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ELW Service – The fourth Sunday of Easter
May 11, 2025 ~ 9:00 a.m.



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Mission Statement:
Emanuel: God with Us ~ Loving Christ, Loving Others

Our Ministers This Morning Include:

Rev. Michael L. Poole Jr.

Organist: Paul Burnside

2025 Congregational Watchword –

“Jesus said, ‘Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.’” – Matthew 5:10

2025 Theme – Year of Listening

Prelude

Paul Burnside

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Opening Litany

P: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received all that you offer us: the fruit of the earth and work of human hands that will become the work your Kingdom.

C: **Blessed be God forever.**

P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C: **Christ is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!**

Gathering

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

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Watchword

Matthew 5:10

P: Jesus said, “Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,

C: **for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”**

Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

Prayer of The Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. O God of peace,

C: **you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.

Anthem *“As for Me and My House”* Emanuel Choir

Oh, choose you this day whom you will serve: the Kingdom of Heaven or the powers of earth. Has He not spoken? Have you not heard? There is but one true God.

The God of our fathers set us free. His Son paid the price for our covenant peace. Through generations His mercy speaks. We trust in one true God.

As for me and my house, we will serve, serve the Lord! As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord our God!

The house is the Lord's and all within. May it be pleasing and holy to Him. Joined by His Spirit, His people sing, “Great is the one true God! Oh, great is the living God!”

As for me and my house, we will serve, serve the Lord! As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord our God!

Oh, praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit, Three in One! Let every heart and every tongue praise the one true God! Oh, praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit Three in One! Let every heart and every tongue praise the one true God! As for me and my house, we will serve, serve the Lord! We will serve the Lord our God! We will serve the Lord our God!

First Lesson

Acts 9:36-43

Pew Bible pg. 778

P: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Responsive Reading Psalm 23

L: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

C: **The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.**

L: You restore my soul, O Lord, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

C: **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.**

L: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

C: **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

Second Lesson

Revelation 7:9-17

Pew Bible pg. 871

P: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

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Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel John 10:22-30 Pew Bible pg. 760

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 10th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

*Please be seated.

Sermon *"The Lord Is My Shepherd"* Pastor Mike
 John 10:22-30

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Hymn *"The King of Love my Shepherd Is"* #502

Nicene Creed

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 Intercession

P: Hear us, O God.

C: **your mercy is great.**

The 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, forever and ever. Amen.

Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

*Please be seated.

Offertory

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Offertory Response “*Create in Me a New Heart*” #186

♪ **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

Offering Prayer

P: O Lord, grant, we pray, that you take delight in the gifts that we offer here, that they may serve as tokens of our very lives that we truly offer to you. May we hear and listen to the voice of Christ our Great Shepherd. May we be swept up in your mysteries, that the Holy Spirit work within us, to constantly do the work of your Kingdom. May we enjoy your promise of eternal life and unending joy.

C: **Amen.**

Benediction

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

C: **Amen.**

Sending "You, Lord, are Both Lamb and Shepherd"



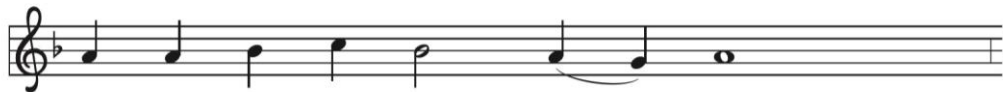
1 You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shep - herd.
2 Clothed in light up - on the moun - tain,
3 You, who walk each day be - side us,
4 Wor - thy is our earth - ly Je - sus!



You, Lord, are both prince and slave.
stripped of might up - on the cross,
sit in pow - er at God's side.
Wor - thy is our cos - mic Christ!



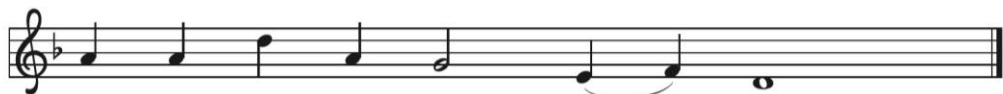
You, peace - mak - er and sword - bring - er
shin - ing in e - ter - nal glo - ry,
You, who preach a way that's nar - row,
Wor - thy your de - feat and vic - t'ry;



of the way you took and gave.
beg - gared by a sol - dier's toss,
have a love that reach - es wide.
wor - thy still your peace and strife.



You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
you, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;



you, whom we both scorn and crave.
you, who are both gift and cost.
you, who are our pil - grim guide.
you, who are our death and life.

Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude

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