



# EMMANUEL

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### WORSHIP SERVICE AUGUST 31, 2025

The word Emmanuel means *God With Us*, the extraordinary promise that there is no person, place or context beyond the presence of God. “Emmanuel” also has the same meaning and pronunciation in virtually every language on earth—a beautiful indication that the gospel is for all of us, equally. Regardless of who we are, where we come from, or what we’ve done, we are all freely invited to experience the nearness of God in our life and worship.

### WELCOME TO EMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

If you are new to Emmanuel, we’d like to stay in touch!

Fill out our Keeping Connected form to let us know you visited and to receive information about our church. You can use the QR code below, use this link ([bit.ly/EPCkeepingconnected](https://bit.ly/EPCkeepingconnected)), or complete a physical form found at our Welcoming Table in the lobby.

We are so happy that you visited!



## HEAL US EMMANUEL

### *Chorus:*

Heal us, Emmanuel, here we are,  
We long to feel Thy touch  
Deep wounded souls, to Thee we fly,  
O Savior, hear our cry

Our faith is feeble, we confess,  
We faintly trust Thy word;  
But will You pity us the less?  
Be that far from You Lord

Remember him who once applied  
With trembling for relief;  
"Lord, I believe," with tears he cried;  
"O help my unbelief!"

She, too, who touched you in the press  
And healing virtue stole,  
Was answered, "Daughter, go in peace;  
Thy faith has made thee whole."

Like her with hopes and fears we come  
To touch You if we may;  
O send us not despairing home;  
Send none unhealed away.

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## INVITATION TO WORSHIP

We gather in response to God's gracious invitation, not because worship earns favor with him.

Leader: Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

**People: Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.**

Leader: Praise the LORD, you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word.

**People: Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will. Praise the LORD, O my soul.**

~Psalm 103:1-2, 20-22

## JESUS I COME

Out of my bondage, sorrow, and night  
Jesus I come, Jesus I come  
Into Thy freedom, gladness, and light  
Jesus, I come to Thee  
Out of my sickness, into Thy health  
Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth  
Out of my sin and into Thyself  
Jesus I come to Thee

Out of my shameful failure and loss  
Jesus I come, Jesus I come  
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross  
Jesus I come to Thee  
Out of earth's sorrows, into Thy balm  
Out of life's storms and into Thy calm  
Out of distress into jubilant psalm  
Jesus I come to Thee

Out of unrest and arrogant pride  
Jesus I come, Jesus I come  
Into Thy blessed will to abide  
Jesus I come to Thee  
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love  
Out of despair into raptures above  
Upward forever on wings like a dove Jesus I come to Thee

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb  
Jesus I come, Jesus I come  
Into the joy and light of Thy home  
Jesus I come to Thee  
Out of the depths of ruin untold  
Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold  
Ever Thy glorious face to behold  
Jesus I come to Thee  
William Sleeppe | Greg Thompson

#### NICENE CREED, PART SIX

Leader: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, Of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets...

**People and Leader: And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

#### CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

##### GREETING AND PROCESSIONAL

Children up to 5th grade are invited to attend Children's Church. Since today is the fifth Sunday, all kids will be together outside for a lesson and water play. First time visitors, please visit the Children's Ministry Table for more information.

##### DOXOLOGY

##### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

##### SERMON TEXT

The public reading of the Scriptures reminds us of the truth that can only be found in God's Word.

<sup>1</sup>In the first year of Darius, the son of Ahasuerus, a Mede by birth, who was made king over the Chaldean kingdom—  
<sup>2</sup>in the first year of his reign, I, Daniel, understood from the books according to the word of the Lord to the prophet Jeremiah that the number of years for the desolation of Jerusalem would be seventy. <sup>3</sup>So I turned my attention to the Lord God to seek him by prayer and petitions, with fasting, sackcloth, and ashes. <sup>4</sup>I prayed to the LORD my God and confessed: 'Ah, Lord—the great and awe-inspiring God who keeps his commands—<sup>5</sup>we have sinned, done wrong, acted wickedly, rebelled, and turned away from your commands and ordinances. <sup>6</sup>We have not listened to your servants the prophets, who spoke in your name to our kings, leaders, ancestors, and all the people of the land....<sup>18</sup>Listen closely, my God, and hear. Open your eyes and see our desolations and the city that bears your name. For we are not presenting our petitions before you based on our righteous acts, but based on your abundant compassion. <sup>19</sup>Lord, hear! Lord, forgive! Lord, listen and act! My God, for your own sake, do not delay, because your city and your people bear your name. <sup>20</sup>While I was speaking, praying, confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my petition before the Lord my God concerning the holy mountain of my God — <sup>21</sup>while I was praying, Gabriel, the man I had seen in the first vision, reached me in my extreme weariness, about the time of the evening offering. <sup>22</sup>He gave me this explanation: 'Daniel, I've come now to give you understanding. <sup>23</sup>At the beginning of your petitions an answer went out, and I have come to give it, for you are treasured by God. So consider

the message and understand the vision: <sup>24</sup>Seventy weeks are decreed about your people and your holy city—to bring the rebellion to an end, to put a stop to sin, to atone for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most holy place. <sup>25</sup>Know and understand this: from the issuing of the decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until an Anointed One, the ruler, will be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks. It will be rebuilt with a plaza and a moat, but in difficult times. <sup>26</sup>After those sixty-two weeks the Anointed One will be cut off and will have nothing.”

~Daniel 9:1-6, 18-26a, CSB

### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

God of mercy, you are the same yesterday, today, and forever. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal Word that does not change. Give us the grace to live out your promises with faithful and obedient lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

### SERMON

*Sermons at Emmanuel encourage us to depend on the finished work of Christ rather than self-justification.*

### THE GOSPEL OF DANIEL

REV. YOUNG LEE

### OFFERING

*Offering is a grateful acknowledgement of trust and worship of our God who owns everything and withholds nothing.*

#### O COME TO THE ALTAR

Are you hurting and broken within  
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin  
Jesus is calling  
Have you come to the end of yourself  
Do you thirst for a drink from the well  
Jesus is calling

#### Chorus

O come to the altar  
The Father's arms are open wide  
Forgiveness was bought with  
The precious blood of Jesus Christ

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes  
Come today there's no reason to wait  
Jesus is calling  
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy  
From the ashes a new life is born  
Jesus is calling

Oh what a Savior  
Isn't he wonderful  
Sing alleluia, Christ is risen  
Bow down before him  
For he is Lord of all  
Sing alleluia, Christ is risen.

Christopher Brown | Mack Brock | Steven Furtick | Wade Joye

### CONFESSION OF SIN

*Since we are forgiven in Christ, confession is an honest word of grace and not an exercise in shame.*

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*We are forgiven in Christ and our assurance is based on God's promises.*

"I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleanness and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules." ~Ezekiel 36:25-27

## COMMUNION

*The Lord's table is open to all who have faith in Jesus and have joined themselves to the visible body of Christ. (Gluten free wafers available.)*

HE WILL HOLD ME FAST  
When I fear my faith will fail  
Christ will hold me fast  
When the tempter would prevail  
He will hold me fast  
I could never keep my hold  
Through life's fearful path  
For my love is often cold  
He must hold me fast

### *Chorus*

He will hold me fast  
He will hold me fast  
For my Saviour loves me so  
He will hold me fast

Those He saves are His delight  
Christ will hold me fast  
Precious in His holy sight  
He will hold me fast  
He'll not let my soul be lost  
His promises shall last  
Bought by Him at such a cost  
He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died  
Christ will hold me fast  
Justice has been satisfied  
He will hold me fast  
Raised with Him to endless life  
He will hold me fast  
'Til our faith is turned to sight  
When He comes at last!

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## BENEDICTION

*Benediction means "good word" and is a pronouncement of grace and blessing.*

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.~Numbers 6:24-26

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Small Group Registration-Today**

Registration for men's, women's, and co-ed small groups is open. Small groups are basic Christian communities that invite us into communion with God and with one another. They are places for the care of souls: to be known by others, prayed for by others, and fed by scripture. If you would like to sign up for any of these groups or need to switch groups, you can through sign up in Church Center or our website. For any questions, reach out to Stephen Bates at [sbates@emmanuelarlington.org](mailto:sbates@emmanuelarlington.org).

### **Take a Meal-The Dysons**

Cassin, Ayako, and big sister Charlotte welcomed home Cecilia Yuriko Dyson this month! Sign up to take a meal here: <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/lv0d2r/>

### **Take a Meal-The Kims**

James and Ruth Kim welcomed their baby Margaret Haeun Kim this month. To take a meal to them and big siblings Theo and Eleanor, sign up here: <https://mealtrain.com/gz0gvo>

### **Take a Meal-The Wishards**

Grant and Sarah welcomed their son Owen Beck Wishard into the world this month. Consider taking them and big brother Liam a meal; sign up for a date here: <https://mealtrain.com/33mzv0>

### **Youth Retreat-September 12-14**

Youth Retreat is around the corner! If you'd still like to register late, please sign up on Church Center today. If you've already signed up, please complete all forms.

### **Vision Sunday and Congregational Meeting-September 7**

Please mark your calendars for our annual Vision Sunday, September 7, when we'll look at what God is calling us to in the upcoming ministry year. The service will be followed by a brief congregational meeting.

### **Children's Ministry Welcome Back Lunch-September 14**

Families with students in Children's Ministry (nursery to 5th grade) are invited to grab lunch and fellowship in the courtyard after service.

### **New Chairs**

Take note that there are some new chairs here in our auditorium. We want to take care of what we are able to use and share with Rivendell School. Parents of young children, please take care to keep your kids from standing and jumping on the chairs.

### **Partnership Offering-Assist Pregnancy Center**

Our August partnership offering will go to Assist Pregnancy Center, which serves locally to support families facing unwanted pregnancy. Consider giving to support them and their work through our giving page.