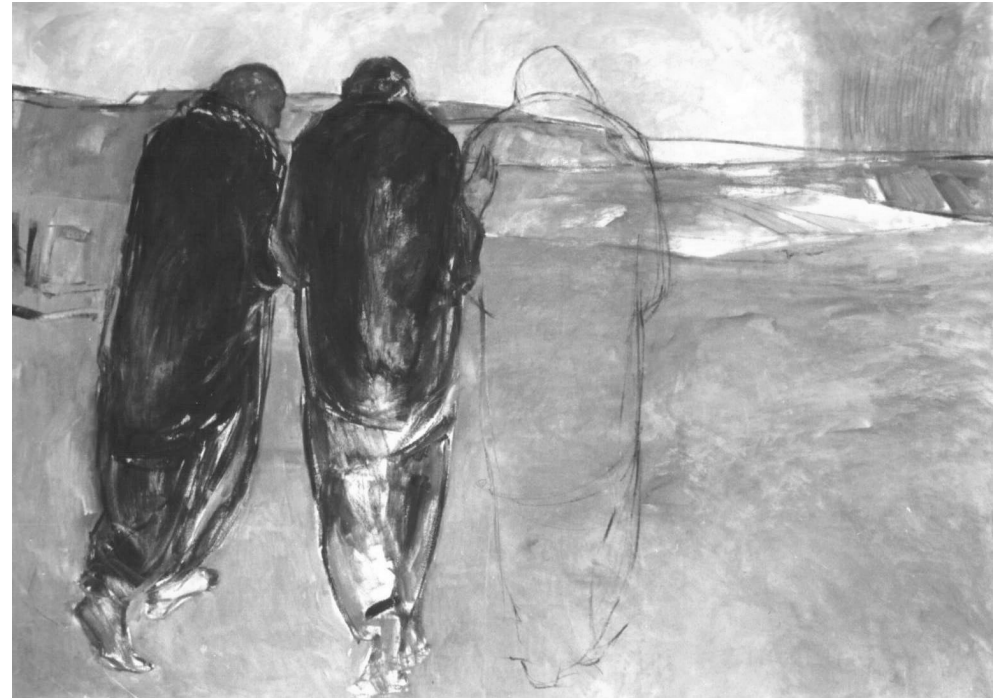


May the God of love, who shared his love, strengthen us in our love for others.
 May the Son who shared his life grant us grace, that we might share our life.
 And may the Holy Spirit dwelling in us
 empower us to be only and always for others.

Amen.

*Closing Song: "God, the Father of Your People"

LUYH 927



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

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Jesus Walks Alongside Us

Welcome

Gathering Song: "Come to Me, O Weary Traveler" LUYH 123:1

*Call to Worship: Psalm 118:24
This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it!

*Song of Praise: "Rejoice, the Lord is King" LUYH 224:1,2,4

*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

*Psalm 105:1-8 and Song: "The Steadfast Love of the Lord" LUYH 347
Sing refrain

O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,
make known among his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of his wonderful works.

Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually.

Remember the wonderful works he has done,
his miracles and the judgements he uttered,

O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

He is the Lord our God; his judgements are in all the earth.

He is mindful of his covenant forever, of the word that he commanded,
for a thousand generations.

Praise the Lord.

Sing refrain

Call to Confession: Psalm 32:1-6 p.869

Silent Prayers of Confession

Kyrie: "Lord, Have Mercy" LUYH 639

Words of Assurance: based on Romans 8:34, II Cor. 5:17-18 p.1758, 1799
Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn?

**Only Christ, and Christ died for us,
Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us,
Christ prays for us.**

The Communion: "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" LUYH 168
"Alleluia, He Is Coming"

**1. I looked up and I saw my Lord a-coming.
I looked up and I saw my Lord a-coming down the road.**

*Chorus: Alleluia, He is coming. Alleluia, He is here.
Alleluia, He is coming. Alleluia, He is here.*

**2. I looked up and I saw my Lord a-weeping.
I looked up and I saw my Lord a-weeping for my sins. (to chorus)**

**3. I looked up and I saw my Lord a-dying.
I looked up and I saw my Lord a-dying on the cross. (to chorus)**

**4. I looked up and I saw my Lord a-rising.
I looked up and I saw my Lord a-rising from the grave. (to chorus)**

**5. I looked up and I saw my Lord a-coming.
I looked up and I saw my Lord a-coming on the clouds. (to chorus)**

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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 Building Fund, which is used to cover major project expenses for the church.

*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.

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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 we will come forward to receive the elements. Children who do not yet take communion can receive a blessing. Gluten-free bread is available.

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.

Lord, you have compassion on every creature you have made;

Father in heaven, you sent your Son not to condemn,

but so that the world can be saved.

Triune God, you are forming us to live in your love and reflect your glory.

Loving God, we thank you, now and forever, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Therefore, we join our voices with all the saints and angels

and the whole creation to sing:

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.

The Invitation

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

Thanks be to God.

*Song of Thanksgiving: "Beautiful Things"

**1. All this pain. I wonder if I'll ever find my way;
I wonder if my life could really change at all.**

**2. All this earth. Could all that is lost ever be found;
could a garden come up from this ground at all?**

*Chorus: You make beautiful things,
you make beautiful things out of the dust
You make beautiful things, you make beautiful things out of us.*

**3. All around hope is springing up from this old ground.
Out of chaos life is being found in You. (to chorus)**

*Bridge: You make me new, you are making me new.
You make me new, you are making me new.*

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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: Joshua 5

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Sermon: "Treasures New and Old"

Pastor Joel Kok

*Song of Response: "Let Us Talent and Tongues Employ"

LUYH 830

*We Profess Our Faith: "The Apostles' Creed"

LUYH 783A