

The Invitation

The Communion

The Thanksgiving: Psalm 103:1-4

**Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.
Praise the Lord, my soul; and forget not all his benefits—
who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit
and crowns you with love and compassion.**

Offertory Prayer and Offering of our Gifts

Each week at Covenant we receive a monetary offering to support the mission and ministry of the church. This morning's offering will support the Missions Fund which enables us to focus on mission efforts both locally and in other countries.

Offertory Song: "O Come, My Soul, Sing Praise to God" LUYH 672:1-3

*Benediction

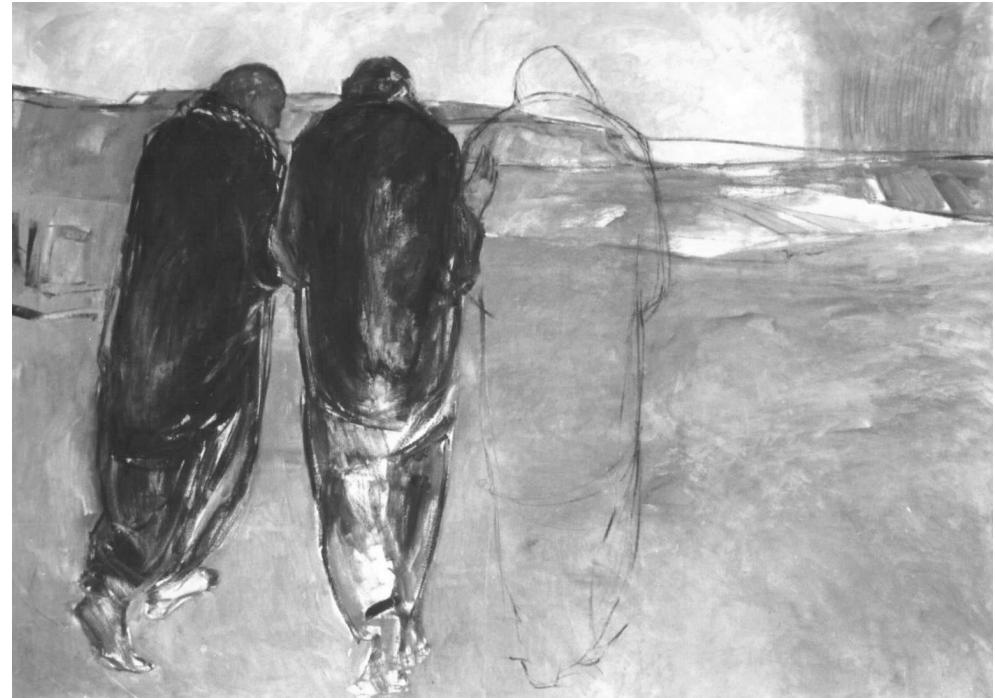
Sisters and brothers,
let us claim the freedom Christ gives us by his self-giving on the cross.
May he enable us to serve together in faith, hope, and love.
Go in peace and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

May the God of love, who shared his love, strengthen us in our love for others.
May the Son who shared his life grant us grace, that we might share our life.
And may the Holy Spirit dwelling in us
empower us to be only and always for others.

Amen.

*Closing Song: "My Friends, May You Grow in Grace" LUYH 938



Luke 24:15, 27, 30-31a

While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them. ✦ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. ✦ 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.

As we follow the Emmaus Way in worship during this season of Lent, we pray that the presence of Christ will be made known to us.

Worship Participants

Pastor: Pastor Joel Kok ✦ Musicians: Ryan & Amie Smit

Sound: Eric Rowe ✦ Projection: Dane Hibma ✦ CCLI #493458 ✦ OneLicense #A-721171

Jesus Walks Alongside Us

Welcome

*Gathering Song: "Come to Me, O Weary Traveler" LUYH 123

*Call to Worship

What does God call Abraham?

My friend.

How did the Lord speak to Moses?

Face to face, as a friend to a friend.

What does Jesus call us?

His friends.

How do we practice friendship with our Lord?

By working together to spread light, life, and love

*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

*Song of Praise: "Meekness and Majesty" LUYH 157

Call to Confession: I John 1:8-2:1 p.1899

Prayer of Confession

Kyrie: "Lord, Have Mercy" LUYH 639

Words of Assurance: I John 2:2 p.1899

We Share Our Joys & Concerns and Pray for Each Other

Jesus Opens the Scriptures

Children's Blessing: "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" LUYH 140:1

Children ages 3 years old through Kindergarten are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary to receive a prayer of blessing before going downstairs to the Multi-Purpose Room for a time of worship designed especially for young children. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service.

Scripture: Genesis 15:1-21 p.20

Sermon: "A Friend Like No Other"

Pastor Joel Kok

*Song of Response: "What Wondrous Love" LUYH 164

*We Profess Our Faith: "The Apostles' Creed" LUYH 783A

Jesus Breaks Bread with Us

We invite all who believe in Jesus as their Lord and Savior to come to the table to be fed and nourished. We believe that this is a family meal. If your children have shown an interest in taking communion, please contact Pastor Joel or your elder. This morning the elements will be passed through the rows. Please hold them until all have been served and we will eat together. If you are in need of gluten-free bread, please indicate that to the servers.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Savior God, you made a covenant to assure us;
you suffered the covenant curse to save us.

And now you give us the new covenant meal.

We praise and thank you, now and forever. Amen.

Song: "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" LUYH 538:1

The Institution (I Corinthians 11)

The Consecration

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

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

Dying, he destroyed our death;

rising, he restored our life.

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Prayer of Consecration (concluding with 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.