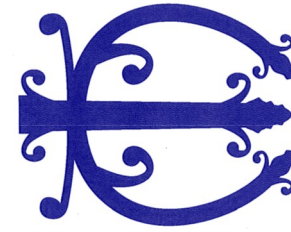


Standing Dates

- ✘ **Sunday Worship:** We offer three Sunday services, each with a distinct feel. At **8:00 AM** we use the traditional language (called Rite I) that reminds us of the earliest days of our Anglican practice. We don't sing hymns, but our organist plays a little meditative music around Communion and at the end of the service. The **10:00 AM** service features hymns for all to sing and an anthem offered by our choir. Sunday School for children from 3-18 takes place during the first half of the service, with the kids joining their families for Communion. The service at **Noon** welcomes our most diverse congregation, with respect to ages, backgrounds and interests. It is both meditative in feeling and light in presentation. **Altar Guild** prepares for services Saturdays at 9:00 AM.
- ✘ **Tuesday Worship:** Held in the Maryan Room at 10:00 AM, this service features a congregation gathered around a table, a homily based on the life of the Saint commemorated that day, and special prayers for healing — for ourselves or for our loved ones. Every other week the group stays to help fold and stuff newsletters for mailing.
- ✘ **Every Other Tuesday Staff Meeting:** Church staff and Vestry officers meet every other week at 11:00 AM to monitor church activities.
- ✘ **Wednesday Bible Study:** Led by our Christian Education Coordinator, this program meets in the Harward Parlor on Wednesdays from 9:00 to 11:30 AM.
- ✘ **Choir Practice:** Thursdays at 7:00 PM & Sundays at 9:15 AM, in the Undercroft.
- ✘ **1st & 3rd Wednesday Yarn Guild:** Meets from 1:00 PM to 3:00 in the Rectory to work on projects to be given away, or whatever handwork you are doing. Expert help available!
- ✘ **3rd Monday Vestry Meetings:** Our church board is called the Vestry, and new members are selected by lottery at our January Annual Meeting. We hope that everyone will volunteer to take a turn over the course of their time at Emmanuel. The meetings are open to all parishioners.

Spring Special Events

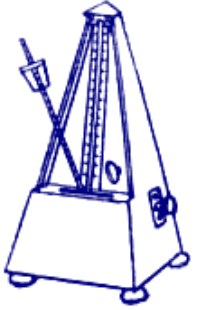
- ✘ **Sunday, 23 February at 9:00 AM:** Pre-Lent Pancake breakfast sponsored by Chris and Doris Runice.
- ✘ **Wednesday, 26 February — Ash Wednesday:** A special service in the church year which marks the beginning of Lent. Services are at 6:00 AM, 12 Noon, and 7:00 PM. Ashes are available at each service. There are different traditions about wiping the ashes off after the service or leaving them on through the day — you are welcome to do either.
- ✘ **Sunday, 1 March 2020: The First Sunday in Lent:** At 8:00 AM and 12 Noon the service will begin with the Great Litany. At 10:00 AM the service will include Holy Baptism. Please note the changes in the church décor and in the various prayers for the season of Lent.
- ✘ **Tuesdays, 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 March at 10:45 AM:** Lent program offered in the Maryan Room. Please note that this follows the 10:00 AM service. Plans at this point include having a light salad lunch at the conclusion of the program.
- ✘ **Thursdays, 5, 12, 19, 26 March and 2 April at 7:00 PM:** Lent program is offered again for those for whom this time may be more convenient. Harward Parlor.
- ✘ **Sunday, 15 March from 5:00 to 7:30 PM, the Umpteenth, (mostly) Annual Anglo-Irish Dinner and Auction.** A family friendly fellowship meal featuring a traditional St. Patrick's Day menu of corned beef, colcannon and carrots. Before and after, shop the offerings at the Silent Auction in the Parlor and Slype. The most fun we have at Church!



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UPCOMING SUNDAY SCRIPTURE LESSONS

23 February 2020 — Exodus 24:12-18; Psalm 2; II Peter 1:16-21; Matthew 17:1-9

1 March 2020 — Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

FREDERICK DOUGLAS, 1895

Almighty God, we bless your Name for the witness of Frederick Douglass, whose impassioned and reasonable speech moved the hearts of people to a deeper obedience to Christ: Strengthen us also to speak on behalf of those in captivity and tribulation, continuing in the Word of Jesus Christ our Liberator; who with you and the Holy Spirit dwells in glory everlasting. **Amen.**



Calendar Corner

- **Wednesday, 19 February at 9:30 AM:** Bible study in the Harward Parlor; **1:00 PM:** Yarn Guild meets in the Rectory.
- **Saturday, 22 February at 10:30:** Episcopal Church 101 meets in the Harward Parlor.
- **Sunday 23 February:** Communion services at 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, and 12 Noon. Holy Baptism at 10:00 AM. Canon Gatzka preaching. Sunday School begins at 10:00 AM. 1:00 PM: Centering Prayer and Meditation in All Saints Chapel.
- **Tuesday, 25 February at 10:00 AM:** Holy Communion with prayers for healing in the Maryan Room.
- **Wednesday, 26 February — Ash Wednesday:** Services at 6:00 AM, 12 Noon, and 7 PM. Ashes will be offered to anyone who would like to receive them. Holy Communion is included in this service.
- **Saturday, 29 February at 10:30:** Episcopal Church 101 meets in the Harward Parlor.

LENT PROGRAMS AT EMMANUEL

This year Emmanuel is offering two Lent programs, one to follow on your own and the other for group conversation.

- ✘ **Lent Madness** is a web-based educational program aimed at getting you to learn about the Saints of the Church and their contributions to our faith by word and example. It is as simple as going to the official website, Lentmadness.org each weekday during the season, reading the brief biographies of the saints that are posted and voting for whichever you prefer. There is no charge, the website is safe, and they will not ask for your email or other information.
- ✘ On Tuesday mornings at 10:45 AM and Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM we will offer a conversation about the paintings and meditations in the book, **Lent Meditations, by James Janknect.** The book may be purchased online at bcartfarm.com or by checking in with the Rector, who may still have copies available.