online at elcvienna.org. Here in person, you will find hymnals, Bibles, prayer cards, offering envelopes, and a QR code for offerings in the pew holders as well. Our liturgy is projected on the walls for you. We do have large-print bulletins and hearing assistance devices available. Inquire about those with our ushers in the back of the sanctuary. We invite newcomers to stop by our welcome table just outside the sanctuary after worship.

Invocation

Pastor: In this holy season after Pentecost, we are gathered in the name of the Father, ✠ the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Gathering Hymn

My Life Flows On in Endless Song
ELW 763

- 1 My life flows on in endless song;
above earth's lamentation,
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn
that hails a new creation.

Refrain

No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
how can I keep from singing?

- 2 Through all the tumult and the strife,
I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul.



How can I keep from singing? Refrain

- 3 What though my joys and comforts die?
The Lord my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round?
Songs in the night he giveth. Refrain
- 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his!
How can I keep from singing? Refrain

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Word: God Speaks to Us in Scriptures and Prayer

1 Kings 19:9-18

Reader: A reading from the First Book of Kings, chapter nineteen.

Reader:

⁹ At [Horeb, the mount of God,][Elijah] came to a cave and spent the night there.

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁰ He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

¹¹ He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind, and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake, ¹² and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire, and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. ¹³ When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁴ He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." ¹⁵ Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶ Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king



over Israel, and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. ¹⁷ Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill, and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. ¹⁸ Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.”

Reader: Word of God. Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God!

Psalm 85:8-13

We will be singing the Psalm. The cantor sings the refrain, and the congregation repeats the refrain. The verses are sung responsively. The refrain is repeated as indicated by “R”.

[R] Refrain:



Psalm 85:8

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Tone: Y



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⁸ I will listen to what the LORD ¹ God is saying;
for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their ¹
hearts to you.

⁹ **Truly, your salvation is very near to ¹ those who fear you,
that your glory may dwell ¹ in our land. R**

¹⁰ Steadfast love and faithfulness have ¹ met together;
righteousness and peace have ¹ kissed each other.

¹¹ **Faithfulness shall spring up ¹ from the earth,
and righteousness shall look ¹ down from heaven.**

¹² The LORD will indeed ¹ grant prosperity,
and our land will ¹ yield its increase.

¹³ **Righteousness shall go be- ¹ fore the LORD
and shall prepare for ¹ God a pathway. R**



Romans 10:5-15

Reader: A reading from Saint Paul's letter to the Romans, chapter ten.

Reader:

⁵ Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." ⁶ But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?' " (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷ "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?' " (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸ But what does it say?

"The word is near you,

in your mouth and in your heart"

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim), ⁹ because if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For one believes with the heart, leading to righteousness, and one confesses with the mouth, leading to salvation. ¹¹ The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³ For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

¹⁴ But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵ And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Reader: Word of God. Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God!

Special Music*

Anchor Of Peace

Verse 1

There's a way back home for the wandering soul
There's a peaceful calm for the restless one
And if you're so far gone you can't see the shore
Well just lift your eyes and look to the Lord

Chorus 1

(Oh) 'Cause He's a walking on the water
He'll calm your raging sea
No you don't have to look no farther
He's the hope that you need
Oh if your sails are torn and tattered



And the storm just won't cease
So take hold of the hand of the Savior
(Cause) He's the anchor of peace
Oh He's the anchor of peace

Verse 2

I was breaking down at the end of my rope
When the sweetest sound silenced the noise
Oh He's the Prince of Peace the waves know His voice
Just lift your eyes and look to the Lord

Bridge

I was far from the peaceful shore
Falling to the hopeless floor
Oh the wreckage of the fallout there was no way out
Then I saw the lighthouse
I was sinking when I felt Your hand
You put my feet back on dry land
When I was so far down love made a way out
Oh and thank God for the lighthouse

Interlude

Yeah-ee yeah yeah

Chorus 2

I can see the walking on the water
He'll calm your raging sea
No you don't have to look no farther
He's the hope that you need
Oh if your sails are torn and tattered
And the storm just won't cease
Take hold of the hand of the Savior
'Cause He's the anchor of peace
Oh He's the anchor of peace yeah yeah hey

Chorus 3

He's a walking on the water
He'll calm your raging sea
No you don't have to look no farther
He's the hope that you need
If your sails are torn and tattered
And the storm just won't cease
Take hold of the hand of the Savior



'Cause He's the anchor of peace
Yeah He's the anchor of peace
Oh He's the anchor of peace

Brandon Coker, Heath Balltzglier, Seth Condrey
CCLI Song #7121153

Children's Message

Children are invited forward for a message just for them! Following the children's message, children are invited to Children's Chapel and will return to the sanctuary after the message.

Gospel Acclamation

Christ, Be Our Light
ELW 715, refrain

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

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Matthew 14:22-33

Pastor: The good news of Jesus Christ according to the gospel of Saint Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord!

Pastor:

²² [Jesus] made the disciples get into a boat and go on ahead to the other side [of the Sea of Galilee,] while he dismissed the crowds.²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone,²⁴ but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them.²⁵ And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea.²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear.²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

²⁸ Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."²⁹ He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus.³⁰ But when he noticed the strong wind,



he became frightened, and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!"
³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him,
"You of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³² When they got into the boat, the
wind ceased. ³³ And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are
the Son of God."

Pastor: The gospel of the Lord!

All: Praise to you, O Christ!

Message

"Walking Through Storms" based upon Matthew 14 by Pastor Lydia Posselt

Song of the Day*

Faithfulness

Verse 1

In the breakers that storm my faith
God my Rock and God my Hope You will prevail
You're the constant in a sea of change
What You've done and what You've said
Will never fade

Chorus

Great is Your Faithfulness
Great is Your Faithfulness
Always and forever
Always and forever

Verse 2

There are memories that seize my heart
But they will never steal or tear our love apart
There are victories yet to come
They are certain as the rising of the sun

Bridge

From age to age the same
Your mercy never changes
Your joy it is my strength
Your goodness never changes

Jacob Sooter, Matt Maher, Stephen McWhirter
CCLI Song #7071170



Apostle's Creed

Leader: We confess our common faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed.

**All: 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

Leader: Let us pray.

Leader: God our faith, you call the church to make disciples of all nations. Encourage your people in the proclamation of the gospel and into lives of humble service. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: God our life, you spoke creation into being and called it good. Protect lands and waters and sustain living creatures of every kind. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: God our peace, you have called us to love our neighbor. Heal divisions between nations, that all people might live in your peace. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: God our healer, you call us to do your work with our hands for your children in need. We pray for... Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.



Leader: God our salvation, you give rest when our work is done. We give thanks for all the saints who now rest in you, confident in the promise of resurrection life in the age to come. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: Hear our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, we pray.

All: Amen.

Peace

Leader: May the peace of the Risen Lord be with you always!

All: And also with you.

Leader: Let us share signs of peace.

Offering

Offerings in support of our mission and ministry can be made at elcvienna.org/give or mailed to the church. Offering envelopes and QR codes are in the pew holders. Ushers will take the offering in person. Every gift matters—thank you!

Choir Offertory

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Meal: Jesus Gives Us Forgiveness and Life

Holy Communion Words of Institution

Pastor: We remember that in the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Pastor: And again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me."

The Lord's Prayer

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

**All: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,**



on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Pastor: All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

All: Thanks be to God!

Communion Instructions

All are invited to come forward to receive communion or a blessing. Wafers will be dipped in wine and handed to you. If you prefer a wafer without wine, please let us know. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. We have goldfish and a blessing for our non-communing children. You are also welcome to pray at the communion rail after you have been communed.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God

ELW Setting One, p. 112





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Communion Music

"It Is Well With My Soul", by Phillip Bliss, arranged by Mark Hayes and Marvin Gaspard. One License 1045869.

Jostien Nygaard, piano

Arla Clapp, Organ

Sending: The Holy Spirit Leads Us in Mission to the World

Invitation to Ministry

As the Spirit leads us out into mission in the world, we invite you to join us in our ministries. We invite our newcomers to stop by the welcome table just outside the sanctuary to connect and learn more about the work of our congregation.

Blessing

This Aaronic Blessing is based on Numbers 6:22-27.

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

All: Amen.

Sending Song*



Step By Step

Chorus

O God You are my God
And I will ever praise You
O God You are my God
And I will ever praise You
I will seek You in the morning
And I will learn to walk in Your ways
And step by step You'll lead me
And I will follow You all of my days

David (Beaker) Strasser
CCLI Song #696994

Forever We Will Sing

Chorus

Hallelujah
We honor You Lord Jesus
And forever we will sing
Hallelujah
For You alone are worthy
And forever we will sing
Hallelujah hallelujah
Hallelujah hallelujah
We honor You Lord Jesus
We lift Your name on high

Michael W. Smith
CCLI Song #3905678

Sending

Leader: Go in peace and share the good news!

All: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

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Join Us in Making a Difference

Our mission is to nurture, grow, and share our Christian faith as Lutherans in a multicultural world. We envision Emmanuel Lutheran Church as a welcoming, vibrant, growing, and faith-filled Christian community whose participants generously share their time, talents, and resources in a changing world.

You Are Welcome Here

Emmanuel Lutheran Church welcomes all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome and affirm full participation by all because God welcomes all, regardless of race, culture, national origin, citizenship status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, relationship or socio-economic status, addictions, physical or mental health, disability, imprisonment, age, or other circumstances. Our unity is in Christ.

We Honor the First People

As the Holy Spirit gathers us in worship, we acknowledge that Lutherans in the Metropolitan Washington D.C. Synod, ELCA, worship, live, and work on the ancestral homelands of the Nacotchtank (also referred to as Anacostan), Piscataway peoples, Pamunkey, Putuxent, Susquehannock, and Yacocomico peoples; as well as the Doeg, and the Virginia tribes—including the Rappahannock, Pamunkey, Upper Mattaponi, Chickahominy, Eastern Chickahominy, Nansemond, Monacan, Manahoac, Mattaponi, Patawomeck, and Nottaway. Emmanuel Lutheran Church gathers upon the ancestral lands of the Piscataway and Manahoac peoples. Find out more about the Piscataway at en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Piscataway_people and the Manahoac at en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Manahoac. Learn more about native ancestral lands at <https://native-land.ca/>.

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