


The Road to Emmaus

April 21, 2024

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GATHERING

Jeremy Botts, Song Leader

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

VT#28

Welcome

Jed Sanford

Call to Worship

Leader: We need your presence on the long road, Lord.

People: The road between fear and hope,

Leader: the road between the place where all is lost

People: and the place of resurrection.

Leader: Like the disciples walking the road to Emmaus,

People: we are in need of your company!

Leader: Jesus, stand among us, in your risen power,

All: let this time of worship be a hallowed hour.

Opening Prayer

PRAISING

The Risen Christ

VT #345

Could It Be That God Is Singing

VT #42

CONFESSING

Prayer of Confession

All: We are people here like Peter sinking.

We step out in faith because we want

to follow you, but we fall short.

We are afraid of what other people think of us.

We are not sure we have the ability to do

what you ask us. (cont'd)

We are people here like Thomas doubting.

We are not sure what good it does to come to church. We are not sure what you can do in this world that is so wounded.

We are your people here at worship.

Fill us with grace and power to be your disciples, to be faithful, to be true, to be filled with love to the end. We ask this in your name, Amen.

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Words of Assurance

Music for Meditation

Jeremy Botts

Abide With Me

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading

Amanda Olsen

Leader: Listen for the Word of the Lord.

People: Our ears are open.

Luke 24: 13-35

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Drama: "The Emmaus Road" Richard and Barbara Krehbiel

Scene 1: At Home in Emmaus

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Music for Reflection

Jeremy, Simon, and Jesse Botts

Stay With Us (Brokering, Pelz)

Scene 2: On the Road to Jerusalem

Listening for the Spirit

Stay With Us

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SHARING IN COMMUNITY

Offering Prayer

Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Leader: Lord, in your mercy/goodness,

People: hear our prayer.

Work of the Church

SENDING

When the Poor Ones (Cuando el Pobre) Green #69; page 3

Words of Blessing

This Week's Activities

Today	Nursery: Jeremy Steelberg, Laura Larson	10:00 AM
	Nursery: Caroline Steelberg, Audra Nelessen	11:30 AM
	Adult Christian Formation	11:30 AM
	• Topics on LGBTQ+ Inclusion	
	• Church History—the Assyrian Church	

Serving Today:

- A/V Technicians: Gray Taylor, Dave Kuhlmann Taylor
- Greeters: Jeff & Laura Yoder • Coffee Host: Valerie Kropf
- Church Opening & Lockup: Lyle Bohnert, Valerie Kropf

Tue	Contemplative Prayer, via Zoom	7:00 PM
Wed	Women of the Word Bible Study	9:30 AM
Thu	Menno Men	9:30 AM
Sat	Education Wing Design Team	9:30 AM

Announcements

- Next Sunday, we'll continue our discernment process on LGBTQ+ inclusion with an afternoon World Café style discernment discussion, following a meal.
- Our theme for **next Sunday's potluck** is rice and all things that go well on it! Families A-K, please bring easy-to-eat desserts, such as cookies, bars, or fruit. Families L - Z should bring toppings for the rice, such as curry-based dishes, or tomato-

based or lentil-based or chicken-based; you get the idea! Community Life will provide the rice. Bring your dish or dessert to the kitchen before the church service. Questions? See Mona or Evan R.

- Come and join your fellow LMCers for the **spring workday** on Saturday, May 4, from 8:30-noon. (We'll provide lunch.) The to-do list includes tasks for all ages both indoors and outdoors. Workday is always a great time of fellowship while working shoulder to shoulder beautifying our church. If you have questions or are willing to tackle a project on another day, please talk to Norm E. or Evan R.