

Emmanuel Episcopal Church

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

8:00am & 10:30am



Edgar's Mission is a not for profit farmed animal sanctuary that seeks to create a humane and just world for all.

*As we gather before the service begins,
we encourage people to use the time as a centering for prayer and meditation.*

Please silence your cell phones.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude

Sheep may safely graze
from a soprano solo in cantata 208 - the hunt cantata (1719)
organ transcription 1992 Noel Rowsthorne
Wayne Hatwich, organist

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Processional Hymn

Welcome, Happy morning

Hymn #179

(stand as you are able)

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia. (✠) Christ is risen.

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

Celebrant: **A**lmighty 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.*

The Gloria in Excelsis

People: *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.*

Gloria

Gloria

Con moto ♩ = 128

f
Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on
6
earth. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fath - er, we
11
wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - - - ry.
16
mf
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fath - er, Lord God, Lamb of God, you
21
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the
26
mp
right hand of the Fath - er: re - ceive our prayer.
31
f
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
36
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
41
ff
glo - ry of God the Fath - er. A - men, A - - - men.

Collect for The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

New Testament

A Reading from Acts

Acts 4:5-12

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is

the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;
it has become the cornerstone.'

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



Psalm 23

1 The Lord / is my shepherd; *
I / shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down / in green pastures *
and leads / me beside still waters.

3 He re-/vives my soul *
and guides me along right / pathways for his Name's sake.

4 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.

5 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.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the / days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the / house of the Lord for ever.

New Testament

A Reading from First John

1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

Jesus lives

Hymn #194

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

John 10:11-18

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Celtic Alleluia

O'Carroll & Walker

Musical notation for the Celtic Alleluia. The piece is in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. It consists of two staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 6/8 time signature. It starts with a fermata over a whole note G, followed by a double bar line and a '2' above the staff. The melody then continues with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.' are written below the notes. The second staff starts with a '7' above the staff, followed by a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a 6/8 time signature. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes, ending with a fermata over a whole note G. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.' are written below the notes.

(seated)

Sermon

The Reverend Diane Tomlinson

A moment of silence is observed after the sermon

Nicene Creed

Confirmation class

We believe in one God, Creator of all things, compassionate, all knowing, powerful, and pretty chill, who looks over the whole world, controls everything, and loves unconditionally.

We believe in Jesus, the son of God, who is a “pretty cool dude.” He spreads love and joy, ministers to the sick, the friendless, the needy, and the forgotten. He saved people from impending doom, and forgives all of our sins.

We believe in the Holy Ghost, God’s middle man, who is part of God, who comes down from Heaven to speak God’s word.

We believe that God created all things, both good and bad.

We believe that Jesus was nailed to the cross for our sins, and that when raised from the dead, Jesus “dipped from earth.”

We believe that salvation is the forgiveness of our sins and Jesus taking the wheel.

We believe that the church is a pretty chill place to worship and a holy place.

We believe that sins are things that God doesn’t like, and that Jesus forgives our sins by letting them go and by loving us.

The Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially Michael our Presiding Bishop and Paula our own Bishop;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially Byron, Patrick, Shane, Melinda, the victims of gun violence, and the people of Ukraine, Israel, Palestine, World Central Kitchen, and Taiwan;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest, especially Beverlee;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Celebrant: **I**t is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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 (8:00am spoken)

*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.

(10:30am sung)

Sanctus and Benedictus

Moderato ♩ = 84

mp
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord,

5 *mf*
God of pow'r and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho -

9 *mp*
san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the name of the

14 *f* *rall.*
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

(kneeling or seated)

Celebrant: **H**oly 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. When ever 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.

Celebrant: 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:

Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.*

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem (8:00am spoken)

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

Fraction Anthem (10:30am sung)

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*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymn

At the Lamb's high feast

Hymn #174

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

***E**ternal 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 (†)

(standing)

Recessional Hymn

Awake, arise

Hymn #212

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.*

Postlude

*Allegro e vivace
from Sonata II for organ op. 65*

Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy (1809-1847)

Today's flowers are given to the Glory of God
from Maryanne, Nick, and Sam Theyerl
in loving memory of Rich.

Adult forum each Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday April 28th, we will be having a group/family craft activity tying in with earth day.

Sunday School each Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Please join us in the undercroft for coffee hour each Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Emmanuel's Women's Guild meets on the third Thursday of each month at 11:30 a.m. in the undercroft,
followed by a brown bag lunch. Come join us, we'd love to have you.

Note about the cover

The Baptism of the Eunuch is a 1626 painting by the Dutch artist Rembrandt van Rijn, owned by the Museum Catharijneconvent in Utrecht since 1976. This is a panel Rembrandt made in the first years of his long career. It is inspired by a painting his teacher Pieter Lastman made in 1623. The panel is signed "RH 1626" in the bottom right. It was rediscovered in 1976 in a private collection.
www.artbible.info/art/large/1013.html

Announcements

Doug is on vacation April 17th thru the 27th.

Nametags: If you would like a nametag made, please contact the church office via email at churchoffice@emmanuelrockford.org or via phone at 815-964-5514.

Book Club: Join us Tuesday, May 14th at 1pm in the Janet James Room. May's choice is "News of the World" by Paulette Giles. In the aftermath of the American Civil War, an aging itinerant news reader agrees to transport a young captive of the Kiowa back to her people in this morally complex, multi-layered novel of historical fiction from the author of Enemy Women that explores the boundaries of family, responsibility, honor, and trust.

Grief Group: meets next on May 6th at 7 p.m. Entry at parking lot entrance. All are invited to come.

Save the Date: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 Emmanuel Celebrates its 175th Anniversary with Confirmation at 6pm. The Rt. Rev Paula Clark, Presiding. Reception to follow in the Undercroft.

Last year, a group of knitters at Talcott Free Library embarked on a project. We, along with friends and neighbors, knitted Chemo Hats for cancer patients at the three Rockford hospitals. We collected 63 hats! This year, we're doing it again. The hats must be soft, acrylic or cotton and washable for both men and women. We hope to collect all the donations by Memorial Day, May 27th. Just drop them off at the Talcott Free Library in Rockton. Thanks in advance for any donations you can make.

Rockford Area Pride: Emmanuel is marching in Rockford's Annual Pride Parade on Saturday June 1. If you are interested in participating contact Todd Burton: todd.r.burton@gmail.com. Show your Pride by ordering a Pride T-shirt at:
<https://www.rockfordareapride.org/product-page/unisex-eco-friendly-cotton-t-shirt>

The Rockford Chapter of the American Guild of Organists is sponsoring a concert of Music by Women Composers, featuring Dr. Marianne Kim and her NIU Organ Studio Students, today at 3:00 p.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church (4401 Highcrest Road). Free admission with an offering to benefit the chapter's Endowment Fund.

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Travis Castrey, Barb Anderson, Maryanne Theyerl,
Jean Frana, Ginny Hatwich, & Valerie Sanders

Assisting in the Liturgy.

8:00 a.m. Lector: Valerie Sanders

10:30 a.m. Crucifer/MC: Tyler Hillman
1st Reading: Tyler Hillman
2nd Reading: Susan Chambers
Prayers of the People: Mille Zimmerman
Altar Guild: Gale Degner
Ushers: Phil & Andrew James

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