

Holy Eucharist and
Sacrament of Holy Baptism
Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025
10:30 a.m.



Emmanuel Episcopal Church
179 E. Mercury Blvd
Hampton, VA 23669

Opening Hymn 207 *Jesus Christ is risen today*

[Easter Hymn]

The people standing, the Priest says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

The Priest then continues

There is one Body and one Spirit;

People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Priest One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People **One God and Father of all.**

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Flowering of the cross

First Reading (*seated*)

Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

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1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

2 Let Israel now proclaim, *
"His mercy endures for ever."

14 The LORD is my strength and my song, *
and he has become my salvation.

15 There is a sound of exultation and victory *
in the tents of the righteous:

16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! *
the right hand of the LORD is exalted! the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

17 I shall not die, but live, *
and declare the works of the LORD.

18 The LORD has punished me sorely, *
but he did not hand me over to death.

19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD.

20 "This is the gate of the LORD; *
he who is righteous may enter."

21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.

22 The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.

23 ²This is the LORD'S doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

24 On this day the LORD has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Second Reading (*seated*)

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn 210

The day of resurrection!

[Ellacombe]

Holy Gospel (*stand*)

John 20:1-8

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

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

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Homily

The Rev. Rhonda E. Wheeler

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

The Priest says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Then the candidates who is unable to answer for themselves are presented individually by their Parents and Godparents, as follows

Parents and Godparents

I present Nova Lee Anthony to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Priest asks the parents and godparents

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Priest

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Then the Priest asks the following questions of the candidates who can speak for themselves, and of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children

Question **Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?**

Answer I renounce them.

Question **Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?**

Answer I renounce them.

Question **Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?**

Answer I renounce them.

Question *Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?*

Answer I do.

Question *Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?*

Answer I do.

Question *Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?*

Answer I do.

The Priest addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People **We will.**

The Priest then says

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Priest *Do you believe in God the Father?*

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Priest *Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?*

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Priest *Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?*

People **I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Priest *Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and
fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the
prayers?*

People **I will, with God's help.**

Priest *Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever
you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?*

People **I will, with God's help.**

Priest *Will you proclaim by word and example the Good
News of God in Christ?*

People **I will, with God's help.**

Priest *Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving
your neighbor as yourself?*

People **I will, with God's help.**

Priest Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidate

The Priest then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for Nova who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Priest says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. Amen.

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Priest blesses the water, first saying

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Priest

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Priest touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Baptism

Each candidate is presented by name to the Priest pours water upon, the candidate, saying

N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

When this action has been completed, the Priest, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over them, saying

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy

and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross [using Chrism if desired] and saying to each one

N. you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

The Priest says

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Priest and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Together we sing "Baptized in Water"

Baptized in water,
Sealed by the Spirit,
Cleansed by the blood of Christ
Our King:
Heir of salvation,
Trusting his promise,
Faithfully now God's praise we sing.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Holy Communion

Anthem (Emmanuel Choir)

"Glorious, Risen Christ!"

Lloyd Larson

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)

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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.

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."

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,

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.

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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.

I am the bread of life

[I Am the Bread of Life]

Taste and See

James E. Moore, Jr.

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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

Closing Hymn 175 (v. 2, 4, 6, 8) *Hail thee, festival day*

[Salve festa]

Dismissal

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Celebrant

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

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Emmanuel Episcopal Church
Hampton, Virginia
April 20, 2025

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 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 the clergy 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 later 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.

Lay Eucharistic Ministers

6:30am: R—Beth Pence; C—Margaret Seitz, Chris Johnson

8:00am R – Vi Cooper; C – Chuck Gwilt, Vi Cooper

10:30am R – Gary Burgess; C – Margaret Parker, Laura L. Manigault

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Flowering the Cross - At the 6:30a service you are invited to place flowers on the cross after the service. At 8a, please place them as you enter the sanctuary for the service. And at 10:30a, please place them when directed during the service. Thank you for turning the desolate looking cross into one of beauty with your floral offerings!

Guest Musician—Thank you to Stephen Slater, our guest French Horn player, for adding to the festivities.

Well Done! Many people contributed to the services, events and arrangements of Lent, Holy Week and Easter. Your service created a Holy space for reflection and worship for our faith community. Thank you to:

The Altar Guild for preparing the sanctuary during Holy Week and Easter Day with beautiful decorations;
The Emmanuel Choir for their work under Cathy Comb's leadership;
The Emmanuel Cafe team who hosted the Palm Sunday & Easter receptions;
Carol Bowers who organized and conducted the Easter Egg Hunt;
The "dirty nail brigade" for their work in preparing the courtyard gardens;
Readers, ushers, acolytes, and many others;

All contributed to our Lenten and Easter season. This is the Lord's work and we offer it in His name. We appreciate your faithful service!

Holy Baptism—Our Easter celebration is made more special as we welcome Nova Lee Anthony into the family of faith through the sacrament of baptism at the later service! Nova is the daughter of Charlotte & Jonathon; sister of Selene; and granddaughter of Laura & David. We welcome their family and friends on this special day.

Easter Egg Hunt—Children, 5th grade and younger, are invited to the hunt after the later service. Please gather on the pavement by the church steps after the service for instructions.

Midweek Evening Bible Study & Healing services will resume *April 23*.

ARC*C (Age Related Concerns * Caregivers) meets this *Wednesday, April 25 at 3p* in the vestry room. This group is open to any who are experiencing age-related concerns or who is a caregiver for a family member or friend.

Book Club will be meeting on *Friday, April 25 at 12:30p* to discuss Bret Wittier and Vicki Myron's book *Dewey*, about a cat and a library in Iowa.

Yard Sale - *Saturday, April 26 from 8a - 1p*. The Mission Team and the Fundraising Committee are hosting yard sales on the same date! The mission team will be in the courtyard and is now accepting donations. The Fundraising Committee will set up their sale in the parish hall. Please help us get the word out to friends and neighbors. There are sure to be bargains!

Autism Acceptance Month is April. The Autism Society Tidewater VA is offering a one hour presentation via Zoom on *April 25 starting at 6:30p*. Here is the link information for that zoom presentation:

Topic: Autism 101 Time: Apr 25, 2025 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87226971015?pwd=gbiZkpdXKBTb2XBYGXbawBM0LEXiOR.1>

Meeting ID: 872 2697 1015

Passcode: 755146 ---

Easter Decorations - If you contributed to the cost of the Easter decorations and would like to pick up a plant, please see the altar guild after the late service on *April 27*.

May Newsletter Deadline – Articles and announcements for the May newsletter should be into the parish office by *Friday, April 25*.

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 4, 2025*.

In Need of Prayer — Alex, Bob, Cephise, 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, 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, Donna B., Diane K, Aaron, Mary, Kathleen, Charlene, Rebecca, Beth M., LaMar, Kai, Dakota, Doris, Carol Sue, Hellman family, 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, Michelle, Breonna, Morgan, John, Keith A., Bishop Curry, Parker, Jon, Karla, Gary & Sheila, Debra Sue, 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., Nancy, Kellie, Preston, Marlo, Heather, Jimmy M., Bill W., Nolan, A.J., Carrie, Sandy P., Tina, Paul, Evelyn, Steven, Virginia, Helms family, Phillips family, Bill K, Shanda, Karen, Cathy S., Chisman family, Wendy, Judy, Brian, Gary & Chuck, Mona, Garry, Marty, Pat, Robert, Jerry, Carol U, Baby William, Gary, Constance, Latta; Angalee, David & Frank, Kathie, Georgia, Jackie, Lasher family, Mike

Stewardship Moment

"Walk in Love" - Alleluia, He is risen!

Christ
is
Risen!

EVENTS THIS WEEK	
Sunday, April 20 - 6:30, 8:00am & 10:30am: 9:00am & 11:30am: 11:30am:	EASTER Worship Emmanuel Café Easter Egg Hunt
Monday, April 21 - 7:00pm:	AA & Al-Anon
Tuesday, April 22—11:00am:	Prayer Shawl
Wednesday, April 23 – 11:00am: 12:00pm: 3:00pm: 6:30pm: 9:00pm:	WoW Healing Worship ARC*C Vestry Compline
Thursday, April 24 – 11:30am: 5:30pm:	Fitness Choir
Friday, April 25—12:30pm: 4:00pm:	Book Club Yard Sale sort
Saturday, April 26 - 8:00am: 9:00am:	AA, YARD SALE Altar Guild
Sunday, April 27 - 8:00am & 10:30am: 9:00am: & 11:30am:	2 EASTER Worship Emmanuel Café

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