

# The Fourth Sunday in Lent

## HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II



“Healing of the Blind Man at Jericho,” by Van Evert Zoudenbalch, 1479.

**Sunday, March 15, 2026**

**10:00 am**



***Welcome to Emmanuel Episcopal Church. We are glad you joined us today!***

*Whoever you are and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, there is a place for you here. We welcome everyone to join and participate fully in worship. The bulletin should contain all you need to participate in worship. Text the congregation reads aloud is printed in bold. This symbol ✠ denotes the appropriate time to make the sign of the cross upon yourself, if it is your custom.*

*Mask-wearing is optional. The rear pews are designated for socially-distanced seating for those who wish. Please sanitize your hands as you enter and immediately before Communion.*

## THE SEASON OF LENT

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As our Prayer Book describes it, Lent is a time of self-examination, repentance, prayer, fasting, and self-denial. This helps us prepare to fully and joyfully celebrate the feast which is to come at Easter. In the ancient church, this was also a time during which converts to the faith were prepared for baptism and that those who were guilty of especially notorious sins went through a process to be welcomed back to the congregation.

The 40 days of Lent begin on Ash Wednesday and end before the Great Vigil of Easter. Since we recognize that all Sundays are, in a sense, mini-Easters, they are technically not part of Lent. That is why we number these Sundays “in” Lent and not “of” Lent as we do with other seasons. Many people also choose to relax their practices of self-denial on the Sundays of Lent.

You will find that our worship has a more somber and penitential note during this season. The crosses will all be veiled. In keeping with ancient tradition, use of the word “Alleluia” is suppressed throughout the season. You will also see that the holy water normally available in the baptismal font has been replaced with sand, to remind us of our own desert journeys this Lent. The blessing at the end of the service is replaced with a solemn prayer over the people. The color is purple except for the fourth Sunday in Lent, which is called “Laetare Sunday” when we wear rose-colored vestments. During Holy Week, we switch to red and then black.



*Please note that this service is being livestreamed and recorded.  
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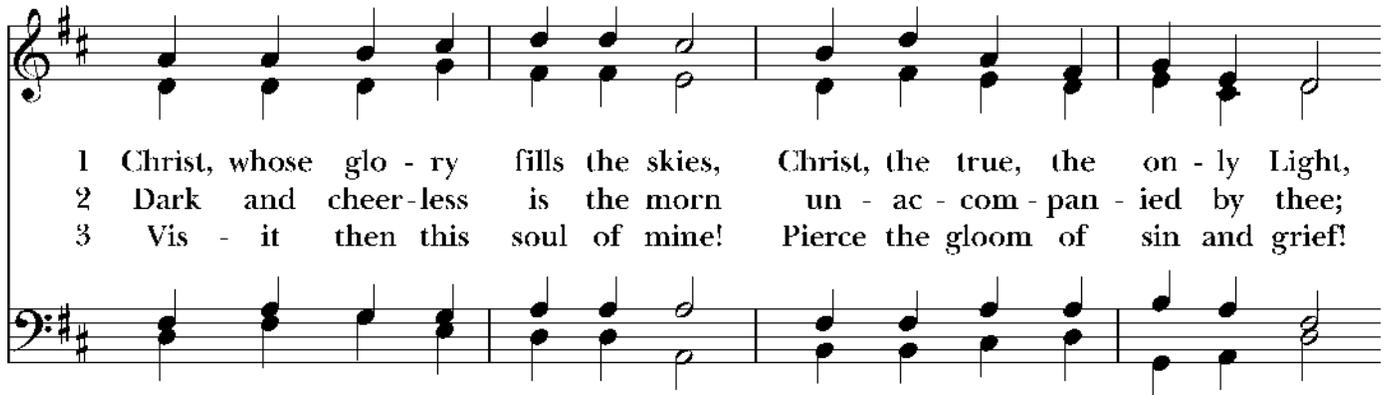
**Prelude**

*Resignation*  
(Arranged by Paul Johnson)

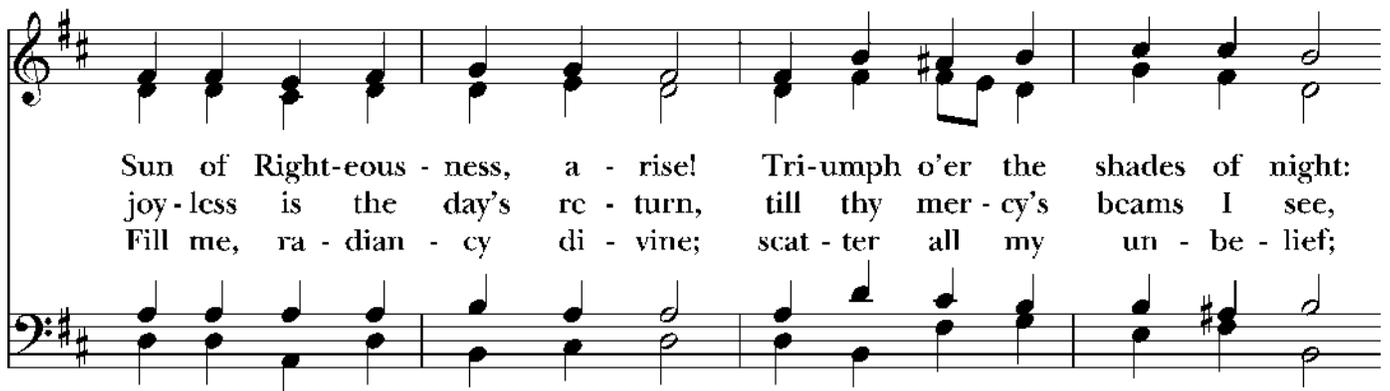
# The Word of God

Processional Hymn • *Hymnal '82 #7*

*Christ whose glory fills the skies*



1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,  
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;  
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!



Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:  
joy-less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,  
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;



Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.  
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.  
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

*Celebrant*  
*People*

✠ Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.  
His mercy endures forever.

## The Decalogue

*The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p.350*

*Please kneel, as able.*

*Celebrant* Hear the commandments of God to God's people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not make for yourself any idol.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* Honor your father and your mother.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not commit murder.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not commit adultery.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not steal.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not be a false witness.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. (*Hebrews 4: 14, 16*)

## The Confession & Absolution

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All* Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, ✠ forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

**Kyrie • Hymnal '82 #S-96**



Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

**The Collect of the Day**

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*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* 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.

*Please be seated.*

**The First Lesson • A reading from the Book of Samuel**

1 Samuel 16:1-13

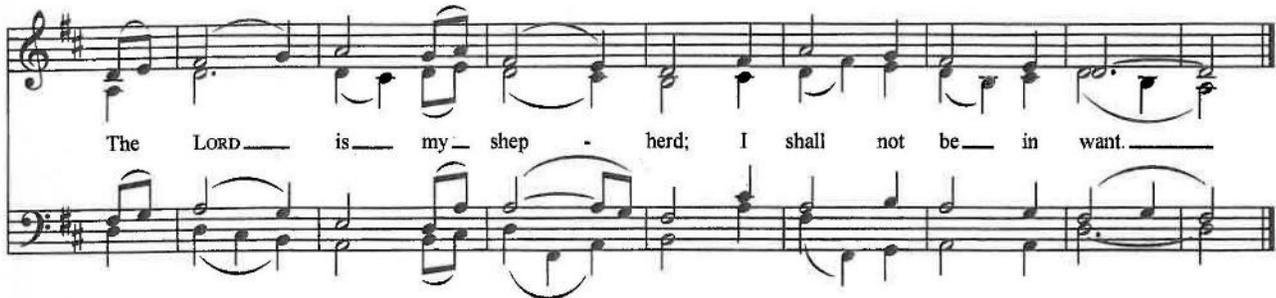
The Lord said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the Lord said, “Take a heifer with you, and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.’ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.” 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?” He said, “Peaceably; I have come to

sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.” 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 does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The Lord has not chosen any of these.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

**The Psalm** *the refrain is sung by the choir, sing the verses, then refrain by all as indicated* **Psalm 23**



The Lord is my shepherd; \*

I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures \*

and leads me beside still waters. *Refrain by all*

He revives my soul \*

and guides me along right pathways for his Name’s sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil; \*

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me. *Refrain by all*

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \*

you have anointed my head with oil,

and my cup is running over.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \*  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. *Refrain by all*

**The Second Lesson** • *A reading from the Letter to the Ephesians*

*Ephesians 5:8-14*

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light.

Therefore it says,

“Sleeper, awake!  
Rise from the dead,  
and Christ will shine on you.”

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

**Sequence Hymn** • *Hymnal '82 #440*  
*All are invited to stand and sing.*

*Blessed Jesus at thy word*

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to  
2 All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness  
3 Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro -

hear thee; let our hearts and souls be stirred  
shroud - ed, till thy Spi - rit breaks our night  
ceed - ing, o - pen thou our ears and heart,

now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teach - ings  
with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; thou a - lone to  
help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing. Hear the cry thy

pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.  
God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.  
Church up - rais - es; hear, and \_ bless our prayers and prais - es.

*Deacon*

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

*People*

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As [Jesus] walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ Then I went and washed and received my sight.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.” Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” He said, “He is a prophet.”

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” His parents answered, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.” His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, “Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner.” He answered, “I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?” Then they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” The man answered, “Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that

anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered, “And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him. Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.” Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.”

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

*Please be seated.*

## **The Sermon**

Rev. Jim Nixon

*After the sermon there is a brief time of silence for reflection.*

## **The Nicene Creed**

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*All are invited to stand and recite together.*

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.

## Prayers of the People

*Intercessor* Friends in Christ, live as children of the light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Light of the world, *open our eyes.*”

Lord our Shepherd, you have given your Church all that we need. Rain down on us mightily with your Spirit, that we may testify to the astonishing things you have done in our lives.

Light of the world,

*People* Open our eyes.

God, you are present in the valley of the shadow of death. Comfort all those around the world who know danger or violence or war. By your love, cast out all evil and fear.

Light of the world,

*People* Open our eyes.

Lord, you make us to lie down in green pastures; you lead us by still waters. You have blessed us with a beautiful planet. May we work to preserve the holy gift of nature. Light of the world,

*People* Open our eyes.

Lord, spread a table for those who are hungry; where there is scarcity and need in our neighborhoods, fill empty hearts, lives, and cups with your abundance. By your light expose all the unfruitful works of darkness. Light of the world,

*People* Open our eyes.

God of life, pursue the sick and sorrowful with your goodness and mercy. Reveal your works in those who are suffering. Make yourself known as Healer. Light of the world,

*People* Open our eyes.

✠ Reviver of Souls, give to the dying and the dead your promise of new and unending life. May we one day live with them forever in the light of Christ. Light of the world,

*People* Open our eyes.

*Here, additional intercessions are offered, and then the Deacon adds a concluding Collect:*

*Deacon* O God, lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth. Lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust. Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace. Let peace fill our hearts, fill our world, and fill the universe. We ask this for your own Name's sake.  
**Amen.**

## The Peace

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

## Welcome and Announcements

*Please be seated.*

# The Holy Communion

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## Offertory Anthem

*The Lord is My Shepherd*  
Howard Goodall b.1959

## The Doxology • Hymnal '82 #380 (verse 3 only)

*All are invited to stand and sing as the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host:  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving

## Eucharistic Prayer A

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The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff is for the Celebrant and the People, with the lyrics: "The Lord be with you. And also with you." The second staff is for the Celebrant and the People, with the lyrics: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff is for the People, with the lyrics: "It is right to give him 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 through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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 & Benedictus** • *Hymnal '82* #S-130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
 might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
 God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are  
 full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. 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 - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

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

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. ✠ Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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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*Celebrant 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.

**Agnus Dei • Hymnal '82 #S-164**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then is sung*

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

*The Celebrant says the following invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*and may add*

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

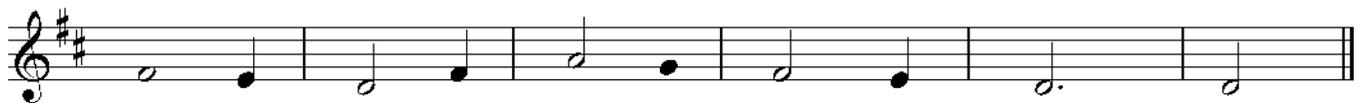
*We are receiving both bread and wine at Communion. Please sanitize your hands prior to coming forward. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. There are two options for receiving the consecrated wine. If you wish to drink from the chalice, please go the left side of the altar rail. If you prefer to receive it in a single-use compostable cup (to drink or intinct), please pick one up from the table and go to the right side of the rail. The cup can be discarded on the table in the sacristy to be reverently rinsed out. If you are sick, we ask that you please refrain from using the chalice and either get a single-use cup instead or rest assured that the fullness of Communion is received in either just bread alone or wine alone. If you do not wish to receive, you are invited to cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would like a blessing, which will be delivered without touch.*



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness  
 2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed  
 \* 3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayd, but yet in  
 \* 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear  
 5 Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion  
 6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness



1 fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if  
 2 soul he lead-eth, and where the ver-dant  
 3 love he sought me, and on his shoul-der  
 4 Lord, be-side me; thy rod and staff my  
 5 grace be-stow-eth; and oh, what trans-port  
 6 fail-eth nev-er: Good Shep-herd, may I



1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.  
 2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-less-ial feed-eth.  
 3 gent-ly laid, and home, re-joic-ing, brought me.  
 4 com-fort still, thy cross be-fore to guide me.  
 5 of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!  
 6 sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

**Prayer after Communion**

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*All are invited to stand or kneel.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

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 Prayer over the People

*Deacon* Bow down before the Lord.

*The people kneel and the Celebrant prays:*

Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments my bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Closing Hymn • Hymnal '82 #493

*O for a thousand tongues to sing*

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,  
2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim  
3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;  
4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,  
5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;

1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!  
2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.  
3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.  
4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.  
5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love  
be now and ever given  
by saints below and saints above,  
the Church in earth and heayen.

## The Dismissal

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*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

## Postlude

*My Shepherd shall supply my need*  
(Arranged by Paul Johnson)

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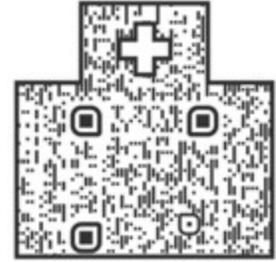
# THE SUNDAY TIMES

**Today, Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> with Children's Church The 4th Sunday in Lent**

- 8:00am, Holy Eucharist Rite I (no music)
- 10:00am, Holy Eucharist Rite II (with music)
- 11:00am, Coffee Hour
- 11:15am, Adult Formation: History of the Fire and Church Rebuilding

**Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent**

- 8:00am, Holy Eucharist Rite I (no music)
- 10:00am, Holy Eucharist Rite II (with music)
- 11:00am, Coffee Hour
- 11:15am, Adult Formation: Prayer Book Revision and the Situation in the 1920s (also Zoomed)



**Birthdays:** Emily Bagby, Larry Teague, Remington Woods, Wayne Schemmer III, Avery Rodriguez, Giovanni Rico, Cooper Bultas, Delaney Cienkus, Cooper Wylie.

**In our prayers:** Barbara, Patti, Elizabeth, Christina, Suzanne, Jaylen, Ginny, Kathy, Carrie, Chris, Leslie, Tracy, Janice, Steve, Robert, Michael, Claire, Jeannine, Jeff, Kurt, Mike & Renee, Bill, Julius, Sara & family.

**Blood Drive, Tuesday March 24<sup>th</sup>:** Blood donation is a simple yet profound act of love. A single donation can help cancer patients, accident victims, and children with serious illnesses, bringing hope where it's needed most. We invite you to take part in this life-saving mission as we come together as a community on March 24th to offer the gift of life to those in need. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**Adult Formation "Learn about our history":** March 15<sup>th</sup>, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, April 12<sup>th</sup>

**Exodus world service:** Exodus World Service will be hosting their Celebration of Hope annual banquet April 16<sup>th</sup>, 6-8pm, at Drury Lane Oakbrook. As a supporter of Exodus and refugee families in Chicagoland, Emmanuel has the opportunity to fill a table, learn about the successes, challenges and plans around refugees, and meet other supporters of this active, growing initiative. There is no cost to attend, and we will take up a table collection when our table is filled. There may be additional opportunities to donate during the evening. Please reserve your spot by letting Randy Valenta know of your interest, and we'll make plans to carpool to and from.

**Important Reminder:** Parishioners are asked to be cautious of emails, texts, or phone calls requesting money or financial assistance in any way from the Church, clergy or Church staff. The church will never request funds or personal information this way. Please don't not respond or send money, as these are often scams. If you receive a message you are unsure of, please contact the church office directly.

2026 - Feb ytd TRACKING REPORT			
	2026 Budget	2026 Actual	2025 YTD avg
General Giving Income	\$ 256,746	\$46,607	\$43,531
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 328,990	\$91,760	\$57,837
Total Operating Expense	\$ 328,941	\$63,082	\$56,930
Total Staff Payroll	\$ 168,744	\$30,810	\$32,025
Parish Admin	\$ 16,960	\$3,233	\$2,786
Maintenance	\$ 36,301	\$3,113	\$4,936
Utilities	\$ 31,200	\$9,522	\$5,176
Insurance	\$ 47,436	\$12,901	\$7,707



## BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday  
March

**24**

2:45PM - 7:00PM

Helpful tip:  
Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.

1-800-786-4483

### Emmanuel Episcopal Church of LaGrange Blood Drive

Memorial Hall, 203 S Kensington Ave LaGrange, IL

APPOINTMENTS PREFERRED: Call 1-800-786-4483, visit <https://tinyurl.com/bp5ywrk5or> scan the QR Code Below



27 Donors Needed at this Drive!

Donate blood to support most area patients who require blood products at most Chicago-area and NW Indiana hospitals!



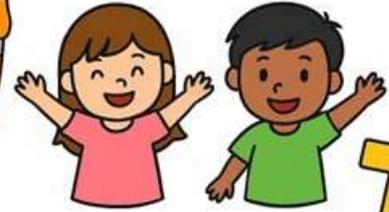
# Children's Church



Come Wonder, Create, and Grow with God!



Using Montessori-based Godly Play, kids hear the Gospel story, wonder together, and respond through art, play, and prayer.



1st & 3rd Sundays during the 10:00 AM service

Emmanuel Episcopal Church, La Grange



## Friends of Casavant Presents



Friday, April 24, 2026 7:30 pm

Emmanuel Episcopal Church  
203 S. Kensington Ave. La Grange, IL

Cantus, A nationally renowned vocal ensemble, presents an unforgettable evening of choral artistry. They will also lead a masterclass at Lyons Township High School, with students joining them for one selection.



Scan for Tickets and more informaton



## Bless Refugee Neighbors with a Household Care Pack

Join with Emmanuel Episcopal to purchase items for a refugee family

Drop off items by Sunday, April 12

Emmanuel Episcopal Church

You can provide a refugee family with useful supplies as they rebuild their lives. By collecting and delivering these essentials, you offer practical support, along with a neighborly visit of encouragement.



Scan to purchase an item!

QUESTIONS? Contact Jeanna Choi  
jeanna.choi@exodusworldservice.org | 830.642.9059 | exodusworldservice.org

### Weekly Worship Schedule

Tuesdays	at 7:30am	Contemplative Prayer (online)
Thursdays	at 7:30am	Contemplative Prayer (online)
	at 8:00pm	Compline (online)
Sundays	at 8:00am	Holy Eucharist, Rite I (during Lent) no music
	at 10:00am	Holy Eucharist, Rite II (with music)

### Clergy & Staff

The Rev. David Jackson	<i>Rector</i>	revdave@eeclg.org
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### Wardens & Vestry

Carry Zaras, *Senior Warden* Andy Doliff, *Junior Warden*  
 Marc O'Brien, Drew Beyer, Jake Goes, Marie Narvaez, Dave Knecht, Christiaan Raftery, Ron Throckmorton, Diane Clark-Coutre, Emily Birks, *Members*

### Serving Today

Jeff Ammons, *Lector* Bill & Maragret Coffee, *Altar Guild*  
 Gabriel Beyer, *Livestream Operator*

*With special thanks to the Rev. Jim Nixon for filling in today*

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