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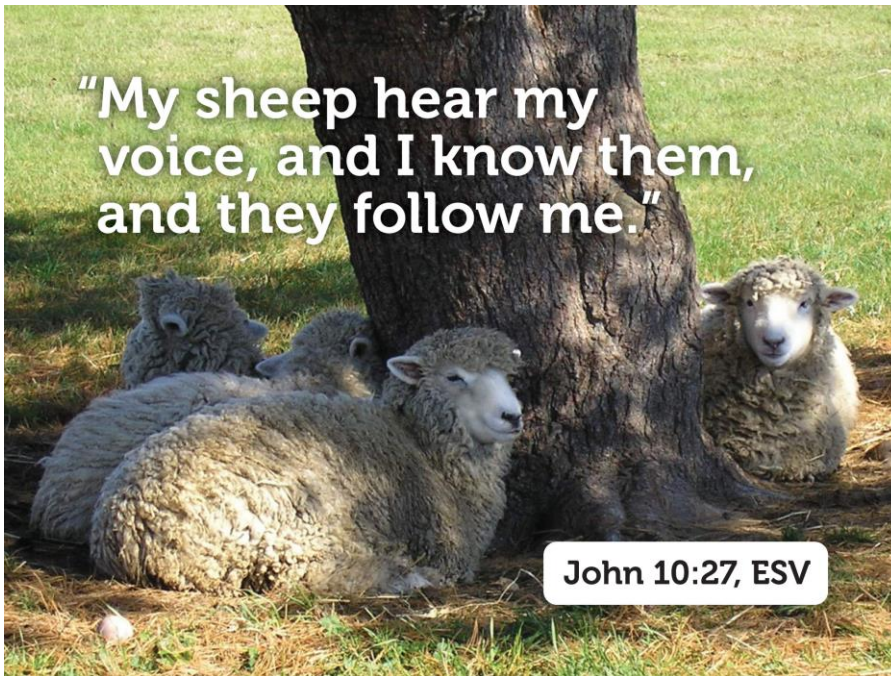
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Praise Team Worship

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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Mission Statement:

Emanuel: God with Us ~ Loving Christ, Loving Others

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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

Welcome

Opening Reading

Gathering Song "How Great is the Love"

Thank You for the way that You love us, How You love us.

Thank You for the way You have made us.

We were created for Your pleasure,

For Your presence, For the glory of Your name.

Thank You for the way that You love us.

Jesus, faithful King, Lord with grateful hearts we sing,

How great is the love, how great is the love of our Savior!

The weight of Your cross, The curse of our shame,
You carried it all and rose from the grave.
How great is the love, how great is the Love of our Savior, of our Savior.
Thank You for the grace that has saved us, You forgave us.
Thank You for the way You have freed us.
We have been ransomed, We've been rescued,
We've been purchased by the price of Your own life.
Thank You for the way that You love us.
Jesus, faithful King, Lord, with grateful hearts we sing,
How great is the love, How great is the love of our Savior!
The weight of Your cross, The curse of our shame,
You carried it all and rose from the grave.
How great is the love, how great is the Love, of our Savior, of our Savior.
Thank You for the way that You love us, how You love us.
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Thank You for the way that You love us, how You love us.
Jesus, faithful King, Lord, with grateful hearts we sing,
How great is the love, how great is the love of our Savior!
The weight of Your cross, The curse of my shame,
You carried it all and rose from the grave.
How great is the love, how great is the love of our Savior, of our Savior

Opening Litany

- L: 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.**
- L: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
- C: **Christ is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!**

Song

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need Thy tender care;
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use Thy folds prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, Thine we are;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.
We are Thine, do Thou befriend us, be the Guardian of our way;
Keep Thy flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray.
Thou hast promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse and pow'r to free.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Early let us turn to Thee;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Early let us turn to Thee;
Early let us seek Thy favor; early let us do Thy will,
Blessed Lord and only Savior, with Thy love our bosoms fill:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us, love us still;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us, love us still.
Thou hast loved us, love us still.

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.

Watchword Matthew 5:10

L: Jesus said, "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,

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

Prayer of the Day

L: O God of peace, 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.

C: **Amen.**

Passing of the Peace

Offering & Special Music

First Reading

Acts 9:36-43

Pew Bible pg. 778

Second Reading

Revelation 7:9-17

Pew Bible pg. 871

Children's Sermon

Song of the Day "Speak, O Lord"

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You

To receive the food of Your Holy Word.

Take Your truth; plant it deep in us.

Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,

That the light of Christ might be seen today

In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes, for Your glory.
Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail,
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.
Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us;
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

Sermon Reading

John 10:22-30

Pew Bible pg. 760

Sermon

"The Lord Is My Shepherd"
John 10:22-30

Pastor Mike

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.

Consecration of the Elements

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.

Distribution of the Elements

Communion Song *"I Come to the Cross"*

I come to the cross seeking mercy and grace.

I come to the cross where You died in my place.

Out of my weakness and into Your strength,
Jesus, I come to the cross.
Your arms are open, You call me by name,
You welcome this child that was lost.
You paid the price for my guilt and my shame.
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come to the cross.
I come to the cross seeking mercy and grace.
I come to the cross where You died in my place.
Out of my weakness and into Your strength,
Jesus, I come to the cross.
Your arms are open, You call me by name,
You welcome this child that was lost.
You paid the price for my guilt and my shame.
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come to the cross.

Post Communion Blessing

L: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Prayers of the Church

Benediction

L: 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 Song *"Salvation Belongs to Our God"*

Salvation belongs to our God
Who sits upon the throne,
And unto the Lamb;

Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks,
Honor and power and strength
Be to our God forever and ever,
Be to our God forever and ever,
Be to our God forever and ever, Amen.
And we the redeemed shall be strong
In purpose and unity, Declaring aloud
Praise and glory, Wisdom and thanks,
Honor and power and strength
Be to our God forever and ever,
Be to our God forever and ever,
Be to our God forever and ever, Amen.
Praise and glory, Wisdom and thanks,
Honor and power and strength
Be to our God forever and ever,
Be to our God forever and ever,
Be to our God forever and ever,
Amen. Amen.

Dismissal

- L: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
C: **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**
L: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
C: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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