



Emmanuel
LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

**9 AM Contemporary Easter Worship, April 27, 2025
The Second 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 www.elcvienna.org. Our liturgy is projected on the walls for you. We do have large-print bulletins and hearing assistance devices available. Inquire about those with our ushers in the back. We invite newcomers to stop by our welcome table just outside of the sanctuary after worship.

Invocation

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

All: Amen.

Opening Song

All The Earth Will Sing Your Praises

Chorus

You lived You died
You said in three days
You would rise
You did You're alive
You rule You reign
You said You're coming back again
I know that You will
And all the earth will sing Your praises

Interlude

All the earth will sing Your praises

Verse

You took
You take our sins away O God
You give
You gave Your life away for us
You came down
You saved us through the cross
Our hearts are changed
Because of Your great love

Ending



All the earth will sing Your praises (4X)

Paul Baloche
CCLI Song #4037057

GOD'S WORD CALLS US TO DISCIPLESHIP

Acts 5:27-32

Reader: A reading from Acts.

27 When they had brought [the apostles,] they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, 28 saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." 29 But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. 30 The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. 31 God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. 32 And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Reader: Word of God. Word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Revelation 1:4-8

Reader: A reading from the book of Revelation.

4 John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, 5 and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, 6 and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

7 Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.
So it is to be. Amen.



8 “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Reader: Word of God. Word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Special Music

Resurrecting

Verse 1

The head that once was crowned with thorns
Is crowned with glory now
The Savior knelt to wash our feet
Now at his feet we bow

Verse 2

The one who wore our sin and shame
Now robed in majesty
The radiance of perfect love
Now shines for all to see

Chorus

Your name
Your name
Is victory
All praise
Will rise
To Christ our king

Verse 3

The fear that held us now gives way
To him who is our peace
His final breath upon the cross
Is now alive in me

Bridge

By your spirit I will rise
From the ashes of defeat
The resurrected king
Is resurrecting me
In your name I come alive
To declare your victory
The resurrected king



Is resurrecting me

Verse 4

The tomb where soldiers watched in vain
Was borrowed for three days
His body there would not remain
Our God has robbed the grave
Our God has robbed the grave

Chris Brown, Mack Brock, Matthews Ntlele, Steven Furtick, Wade Joye
CCLI Song #7051507

Children's Message

Children are invited forward for a message just for them! Following the children's message, Children are invited to Bible storytelling time in the chapel 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!

Text: Paul Z. Strodach, 1876-1947, alt. Augsburg Fortress SAS000364

John 20:19-31

Pastor: The good news of Jesus Christ, according to the gospel of John the 20th chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord!

19 When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the [Jewish authorities], Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." 22 When he had said



this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

24 But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

26 A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” 27 Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” 28 Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” 29 Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. 31 But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Pastor: The gospel of the Lord!

All: Praise to you, O Christ!

Message

“Wounds and Doubts” based upon John 20 by Pastor Lydia Posselt

Song of the Day

Crown Him (Majesty)

Verse 1

Crown Him with many crowns
The Lamb upon His throne
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own
Awake my soul and sing
Of Him who died for me
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity

Chorus

Majesty Lord of all



Let ev'ry throne before Him fall
The King of kings
O come adore
Our God who reigns forevermore (forevermore)

Verse 2

Crown Him the Lord of life
Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save
His glories now we sing
Who died and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die

Bridge

All hail Redeemer hail
For He has died for me
His praise and glory shall not fail
Throughout eternity
(REPEAT)

Ending

Praise God who reigns forevermore
You're the God who reigns forevermore

Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, George Job Elvey, Godfrey Thring, Matt Maher,
Matthew Bridges
CCLI Song #6463818

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: 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, provide fertile soil, ample sunlight, and plentiful rain for the growth of plants and the nourishment of all creation. 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 elcvienna.org/give or mailed to the church. Ushers will take the offering in person. Every gift matters!

Offering Music

God So Loved - We the Kingdom

Verse 1

Come all you weary
Come all you thirsty
Come to the well that never runs dry
Drink of the water
Come and thirst no more

Verse 2

Come all you sinners
Come find His mercy
Come to the table He will satisfy
Taste of His goodness
Find what you're looking for

Chorus 1

For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever

Verse 3

Bring all your failures
Bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting there
With open arms

Chorus 2

For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever
The power of hell forever defeated



Now it is well I'm walking in freedom
For God so loved God so loved the world

Bridge
Praise God praise God
From whom all blessings flow
Praise Him praise Him
For the wonders of His love

Chorus 3
For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save

Verse 4
Bring all your failures
Bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting
God so loved the world

Andrew Bergthold, Ed Cash, Franni Cash, Martin Cash, Scott Cash
CCLI Song #7169675

JESUS GIVES US FORGIVENESS AND LIFE IN HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion Words of Institution

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 people of God!
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

That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright
ELW 384

- 1 That Easter day with joy was bright;
 the sun shone out with fairer light
 when, to their longing eyes restored,
 th'apostles saw their risen Lord!
- 2 O Jesus, king of gentleness,
 with constant love our hearts possess;
 to you our lips will ever raise
 the tribute of our grateful praise.
- 3 O Christ, you are the Lord of all
 in this our Easter festival,
 for you will be our strength and shield
 from ev'ry weapon death can wield.
- 4 All praise, O risen Lord, we give
 to you, once dead, but now alive!



To God the Father equal praise,
and God the Spirit, now we raise!

Text: Latin hymn, 5th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt.

THE HOLY SPIRIT LEADS US IN MISSION TO 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: In this holy Easter season, may the God of Life, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit bless you and keep you.

All: Amen.

Sending Song

This Is Amazing Grace

Verse 1

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Verse 2

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Chorus

(Yeah) (Oh) This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

Verse 3

Who brings our chaos back into order



Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory the King of Glory

Verse 4

Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Bridge

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy worthy worthy

Jeremy Riddle, Josh Farro, Phil Wickham
CCLI Song #6333821

Sending

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Leader: Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

All: We will. Thanks be to God!

Postlude Music

This is Amazing Grace Reprise

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.

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