



Emmanuel
LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Vienna, VA

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THE HOLY SPIRIT GATHERS US IN WORSHIP

Welcome

Good morning and welcome to worship at Emmanuel Lutheran Church! You can find bulletins and ways to give online at elcvienna.org. We invite newcomers to our welcome table outside the sanctuary after worship.

Invocation

Pastor: In this season of Easter, we are gathered in the name of the Father, † the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Gathering Song

Hear Our Praises

Verse 1

May our homes be filled with dancing
May our streets be filled with joy
May injustice bow to Jesus
As the people turn and pray

Chorus

From the mountain to the valley
Hear our praises rise to You
From the heavens to the nations
Hear our singing fill the air

Verse 2

May our light shine in the darkness
As we walk before the cross
May Your glory fill the whole earth
As the water over the seas

Bridge

Hallelujah hallelujah
Hallelujah hallelujah

Ending

From the mountain to the valley
Hear our praises rise to You

Reuben Morgan

CCLI Song #2543402

Thanksgiving for Baptism

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the wellspring of grace, our life and our joy.

All: Amen.

Pastor: Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land.

All: Thanks be to God!

Pastor: At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection, you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

All: Amen.

Special Music

They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

Verse 1

We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity
May one day be restored

Chorus

And they'll know we are Christians
By our love by our love
Yes they'll know we are Christians
By our love

Verse 2

We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
And together we'll spread the news
That God is in our land

Verse 3

We will work with each other
We will work side by side
We will work with each other
We will work side by side
And we'll guard each man's dignity
And save each man's pride

Verse 4

All praise to the Father
From whom all things come
And all praise to Christ Jesus
His only Son
And all praise to the Spirit
Who makes us one

Peter Scholtes
CCLI Song #26997

GOD'S WORD CALLS US TO DISCIPLESHIP

Children's Message

Children are invited to Bible storytelling time in the chapel following the children's message and will return to the sanctuary after the message.

Gospel Acclamation

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds
ELW 367

- 1 Now all the vault of heav'n resounds
in praise of love that still abounds:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!

Repeat their song of glory here:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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John 10:11-18

Pastor: The good news of Jesus Christ according to the gospel of Saint John, the tenth chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Pastor: [Jesus said:] ¹¹"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

Pastor: The gospel of the Lord!

All: Praise to you, O Christ!

Gospel Response

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds
ELW 367

- 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;
set heart and will on things above
that we conquer through your triumph;
grant grace sufficient for life's day
that by our lives we truly say:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Message

"The Good Shepherd" based upon Luke 10 by Pastor Tony Prinsen

Song of the Day

Healer of Our Every Ill

ELW 612

Refrain

Healer of our ev'ry ill,
light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear,
and hope beyond our sorrow.

- 1 You who know our fears and sadness,
grace us with your peace and gladness;
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts. *Refrain*
- 2 In the pain and joy beholding
how your grace is still unfolding,
give us all your vision, God of love. *Refrain*
- 3 Give us strength to love each other,
ev'ry sister, ev'ry brother;
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide. *Refrain*
- 4 You who know each thought and feeling,
teach us all your way of healing;
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart. *Refrain*

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950. Onelicense.net 00115.

The Nicene Creed

Pastor: We confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only 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 of

the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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.

Prayers of Intercession

Leader: Let us pray...Renewing God, give church leaders and all the baptized the same excitement as the women at the tomb, and inspire us to share your abundant life. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

Leader: Sustaining God, we ask your forgiveness where we have failed to be just stewards of the earth. And we now ask for your guidance in restoring your creation. May we learn to live in harmony, safety and just sharing of resources among all. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

Leader: Sheltering God, empower government agencies and international organizations that provide for refugees and migrants forced to leave their homelands. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

Leader: Encouraging God, send us as your healing presence to places of hunger, pain, illness, or overwhelming sorrow. We pray for... Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

Leader: Resurrecting God, you make us alive in Christ. Thank you for blessing us with faithful witnesses who now rest in you. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

Leader: We offer to you these petitions and those we carry in our hearts, trusting in your abundant and ever-present mercy.

All: Amen.

Peace

Leader: May the peace of the risen Lord be with you always!

All: And also with you.

Leader: Let us share God's peace.

Offering

Offerings in support of our mission and ministry can be made at www.elcvienna.org/give or mailed to the church. Ushers will take the offering in person. Every gift matters!

Offering Music

The Solemnity Of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe - Psalm 23 - The Lord Is My Shepherd

Refrain

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing
I shall want.

(REPEAT)

Verse 1

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures he gives me repose.

Verse 2

Beside restful waters he leads me;
he refreshes my soul.
He guides me in right paths
for his name's sake.

Verse 3

You spread the table before me
in the sight of my foes;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

Verse 4

Only goodness and kindness follow me
all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
for years to come.

Angelique Bolduc, ICEL
CCLI Song #7163698

THE LORD'S MEAL GIVES US GRACE AND LIFE

Holy Communion

Pastor: We remember that in the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Pastor: And again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me."

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

**All: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Pastor: The gifts of God for the children of God—come, all are welcome!

All: Thanks be to God!

Communion Instructions

All are invited to come forward to receive communion or a blessing. Wafers will be dipped in wine and handed to you. If you prefer a wafer without wine, please let us know. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. We have goldfish and a blessing for our non-communing children. You are also welcome to pray at the communion rail after you have been communed.

Communion Music

Shepherd of My Heart
Onelicense.net 01204

1. My shepherd is the Lord, for nothing shall I want;
green are the pastures where I'm led to repose.
Near waters still and deep God will refresh my soul.
I am led onward in ways true to the Name.

Refrain

Guide me, O shepherd of my heart;
lead me homeward through the dark,
into everlasting day.
Show me the way of truth and light;
keep me always in your sight.
May my life never part from the shepherd of my heart.

2. If I should walk one day into the vale of darkness,
no evil shall I fear with God at my side.
There with your crook and staff you give me strength and comfort;
you spread a banquet in the sight of my foes.
3. You anoint my head with oil; my cup is overflowing;
goodness and kindness crown the days of my life.
Within the Lord's own house I dwell in peace for ever;
within the house of God my soul is at rest.

Text: Psalm 23; Francis Patrick O'Brien, b.1958, © 1992, GIA Publications, Inc.

THE HOLY SPIRIT LEADS US IN MISSION INTO THE WORLD

Invitation to Ministry

As the Spirit leads us out into mission in the world, we invite you to join us in our ministries. We invite our newcomers to stop by the welcome table just outside the sanctuary to connect and learn more about the work of our congregation.

Blessing

Pastor: Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Spirit bless you now and forever.

All: Amen.

Sending Song

Testify To Love

Verse 1

All the colors of the rainbow
All the voices of the wind

Ev'ry dream that reaches out
That reaches out to find where love begins
Ev'ry word of ev'ry story
Ev'ry star in ev'ry sky
Ev'ry corner of creation
Lives to testify

Chorus

For as long as I shall live
I will testify to love
I'll be a witness in the silences
When words are not enough
With ev'ry breath I take
I will give thanks to God above
For as long as I shall live
I will testify (to love)

Verse 2

From the mountains to the valleys
From the rivers to the sea
Every hand that reaches out
Every hand that reaches out to offer peace
Every simple act of mercy
Every step to kingdom come
All the hope in ev'ry heart will speak
What love has done

Bridge

Colors of the rainbow voices of the wind
Dream that reaches out where love begins
Word of ev'ry story star in ev'ry sky
Corner of creation testify

Mountains to the valleys rivers to the sea
Hand that reaches out to offer peace
A simple act of mercy kingdom come
Ev'ry heart will speak what love has done

Ending

Testify Your way
Testify Your truth
Testify Your life
Your love and mercy

Henk Pool, Paul Field, Ralph Van Manen, Robert Riekerk
CCLI Song #2572844

Dismissal

Leader: Go in peace and serve the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Testify to Love
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Thank you so much for worshipping with us!

Our Mission and Vision

Our mission is to nurture, grow, and share our Christian faith as Lutherans in a multicultural world. We envision Emmanuel Lutheran Church as a welcoming, vibrant, growing, and faith-filled Christian community whose participants generously share their time, talents, and resources in a changing world.

Our Welcome Statement

Emmanuel Lutheran Church welcomes all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome and affirm full participation by all because God welcomes all, regardless of race, culture, national origin, citizenship status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, relationship or socio-economic status, addictions, physical or mental health, disability, imprisonment, age, or other circumstances. OUR UNITY IS IN CHRIST.

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