

Prayer Requests for April 19, 2026

Grace Cochran, friend of Kathy Stalnaker
Beverly Loftis
Rev. Jarrold and Debbie Lanham
Bob Hubbard and Family
Josh Reuter, cousin of Kathy Stalnaker
Alice Baldwin
Mary Frances Combs
Bob and Karen Tate, Bev Hart's brother
Cathy Henley Lankford
Angie, mother of Katie (Cross of Grace)
Jan Quinlan, sister of Diana Beane
Cindi Knopp
Cindy Shope
Lela Ann Carroll by the Downeys
Ann McComas
Larry Winter, brother of Claudia Bowles.
Steve Perry
Adam Shope, Nancy Crawford's nephew
Amy Holbrooke, Nancy Crawford
Melissa Scharrep
Sue Ann Holstein
Jeff Weiler, Jeannie White's nephew
Bobby Sadler, cousin of Randi Robinson
Norma King



ROAD TO EMMAUS Caravaggio, 1573-1610

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Gathering **WE BELIEVE** Praise Team

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Prelude **FRIEND FOREVER** Praise Team

Call to Worship

- L. Easter people, we gather today as people who spent the week inundated with news reports, social media posts, and reels that inundated us with information, worry, and stress.
- C. **Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, we carry the weight of being overwhelmed and anxious, wondering who we can believe.**
- L. We gather as people who long for peace, for for God to break through and bring us clarity and hope once again.
- C. **Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, we don't always recognize when the Risen One comes alongside us, showing us the way where there seems to be no way.**
- L. We gather as people hoping to gather a glimmer of Resurrection, ready for our hearts to burn with the truth of the resurrected Christ.
- C. **Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, we open our hearts to the possibility that God's Resurrection life is closer than we think.**
- L. Easter people, God knows the burdens we carry and God is faithful to meet us where we are with good news.
- C. **May the good news of the Resurrection astound us today as we come to worship God.**

Prayer Concerns

Prayer for Today

*Hymn **Leaning on the Everlasting Arms** p. 133

Offertory

Doxology

*Offertory Prayer

Scripture 1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24: 13-35

Message

Prayer of Confession:

Heavenly Stranger, our Companion on the Way, we yearn for your love and grace. We seek your wisdom and guidance. We relish the joy which burns within our hearts when you are with us. Yet sometimes we would cling to you hoard the blessings of relationship with you and not share your love with others. Forgive us, Dear One. Remind us that your love is to be carried throughout the world. Press us to share the hope and joy of your love, so that someone who hungers for spiritual food may be filled by our witness to your grace. Shine the light of you spirit through us, so that we may show your Way to those who long for peace and help to revive those in whom hope has died. AMEN

*Hymn **Just As I Am Without One Plea** p. 357

Benediction

Postlude **ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE** Praise Team

There will be a Finance Team meeting next Sunday, April 26, at 4:30 PM in the Parlor. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Volunteers to mow church lawn needed: sign up in Narthex or call Jamie Lawson at 304-541-8236.

Scholarships available for college or technical school students for St. Andrew members or family.