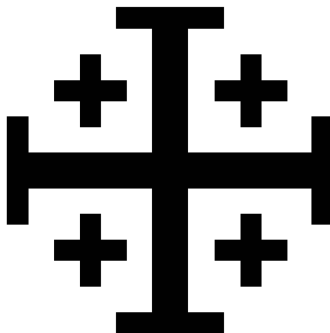


THE ORDER FOR THE ADMINISTRATION  
OF  
THE LORD'S SUPPER  
*or*  
HOLY COMMUNION,  
COMMONLY CALLED  
THE HOLY EUCHARIST

*Anglican Standard Text*

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Fourth Sunday in Lent



## 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.



1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we  
2 A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the  
3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de -  
4 Then grant us, Lord, like them to be full  
\* 5 O Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit blest, to



1 ce - le - brate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all  
2 lov - ing God who gave the law; and to E - li - jah,  
3 liv - ered from the li - ons' might; and John, the Bride - groom's  
4 oft in fast and prayer with thee; our spi - rits strength - en  
5 thee be ev - ery prayer ad - dressed, who art in three - fold



1 things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.  
2 fast - ing, came the steeds and char - i - ots of flame.  
3 friend, be - came the her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.  
4 with thy grace, and give us joy to see thy face.  
5 Name a - dored, from age to age, the on - ly Lord.

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## THE ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant*

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People*

**His mercy endures for ever. Amen.**

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

## THE 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

Slowly

JOHN MICHAEL TALBOT

Am Am/G F G Am Am/G

Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy. Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have

F G Am Am/G F E

mer - cy. Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.

F G A(sus) A F G A(sus) A

Christ, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy. Christ, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.

F G E Am E Am Am/G

Christ, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy. \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have

F G Am Am/G F G (no 3rd) Am

mer - cy. Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy. Have mer - cy.

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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.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; 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.*

### Books of the Old Testament (first 24 books)

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

## Old Testament Reading

### 1 Samuel 16:1-13

The LORD said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul, since I have rejected him from being king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil, and go. I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.”<sup>2</sup> And Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears it, he will kill me.” And the LORD said, “Take a heifer with you and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.’”<sup>3</sup> And invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do. And you shall anoint for me him whom I declare to you.”<sup>4</sup> Samuel did what the LORD commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling and said, “Do you come peaceably?”<sup>5</sup> And he said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD. Consecrate yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.<sup>6</sup> When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the LORD’s anointed is before him.”<sup>7</sup> But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.”<sup>8</sup> Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.”

<sup>9</sup> Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.”<sup>10</sup> And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen these.”<sup>11</sup> Then Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but behold, he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and get him, for we will not sit down till he comes here.”<sup>12</sup> And he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. And the LORD said, “Arise, anoint him, for this is he.”<sup>13</sup> Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of the

LORD rushed upon David from that day forward. And Samuel rose up and went to Ramah.

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

## Psalm 23

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is my shepherd; \*  
therefore I can lack nothing.

<sup>2</sup> He shall feed me in green pastures \*  
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

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

<sup>4</sup> 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.

<sup>5</sup> 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.

<sup>6</sup> 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**



## Epistle Reading

### Ephesians 5:1-14

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. <sup>2</sup> And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. <sup>3</sup> But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints. <sup>4</sup> Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving. <sup>5</sup> For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. <sup>6</sup> Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. <sup>7</sup> Therefore do not become partners with them; <sup>8</sup> for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light <sup>9</sup> (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), <sup>10</sup> and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup> Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. <sup>12</sup> For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. <sup>13</sup> But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, <sup>14</sup> for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

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

## “Open The Eyes Of My Heart”

*Chorus*

**Open the eyes of my heart Lord**

**Open the eyes of my heart**

**I want to see You**

**I want to see You** (*repeat chorus once*)

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

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

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

John 9:1-13, 28-38 (39-41)

As he passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. <sup>2</sup> And his disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered, “It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. <sup>4</sup> We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. <sup>5</sup> As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” <sup>6</sup> Having said these things, he spit on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man’s eyes with the mud <sup>7</sup> and said to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. <sup>8</sup> The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” <sup>9</sup> Some said, “It is he.” Others said, “No, but he is like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” <sup>10</sup> So they said to him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” <sup>11</sup> He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So I went and washed and received my sight.” <sup>12</sup> They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.” <sup>13</sup> They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. <sup>28</sup> And they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. <sup>29</sup> We know

that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.”<sup>30</sup> The man answered, “Why, this is an amazing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes.”<sup>31</sup> We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him.<sup>32</sup> Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind.<sup>33</sup> If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.”<sup>34</sup> They answered him, “You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?” And they cast him out.<sup>35</sup> Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?”<sup>36</sup> He answered, “And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?”<sup>37</sup> Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you.”<sup>38</sup> He said, “Lord, I believe,” and he worshiped him. (<sup>39</sup> Jesus said, “For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind.”<sup>40</sup> Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, “Are we also blind?”<sup>41</sup> Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, ‘We see,’ your guilt remains. )

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

*Verse*

**To see You high and lifted up  
Shining in the light of Your glory  
Pour out Your power and love  
As we sing holy holy holy**

*Bridge*

**Holy holy holy  
Holy holy holy  
Holy holy holy  
I want to see You**

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## 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.

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.**

*The Deacon concludes with this or some other appropriate Collect.*

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

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

*The Deacon or other person appointed says the following*

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

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

*The ushers present the bread and wine to the deacon.*

*The ushers will pass the offertory baskets.*

1 My Shep - herd will sup - ply my need, Je - ho - vah  
 2 When I walk through the shades of death, thy pres - ence  
 3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me

is his Name; \_\_\_\_\_ in pas - tures fresh he  
 is my stay; \_\_\_\_\_ one word of thy sup -  
 all my days; \_\_\_\_\_ oh, may thy house be

makes me feed be - side the liv - ing stream.\_\_\_\_  
 port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.\_\_\_\_  
 mine a - bode and all my work be praise.\_\_\_\_

He brings my wan - dering spi - rit back when I for -  
 Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my  
 There would I find a sett - led rest, while o - thers

sake his ways, \_\_\_\_\_ and leads me, for his  
 ta - ble spread; \_\_\_\_\_ my cup with bless - ings  
 go and come; \_\_\_\_\_ no more a stran - ger

mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.\_\_\_\_  
 o - ver - flows, thy oil a - noints my head.\_\_\_\_  
 or a guest, but like a child at home.\_\_\_\_

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748); para. of Psalm 23. Music: *Resignation*, American folk melody, acc. David Hurd (b. 1950).

*After the altar is prepared, the ushers present the people's offering of money, with the children at 10:30.*

*Priest:* Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you O Lord.

*People:* **And of your own, have we given 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. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. 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:

Am Am/G F E  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of  
 Am Am/G F E  
 pow - er, God of pow - er and might, the  
 Am Am/G F E E(sus) E  
 heav - ens and the earth are full of your glo - ry Ho -  
 F G Am I. Am Am/G II. Am  
 san - na in the high - est, Ho -  
 Am Am/G F E E(sus) E  
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Ho -  
 F G Am G  
 san - na in the high - est, Ho -  
 F G E Am Am/G F  
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san -  
 G I. Am Am G II. Am  
 na in the high - est, Ho - high - est,

## 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* Christ our passover lamb has been sacrificed once for all upon the cross.

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

## 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.**



JOHN MICHAEL TALBOT

Slowly

Am Am/G F G Am Am/G  
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the

F G Am Em Am Em? A E  
world: have mer-cy on us. Lamb of

D E A E D E  
God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have

F G E F F G 1. A 2. A  
mer-cy, grant us grant us your peace. Have peace.

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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 this day.*

**VERSE 1, 2 & 3**

5 G Am<sup>7</sup> G/B Cmaj<sup>7</sup> C<sup>#</sup>

1. Rock of Ag - es, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;  
 2. Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill thy - law's de - mands,  
 3. Noth - ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply to thy - croas I cling;

9 Bm<sup>7</sup> Em<sup>7</sup> Am<sup>7</sup> D Bm<sup>7</sup> Em<sup>7</sup> Am<sup>7</sup> D

let the wa - ter and the blood, from thy wound - ed side which flowed,  
 could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,  
 na - ked, come to thee for dress, help - less, look to thee for grace,

13 Bm<sup>7</sup> Em<sup>7</sup> Am<sup>7</sup> G/B Cmaj<sup>7</sup> Bm<sup>7</sup> Em<sup>7</sup> Am<sup>7</sup> C/D D<sup>7</sup> 1, 2. G

be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its guilt and - power.  
 all for sin could not a - tone, thou must save and thou a - lone.  
 foul, I to the foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I -

**VERSE 4**

18 C/D D<sup>7</sup> 3. G E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>m<sup>7</sup>

die. 4. While I draw this fleet - ing breath,

23 A<sup>b</sup>/C D<sup>b</sup>maj<sup>7</sup> D<sup>b</sup>6 Cm<sup>7</sup> Fm<sup>7</sup> B<sup>b</sup>m<sup>7</sup> E<sup>b</sup>



when my eye - lids ... close in death, when I soar to worlds un-known,

27 Cm<sup>7</sup> Fm<sup>7</sup> B<sup>b</sup>m<sup>7</sup> E<sup>b</sup> Cm<sup>7</sup> Fm<sup>7</sup> B<sup>b</sup>m<sup>7</sup> A<sup>b</sup>/C D<sup>b</sup>maj<sup>7</sup>



see thee on thy judg - ment throne, rock of ag - es, cleft for me,

31 Cm<sup>7</sup> Fm<sup>7</sup> B<sup>b</sup>m<sup>7</sup> E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup>7sus E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>



let me hide my - self in \_\_\_\_\_ thee. \_\_\_\_\_

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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

Go forth into the world in peace, be of good courage, and fight the good fight of faith, that you may finish your course with joy; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.  
 2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.  
 3 I'm look-ing for the com-ing of Christ.

I want to fol-low Je-sus.  
 I want to look at Je-sus.  
 I want to be with Je-sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The  
 Clear sun of right-eous-ness, shine on my path, and  
 When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

star of my life is Je-sus.  
 show me the way to the Fa-ther.  
 shall know the joy of Je-sus.

*Refrain*

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The

night and the day are both a - like. The

Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God. *rit.*

*a tempo*  
Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus,

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## SERVING TODAY

	8:00	10:30
Lector	Joleen	Scott
Acolyte	Candi	Josh
Chalice		Caroline
Jr Acolyte		Tim & Bella
Ushers	Miller	Van Keuren
Prayer team	Cheryl	Hampton
Children's Church		Cat
Nursery		None
Flowers	None for Lent	
Hospitality	Open	Wood

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## THIS WEEK

<b>Sunday:</b>	8:00 Holy Eucharist; 9:30 Choir or Class 10:30 Eucharist; 12:15 Bells
Wednesday:	9:00 Holy Eucharist; 10:00 Class; 11:00 Finance Meeting
Saturday	9:00 Women's Len: 1:30 Ordination

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### Sunday Class

Join the Sunday Preacher for a deeper dive into the Scriptures and focus of the week.  
9:30-10:15 in the Education Room.

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### 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](mailto:jbharper4@gmail.com)



*“Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.”*

Save the date: March 25, 2023

Special Women’s Lenten Gathering 9-Noon

We have a guest speaker, Susan Atwood, Bishop Bill’s wife. Susan will lead us in a deep look at forgiveness - a particularly challenging Lenten topic. She has explored Jesus’ clear directive in the Lord’s Prayer in a beautiful personal, practical and powerful way. Please join together to welcome Susan and learn the discipline of forgiveness- requesting it, receiving it and giving it. This is a rare opportunity to get to know our Bishop’s exceptional wife. So come and invite other women in your life for this special time. RSVP to Deacon Erin [eec031257@live.com](mailto:eec031257@live.com)  
720-217-9013

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### Ordinations

Deacon Jim Dorman to the Sacred Order of the Priesthood  
Joshua Nelson to the Sacred Order of Deacons (Transitional)

Saturday March 25 at 1:30

We need **volunteers** for the upcoming on Ordination reception. For the occasion, we’ll have their families and friends join Emmaus to celebrate, and WE’LL NEED YOUR HELP. Please see in the narthex the **sign-up list** for items required and roles to be filled to make the reception a success. We so appreciate your kindness and generosity! Thank you.

*Alice Willis*

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### Confirmation

Sunday, March 26

1 Service!

10:00 am

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### Pilgrimage to Israel

Israel has opened up from Covid but prices are still very high, especially during the High Holy Days for Jews in October. In consultation with Connoisseurs Tours, we are now committed to **February 18-28 of 2024**. You can go online and check out where we’ll be staying:

February 19 to 20	Renaissance	Tel Aviv, Israel
February 20 to 22	Magdala	Tiberias, Israel
February 22 to 24	Ein Gedi	Dead Sea, Israel
February 24 to 28	Notre Dame	Jerusalem, Israel

## Jail Ministry

The Jail Ministry is available to all adult members of Emmaus who are called to spread the Good News and interested in finding a way to do so. It does not require you to have any special gift, a scholar's knowledge of the Bible, or anything else except maybe to step out of your comfort zone to do God's work. Here's the "quick and dirty." Once approved (no warrants) you can accompany a volunteer already involved in the ministry following them for a couple sessions to get a feeling if this is a good fit for you. If it is, you then go through a few more training sessions with the Sheriff's staff (get an ID, instruction on such things as inmate manipulation and what is allowed and not allowed.) Each session with the inmates lasts an hour and a half. The inmates sign up to attend and the usual number varies. I use Compline, and a lesson or more from the past Sunday's readings. You will be sent an email as to when you are available for the coming two months and you can pick as many times as you wish that fit your schedule. Safety? Really not an issue but you will likely be uncomfortable at first which is just natural. Inmate participation? You bet. They are appreciative not only because they need to worship but also because someone they do not know took the time to visit. Want to learn more? Contact Art Suro [thesuros@aol.com](mailto:thesuros@aol.com) or Lura Wolf [lura\\_w@yahoo.com](mailto:lura_w@yahoo.com)

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## HOLY WEEK

### April 1: Rehearsals

Bells: 9:00 am

Choir: 10:00 am

10:30 Liturgy (Acolytes, Chalice, Readers, Clergy)

### April 2 Palm Sunday

8:00 am Liturgy of the Palms and Eucharist

10:30 Liturgy of the Palms and Eucharist (Outdoors!)

### April 6, 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday

### April 7 Good Friday

Noon

7:00 pm

### April 8: Prepare for Easter—Clean the Church, set up for Easter

9:00 am – Noon.

### April 9: Easter—The Passover of our Lord

6:30 am The Great Vigil

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

10:30 am Holy Eucharist

## About Holy Week

**Palm Sunday** marks the beginning of Holy Week. The procession with palms, which was already observed in Jerusalem in the fourth century, calls to mind the triumphal entry of Jesus, our Lord and King, into Jerusalem. The procession is fundamentally an act of worship, witness, and devotion to our Lord.

At Emmaus, we go the extra step of bringing this liturgy to life at 10:30 by going outdoors, welcoming Jesus complete with actual donkeys, and dramatic, participatory readings of the story. While many liturgical churches also read the Passion Gospel (the Cross), we do not because we believe it important to keep the focus on Palm Sunday on those events and encourage our people to attend Good Friday.

**Services: 8:00 am and 10:30 am.**

### **The Sacred Three Days: Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, The Great Vigil**

The Paschal mystery—the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ—is at the heart of the Christian Gospel. The evening of Maundy Thursday begins the Triduum (the sacred three days). This service, together with Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and The Great Vigil of Easter, form a single liturgy; thus, the final blessing and dismissal is reserved for the conclusion of the Great Vigil.

**Maundy Thursday** receives its name from the *mandatum* (commandment) given by our Lord: “*A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another*” (John 13:34). At the Last Supper, Jesus washed his disciples’ feet and commanded them to love and serve one another as he had done. This day commemorates the Lord’s example of servant ministry, the institution of the Eucharist, the agony in the Garden of Gethsemane, and the betrayal leading to the crucifixion.

**Service: April 6, 7:00 pm.**

**The Good Friday** liturgy is the second part of the Triduum (the sacred three days). This most somber of all days is appropriately marked by fasting, abstinence, and penitence, leading us to focus on Jesus and the meaning of his cross. The Lord of Life was rejected, mocked, scourged, and then put to death on the cross. The faithful are reminded of the role which their own sin played in this suffering and agony, as Christ took all sin upon himself, in obedience to his Father’s will. By the cross we are redeemed, set free from bondage to sin and death. The cross is a sign of God’s never-ending love for us. It is a sign of life, in the midst of death. At Emmaus, we will meet at noon for the Stations of the Cross—a devotional practice marking events on Good Friday, and in the evening at 7:00 p.m., we participate in a dramatic reading of the Passion Gospel (the crucifixion story), hear a sermon, and bring our sins to the cross. All this happens with the Crucifixion backdrop inviting us into our Savior’s passion.

**Services: April 7, Noon and 7:00 pm.**

### **Easter Day**

We celebrate our Savior's victory over sin and death. Every Sunday commemorates the Feast of our Lord's passing over from death to life. This day is the model for every other Sunday. It is important to remember the ancient and more typical name, outside of the English-speaking world, Pascha—from Passover, for this day is the fulfillment of what the Lord began in Egypt. This day is especially festive, with offerings from our vocal choir.

**The Great Vigil**, when observed, is the first liturgy of Easter Day. It is celebrated at a convenient time between sunset on Holy Saturday and sunrise on Easter morning. It is appropriate that the service begin in darkness.

The liturgy normally consists of four parts:

1. **The Service of Light:** a new fire is kindled, and from it the Paschal Candle is lit, symbolizing Christ, the light of the world. The Exsultet, an ancient song of praise, is sung or said as the climax of this part of the liturgy.
2. **The Service of Lessons:** key passages from Scripture recount the history of God's mighty acts and promises. These readings are accompanied by Psalms, Canticles, and prayers.
3. **Holy Baptism** is the sacrament through which candidates are united to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ (Romans 6:3-4), which the Church celebrates on this most holy night. When the Bishop is present, confirmation may also be administered. If there are no candidates for baptism or confirmation, the congregation joins in a Renewal of Baptismal Vows.
4. **The Holy Eucharist** is the proper culmination of the Easter Liturgy. As we keep this holy feast, we share the joy of our Savior's triumph and are strengthened by his grace to walk in newness of life. At Emmaus, we celebrate the first Eucharist of Easter at the 8:00 a.m. liturgy.

**6:30 a.m. The Great Vigil**

**8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist**

**10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Children's Church.**

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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.

