



Christmas Eve

Welcome to Emmaus Anglican Church!

The liturgy of Christmas Eve is a dramatic presentation of the Christmas story with all of the words taken from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke and St. Matthew.

Emmaus Anglican Church is named after events that happened on the afternoon and early evening of Easter Day. Emmaus is the name of a town about six miles from Jerusalem; it was on the Emmaus Road that two disciples, a man named Cleopas and a friend, walked with Jesus, and only recognized him when He stayed with them for supper. As St. Luke reports, “The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.”

Bathrooms are located across the alley. Follow the lighted path to find them.



The Anglican Church is a global fellowship of 80 million Christians. Our roots go back to the sixth century British Isles, and the branches stretch out over the whole world. The Anglican Church in North America is a fellowship of over 1500 congregations. We are based on Scripture, empowered by the Holy Spirit, and shaped by the Sacraments.

Sundays: Holy Eucharist: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Grade school children attend Children's Church then join their family for Holy Communion.

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Guest Register: If you would like to learn more about Emmaus, please sign our guest register at the entrance, and leave your contact information. You won't be put on a regular email list (unless you want to be!).

Please silence your phones.

PRELUDE

ECHO (Emmaus Chime and Handbell Orchestra)

“Advent Promise”

Please Stand and sing!

O Come All Ye Faithful (Adeste Fideles)

**O come all ye faithful Joyful and triumphant
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem
Come and behold Him Born the King of angels
O come let us adore Him O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him Christ the Lord**

Verse 2

**God of God, light of light eternal,
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
only-begotten, Son of God the Father;
Venite Adoremus Venite Adoremus
Venite Adoremus Dominum!**

Verse 3

**Sing choirs of angels Sing in exultation
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
glory to God, glory in the highest.
O come let us adore Him O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him Christ the Lord**

Verse 4

**Child, for us sinners poor and in the manger,
we would embrace thee, with love and awe;
who would not love thee, loving us so dearly?**

**Venite Adoremus Venite Adoremus
Venite Adoremus Dominum!**

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THE CHRISTMAS ACCLAMATION

Priest
People

For unto us a child is born.

Unto us a son is given.

Isaiah 9:6

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

In unison

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.

Beloved in Christ, in this Christmastide, let it be our care and delight to hear again the message of the Angels, and in heart and mind to go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, and the Babe lying in a manger.

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Priest Let us pray.

O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

An Angel sent by God to Mary

Luke 1:26-38

At the close of the reading, the lector says,

The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

Song: "The Angel Gabriel" - Fr. Theron and Denise Walker

An Angel sent by God to Joseph

Matthew 1:18-25

At the close of the reading, the lector says,

The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

Song: Instrumental: “Immanuel”

The Birth of Jesus

Luke 2:1-7

The Holy Family Arrives in Bethlehem

At the close of the reading, the lector says,

The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

Remain Seated and all sing!

“Away in a Manger”

**Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.**

**The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
but little Lord Jesus no crying he makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky,
and stay by my side until morning is nigh.**

Hymn 101 from the Thy Hymnal 1982

The Shepherds and Angels

Luke 2:8-20

Shepherds and Angels enter

At the close of the reading, the lector says,

The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

Remain Seated and all sing!

**Hark! the herald angels sing glory to the new-born King!
Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!
Joyful, all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic host proclaim Christ is born in Bethlehem!
Hark the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King!**

**Christ, by highest heaven adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord;
late in time behold him come, offspring of the Virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail the incarnate Deity.
Pleased as man with man to dwell; Jesus, our Emmanuel!
Hark the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King!**

Photos, then children are seated with their families.

THE SERMON

Fr. Theron Walker

Remain Seated and all sing!

**Mild he lays his glory by, born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.
Risen with healing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,
hail, the Sun of Righteousness! hail, the heaven-born Prince of
Peace! Hark the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King!**

THE PRAYERS

Please stand

Deacon Let us pray.

Now that we have read in Holy Scripture the tale of the loving purposes of God, let us pray for the needs of His whole world; for peace and goodwill over all the earth, in this country, and within this city. Especially for _____.

For the mission and unity of the Church – that the Word may truly, by the power of the Holy Spirit, become flesh in us. We especially pray for missionaries throughout the world, and for the persecuted church. Especially for _____.

And because this of all things would rejoice his heart, let us at this time remember in his name the poor and the helpless, the hungry and the oppressed, the sick and those who mourn, the lonely and the unloved, the aged and the little children, and all those who know not the Lord Jesus, or who love him not, or who by sin have grieved his heart of love. Especially for _____.

Let us give thanks for the God-bearer, blessed Mary, for her husband Joseph the just, and for all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore and in a greater light, that multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in this Lord Jesus, we for evermore are one. Especially for _____.

Let us thank God for all the blessings of this life:

For our guests here this night.

For the Jerusalem donkeys and sheep.

For all our children.

For all who worked so hard to make this celebration possible.

And especially for your only begotten Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

The Deacon says

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 sit 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 says

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 PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

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

HOLY COMMUNION

Christ with us in Communion

As Christians in the Great Tradition of the Church reaching back to apostolic times, we believe Jesus Christ is Immanuel--God with Us--in the sacrament; we partake of his body and blood by faith. Jesus told his disciples to remember him in bread and wine. The disciples at Emmaus, on Easter, realized who he was in the breaking of bread. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, therefore, we come to the table in faith, humbly, grateful for Christ's incarnation, death, resurrection, and the promise of his return.

Baptism and Communion

Baptism is the one requirement of our church to share in Holy Communion. Since apostolic times, holy Baptism has been the spiritual way people become part of the body of Christ.

If you are not baptized, you may remain seated during communion, or may come forward for a blessing. If, when you come forward, you cross your arms over your chest, the priest will know to give you a blessing.

THE OFFERTORY

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. 2 Corinthians 8:9

Offertory: "O Holy Night" - Lucy Tuttle and choir

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, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary his mother, was made truly man, yet without the stain of sin, that we might be cleansed from sin and given the right to become your children. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS

All say in unison

Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might;

Heaven and Earth are full of Your glory

Hosanna in the Highest

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord

Hosanna! In the highest!

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The People stand and 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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.

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 forever. **Amen.** †

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant then says

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

Celebrant and People pray in unison

**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,
forever and ever. Amen.**

THE FRACTION

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

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 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.**

O Lamb Of God

Fraction Anthem

The St. James Christmas Service

Gently [In One]

O Lamb of God, O Ho - ly
Child, who takes the sin of the world a - way; Have
mer - cy on us, lamb so mild, the babe, the
son of Ma - ry. This, this is your bo - dy
giv'n, Your pre - cious blood, the gift of heav'n.
Take, eat, for we are one in the babe, the
son of Ma - ry.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb. *John 1:29, Revelation 19:9*

To Receive Communion: All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you are not baptized, we invite you to the altar for a blessing. Please let the clergy know your desire to receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest. If you need gluten-free bread, tell the priest.

Choir: "What Wondrous Love is This"

Unison or harmony

The musical score is written for a choir in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the next two lines. The music is a simple, homophonic setting of the hymn.

1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, on
2 Why lies he in such mean es - tate where
3 So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, come,
Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with
ox and ass are feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear: for
peas - ant, king, to own him; the King of kings sal -

an - thens sweet, while shep - herds watch are keep - ing?
 sin - ners here the si - lent Word is plead - ing.
 va - tion brings, let lov - ing hearts en - throne him.

Refrain

This, this is Christ the King, whom shep - herds

guard and an - gels sing; haste, haste to

bring him laud, the babe, the son of Ma - ry.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898) Music: *Greensleeves*, English melody; harm. *Christmas Carols New and Old*, 1871

1 An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,
 2 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why these songs of hap - py cheer?
 3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;
 4 See him in a man - ger laid whom the an - gels praise a - bove;

and the moun - tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.
 What great bright - ness did you see? What glad tid - ings did you hear?
 come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.
 Ma - ry, Jo - seph, lend your aid, while we raise our hearts in love.

Refrain

Glo - - - - - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - - - - -

The image shows a musical score for a French carol. It consists of two staves: a vocal line on the top staff and a piano accompaniment on the bottom staff. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The vocal line begins with a rest, followed by the lyrics: "- ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o." The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines. The score ends with a double bar line.

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THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says (the people stand)

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People in unison.

**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.**

THE BLESSING

The Priest gives the Christmas blessing:

The light of the Christmas star to you,
The warmth of home and hearth to you,
The cheer and good will of friends to you,
The hope of a childlike heart to you,
The joy of a thousand angels to you,
The love of the Son,
And God's peace to you;
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy
Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

PEACE, PEACE & SILENT NIGHT

Choir & Congregation

“Peace, Peace”

By Rick and Sylvia Powell, Arranged by Fred Bock

Please join us in singing:

“Silent Night”
Silent night, holy night,
all is calm, all is bright
round yon virgin mother and child
Holy infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night,
Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heav’nly host sing Alleluia
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born.

Silent night, holy night,
Son of God, love’s pure light
radiant beams from thy holy face,
with the dawn of redeeming grace
Jesus Lord at thy birth
Jesus Lord at thy birth.

Postlude: ECHO - “Silent Night”

The deacon says,

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

IN THANKSGIVING

We give thanks tonight for all our members and friends who gave so much time and effort to make this night so wonderful. We come into this barn and see its beauty, and behind it is untold hours of work, crafting oak chandeliers, climbing ladders to hang lights, hauling chairs or animals, setting up special insurance riders, getting the permit from the Fire Department, and practicing songs. Thanks Emmaus and friends!

Chief Musician Cheryl Maloney.

Pageantry: Deacon Erin Cook, Emily Nelson, and friends

Holy Family: Dave, Janelle and Noah Matejka

Minuteman Printing

Jerusalem Donkeys: Judy Fithian

Sheep: The Nagel Family

Sound Engineering: Brian Svobida of Moxom Artistries

Cover Art: Denise Walker from 1988!

Lectors: Lura Wolfe, Jim Van't Land, Scott Gough, Dave Nakhjovani

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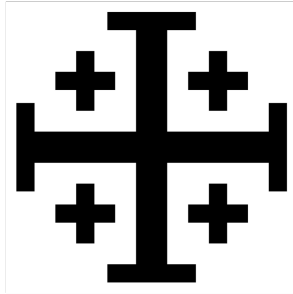
Ushers: Lucy Lord, Dominic Bazile, Mike Maloney, Fred Page, Mark Robbins

Bakers: Denise Walker

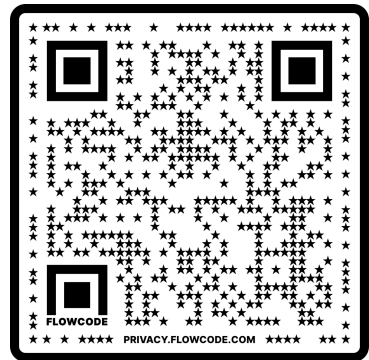
ECHO: Emmaus Chime and Handbell Orchestra, under the direction of Steve Simpson): Marti Gordon, Scott and Laurie Gough, Candis Matejka, Mary Renton, Lindsay and Rick Van Kueren, Denise Walker, Sawyer Moore.

Emmaus Choir: Judy Bazile, Erin and Tom Cook, Caroline Cooley-Moore , Lauri Gough, Cat Hoemke, Walt Lord, Candis Matejka, Bella Moore, Larry Renton, Steve Simpson, Christopher, Lucy, Emily, and Jane Tuttle, Kelsey Nakhjovani, Mary and Larry Renton, Denise and Theron Walker, Dave Willis.

Flute: Kelsey Nakhjovani, AnaLisa Cooley, Janet Lewis..



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