



The Third Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 4, 2025 | 10:30A.M.

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

The Very Rev. Clayton Harrington, *Celebrant*
The Rev. Katie Bradshaw, *Preacher*

Welcome to Emmanuel Episcopal Church. You honor us with your presence! All are invited into the full life and worship of this community, regardless of race, sexuality, gender identity, or physical or mental ability. All means all.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE

Allegretto

FELIX MENDELSSOHN

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN, H-417

This is the feast

FESTIVAL CANTICLE

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

GLORIA, H-1982 #S-278

WILLIAM MATHIAS



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the

Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of

God the Fa-ther. A-men.

ccive our prayer. 6. For

you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People may be seated.

THE FIRST READING

Acts 9:1-20

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



1 I will exalt you, O LORD,
because you have lifted me /**up** *
and have not let my enemies triumph /**over me**.
2 O LORD my God, I cried /**out to you**, *
and you restored me to /**health**.
3 You brought me up, O LORD, from the /**dead**; *
you restored my life as I was going down to the
/ **grave**.
4 Sing to the LORD, you /**servants of his**; *
give thanks for the remembrance of
his /**holiness**.
5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an
/ **eye**, *his favor for a /**lifetime**.
6 Weeping may spend the /**night**, *
but joy comes in the /**morning**.
7 While I felt secure, I said,
"I shall never be dis-/**turbed**. *
You, LORD, with your favor, made me as
strong as the /**mountains**."

8 Then you hid your /**face**, *
and I was filled with /**fear**.
9 I cried to you, O /**LORD**; *
I pleaded with the Lord, /**saying**,
10 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down
to the /**Pit**? *
will the dust praise you or declare your
/ **faithfulness**?
11 Hear, O LORD, and have mercy up-/**on me**; *
O LORD, be my /**helper**."
12 You have turned my wailing into /**dancing**; *
you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed
me with / **joy**.
[repeat second half of chant]
13 Therefore my heart sings to you without
/ **ceasing**; *
O LORD my God, I will give you thanks for
/ **ever**.

THE SECOND READING

Revelation 5:11-14

I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

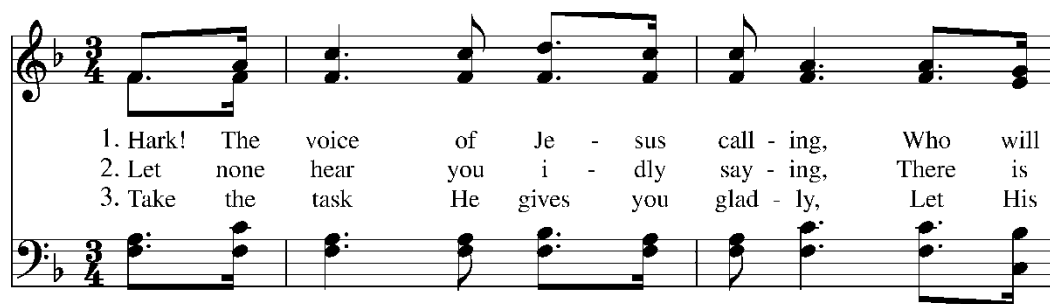
Reader The Word of the Lord.
People. **Thanks be to God.**

All stand and sing.

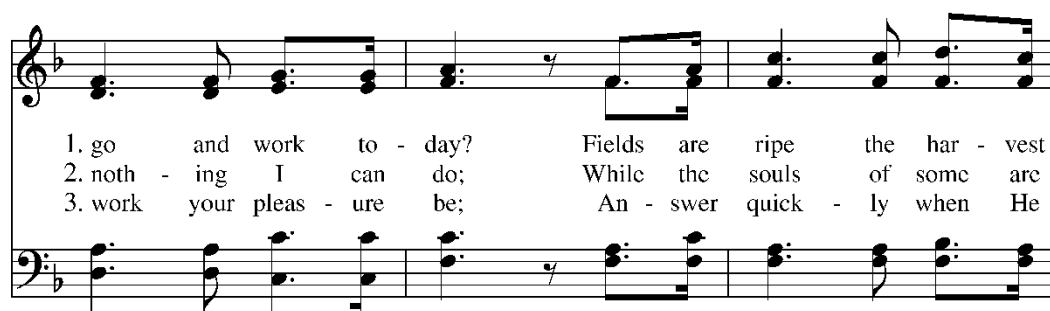
THE SEQUENCE HYMN, LEVAS-126

Here I am, send me

LENDERMAN



1. Hark! The voice of Je - sus call - ing, Who will
2. Let none hear you i - dly say - ing, There is
3. Take the task He gives you glad - ly, Let His



1. go and work to - day? Fields are ripe the har - vest
2. noth - ing I can do; While the souls of some are
3. work your pleas - ure be; An - swer quick - ly when He



1. wait - ing, Who will bear the sheaves a - way?
2. dy - ing, And the Mas - ter calls for you.
3. call - eth, "Here am I, send me, send me."



Loud and long the Mas - ter call - eth, Rich re - ward He of - fers free;



Who will an - swer, glad - ly say - ing, "Here am I, send me, send me."

Words: Daniel March. Music: J. C. Lenderman.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

At the invitation of the preacher, all are seated.

SERMON

The Rev. Katie Bradshaw

At the invitation of the celebrant, all stand.

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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

Litanist Risen Christ,
People **Hear us.**

Birthdays:

Marty Kemp, Travis Phillips, Erin Wallace, Margaret McIntyre, Jon Tomlinson, Louise Freeman, Wanda Thompson, Tim Meehan, Elizabeth Curtis, Jane Robertson, Helen Costantino, Brittany Miller

RECOGNITION AND BLESSING OF GRADUATES

Graduates:

Ellis Fiscus, Parker "Crawford" Grow, Emma Sorckoff, Liz Hammond, Stephen Bartlett, Emilee Stortz, Emmeline Taylor Niolon, Hadley Spurlock, Thomas Price Swann, Emily Brooke-Powell, Natalie Ripps, Janie Ripps, Hilary McDonald, Thomas Ehlers, Blet Say Htoo, Julia Say, Clara Templeton McLanahan

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

PARISH NOTICES

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

When Christ Broke Bread

CAROL MUEHLIG

All stand and sing as the gifts are presented.

THE PRESENTATION HYMN, H- 341 *For the bread which you have broken*

OMNI DIE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, PRAYER B

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS H-1982 #S-128

WILLIAM MATHIAS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-cst.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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 for ever. AMEN.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION H-1982 #S-155

GERALD NEAR

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our

Pass-o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.

Ale - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE COMMUNION

Celebrant 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.]

The People may be seated. If you do not wish to receive the sacrament, you may come forward with your arms crossed over your chest to receive a blessing. Gluten free bread is available upon request. The table of bread and wine is the table of company with Jesus, and all those who love him. So come to this table, you who have much faith, and you who would like to have more; you who have been to this Sacrament often, and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus in the world, and you who have failed; come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN, H-190

Lift your voice rejoicing, Mary

FISK OF GLOUCESTER

On those Sundays when Eucharistic Visitors are sent to those unable to be at a public celebration of the Eucharist, they are sent with the following words:

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant In the name of God, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we are one in Jesus Christ.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE EASTER BLESSING

THE CLOSING HYMN, H- 182

Christ is alive

TRURO

THE DISMISSAL

The priest dismisses the people.

People **Thanks be to God**

POSTLUDE

Folk Song for Organ

CARSON COOMAN

The Week Ahead

May 4, Sunday (Name Tag Sunday)

8:30am Holy Eucharist
9:15am Nursery Opens (Upper Level)
9:30am Children's & Youth Formation (UL & YR)
9:30am The Cranmer Class (LL Westminster)
10:30am Children's Chapel (Upper Level)
10:30am Holy Eucharist & Graduate Recognition
(Live Streamed)
11:30am Holy Hoedown Parish Picnic
12:00pm Natural Spirituality (Library)
3:00pm Athens Flute Choir Concert (Nave)

May 5, Monday

10:00am Bible Study (LL Coventry)

May 6, Tuesday

10:00am Natural Spirituality (Library)

May 7, Wednesday

10:00am Centering Prayer (Chapel)
11:00am Centering Prayer (Library)
12:15pm Healing Eucharist (Chapel)
7:00pm Choir (LL Choir Room)

May 8, Thursday

4:00am Health Ministry (Zoom)

May 11, Sunday

8:30am Holy Eucharist
9:30am The Cranmer Class (LL Westminster)
9:30am Blessing Bags with the Brotherhood of St.
Andrew (Common Room)
10:15am Nursery Opens (Upper Level)
10:30am Children's Chapel (Upper Level)
10:30am Holy Eucharist (Live Streamed)
12:00pm Natural Spirituality (Library)
3:00pm Knitting Ministry (Pope Street OMS)

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in memory of Carmen Goff Woodson by her daughter, Laura Woodson.

WE PRAY FOR: Gayle Ahrens, John Brewer, Peggy Christa, Lynn Crevar, Anna Dyer, Betty Driver Ellis, Lisa Frierson, Clemente Garcia, Charlese Howard, John Northcutt, Betsy Respass, Cathi Shinn, Karen Silverberg, Andy Simmonds, John Steedman, Betsy Turner, Matthew Ward, Hilary Watson, JoAnn Yates

To add someone to the prayer list, contact the parish office at 706-543-1294 or akurtz@emmanuelathens.org.

SPRING TIME BLESSING BAGS WITH THE BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW: Join the Brotherhood in creating Spring Time Blessing Bags for those in need on Sunday, May 11th between services in the Common Room. Light refreshments provided.

Pick up a blessing bag in the Narthex after the 10:30 service and bless someone who really needs a blessing!

HOLY HOEDOWN POTLUCK: Head over to the Common Room after the 10:30 service for grilled hamburgers and hotdogs, a photo booth, mini ponies and line dancing with a special caller!

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