



Holy Eucharist, Rite One
8:00 AM

Entrance Rite

BCP 323

The Collect of the Day

The Lessons Acts 2.14a, 36-41 (See 10:30 section)

Bible 1262

Psalm 116.1-3, 10-17 *Dilexi, quoniam* (See 10:30 section or BCP)

BCP 759

The Epistle: 1 Peter 1.17-23

Bible 1374

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God. The Word of the Lord / *Thanks be to God.*

Luke 24.13-35 (See 10:30 section)

Bible 1234

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

BCP 326

Prayers of the People, Form II

BCP 385

Confession of Sin

BCP 330

The Peace

Offertory

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer II

BCP 340

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 337

The Communion

Postcommunion Prayer and Blessing

BCP 339

Hymn at the Procession 213 *Come Away to the Skies*

Middlebury

Dismissal

Holy Eucharist and Baptism, Rite Two

10:30 AM

The Word of God

Voluntary

Christ Lag in Todesbanden (text hymn #186)

Samuel Scheidt (1587-1654)

At the Procession

Hymnal 296 *We Know that Christ is Raised*

Engelberg

Opening Acclamation

BCP 299

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;

People *There is one hope in God's call to us;*
 Celebrant *One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;*
 People *One God and Father of all.*
 Celebrant *The Lord be with you.*
 People *And also with you.*
 Celebrant *Let us pray.*

The Collect of the Day

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson: Acts 2.14a, 36-41

Bible 1262

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

The Word of the Lord / *Thanks be to God.*

The Gradual: Psalm 116.1-3, 10-17 *Dilexi, quoniam*

BCP 759

The choir and congregation chant the psalm. +



1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication,* because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.

2 The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me;* I came to grief and sorrow.

3 Then I called upon the Name of the Lord:* "O Lord, I pray you, save my life."

10 How shall I repay the Lord* for all the good things he has done for me?

11 I will lift up the cup of salvation* and call upon the Name of the Lord.

12 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord* in the presence of all his people.

13 Precious in the sight of the Lord* is the death of his servants.

14 O Lord, I am your servant;* I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving* and call upon the Name of the Lord.

16 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *
in the presence of all his people,

+17 In the courts of the Lord's house, *
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.
Hallelujah!

At the Sequence Hymnal 204 Now the Green Blade Riseth

Noël nouvelet

Procession to Children's Chapel for 3K, 4K, and 5K. Children will return at the Peace.

The Gospel: Luke 24.13-35

Bible 1234

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Celebrant The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents I present N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents and Godparents I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents and Godparents I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents and Godparents I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Parents and Godparents I do.

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Parents and Godparents I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Parents and Godparents I do.

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People We will.

Celebrant Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Baptism

Adair Grace Axson
Cameron Jeanne Gross

Jesus Loves Me

The Welcome of the Newly Baptized

Celebrant and People We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

At the Offertory

Ave Verum

Wolfgang A. Mozart

At the Presentation

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Lasst uns erfreuen

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Hymnal S-125 Holy, holy, holy Lord—*Sanctus*

Proulx

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest!

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

Fraction Anthem: S-154 *Agnus Dei*

Hurd

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

At the Communion

Hymnal 343 Shepherd of Souls

St. Agnes

Hymnal 306 Come Risen Lord

Sursum Corda

Hymnal 213 Come Away to the Skies

Middlebury

WLP 740 Wade in the Water

Wade in the Water

People's response to the sending out of the Eucharistic Visitors

May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this Sacrament of Christ's presence.

Postcommunion Prayer and Blessing

BCP 365

The Blessing

At the Procession

Hymnal 417 This is the Feast

Festival Canticle

Dismissal

Voluntary Christ Lag in Todesbanden (text hymn #186)

Johann Pachebel (1653-1706)

Our Worship

This Easter season Sunday invites us to walk the road to Emmaus with two disappointed disciples. Saddened and disillusioned by the Lord's death, they met him on that road, where he revealed himself to them in the Scriptures and the breaking of bread, transforming their grief to joy. The day will also be marked by two joyful baptisms.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the baptism for Cameron Jeanne Gross, daughter of Kyle & Sarah Gross, for the baptism of Adair Grace Axson, daughter of William & Ashleigh Axson; in celebration of the marriage of Emily and Frank Chapman and in loving memory of Clayton Smith.

A gentle reminder that part of our Anglican worship tradition is keeping a time of quiet before our services begin. Prayers of preparation are found in the Book of Common Prayer on pages 833-834.

Those leading worship at St. John's:
8:00 AM EM: Wade Sparks, Bill Robinson
10:30 EM 1: Lindsey Hiller EM 2: Faxie Watt
Acolytes: Dylan Bell, Virginia Williamson, Sawyer Tevepough, Ezra Grice
Greeters: Sandy Leach, Courtenay Mims
Ushers: John & Pam Zemp, Chris Turnipseed
Altar Guild: Gail Fisher, Kelly Turnipseed, Roger Wilson, Kate Wolcott, Susan Smith
Altar Flowers: Cricket Newman
Children's Chapel: Glennie Apoldite

Children's Chapel:
Every Sunday during the 10:30 AM worship service, children in 3k, 4k, and 5k, or children not quite ready to fully participate in the service are welcome to join us. Open to members & visitors! If it is your first time sending your child to Children's Chapel, please attend with them so our teachers can meet you.

Gravatt Day

Sunday, May 17

Join us for worship, swimming, canoeing, paddle boarding, and fishing!

St. John's will provide mac + cheese, chicken and tea. Please bring a side dish to share. Don't forget your sunscreen and bug spray!

10:30 AM Outdoor Eucharist / 11:15 AM Lunch
12 PM Activities / 1:30 PM Ice Cream Sundae Bar

Don't forget to fill out your registration forms

Christ's own forever!

Those baptized today

Cameron Jeanne Gross

Daughter of Kyle & Sarah Gross

Adair Grace Axson

Daughter of William & Ashleigh Axson



Family Ministries

Join us for **EYC** this Sunday, April 19.
Middle school 5-6 PM | Dinner 6-6:30 | High School 6:30-7:30

Join us for **Pre-YC** this Sunday, April 19 from 3-4 PM.
Meet Sophie on the playground! Parents - the parking lot will be busier than normal due to a diocesan meeting taking place in the building.

VBS 2026 is Operation Restoration! Children 3k to rising 5th grade are invited to join us June 8-11 from 9AM to 12PM each day. We will learn to be menders in God's world, and learn simple ways to live out faith in daily life. REGISTER: <https://tinyurl.com/VBS2026sje>
Volunteer with us: <https://tinyurl.com/jointhefun2026>

Newcomer Season

A St. John's Newcomers Gathering: May 3 at 5 PM at the Beasley's (4842 Landrum Dr., Columbia, SC) If you feel new, you are invited! Children welcome; heavy appetizers. RSVP to sje@stjohnscolumbia.org

The Welcome of Baptized Members: Sunday, May 3, in the 10:30 service
An opportunity to join the church by recording your baptism and to be welcomed by the congregation. Please let Fr. Beasley know of your interest; nmb@stjohnscolumbia.org

Inquirer's Class: Join us beginning this morning for an exploration of Christian faith, Episcopal worship, history, and the life of St. John's. Nursery and Sunday School are offered at the same time.
April 19, 26 and May 3 at 9:30 in Room 9

Sunday Formation

9:30 AM

Equipping the Saints: Easter in Emmaus

Multipurpose Room, lower level of Heyward Hall.

Luke is really at his storytelling best with Emmaus. Because of that, Emmaus has lent itself to plenty of interpretations, beautiful sermons, and terrific works of art. The goal is to explore the story of Emmaus from a number of different perspectives and media, working toward some thought about the Eucharist and Easter together. This week's discussion will be led by Will Grice.

The Wired Word - *Parlor, First Floor.* Discussion-oriented, this class works off lessons emailed to participants in advance, that provoke reflection on Scripture, current events, and our common life.

Faith at Home - *Library, First Floor.* Children in Holy Scripture We'll consider the Bible's wisdom related to children and childhood in this series that runs from January until May. This week will be led by Mike & Lauren McCauley.

9:00 AM

Early Sunday School Class: Davis Bourne leads "The David Story: Shepherd, Father, King" which explores the lives of Israel's first two kings - Saul and David - to discover the Bible's profound lessons about fatherhood, the nature of sin, and the consequences of sin. A delicious breakfast is included. Meeting the first Sunday of each month in the Barr Center Dining Room. Next meets Sunday, May 3.



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News & Events

Facilities Scheduling: We would like to inform our parish community that Laura Fowles, our parish administrator will be on vacation April 27-May 7. During this time, availability for scheduling events or use of parish space will be limited. If you anticipate needing space for meetings, gatherings, or events, we kindly ask that all requests be submitted by April 20 to ensure proper coordination. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we plan ahead to best serve our parish community. Email Laura with questions or facility needs.

Volunteer with Family Promise & St. John's: Each April, St. John's partners with St. Martin's to provide meals for the families hosted by Family Promise, a non-profit that supports families who are experiencing homelessness. We'll be providing dinners for the families on Mondays and Wednesdays during the weeks of April 13th and April 27th. Can you provide a meal for a family of 2-3 people? Meals can be dropped off at the church kitchen and we will deliver, or volunteer to help deliver meals to the Family Promise Center. Contact Mary Sherrer for more information and to volunteer: (803) 254-5934 or msherrer3@gmail.com.

Banners for Baptism: St. John's has a lovely tradition of giving baptismal banners to infants and children who are baptized in the church. These heirlooms hang in children's rooms for many years to serve as a reminder of the sacrament and Jesus's love. We are blessed with a growing church and some more helpers will sustain this tradition! Skills needed are: tracing, cutting and gluing. We will meet **Sunday, April 26** in the church library following the 10:30 AM service where we can show you the craft and give you supplies. For more information, please contact Catherine Lockhart at catlockhart@yahoo.com.

We are thankful for your gifts that support the ministries of St. John's!

	Pledges (Actual)	Pledges (Budgeted)	Unpledged/Plate (Actual)	Unpledged/Plate (Budgeted)	Expenses (Actual)	Expenses (Budgeted)
March 2026	\$93,723	\$104,468	\$3,187	\$4,750	\$111,321	\$106,435
Year to Date	\$338,076	\$313,404	\$13,946	\$14,250	\$305,684	\$319,305

Prayer List

Recently Died: Samuel Crews III, father of Sam Crews, on April 12; Bill Rambo, father of Dr. William Rambo, on April 11 **Those to be Baptized:** Cameron Jeanne Gross, daughter of Kyle & Sarah Gross; Lillian-Grace Thomas, daughter of Rachel & Joseph Thomas; Benton Peterson, son of Sara & Stuart Peterson; Adair Grace Axson, daughter of William & Ashleigh Axson **Those to Be Married:** Kate Thomas and Michael O'Keefe, Allison Nagy and Porter Burkett **New Parents:** Finley Douglas Funderburk, son of Olivia and Bevan Funderburk, born 3/9

For Military Service Personnel: Matthew Simmons, Byron Davison, Salters Kneece, Rivers Chadwick, Ryan Sheard, Jay Drake **St. John's Church Members:** Mackie All, Pat Arnold, Bill Barksdale, Jr., Jerryana Birch-Biblioni, Jackie Boylston, Abby Bray, Janice Fort, Burton Fowles, Jr., Steve Hardin, Miriam Hedgepath, Leigh Jones, Alice King, Jim Knight, Shirley Knight, Larry Long, Joyce Mann, Bruce Marshall, Linda Mittenzwei, John Montgomery, Christine Prioleau, George Reid, Tommy Shealy, Annette Shuler, Sid Smith, Jack Sterne, Mollie Sullivan, Kelli Turnipseed, Tyler Turnipseed **Friends and Family of Church Members:** Jose Arnaldo Bibiloni, Joanna Beresford, Patsy Blocker, Ann Bowman, Georgia Brenneke, Jim Camp, Kay Canipe, Carol Clarkson, Amy Crook, Ginnie Daguise, Brantley Daniel, Judy Dent, Maxine Floyd, Melinda "Rosa" Franks, Douglas Frels, Lettie Fuller, Tawney Gavin, Mark Grey, Mia Guinn, Sonya Hancock, Kristi Helmlly, Oliver Higinbotham, Noah Higinbotham, Miller Ingram, Frances Jaillette, Sharon James-Hilyer, Christi Jolley, Kevin Keeney, Kate Lichty, Lori Lesieur, Jennifer Martin, John McKie, Katherine Mundy, Charlie Pate, Carol Preslar, Colleen Pruitt, Earl Ridout & family, David Richardson, Beaumont Riley, Mark Riley, Jackie Schell, Pearl Sims, Courtney Smith, Linda Sparks, Jason Sutton, Eleanor Taylor, Jerry Trotter, Vera W. Tucker, Barbara Turner, Brooks Wheeler