

MEAL

We are fed with the presence of Jesus Christ.

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**
P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**
P: Give thanks to the Lord your God.
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION/PRAYERS

Please take an empty cup when you come forward for communion. We have gluten free wafers—let your server know of this need. There is both wine and grape juice. You may lift up your prayers after communion by lighting a candle.

Music is played during communion

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

THE BLESSING SONG

**The Lord bless you, and keep you
Make his face shine upon you
Be gracious to you
The Lord turn his face toward you
And give you peace.**

Amen, amen, amen. Amen, amen, amen.

SONG: This Little Light of Mine #677 (*We sing the first verse of this song while the children leave for Sunday school class*)

Go now in peace to Love and Serve Our Risen Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



Join us after worship for our Coffee Fellowship!

Sunday, April 19th ~ Third Sunday of Easter



INTRODUCTION

Today's gospel begins with two disciples walking to Emmaus, overcome with sadness, loss, and disappointment. They had hoped Jesus, who was crucified, would be the one to redeem Israel! Yet the risen Christ walks with them and then opens their eyes in the breaking of the bread. Each Sunday our hearts burn within us as the scriptures are proclaimed and Christ appears to us as bread is broken and wine is poured. The story of Emmaus becomes the pattern of our worship each Lord's day.

OPENING SONG: Alleluia! Jesus is Risen #377 Vs. 1-3

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.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

C: Amen.

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God,

you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation:

morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you.

C: You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

C: You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

C: You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching, and in song.

SPARK STORY BIBLE: Saul to Paul pgs. 514-519
Children's Message

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

1st Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

C: Open our ears to hear your word.

Reading

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (please read bolded words)

L: I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,

C: for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.

L: The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me; I came to grief and sorrow.

C: Then I called upon the name of the LORD: "O LORD, I pray you, save my life."

L: How shall I re-pay the LORD for all the good things God has done for me?

C: I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.

L: I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people.

C: Precious in your sight, O LORD, is the death of your servants.

L: O LORD, truly I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

C: I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the LORD.

L: I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people,

C: in the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-23

C: Open our ears to hear your word.

reading

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Halle, Halle, Hallelujah #172

GOSPEL: Luke 24:13-35

The Holy Gospel according to Luke in the 24th chapter

C: Glory to You, O LORD!

Pastor reads

L: This is the gospel of Our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

MESSAGE

SONG: We Come to the Hungry Feast #479 Vs. 1-3

OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please respond to Merciful God, with **Receive our prayer.**