

**Emmanuel
Episcopal Church
3 EASTER**



Sunday, April 19, 2026, 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Emmanuel. We invite you to join with us in worship.

Prelude "The Water is Wide"

[Traditional]

Opening Hymn 182 (v. 1, 3, 5) *Christ is alive! Let Christians sing*

[Truro]

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 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 (*The following is said at 8:00 a.m. and sung at 10:30 a.m.*)

S-278 (Mathias)

**Glorify 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

Celebrant God 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.

First Reading (*seated*)

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.

2 The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; *
I came to grief and sorrow.

3 Then I called upon the Name of the Lord: *
"O Lord, I pray you, save my life."

10 How shall I repay the Lord *
for all the good things he has done for me?

11 I will lift up the cup of salvation *
and call upon the Name of the Lord.

12 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *
in the presence of all his people.

13 Precious in the sight of the Lord *
is the death of his servants.

14 O Lord, I am your servant; *
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.

15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and call upon the Name of the Lord.

16 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *
in the presence of all his people,

17 In the courts of the Lord's house, *
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.
Hallelujah!

Second Reading (*seated*)**1 Peter 1:17-23**

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

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

Gradual Hymn L-69 *In the Garden*

C. Austin Miles

Holy Gospel (*stand*)**Luke 24:13-25**

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Now on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Deacon 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: As we enter again the presence of our Lord Jesus, revealed in Scripture and the breaking of the bread, let us remember those who are near and those who are far, saying, "O God, in your mercy, hear our prayer."

Gracious Lord, as we celebrate the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood, remember all those who serve before you in your Church including Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Susan, our bishop; and especially those newly baptized this Eastertide

O God in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Risen Jesus, you are with us along the road of life. Remember all those who govern and hold authority in the world, especially Donald, the President of the United States; Abigail, the Governor of this state; and Jimmy, the Mayor of this city, and grant your wisdom to all legislatures and courts.

O God in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Jesus, King of Glory, by your death you have destroyed death, and by your rising to life, you have given us newness of life. Remember all those struggling in the midst of death with war, pestilence, and disaster..

O God in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Lord of the Table, you nourish us with Bread and Wine, with your very self and presence. Grant that we may become your presence in the world and learn to nourish others, remembering those who are ill, hungry or thirsty, those who are dying, in prison, or in misery. We remember especially those we name now silently or aloud. *Silence*

O God in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: O Lord Jesus, you have been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have are asleep. Remember all who have died, for they will be made alive in your. Remember those we name now, silently or aloud. *Silence*

Risen Christ,

People: **To you we give all our praise.**

Leader: Christ our Passover, you died to sin, once for all, and the life you live, you to God. We thank you that we are dead to sin and alive to God in you and give thanks for all other blessings of our lives including those we name now silently or aloud. *Silence*

O God in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Make our hearts burn within us, Lord Christ, as we walk with you on the road and listen to your words; strengthen us with your presence and your truth all our journey through, that at its end, we may behold you in the glory of the eternal Trinity, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins to God.

**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.**

Absolution

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

Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you**

Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem (Emmanuel Choir) “*Come to Jesus*” Chris Rice; arr. by Mark Hayes

The people stand and sing the Presentation Hymn as gifts of bread, wine, and money are presented at the altar:

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 B

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-128 (Mathias)

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 kneel or stand.

The Celebrant continues

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.

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 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 sin. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death.

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

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 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.**

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.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **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.

Hymn L-205

Trust and Obey

Sammis/Towner

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 365

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with this 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.**

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 460 (v. 1, 3, 4) *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

[Hyfrydol]

Dismissal

BCP 366

Deacon or LEM Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the Name of Christ

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude

"God is Holding Your Life"

Richard Colligan

Emmanuel Episcopal Church Hampton, Virginia

April 19, 2026

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 center of the rail and holding your hands to receive the bread (Body of Christ). Afterwards to receive the wine (Blood of Christ), please move to either the right or the left side. The right side is where you can drink from the common cup and the left side is where you can dip the bread in the wine yourself (intinction). 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 be present in the sanctuary, we 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.

The sanctuary flowers are given this week by Margaret & Dean Seitz to the glory of God and in honor of their wedding anniversary.

The sanctuary candle is given this week by Sandra Brown to the glory of God and in honor of her daughter, Samantha Brown Bollinger's, birthday.

Lay Eucharistic Ministers

8:00am R – Charlene Tate Nichols; C – Karl Duff, Margaret Seitz

10:30am R – Laura L. Manigault; C – Margaret Parker, Chris Johnson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminder – The sanctuary and chapel are open for quiet prayer and reflection during office hours: This parish office is open Tuesday - Friday 8:30a – 3p.

Day by Day Devotionals – The May – July edition of Forward's Day By Day is now available for pick up at the sanctuary entrances. Please take one home with you.

Final Tally Lenten Challenge – “4,000 cans in 40 days.” We got the final count in from St. John's, 1340 cans. Adding that to Emmanuel's 1862 cans brings the total to **3102!!** Thank you again for your amazing support.

Emmanuel's Community Food Pantry – The pantry is being used; at least 75 food items were distributed this past week. Bill Miles wrote a great announcement for facebook to let our neighbors know about this resource. You may stock the pantry yourself or bring items in for “Can in the Hand” each Sunday and those will be placed in the pantry as needed.

Vestry Meeting – April's vestry meeting is this *Wednesday, April 22 at 6:30p*.

Newsletter – The deadline for the May edition of the church newsletter is this *Friday, April 24*. Please have articles and announcements to the church office by then.

Mission Yard Sale is this *Saturday, April 25 from 8a - 1p*. We are still accepting items for sale. Any help in getting the word out about the deals available is much appreciated!

Endowment Board - Applications for grants from the Endowment Fund are now being accepted. Application forms are available on the bulletin board across from the parish office. The deadline for submitting an application is *Sunday, May 3, 2026*.

Mother's Day Tea is *Sunday, May 10 at 9a* in the parish hall. All ladies of the church are invited to this special tea in honor of you and your ministry at Emmanuel. Gentlemen, if you would like to assist in the preparations, you will be meeting on Friday, May 8 at 4p.

Hampton Blitz – Emmanuel will be participating in the Blitz on *Saturday, May 9 from 8a to 2p*. We are working outside doing yardwork and repairing fencing. General laborers needed! Our house is in southeast Newport News this time. Here is the link to the event registration page for volunteers:

<https://habitatpgw.volunteerhub.com/vv2/event/c3d2d767-e576-464f-945d-8602311bac6f>

Prayer Retreat – A new installment of “Teach Us to Pray” is being planned for *Saturday, May 16, 10:30a – 2p*, with lunch included. Please save the date and a sign-up list will be going up soon.

Annual Meeting, part II – *Sunday, May 17 at 9a* is when we are planning on holding the program portion of our annual meeting. This is the meeting where we get to celebrate the many ways God is working in and through Emmanuel.

Pentecost & Memorial Day BBQ – What could be better than celebrating Pentecost and having a Memorial Day BBQ on the same day, *Sunday, May 24?! We invited you to wear red that Sunday and to bring a side or dessert to share. The Men of Emmanuel will be grilling hot dogs, hamburgers, and veggie burgers for us!*

In Need of Prayer — Bob, Cephise, Margaret, Carol, Lisa, Diane, Jackie, Beth, Teddie Jo, Deacon Earl, Claire, Doris, Ron, Arline, Clara, Tristan, Maria, Willie, Carol Sue, Bonnie, Iva, Paul & Taffy, Sally Sue, Diane K, Aaron, Mary, Kathleen, Kai, Art, Don, Sandra, Tal, Gina, Sabrina, Angalee & David, Elaine, Joe, Jerry W., Velma, Karen T, Nancy K, Kim, Carole, EJ, Jerry, Nancy B, Mary, Elizabeth, John, Richard, Geoff, Helen, Virginia, William, Jan, Faye, Rebecca & Vincent, Mike, Betty, Tom & Sheila, Ramon, Barbara, Jim & Susie, Leigh, Bill, Carl, Pixie, Donnie, Bobby L., Dell, Peggy, Judy, Laura, Lee Ann, Brenda, Betty F., Tim & Debra, Donna, Lamar, Pam, Nancy W., Gale, Richard H., Diane W., Delores, Anne, Andrew, Bria, Xaria, John, Karla, Robin, Barbara & Harold, Edith, Shirley, Robert D., Michelle, Althea, Kay, Keith A., Parker, Danny & Debra, Kyle, Gary & Sheila, Gerard, Kora, Pat, Mel, Taze, Kent, Elizabeth, Maureen, Karen, Benjamin & Marie, Ryan, Abby, Preston, Marlow, Jimmy, Brian, Floyd, Kelly, Tina, Anthony, Evelyn, Declan, Shandra, Ross, Frankie, Lili, Robert M., Joshua, Braydon, Tim, Val, Glenn, Bo, Constance, Gary, Cathy S., Liz, Ellie & Clyde, Dominic, Dumans, Kathie, Georgia, Edwin, John L., Lester, Vicky, James, Jazmin, Steve, Patrick, Erick, Jordan, Samantha, Chantelle, Meyers, Jeff, James P., Alexis, Tytiana, Scott, Chris, Kenneth, Heather, KJ, Haleigh, Brianna, Sophia, Helen, Larry T, Patty, Marty, Mary, Barb, Michelle, Derek, Rachel, Zackery

Stewardship Moment:

"Tell Out My Soul"—"Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you." – Psalm 16:1

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EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 19 - 8:00am & 10:30: 9:00am & 11:30am: 9:15am:	3 Easter Worship Emmanuel Café Christian Formation Programs
Monday, April 20-5:00pm: 7:00pm:	Finance AA & Al-Anon
Tuesday; April 21—11:00am: 4:00pm	Prayer Shawl Pastoral Care
Wednesday, April 22-9:30am: 11:00am: 12:00pm: 6:30pm: 9:00pm:	Morning Prayer WoW Healing Vestry Compline on-line
Thursday, April 23 – 11:30am: 4:00pm: 5:30pm:	Fitness Staff Choir
Friday, April 24 –3:00pm:	Yard Sale Set-up
Saturday, April 25- 8:00am: 8:00am: 9:00am:	AA Yard Sale Altar Guild
Sunday, April 26 - 8:00am & 10:30: 9:00am & 11:30am: 9:15am: 12:00pm:	4 Easter Worship Emmanuel Café Christian Formation Programs EASDSM