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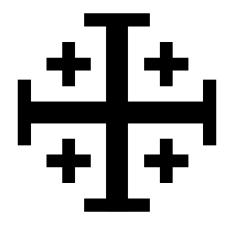
THE LORD'S SUPPER

or

HOLY COMMUNION,
COMMONLY CALLED
THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Renewed Ancient Text

September 7, 2025 13th Sunday after Pentecost



Welcome!

Thanks for joining us for worship today. Our name, Emmaus, is taken from a place and event near Jerusalem on the afternoon of Easter. Jesus met up with two disciples fleeing the city, dejected. They didn't recognize him, so along the way, he explained the Old Testament to them—how it pointed to him. Then, they invited him in to a house in the town of Emmaus. When he broke the bread at table, their eyes were opened and they recognized him. Thinking back, they realized their hearts burned within them as he explained the Scriptures to them. That is our hope for each Sunday as we gather for worship—that we would encounter Jesus in Scripture and the breaking of bread.

Please leave your name, phone, and email at the guest register in the entryway or narthex. We will get back to you.

For young children, age three and under, feel free to use the nursery in the rear corner. It's hooked up with sound so a parent can hear what's happening in church.

Children age four and up are welcome in Children's Church during the 10:30 service. They go to C.C. after a children's sermon and return for communion with their family.

We serve Sacred Food and Drink here...please don't bring beverages or snacks into church during worship (kids excepted).

Please turn off your cell phones.

A deacon calls the people to prepare themselves for worship.

The people kneel, and observe a time of silent prayer.

Preparatory Prayers for Individuals

Be present, be present, o Jesus, our High Priest, as you were present with your disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread; who live and reign, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

They may be said or sung.

Celebrant Lord have mercy upon us.

People Christ have mercy upon us.

Celebrant Lord have mercy upon us.





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THE ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE DECALOGUE

- Celebrant God spoke these words and said: I am the Lord your God. You shall have no other gods but me.
 - People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.
- Celebrant You shall not make for yourself any idol.
 - People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.
- Celebrant You shall not take the Name of the Lord your God in vain.
 - People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.
- Celebrant Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.
 - People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.
- Celebrant Honor your father and your mother.
 - People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant You shall not murder.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant You shall not commit adultery.

People Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant You shall not steal.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant You shall not covet.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these, your laws, in our hearts, we beseech you.

EXODUS 20:1-17; DEUTERONOMY 5:6-21 $^{\mathrm{T}}$

TRISAGION

(Cantor)*
Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One;
Have mercy, have mercy on us

WOMEN:

Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One;
Have mercy, have mercy on us.

MEN AND WOMEN:

Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy,
have mercy,
have mercy, on us.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

People And with your spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

O Lord God, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children are invited forward for a blessing. Children age three through fourth grade are invited to children's church. They return at the peace to join their families for communion.

Books of the Old Testament

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua,
Judges, Ruth,
1st and 2nd Samuel,
1st and 2nd Kings,
1st and 2nd Chronicles,
Ezra, Nehemiah;
Esther, Job, Psalms, Proverbs,
Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon,
Isaiah, Jeremiah,
Lamentations, Ezekial, Daniel, Hosea,
Joel, Amos, Obadiah,
Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habbakuk, Zephaniah, Haggai,
Zachariah, Malachi.

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

"See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. ¹⁶ If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷ But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸ I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹ I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰ loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

Reader: The word of the Lord. People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 1

- ¹Blessed is the man who has not walked in the counsel of the ungodly, *nor stood in the way of sinners and has not sat in the seat of the scornful.
- ² But his delight is in the law of the LORD, *and on his law will he meditate day and night.
- ³ And he shall be like a tree planted by the waterside, * that will bring forth his fruit in due season.

- ⁴ His leaf also shall not wither; * and look, whatever he does, it shall prosper.
- ⁵ As for the ungodly, it is not so with them; * but they are like the chaff, which the wind scatters away from the face of the earth.
- ⁶ Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgment, *neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.
- ⁷ For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, * but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

New Testament Reading

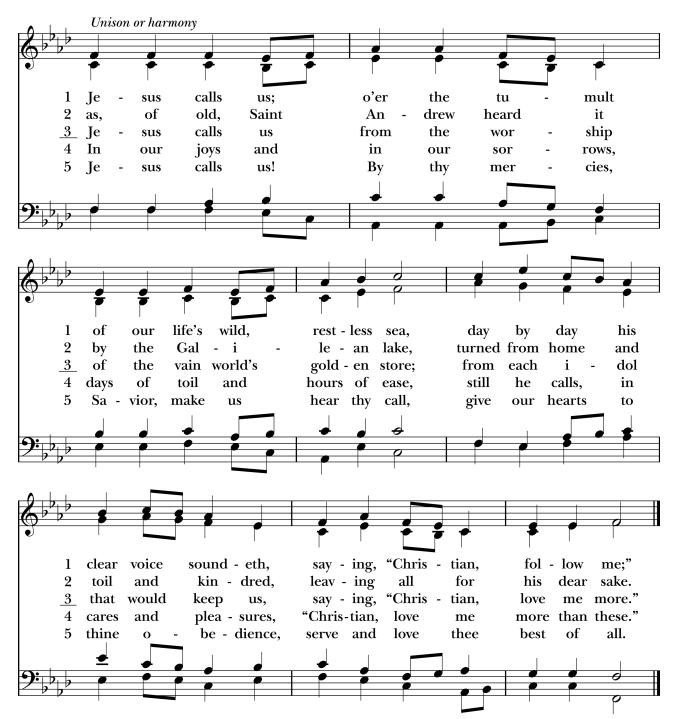
Philemon 1-25

Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our beloved fellow worker 2 and Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house: 3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 4I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, 5 because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and for all the saints, 6 and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. 7 For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you. 8 Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do what is required, 9 yet for

love's sake I prefer to appeal to you—I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus— 10 I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. 11 Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me. 12 I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. 13 I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, 14 but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own accord. 15 For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, 16 no longer as a bondservant but more than a bondservant, as a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. 17 So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. 18 If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. 19 I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. 20 Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ. 21 Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say. 22 At the same time, prepare a guest room for me, for I am hoping that through your prayers I will be graciously given to you. 23 Epaphras, my fellow prisoner in Christ Jesus, sends greetings to you, 24 and so do Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, and Luke, my fellow workers. 25 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

Reader: The word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand and sing verse 1 before the Gospel and verse 5 following.



Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt. Music: *Restoration*, melody from *The Southern Harmony*, 1835; harm. *Hymnal 1982*, after *The Southern Harmony*, 1985; alt. harm. Margart W. Mealy (b. 1922).

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St. Luke

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Luke 14:25-33

Now great crowds accompanied him, and he turned and said to them, ²⁶ "If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸ For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹ Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, ³⁰ saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹ Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³² And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. ³³ So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Fr. Theron Walker

THE NICENE CREED

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed: *Celebrant and People*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father [and the Son], who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the † resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon
Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."
Lector
For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.
Reader Lord, in your mercy: People Hear our prayer.
For Steve Wood, our Archbishop, and Steven, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Congregation, especially
in our parish:, those celebrating birthdays:, those celebrating anniversaries:, and in our diocese:, and in our town:
Reader Lord, in your mercy: People Hear our prayer.
For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others. Especially:
Reader Lord, in your mercy: People Hear our prayer.
For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith, especially in
Reader Lord, in your mercy: People Hear our prayer.

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The Deacon concludes with this or some other appropriate Collect.

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

The Deacon or other person appointed says the following

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence

The Deacon and People kneel as able and pray

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.

The Bishop or Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have † mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

The Deacon may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

MATTHEW 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

JOHN 3:16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 TIMOTHY 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 JOHN 2:1-2

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with your spirit.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

THE OFFERTORY

The deacon says a sentence of Scripture to begin the offering.

The ushers present the bread and wine to the deacon.

The ushers will pass the offertory baskets.



Words: Elizabeth P. Prentiss (1818-1878). Music: William H. Doane (1832-1915).

The People stand while the offerings are presented.

Priest. All things come from you O Lord.

People: And of your own, have we given you.

1 CHRONICLES 29:14

Glory Be to the Father



THE SURSUM CORDA

The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says

The Lord be with you.

People And with your spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

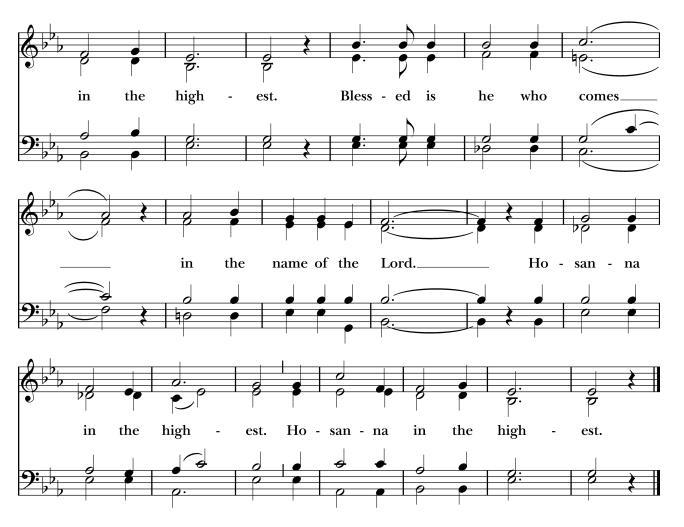
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise

The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, in whom we are built up as living stones of a holy temple, that we might offer before you a sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which is holy and pleasing in your sight. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:





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THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The People kneel or stand. The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me." †

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me." †

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify † them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify † us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.** †

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now as our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

Officiant and People

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.

THE FRACTION

If the consecrated Bread was not broken earlier, the Celebrant breaks it now.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia! The disciples knew the Lord Jesus!

People In the breaking of the bread. Alleluia!

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Celebrant and People together may say

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood,

and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI



THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Facing the People, the Celebrant may say the following invitation

The gifts of God for the people of God. [Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.]

All baptized Christians, whether children presented to the Lord by their parents, or believers who have confessed with the lips and believe in their hearts Jesus is Lord are welcome to receive. If you are not yet baptized, or for some reason not prepared to receive today, it would be our pleasure to bless in the Lord's Name. Please come forward, cross your arms over your chest, and the priest will offer up a special prayer for you.

Take and eat the bread, then take and drink the wine. If you need gluten free bread, let the priest know. You may drink from the COMMON CUP, dip your bread in the common cup, or drink from a single serving cup.

Please come forward by row up the center to receive the Sacrament and return via the side aisles. During communion, our prayer team is in the education room to offer prayer for you.

Refiner's Fire

Words and Music by Brian Doerksen



THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People together say the following,

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.

And now, Father,

send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

People accompany their first three responses with a sweep of the arm towards the cross above the holy table, and their final response with a sweep towards heaven. From the Book of Common Prayer of Kenya.

Minister All our problems,

People We send to the cross of Christ.

Minister All our sins.

People We send to the cross of Christ.

Minister All the devil's works.

People We send to the cross of Christ.

Minister All our hopes,

People We set on the risen Christ!

THE BLESSING



*6 At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest; the pilgrims find their Father's house, Jerusalem the blest.

*7 Then on, ye pure in heart!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your glorious banner wave on high
the cross of Christ your King.

Refrain

Refrain

Words: Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821-1891). Music: Marion, Arthur Henry Messiter (1834-1916).

SERVING TODAY

8:00 10:30 Lector Denise Scott Acolyte Candi Ryan

Training Susan

Chalice Jane

Jr Acolyte Bella & Vic

Ushers Levy

Children's Church Louise & Mark

Prayer team Harmony Hampton Sound Mike M. Mark R.

THIS WEEK

Sunday 8:00 Eucharist; 10:30 Eucharist

9:30 Choir and Teacher Training

Tuesday 5:00 Parish Council

Wednesday: 9:00 Holy Eucharist; 10:00 Class;

11:15 Finance Meeting

Friday 7:00 MESS

Shared Roots-Christians and Jews

A 10-session course taught by Christians and Jews on our shared history, values, and future.

Tue, September 16

From Christian History: Early Church to State Religion.

Fr. Theron Walker

Location: BridgeWay Church, 5201 E. Warren Ave, 80222

Reservations are required.

BUILDING NEWS

We selected Himmelman Construction as the General Contractor. We met with them on Wednesday to fine tune some items in the contract and have signed a letter of intent with them so prices can get locked in with the sub-contractors.

Next steps include finalizing the contract with Himmelman and securing our building loan. Construction will begin in 5-6 weeks, early October, God-willing. Our seven month sojourn will begin then. More to come on that!

To give, cash and checks are always welcome. Another option is this code that will take you to the Emmaus website to a secure giving portal.



Epistle of Jude Bible Study

September 10, 17, 24 and October 1 & 8. Five-week study of the Epistle of Jude. His letter is primarily a call to persevere in keeping the true faith in the midst of false teachings (as Solomon wrote, there is "nothing new under the sun"). No preparation required, but a quick read through the shortest book of the Bible could be helpful. *Led by Jim Van't Land*.

Alternatives Pregnancy Center's September Gala!

Tim Tebow, a leading voice for unborn children as well as former Bronco and Heisman Trophy winner, will be the guest speaker at the Alternatives Fundraising Gala on Sunday, 14 September at the Gaylord Rockies Resort and Convention Center. Tickets are \$225 per person. We currently have three tables sponsored and filled by our members.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Louise Wood found a phenomenal curriculum for us, the curriculum we've wanted for years: God's Big Story: Developed by an Anglican parish in Richmond British Columbia, Canada. It's just the right mix of liturgy for kids, engagement with Scripture and theology, built around the church year. We'll be TRAINING our teachers on how to use it during the mid-hour, 9:30-10:15, September 7, 14, and 21. We're also inviting PARENTS to the training. We need to have TWO ADULTS in the class every Sunday, so we're asking parents to be helpers once a month.