

Emmanuel

Episcopal Church

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 28, 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.



Welcome to Emmanuel. We invite you to join with us in worship. Music is part of the later worship service.

Prelude "Siciliano" from Sonata for Flute and Piano JS Bach

Processional Hymn 392 Come, we that love the Lord [Vineyard Haven]

Liturgy of the Word BCP 355

All standing, the Celebrant says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

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.*

Gloria (said at 8a, sung at 10:30a)

S-280 Powell

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day BCP 355

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Together, let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading (*seated*) Acts 8:26-40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.
In his humiliation justice was denied him.
Who can describe his generation?
For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 22:24-30

BCP 612

- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"
26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; *
he rules over the nations.
28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
29 My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.
30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

Second Reading (seated)

1 John 4:7-21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn (see insert) "You Are Mine"

David Haas

I will come to you in the silence.
I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice.
I claim you as my choice,

be still and know I am here.

I am hope for all who are hopeless.
I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night,
I will be your light:
come and rest in me.

Chorus:

*Do not be afraid, I am with you.
I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me.
I will bring you home:
I love you and you are mine.*

I am strength for all the despairing,
healing for the ones who dwell in shame.
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free,
and all will know my name.

Chorus

I am the Word that leads to freedom.
I am the peace the world can not give.
I will call your name, embracing all your pain,
stand up, now walk and live!

Chorus

Holy Gospel (*stand*)

John 15:1-8

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

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Homily

The Rev. Rhonda E. Wheeler

Nicene Creed (*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.

Prayers of the People

Leader: Awake, O Sleeper, rise from death,
 People: **And Christ will give you life!**

Leader: Bring newness and change to your church, O God, that we might serve you with courage and grace. Awake, O Church,
 Rise from death,
 People: **And Christ will give you life!**

Leader: Bring newness and change to your world, O God, that all might know the goodness of your love. Awake, O World,
 Rise from death,
 People: **And Christ will give you life!**

Leader: Bring newness and change to your nation, O God, that each person might share and honor the other. Awake, O People,
 Rise from death,
 People: **And Christ will give you life!**

Leader: Bring newness and change for the suffering, O God, that they might know your saving help. Awake, O Sorrowful,
 Rise from death,
 People: **And Christ will give you life!**

Leader: Bring newness and change to even the departed, O God, that they might forever grow in your likeness. Awake, O Saints,
 Rise from death,
 People: **And Christ will give you life!**

Leader: Bring newness and change to our hearts, O God, that we might grow larger in faith and hope. Awake, O Soul,
 Rise from death,
 People: **And Christ will give you life!**

Leader: I invite you to offer your concerns and thanksgivings, silently or aloud.

Leader: Awake, O Sleeper, rise from death, for Christ has burst forth from the tomb, making all things new. Rise and live, says the Lord.

This day God has made for life and all joy! Amen, Alleluia!

People: **Alleluia, Amen!**

Silence.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution

Peace *(all stand.)*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem (Emmanuel Choir with Tim Bradley, clarinet) *"The Gift of Love"*

Hal Hopson

Offertory Prayer(

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Great Thanksgiving *(Eucharistic Prayer A)* BCP 361

The people stand.

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 him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

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

S-129 [Powell]

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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:

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.**

The Celebrant then continues

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

People and Celebrant

**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.**

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says

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.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you do not wish to receive from the cup, it is acceptable to receive the bread only. Those who do not wish to receive Communion, are invited to come to the altar for a blessing, indicated by placing crossed hands over the chest. Please speak to the Rector if you would like to learn more about baptism.

Hymn L-152 *Let Us Break Bread Together*

[Spiritual]

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 365

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 344 *Lord dismiss us with thy blessing*

[Sicilian Mariners]

Dismissal

BCP 366

Celebrant

Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude WLP 787

We are marching in the light of God

[Siyahamba]

*Emmanuel Episcopal Church
Hampton, Virginia*

April 28, 2024

Welcome to Emmanuel!

If this is your first visit to Emmanuel Episcopal Church, consider making this your spiritual home. Sunday services are found in the red Book of Common Prayer located in your pew or in the printed bulletin. Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal, the red & black Lift Every Voice and Sing hymnal (L), or the green Wonder, Love, & Praise hymnal (W).

If this is your first time visiting the Episcopal Church, simply relax and enjoy the service. Don't worry about doing things "right," for God has brought you here for a purpose and together, as the people of God, we can enjoy each other's company and the presence of God you bring into our midst.

All people are welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church and you can do so by coming to the rail, standing or kneeling, and holding out your hands to receive the bread (Body of Christ) and when the cup is offered to you, either drink from the common cup- first cup; or dip the bread in the wine yourself (intinction) - second cup. Communion in one-kind (bread) is a completely full & sufficient communion. If you would prefer to have Rev. Rhonda and a chalice come to you, please notify an usher.

Filming during the service - Recognizing that not all are able to re-gather, we will broadcast the this service.

Cell Phones - Please remember to mute or turn off your phone before the service starts.

Safety Protocols at Emmanuel - Mask wearing is appropriate anytime but not required. In close quarters, like the Vestry room and library, it may make sense to consider wearing masks depending on the participants. Hand sanitizer is available. In the event of an emergency, please stay calm, stay seated, and listen for instructions.

The sanctuary flowers are given this week by Jan Kistler to the glory of God and in honor of Alex's birthday.

The sanctuary candle is given this week by Suzzane Jewett to the glory of God and in honor of Rylee's birthday.

Lay Eucharistic Ministers

8:00am R - Beth Pence; C - Chuck Gwilt, Vi Cooper

10:30am R - Rhonda Burrell-Garguilo; C - Barb Fisher, Laura L. Manigault

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminder - Emmanuel's sanctuary and chapel are open for prayer and reflection during office hours: Tuesday - Friday; 8:30a - 3p.

Autism Spectrum Disorder Organizational Meeting - TODAY, *Sunday, April 28 at 1p.*

Last Call for May Newsletter Items - The newsletter will be mailed May 1.

Blood Drive at St. Mark's Methodist Church - *Wednesday, May 1, 2p - 6p.* To register, please call 1-800 733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org.

No Evening Midweek Bible Study or healing service this week (May 1 at 5p and 6p respectively.) Both will return on May 8.

Parish Breakfast - *Next Sunday, May 5*, is the parish breakfast at 9a in the parish hall. All are invited. Members of the Diocesan Congregational Development Institute will be hosting and providing the food and beverages! Come enjoy the fellowship & delicious food.

Children's Craft Night - *Friday, May 10, 5p - 7p*, Children, ages 2-10, are invited to an evening of crafts and fun. We'll be making Mothers' Day gifts, bouncing in our bounce house, and having a Bible story. Supper will be provided. Come and see!

Mothers' Day Tea - *Sunday, May 12*, the Men of Emmanuel are hosting a tea for the women of the church at 9a in the parish hall. Ladies, you are all invited. Gentlemen, if you can assist with the tea, please contact Chuck Gwilt., 757-871-6267.

Endowment Board - Applications for grants from the Endowment Fund are now being accepted. Application forms are available on the bulletin board across for the parish office. The deadline for submitting an application is *Sunday, May 12, 2024*.

Annual Meeting, Part II - *Sunday, May 19 at 9a*, we will have the program portion of our annual meeting. We will celebrate the various ministries and programs offered at and through Emmanuel. Program and ministry leads, if you would like to include a write up about your program, please have those write ups to the parish office by *Thursday, May 16*.

The Memorial Committee is the custodian of the Memorial Fund. The purpose of the Memorial Fund is to receive funds to provide memorial gifts to the Glory of God in loving memory of deceased ones or to honor loved ones. There are 3 vacancies on the 5-person committee. Currently, there are three persons on the ballot: Diane Davidson, Jane Frazer, Suzzane Jewett. However, additional nominations may be made from the floor during the annual meeting. For more information, please call the Church Office

Bed Building Project - Emmanuel's mission team is excited to partner with the "Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP)" non-profit in a bed-building project on ***Saturday, June 8. Please note the date change.*** We will build 20 beds that day! We need 40+ volunteers that day. Please sign-up on the sheet in the parish hall or in the office foyer and use this link to complete the waiver form: <https://x.gldn.oi/e/zp75VAlSE>. We have invited the other three Episcopal churches in Hampton to help us build. The mission team looks forward to helping ensure that "no child sleeps on the floor in our town." We hope you will join us!

Forward's Day By Day - The May - July edition are available at the sanctuary entrances. Please take a copy of this daily devotional home with you.

Vestry Highlights - Vestry met on Wednesday, April 24. The following are highlights from that meeting:

- Financials were presented by our Treasurer, Vic. All is in order and moving forward.
- Parochial Report was discussed and agreed upon
- Elvira (Vi) Cooper has agreed to fill the unexpired term. She will complete it in Feb 2025
- Annual Meeting, Part II will be May 19 at 9:00 AM
- Needed: live stream operators and photographers

Church will purchase a new laptop for presentations, etc.

In Need of Prayer — *Alex, Bob, Cephrise, Carol, Diane, Becky, Clara, Boyd, Patti, Beth, Earl, Claire, Tristan, Maria, Willie, Carole, Nancy, Karen T, Arline, Ron, Bonnie, Sandy H, Kim, EJ, Jerry, Malka, Faye, Mike, Betty, Tom, Sheila, Mary, Elizabeth, Doug, Geoff, , Barbara, Barbara & Harold, Jim & Susie, Richard, Ed, Helen, Gina & Tal, Bill, Rhonda T, Mary B, Carl, Pixie, Sharon & Denis, Fran, Velma, Bobby L, Rand family, Jan F., Brenda, , Judy, Laura, Lee Ann, Betty F., Sandy, Tim & Debra, Sally Sue, Sierra, Donna B., Diane K, Aaron, Mary, Kathleen, Charlene, Rebecca, Melanie & Andy, Beth M., LaMar, Kai, Dakota, Doris, Carol Sue, Hellman family, Larry, Carol, Gerry, Mary Jane, Betty Anne, Barbara, Gale, Richard, Jane, Diane W., Delores, Carla, Anna, Andrew, Michelle, Bria, Abby, Xaria, Jonel, Mary & Lee, Belinda, Brian, Robin, Dynes family, Shirley, Edith, Mikon, Ragon family, Michelle, Breonna, Morgan, John, Keith A., Longshore family, Bishop Curry, Parker, Jon, Karla, Gary & Sheila, Debra Sue, Jerry C., Alice, Sandy R., Jack, Kyle, Pat, Jackie & Calvin; Lisa & David, Pam, Teddie Jo, Iva, Autumn, Tage, Kent, Brigid & Rick, Diana, Carol Sue Bob B., Ben, Bill B., John S., Nancy, Kellie, Preston, Marlo, Heather, Jimmy M., Bill W., Nolan, Conkey, A.J., Carrie, Sandy P.*

Stewardship Moment

Rooted in Abundance - "The Lord is my shepherd...." - Psalm 23

EVENTS THIS WEEK	
Sunday, April 28 - 8:00am & 10:30am: 9:00am & 11:30am: 9:15am: 1:00pm:	5 EASTER Worship Emmanuel Cafe YEAs & Sacred Ground Autism Spectrum Org Mtg
Monday, April 29 - 7:00pm:	AA & Al-Anon
Tuesday, April 30—11:00am:	Prayer Shawl
Wednesday, May 1 - 11:00am: 12:00pm: 7:00pm:	WoW Healing Service w/ Holy Communion Compline
Thursday, May 2 - 12:00pm: 3:00pm: 5:30pm: 6:00pm:	Fitness Garden Stewards Rejoice Ringers Choir
Friday, May 3 -	Set up for DOK
Saturday, May 4 - 8:00am: 8:00am: 9:00am:	AA DOK event Altar Guild
Sunday, May 5 - 8:00am & 10:30am: 9:00am: 11:30am:	6 EASTER Worship Parish Breakfast Emmanuel Cafe

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