Emmaus Anglican Church
Service of Holy Communion - 15 November 2026

Welcome and Call to Worship

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

Come, Christians, join to sing
Alleluia! Amen!
loud praise to Christ our King;
Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;
praise is his gracious choice.
Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high,
Alleluia! Amen!
let praises fill the sky;
Alleluia! Amen!
He is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll condescend;
his love shall never end.
Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again,
Alleluia! Amen!
life shall not end the strain;
Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore,
singing forevermore,
"Alleluia! Amen!"

The Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity

Almighty 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 Summary of the Law

Celebrant: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

The Kyrie

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.
People: **Christ have mercy.**
Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

Song of Praise

"Come to the Feast"

Go to the highways and hedges, go to the farthest of fields
Go and compel, the sick and the well
For our Father's house will be filled

Go to the streets of the city, bring in the crippled and blind
All who would taste this banquet of grace
Must come and waste no more time.

Come to the feast, come to the table
The great and the least, the rich and the poor
Come to the feast, come to the table,
Come and hunger no more

In the robe of the lamb you'll be covered Dressed in his pure righteousness
For all of your guilt, his blood it was spilt
So come by your Father be blessed

Chorus (2x)

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And with your spirit.**
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that bringing forth in abundance the fruit of good works, they may be abundantly rewarded when our Savior Jesus Christ comes to restore all things; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson 1 Thessalonians 5:1-10

[1] Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. [2] For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. [3] While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. [4] But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. [5] For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. [6] So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. [7] For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. [8] But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. [9] For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, [10] who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him.

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

Psalm 90:1-12

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

You return man to dust and say, "Return, O children of man!"

For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night.

You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning:

in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.

For we are brought to an end by your anger; by your wrath we are dismayed.

You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence.

For all our days pass away under your wrath; we bring our years to an end like a sigh.

The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty; yet their span is but toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away.

Who considers the power of your anger, and your wrath according to the fear of you?

So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.

The Gospel Matthew 25:14-30

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

14 "For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. 15
To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went
away. 16 He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents
more. 17 So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. 18 But he who had received the one talent
went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. 19 Now after a long time the master of those servants
came and settled accounts with them. 20 And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five
talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here, I have made five talents more.' 21 His
master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over
much. Enter into the joy of your master.' 22 And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master,
you delivered to me two talents; here, I have made two talents more.' 23 His master said to him, 'Well done,
good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of
your master.' 24 He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a
hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, 25 so I was afraid, and I
went and hid your talent in the ground. Here, you have what is yours.' 26 But his master answered him, 'You
wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no
seed? 27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have
received what was my own with interest. 28 So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten
talents. 29 For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who
has not, even what he has will be taken away. 30 And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that
place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon *The Rev. Scott Perry*

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and 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,
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.

The Prayers of the People

<u>For the Church, its Mission, and Clergy:</u>
Almighty God, we pray today for your Church around the world. Fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in anything it is amiss, reform it. Where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in want, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son our Savior. **Amen.**
For this church, Emmaus Anglican, we pray to you, loving God, to teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**
For all those you've called to shepherd your people, God, we ask that you'd help these to be faithful ministers of your Word and your Sacraments as they walk before your people as godly examples of the faith. We pray particularly for bishop Drew as well as the clergy in our diocese and here at Emmaus Anglican. **Amen.**

You are invited to pray for the ministers and ministries of God's church throughout the world.

For the welfare of the world, and those in authority

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom. Grant us grace to contend fearlessly against evil and to make no peace with oppression; and help us to use our freedom rightly in the establishment of justice in our communities and among the nations, to the glory of your holy Name. **Amen.**

Father, we pray this day for all of those you've called to govern, asking that you'd lift up the humble and those who do what is right according to their oath of office, but to resist the proud and the self-serving. Send down on those who hold public office the spirit of wisdom, charity, and justice; that with steadfast purpose they may faithfully serve in their offices to promote the well-being of all people. **Amen.**

You are invited to pray for all leaders, local, national and worldwide.

For Ourselves and Our Neighbors:

Help us, O God, to love one another as Christ has loved us. Help us to do those works that are pleasing in your sight. Help us to be salt and light in the world, as we manifest Christ through our words and actions, particularly in the way we love one another. **Amen.**

Father, we pray this day for all of those who have not yet received the Gospel of Christ, and for those who have never heard the word of salvation. We pray for those who have lost their faith and become hardened by sin or indifference. Stir up the embers that are in their hearts, O God, and fan them to flames that they might be saved. **Amen.**

Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to your never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that you are doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for. You are the giver of life and health, and we ask your mercy on those who are sick or suffering in pain, that by your blessing upon them and those who minister to them with your healing gifts, they may be restored to health of body and mind, and may give thanks to you. And we remember before you all your servants who have departed this life trusting in you. We ask you to give us grace to follow their good example that we may share with them in your heavenly kingdom. **Amen.**

Let us now call to mind others in need of our Lord's love and healing.

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution of Sin

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty 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.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: **And with your spirit.**

Announcements and Offertory

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye Heavenly Host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Sursum Corda

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to given him thanks and praise.

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of 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:

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!

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.
On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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 pray:

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 Fraction

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Ministration of Communion

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.

The Post Communion Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the 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.

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you this day and remain with you for ever. **Amen**.

Closing Hymn

"Rejoice O Pure in Heart"



The Dismissal

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

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