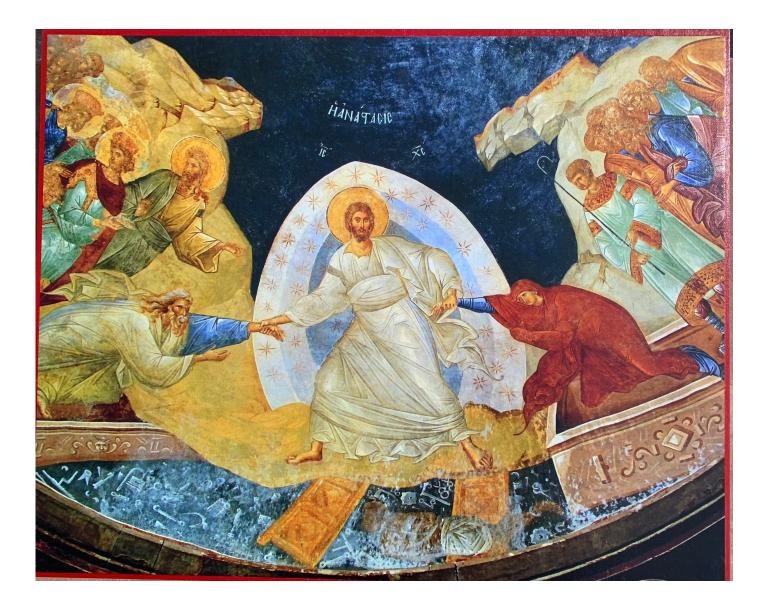
# The Resurrection of our Lord Easter Sunday



# March 31, A.D. 2024

#### 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.

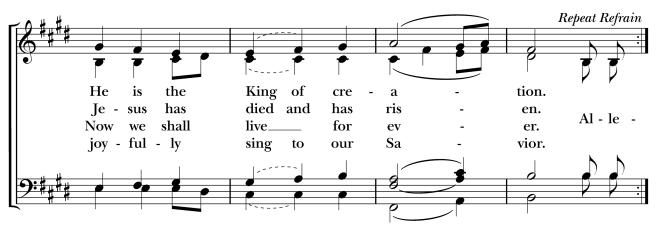
They may be said or sung.

Celebrant	Lord have mercy upon us.
People	Christ have mercy upon us.
Celebrant	Lord have mercy upon us.

#### Prelude: "Sing Alleluia" - Choir

#### Processional





The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.

Words: Donald Fishel (b. 1950). Copyright © 1973, The Word of God. All Rights Reserved. P.O. Box 8617, Ann Arbor, MI 48107. Music: *Alleluia No. 1*, Donald Fishel (b. 1950); arr. Betty Pulkingham (b. 1928), Charles Mallory (b. 1950) and George Mims (b. 1938). Melody Copyright © 1973, The Word of God. All Rights Reserved. P.O. Box 8617, Ann Arbor, MI 48107.



Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen! (ring your bells!) People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

# 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 SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

MATTHEW 22:37-40

#### IS HE WORTHY?

SOLO: Do you feel the world is broken? ALL: **We do** SOLO: Do you feel the shadows deepen? ALL: **We do** SOLO: But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through?

#### ALL: We do

SOLO: Do you wish that you could see it all made new? ALL: **We do** 

Verse 2 WOMEN: Is all creation groaning? MEN: It is WOMEN: Is a new creation coming? MEN:It is WOMEN: Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? MEN: It is WOMEN: Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? MEN: It is

Chorus 1 Women: Is anyone worthy? Men: Is anyone whole? ALL: Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll

> WOMEN: The Lion of Judah MEN: who conquered the grave ALL: **He is David's Root And the Lamb who died to ransom the slave**

#### WOMEN: Is He worthy? MEN: Is He worthy? ALL: Of all blessing and honor and glory; Is He worthy of this? He is

MEN: The Lion of Judah. WOMEN: who conquered the grave. ALL: **He is David's Root And the Lamb who died to ransom the slave!** MEN: From ev'ry people and tribe WOMEN: Every nation and tongue ALL: **He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son!** 

WOMEN: Is He worthy? MEN: Is He worthy? ALL: **Of all blessing and honor and glory** WOMEN: Is He worthy? MEN: Is He worthy? WOMEN: Is He worthy of this? ALL: **He is. He is!** 

> ALL: Is He worthy? Is He worthy? He is He is Worthy! He is Worthy! He is! He IS!

# 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.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may, by your life-giving Spirit, be delivered from sin and raised from death; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

# CHILDREN'S SERMON

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

Praise the Lord oh my soul And forget not all His benefits Who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases. Praise the Lord oh my soul And forget not all His benefits.

## First Reading

# Acts 2:22-32

<sup>22</sup> "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know--<sup>23</sup> this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. <sup>24</sup> God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. <sup>25</sup> For David says concerning him, "'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; <sup>26</sup> therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope.<sup>27</sup> For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption. <sup>28</sup> You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence." <sup>29</sup> "Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. <sup>30</sup> Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, <sup>31</sup> he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. <sup>32</sup> This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses.

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

## Psalm 24

- <sup>1</sup> The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, \* the compass of the world and those who dwell therein.
- <sup>2</sup> For he has founded it upon the seas \* and established it upon the rivers of the deep.
- <sup>3</sup> Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? \* Or who shall stand in his holy place?
- <sup>4</sup> He who has clean hands and a pure heart, \* and who has not set his mind upon vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbor.
- <sup>5</sup> He shall receive blessing from the Lord \* and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
- <sup>6</sup> This is the generation of those who seek him, \* even of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.
- Lift up your heads, O you gates, and be lifted up, you everlasting doors; \*
   and the King of glory shall come in.
- "Who is the King of glory?" \*
  "It is the Lord, strong and mighty, even the Lord, mighty in battle."
- <sup>9</sup> Lift up your heads, O you gates, and be lifted up, you everlasting doors; \* and the King of glory shall come in.
- "Who is the King of glory?" \*"The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory."

## 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

## **Epistle Reading**

# Colossians 1:15-23

<sup>15</sup> He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. <sup>16</sup> For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities--all things were created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup> And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. <sup>19</sup> For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup> and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross. <sup>21</sup> And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup> he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, <sup>23</sup> if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

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

# Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. His cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. His love in death shall never die

*Christ is alive! Let Christians sing*, #182 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936), rev. Copyright © 1975 by Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL 60188. All Rights Reserved. Used by permission. Music: *Truro*, melody from *Psalmodia Evangelica*, *Part II*, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872), alt.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St. Mark *People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.** 

Mark 16:1-8

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup> And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup> And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" <sup>4</sup> And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. <sup>5</sup> And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup> And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. <sup>7</sup> But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." <sup>8</sup> And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

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

"Hallelujah Chorus" - Choir, Phil Erickson on piano

THE SERMON

Fr. Theron Walker

# RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

All are invited to renew their covenant with the Lord, or to begin their Christian journey with the renewal of the baptismal vows. The people stand.

Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to new-ness of life. I call upon you, therefore, now that our Lenten observance is ended, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced the devil and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

Do you, here in the presence of God and the Church, renew the solemn promises and vows made at your Baptism and commit yourself to keep them?

- People I do.
- *Priest* Do you renounce the devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?
- *People* I renounce them.
- *Priest* Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world that corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?
- *People* I renounce them.
- *Priest* Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?

*People* I renounce them.

- Priest Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?
- People I do.
- *Priest* Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

People I do.

- *Priest* Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life?
- *People* I will, the Lord being my helper.

The Celebrant continues Let us now reaffirm our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostles' Creed.

*Celebrant* Do you believe and trust in God the Father? People I do. I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. Celebrant Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ? People I do. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by 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. *Celebrant* Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit? People I do. 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.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

# THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### The deacon says,

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Reader Almighty and everliving God, we are taught by your holy Word to offer prayers and supplications and to give thanks for all people. We humbly ask you mercifully to receive our prayers. Inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all who confess your holy Name may agree in the truth of your holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Reader Lord, in your mercy: *People* Hear our prayer. We pray that you will lead the nations of the world in the way of righteousness; and so guide and direct their leaders, especially (\_\_\_\_\_), that your people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace. Grant that our leaders may impartially administer justice, uphold integrity and truth, restrain wickedness and vice, and protect true religion and virtue.

Reader Lord, in your mercy: *People* Hear our prayer. Give grace, heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, *and especially to your servant(s)* \_\_\_\_\_ that by their life and teaching, they may proclaim your true and life-giving Word, and rightly and duly administer your holy Sacraments. And to all your people give your heavenly grace, especially to this Congregation, (\_\_\_\_\_), those celebrating birthdays (\_\_\_\_\_), anniversaries (\_\_\_\_\_), in our diocese (\_\_\_\_\_) and in our community (\_\_\_\_\_); that with reverent and obedient hearts we may hear and receive your holy Word, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives.

Reader Lord, in your mercy: People Hear our prayer.

Prosper, we pray, all those who proclaim the Gospel of your kingdom throughout the world, *especially* \_\_\_\_\_, and strengthen us to fulfill your great commission, making disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey all that you have commanded.

#### 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.

For soldiers of this nation deployed to fight for the sake of righteousness and freedom, and for those who bear the wounds of combat: \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Reader Lord, in your mercy: People Hear our prayer.

We ask you in your goodness, O Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity [especially \_\_\_\_].

#### Reader Lord, in your mercy: People Hear our prayer.

Almighty and Holy God, the author and sustainer of all life, in sorrow and repentance for the scourge of abortion and any practices which promote or hasten unnatural death, we appeal to Your mercy and love for the lives of all people and families; the born and unborn, wanted and unwanted, capable or limited, healthy or suffering; that Your perfect will be fulfilled and life ever be cherished as a gift from You, to the Glory of God, our Master, Redeemer, and Friend.

#### Reader Lord, in your mercy: People Hear our prayer.

We remember before you all your servants who have departed this life in your faith and fear, [especially \_\_\_\_\_\_,] that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we ask you to give us grace to follow the good examples of [\_\_\_\_\_, and] all your saints, that we may share with them in your heavenly kingdom.

#### Reader Lord, in your mercy: People Hear our prayer.

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

All who truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and seek to live in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking in his holy ways: draw near with faith and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

Silence

The Deacon and People kneel as able and pray

```
Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
 maker and judge of us all:
We acknowledge and lament our many sins and offenses,
 which we have committed by thought, word, and deed
 against your divine majesty,
 provoking most justly your righteous anger against us.
We are deeply sorry for these our transgressions;
  the burden of them is more than we can bear.
Have mercy upon us,
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
 for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
 forgive us all that is past;
 and grant that we may evermore serve
 and please you in newness of life,
 to the honor and glory of your Name;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

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.

JOHN 3:16

#### THE OFFERTORY

The deacon says a suitable verse of Scripture calling the people to offer themselves to the Lord in a sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. The ushers present the bread and wine to the deacon. The ushers pass the offertory baskets.

#### The Old One Hundredth

Sing along!

Praise Jesus Savior God's own Son! Praise Him for all the vict'ries won! His death has conquered hell and sin! He lives that we might reign with Him! Amen, Amen, Amen God we praise you! God we praise you!

Praise God for all that He has done! Praise him, for He has overcome! The grave is beaten, Love has won! Praise God, our Savior, Christ, the Son! Amen, Amen, Amen! God we praise you! God we praise you!

When the altar is prepared the ushers present the people's offering of money,

*Priest.* All things come from you O Lord. *People:* And of your own, have we given you.

with the children at 10:30, and we sing....

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow! Praise Him all creatures here below! Praise Him above Ye heavenly host! Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost! Amen, Amen, Amen! God we praise you! God we praise you!

#### 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. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again has won for us everlasting life. 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:

# THE SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of power and might heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, in the highest! Hosanna, hosanna, in the highest!

## Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of power and might **†** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

CCLI Song #27006 © 1966 F.E.L. Publications CCLI License #11021826

# THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The People kneel or stand. The Celebrant continues

All praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

So now, O merciful Father, in your great goodness, we ask you to bless and sanctify, **†** with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood. 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."  $\uparrow$ 

Therefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of your dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we your humble servants celebrate and make here before your divine Majesty, with these holy gifts, the memorial your Son commanded us to make; remembering his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and his promise to come again.

And we earnestly desire your fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; asking you to grant that, by the merits and death of your Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his Blood, we and your whole Church may obtain forgiveness of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present to you, **†** O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice. We humbly pray that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, because of our many sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we ask you to accept this duty and service we owe, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 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! (ring your bells!)

## 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.
Apart from your grace, 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.

#### "Agnus Dei"

Verse Alleluia alleluia For the Lord God Almighty reigns Alleluia alleluia For the Lord God Almighty reigns Alleluia

Chorus

## Holy, holy, are You Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb Worthy is the Lamb You are holy, holy, are You Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb Worthy is the Lamb Amen.

CCLI Song # 626713 Michael W. Smith © 1990 Sony/ATV Milene Music (Admin. by Sony/ATV Music Publishing) CCLI License # 11021826

# 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.]

Please come forward by row up the center to receive the Sacrament. All baptized Christians are welcome. Take and eat the bread, then take and drink the wine. You may drink from the COMMON CUP, dip your bread in the common cup, or drink from a single serving cup.

If you are not baptized, 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. If you need gluten free bread, let the priest know.

During communion, our prayer team is in the education room to offer prayer for you.



CCLI Song #5003372 © 2007 Thankyou Music CCLI License #11021826





CCLI Song #4447960 © 2004 Gateway Create Publishing CCLI License #11021826

# THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People together say the following,

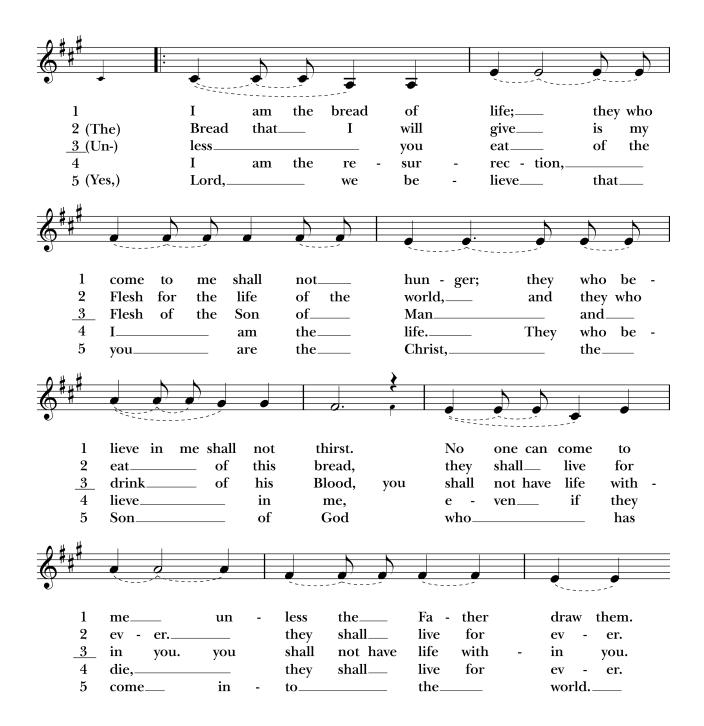
Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of your favor and goodness towards us: that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom. And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father, to assist us with your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all the good works that you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

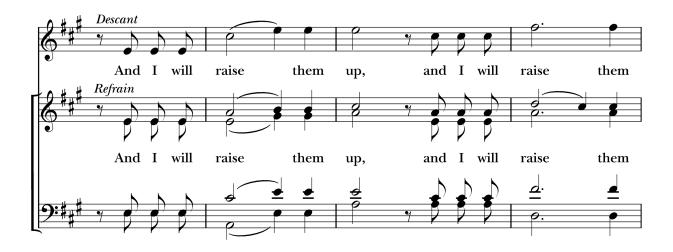
People accompany their first three responses with a sweep of the arm towards the cross above the holy table, and their final response with a sweep towards heaven. From the Book of Common Prayer of Kenya.

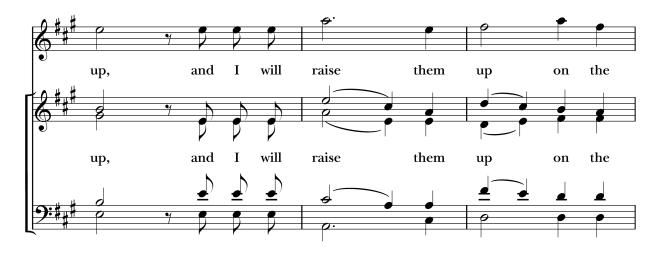
Minister	All our problems,
People	We send to the cross of Christ.
Minister	All our sins.
People	We send to the cross of Christ.
Minister	All the devil's works.
People	We send to the cross of Christ.
Minister	All our hopes,
People	We set on the risen Christ!

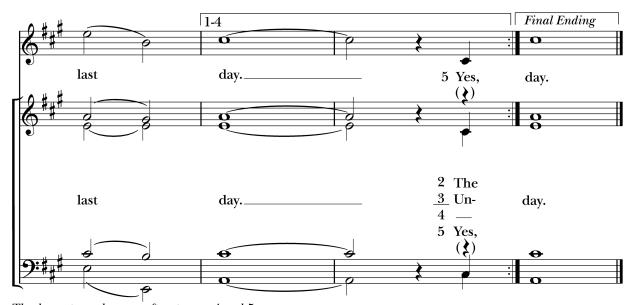
# THE EASTER BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.









*The descant may be sung after stanzas 4 and 5.* Words: Suzanne Toolan (b. 1927), adapt. of John 6. Copyright © 1971, G.I.A. Publications, Inc. Music: *I Am the Bread of Life*, Suzanne Toolan (b. 1927); arr. Betty Pulkingham (b. 1928). Copyright © 1971, G.I.A. Publications, Inc.

# SERVING TODAY

	8:00	10:30
Lector	Rory	Jim V.
Acolyte	Kristen	Art
Chalice		Patricia
Jr. Acolyte		Vic & Iain
Ushers	Harper	Levy
Prayer team	Harmony	Hampton
Children's church		Erin
Flowers		Lillies
Hospitality		Open

# THIS WEEK

Sunday	6:30 Vigil; 8:00 Eucharist; 9:30 Coffee Hour
Wednesday	9:00 Holy Eucharist
	10:00 Bible Study
	11:00 Finance Meeting
	11:30 Staff Meeting
Thursday	2:30 Prayer Group
Friday	7:00 MESS
5	<ul><li>11:00 Finance Meeting</li><li>11:30 Staff Meeting</li><li>2:30 Prayer Group</li></ul>

# Lent Outreach Kapenguria Diocese Kenya

Observing a holy Lent includes the spiritual disciplines of selfexamination and repentance; prayer, fasting, and almsgiving; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word (BCP: 544). Our corporate focus for alms-giving and global mission at Emmaus is a missionary diocese in western Kenya. Each week, the Friday email features one aspect of this mission. Check out the brochure for more information on each initiative.

Total Requests	Received to Date
Buildings: \$10,264	\$1,300 (13%)
Motorbikes: \$2,748	\$2,971 (108%)
Seminarians: \$1,096	\$1,260 (115%)
Bishop's Education: \$1,237	0
Adult Education-Literacy: \$742	\$742 (100%)
Chickens: \$350	\$616 (176%)
Goats: 2,060	\$2,841 (138%)
As Needed	\$8,685
Grand Total \$18,497	\$18,478 (100%) (short \$21!)



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.

# **Easter Lilies**

The flowers today are giving in memory of and thanksgiving to the Lord by... Tom Harris -- Roxann Harris Dave & Laure Friesen – Carl & Janet Olson, John Friesen Deborah & Mark Robbins – Both our parents Mary & Larry Renton – Adam Louise & Ryan Wood -- Gaylee Henne Marsha Haeflein – Robert Haeflein Candis Matejka – Matthew and his parents Dave & Robbin Thompson – our parents Scott & Laurie Gough – Sue & Jamie Gough, Ann & John Livingsten Charlie & Karmen Cadwell – our parents Joel & Susan Levy – David & Laura Levy; Robert Haeflein Lindsay & Rick Van Keuren – our parents

# **Resurrection Icon**

We give thanks to Dave & Laure Friesen for the donation of the icon celebrating our Lord's victory over sin and death!

# Lent/Easter Book Study The Cross of Christ

by John R.W. Stott

Stott's book is a modern classic on the meaning of the cross. At the cross Stott finds the majesty and love of God disclosed, the sin and bondage of the world exposed. More than a study of the atonement, this book brings Scripture into living dialog with Christian theology. What emerges is a pattern for Christian life and worship, hope and mission. Stott was one of the great Evangelical Anglican authors, statesmen, scholar, and pastor of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. This study will feed your heart and your mind. The book is widely available, including audio versions. Sundays 9:30-10:15 with Fr. Adam and Jim.

**7 April - chapter** 8 Wednesdays 10:00-11:00 with Fr. Theron

3 April—Chapter 6 part 2

# MARCH FOR LIFE AT THE CAPITOL!

Put It On Your Calendar - 12 April 2024

The 2024 Colorado March For Life will be held on the Capitol steps on Friday, 12 April, at 11:00 am. Afterwards, all members of Emmaus are invited to a reception at Alternatives Pregnancy Center at 1:30 pm.

Emmaus will once more provide van service for whoever wants to go. The van will leave promptly for the March at 10:00 am from the church parking lot, and leave Alternatives at 2:30 pm to return to the church. The signup sheet to reserve a spot in the van is in the Narthex, or contact Scott Gough, <u>sgough33@aol.com</u>.

Our participation in this annual event is becoming an Emmaus tradition, and we hope to see as many of you as possible at this year's March For Life.

#### THE DISMISSAL AND SENDING INTO THE WORLD

Deacon: Alleluia, Alleluia, let us go forth into the world in the name of the crucified and risen Christ.

People: Thanks be to God, Alleluia, alleluia! alleluia! (ring your bells!)