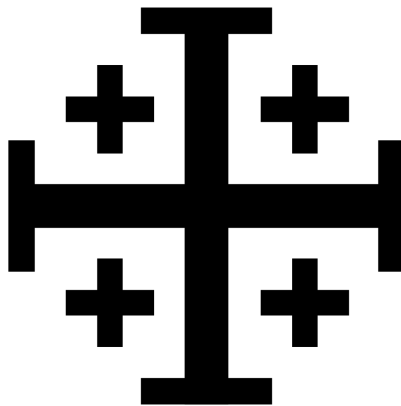


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OF
THE LORD'S SUPPER
or
HOLY COMMUNION,
COMMONLY CALLED
THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Anglican Standard Text

April 30, A.D. 2023

Fourth Sunday of Easter



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.

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

1. Sa-vior, like a shep-herd lead us, Much we need Thy ten-der care;
2. We are Thine; do Thou be - friend us, Be the guard-ian of our way;

The first system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. The time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with chords and single notes.

In Thy pleas - ant pas-tures feed us, For our use Thy folds pre-pare:
Keep Thy flock, from sin de - fend us, Seek us when we go a - stray:

The second system of music continues the melody from the first system. It features the same two-staff format with treble and bass clefs and a 4/4 time signature.

Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are;
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, Hear, O hear us when we pray;

The third system of music continues the melody. It features the same two-staff format with treble and bass clefs and a 4/4 time signature.

Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, Hear, O hear us when we pray.

The fourth system of music concludes the piece. It features the same two-staff format with treble and bass clefs and a 4/4 time signature. The piece ends with a double bar line and a final chord.

THE ACCLAMATION
for Easter

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

Revelation Song

**Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain
Holy holy is He
Sing a new song to Him Who sits on
Heaven's mercy seat**

Chorus

**Holy holy holy
Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come
With all creation I sing
Praise to the King of kings
You are my ev'rything
And I will adore You**

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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 God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the Good Shepherd of your people:
Grant that, when we hear his voice, we may know him who calls us each
by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit,
lives and reigns, one God, for ever and 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.

Books of the Old Testament

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers

Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, Ruth

1st & 2nd Samuel, 1st & 2nd Kings

1st & 2nd Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah

Esther, Job, Psalms, Proverbs

Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon

Isaiah, Jeremiah

Lamentations, Ezekial, Daniel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah

First Reading

Nehemiah 9:(1-3)6-15

(Now on the twenty-fourth day of this month the people of Israel were assembled with fasting and in sackcloth, and with earth on their heads.

² And the Israelites separated themselves from all foreigners and stood and confessed their sins and the iniquities of their fathers. ³ And they stood up in their place and read from the Book of the Law of the LORD their God for a quarter of the day; for another quarter of it they made confession and worshiped the LORD their God.)

⁶ "You are the LORD, you alone. You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them; and you preserve all of them; and the host of heaven worships you. ⁷ You are the LORD, the God who chose Abram and brought him out of Ur of the Chaldeans and gave him the name Abraham. ⁸ You found his heart faithful before you, and made with him the covenant to give to his offspring the land of the Canaanite, the Hittite, the Amorite, the Perizzite, the Jebusite, and the Girgashite. And

you have kept your promise, for you are righteous. ⁹ “And you saw the affliction of our fathers in Egypt and heard their cry at the Red Sea, ¹⁰ and performed signs and wonders against Pharaoh and all his servants and all the people of his land, for you knew that they acted arrogantly against our fathers. And you made a name for yourself, as it is to this day. ¹¹ And you divided the sea before them, so that they went through the midst of the sea on dry land, and you cast their pursuers into the depths, as a stone into mighty waters. ¹² By a pillar of cloud you led them in the day, and by a pillar of fire in the night to light for them the way in which they should go. ¹³ You came down on Mount Sinai and spoke with them from heaven and gave them right rules and true laws, good statutes and commandments, ¹⁴ and you made known to them your holy Sabbath and commanded them commandments and statutes and a law by Moses your servant. ¹⁵ You gave them bread from heaven for their hunger and brought water for them out of the rock for their thirst, and you told them to go in to possess the land that you had sworn to give them.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23

1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
therefore I can lack nothing.

2 He shall feed me in green pastures *
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

3 He shall refresh my soul *
and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.

4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will
fear no evil, *

for you are with me; your rod and your staff comfort me.

5 You shall prepare a table before me, in the presence of those who
trouble me; *

you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life* and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

**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

1 Peter 2:13-25

Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme,¹⁴ or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good.¹⁵ For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people.¹⁶ Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God.¹⁷ Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.

¹⁸ Servants, be subject to your masters with all respect, not only to the good and gentle but also to the unjust.¹⁹ For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly.²⁰ For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God.²¹ For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps.²² He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth.²³ When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly.²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you

have been healed. ²⁵ For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

“I Am The Good Shepherd”

Chorus

**I am the Good Shepherd
You are My people
I am the Good Shepherd
And I call you by name
And I will lead you out
Into pastures of plenty
I am the good Shepherd
I am the Way**

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THE HOLY GOSPEL

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

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

John 6:60-71

⁶⁰ When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" ⁶¹ But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this?"

⁶² Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³ It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all.

The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴ But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning

who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.)⁶⁵ And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father."⁶⁶ After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him.⁶⁷ So Jesus said to the twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?"⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life,⁶⁹ and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."⁷⁰ Jesus answered them, "Did I not choose you, the twelve? And yet one of you is a devil."⁷¹ He spoke of Judas the son of Simon Iscariot, for he, one of the twelve, was going to betray him.

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

We'll sing "I am a Good Shepherd" found on page 9.

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

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.**

The Deacon concludes with this or some other appropriate Collect.

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.

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

Ascribe unto the LORD the honor due unto his Name; * bring offerings and come into his courts. Psalm 96: 8.

The ushers will pass the offertory baskets. The ushers present the bread and wine to the deacon.

Instrumental: "Like a Shepherd" - small ensemble

When the altar is prepared the ushers present the people's offering of money, with the children at 10:30, and we sing....

Priest. All things come from you O Lord.

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

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

PRAISE

(Doxology; see also 'Awake, My Soul, And With The Sun')

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The musical score is written for a small ensemble, featuring a treble and bass clef. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the tempo is marked as quarter note = 120. The score consists of two systems of music. The first system has two staves: the top staff is the vocal line and the bottom staff is the bass line. The lyrics are: "1. Praise God, from Whom all bles - sings flow; Praise Him, all crea - tures here be - low;". The second system also has two staves: the top staff is the vocal line and the bottom staff is the bass line. The lyrics are: "Praise Him a - bove, ye heav' n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost." The music is a simple, homophonic setting with a steady bass line and a vocal line that follows the rhythm of the lyrics.

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Praise Him a - bove, ye heav' n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.

God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.

Hosannah, Hosannah, in the highest.

Hosannah, Hosannah, in the highest.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.

God of power of power and might.

Blessed † is he who comes in the name of the Lord

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." †

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. The Alleluia is omitted during Lent.

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.**

**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

**(You are) 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**

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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..

THE ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

For those who cannot receive the Sacrament for this day.

“I Am The Good Shepherd”

Chorus

**I am the Good Shepherd
You are My people
I am the Good Shepherd
And I call you by name
And I will lead you out
Into pastures of plenty
I am the good Shepherd
I am the Way**

Verse 1

**I am your Shepherd
You shall want for nothing
In verdant pastures
I will give you repose
Beside restful waters
As a Shepherd I lead you I guide you
In right paths refreshing your soul**

Verse 2

**I spread out My table
To give strength to the weary
My love will empower you
My cup overflows
Only goodness and kindness
Shall flow from My children
Forever you dwell with me
In the house of the Lord**

Verse 3

I am the Good Shepherd
And you are My children
I am the Good Shepherd
And I call you by name
And I will lead you out
Into pastures of plenty
I am the Good Shepherd
I am the Way

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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 BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by 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.**

1 Sa - vior, like a shep - herd lead us; much we need thy
 2 Ear - ly let us seek thy fa - vor, ear - ly let us

ten - der care; in thy plea - sant pas - tures feed us;
 learn thy will; do thou, Lord, our on - ly Sa - vior,

for our use thy folds pre - pare. Bless - ed Je - sus!
 with thy love our bos - oms fill. Bless - ed Je - sus!

Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
 Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast loved us: love us still.

Words: *Hymns for the Young*, ca. 1830, alt. Music: *Sicilian Mariners*, Sicilian melody, from *The European Magazine and London Review*, 1792.

SERVING TODAY

	8:00	10:30
Lector	Denise	Dave W.
Chalice	Katie	Holly
Jr Acolyte		Kimberlyn & Ian
Ushers	Thompson	Lord
Prayer team	Cheryl	Hampton
Children's Church		Cat
Nursery		None
Flowers		
Hospitality		Wood

THIS WEEK

Sunday:	8:00 Eucharist; 9:30 Gafcon Q&A 10:30 Eucharist; Gafcon Q&A
Wednesday:	9:00 Holy Eucharist; 10:00 Class; 11:00 Finance Meeting; 11:30 Staff Meeting
Thursday	12:00 National Day of Prayer; 2:30 Prayer Group
Friday:	7:00 am MESS
<i>Saturday May 13:</i>	<i>Spring Clean-up at Emmaus 8:00 - noon</i>

National Day of Prayer
May 4, Noon-One O'clock
Douglas County Building
301 Wilcox, Castle Rock 80104
East Front Steps

Anglicans for Life

We meet on the THIRD SUNDAY of the month, at noon, following the 10:30 service.

WORLD'S LARGEST BABY SHOWER!!!

The Emmaus chapter of Anglicans For Life is participating in the national AFL World's Largest Baby Shower by having an in-gathering of baby items to support **Alternatives Pregnancy Center**. We will have a table in the back of the narthex on May 7th, 14th and 21st to receive new items for this important ministry. Items needed include: Diapers of all sizes, Onesies 3-12 months, baby toiletries (shampoo, body wash and lotion), washcloths, infant mittens, hats, socks, bottles, bibs, small stuffed animals and baby books. All items must be new. Let's show what a church can do for LIFE!

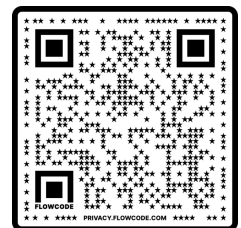
Look for more details at the following links to get you informed, involved, and praying!

Pro-Life Colorado: <https://www.prolifeco.org/>

Catholic News Agency (28 March): <https://denvercatholic.org/colorado-proposes-radically-expanding-abortion-access-in-the-state-again/>

Alternatives Pregnancy Center: <https://youhavealternatives.org/>

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.



Israel: Here's the Link to the Tour Company Website:
<https://forms.gle/BTFkoPZWJwhEFtyL9>



February 19 to 28, 2024

with Father Theron Walker and Father Phil Eberhart

You are invited to **"Save the Date"** for this pilgrimage and journey through the Holy Land where we will break bread by the Sea of Galilee, read the Beatitudes on the very site where Jesus delivered the Sermon on the Mount, walk along the very route our Lord took as he entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, and pray at the site of His crucifixion and resurrection!

Indicate your interest by filling out the short form here: <https://forms.gle/BTFkoPZWJwhEFtyL9>



SAFEWAY LOYALTY PROGRAM

The Safeway Loyalty Program is based on loading or reloading Safeway Gift cards. Obviously the more you use the cards, the more often you'll need to load them, but our rewards are not based on purchases, rather on loads and reloads.

Cards come to us without any preloaded money. The first thing you'll need to do is to load or put money on them. Our cards are linked to our account through the series of numbers on the back. If you need another card, please see me and I'll give you one tied to our account.

The Gift cards make great gifts. After you load them with money and give them away, please let recipients know they can pay the gift forward by continuing to use the cards through reloading them.

Emmaus has benefited by a steady stream of income from our Safeway customers. Please continue to load and reload your Safeway Gift cards often. — *Scott*

PRAYERS & PRAISES

Have a prayer request? Have a praise report? Please contact Geri Harmony geriharmony@gmail.com We'll include them in our Monday Prayers & Praises email (with your permission).

BUILDING TASK FORCE NEWS 4/13/23

The project seeks to address two main priorities which were determined through extensive parish surveying.

- 1) Dedicated space for Children's Ministry including Children's Church and Nursery.
- 2) Better separation of all the parts of the building so it can be used more effectively. Like, the bathrooms not in the entryway, doors between the entryway (narthex) and sanctuary, a larger kitchen opening to the outdoors.

Current News: The pine trees along 5th Street should be disappearing in the next week. Our Jr. Warden, David Thompson found a local tree company who wanted them (10 trees x \$300!). The Town updated when work will begin late MAY. Our current entrance will not be abandoned until the new is functioning. They hope to be done with the intersection by the summer of 2024.

Our Architect, Joe Marshall of Architectural Workshop presented us with a contract for the next phases of the project: the Site Improvement Plan or SIP, which includes things like soil's reports, engineering, storm water, and landscape plans. After that, the Building Permit process. We'll present the WHOLE THING to the parish and begin fundraising in earnest during the summer.

The Building Task Force reviewed the contract, asked for clarification from AW on several matters, and recommended it to the Parish Council on 4/11 (who approved it). We have the actuals for the professional fees, and an adjusted for inflation estimate for construction. We won't have the actual on construction until it goes out to bid, God willing, in the late Fall.

Contract from Architectural Workshop for Site Improvement Plan through Construction

Professional Fees: **\$115,960**

(Architect, Civil Engineering, Landscape Architect, Electrical Engineer)

Construction Estimate: **\$750,000**

Other Expenses:

Survey (TBD)

Roadside Sign: \$20,000

Stabilize NW corner of education building (sacristy)

Total \$886,000

+10% Contingency \$88,600

Total: \$974,600

Building Fund Balance: \$174,048

Need: \$800,552

Ushers Needed!

Do you like to welcome people to church? Would you represent the people of God as you bring our offerings of bread, wine, and money to the Lord to be consecrated? That's what an usher does. We need you... especially at 10:30. Please reach out to Jim and Betty Harper if you'd like to serve. jbharper4@gmail.com

SUNDAY CLASS

The Word: read, mark, learn and inwardly digest. (won't meet 4/30)
w/ Fr. Charles

SUNDAY HOSPITALITY!

One of Sunday morning's simple pleasures is coffee and refreshments after church. Please sign up in the narthex for a Sunday. The church provides coffee and paper goods. Feel free to keep it simple or take it over the top. Expect 40-50 at 8:00, 60-75 at 10:30. Please clean up afterwards.