

EMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WORSHIP SERVICE May 22, 2022

Reflection

"Humility is mother, and root, and nurse, and foundation, and bond of all good things." ~John Chrysostom

EVERLASTING GOD

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord

Our God You reign forever Our Hope our strong Deliv'rer

Chorus: You are the everlasting God The everlasting God You do not faint You won't grow weary You're the defender of the weak You comfort those in need You lift us up on wings like eagles Brenton Brown | Ken Riley CCLI Song #4556538

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

GOODNESS OF GOD

I love You Lord Oh Your mercy never fails me All my days I've been held in Your hands From the moment that I wake up Until I lay my head I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus:

All my life You have been faithful All my life You have been so so good With every breath that I am able I will sing of the goodness of God

l love Your voice You have led me through the fire In darkest night You are close like no other I've known You as a father I've known You as a friend I have lived in the goodness of God

Bridge: Your goodness is running after It's running after me Your goodness is running after It's running after me With my life laid down I'm surrendered now I give You everything Your goodness is running after It's running after me

Ben Fielding | Brian Johnson | Ed Cash | Jason Ingram | Jenn Johnson CCLI Song #7117726

NEW TESTAMENT READING

¹³But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. ¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words.

~1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Leader: This is the word of God, absolutely true, and given to us in love. People: Thanks be to God.

MERCY OFFERING PRESENTATION Assist Pregnancy Center

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

GREETING

DOXOLOGY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE READING

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

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~Deuteronomy 8:7-18

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

O Lord, quiet our hearts that we may know and hear you today. Where our hearts are hard, soften them; where they are broken, bind them up; where we are anxious, give us peace; where we doubt, give us trust. For you alone are the One who is making all things new, even us today. Amen.

SERMON

The sermon is a time to hear God's Word explained and applied. Sermons at Emmanuel encourage us to depend on the finished work of Christ rather than selfreliance or self-justification.

REMEMBER THE LORD

REV. SCOTT SEATON

OFFERING

The offering is our grateful acknowledgement of trust and worship of the God who owns everything and withholds nothing. If you give online, consider contributing a dollar or loose change as a tangible act of worship

COME THOU FOUNT

Come Thou fount of ev'ry blessing Tune my heart to sing Thy grace Streams of mercy never ceasing Call for songs of loudest praise Teach me some melodious sonnet Sung by flaming tongues above Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it Mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise mine Ebenezer Hither by Thy help I'm come And I hope by Thy good pleasure Safely to arrive at home Jesus sought me when a stranger Wand'ring from the fold of God He to rescue me from danger Interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be Let Thy grace Lord like a fetter Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee Prone to wander Lord I feel it Prone to leave the God I love Here's my heart Lord take and seal it Seal it for Thy courts above

John Wyeth | Robert Robinson CCLI Song #108389

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Lord, we confess that the pride of our heart has deceived us. We confess that we listen to the whispered lie of self-sufficiency. We act as though our sin is small, your love is absent, and your grace is secondary. Father, Son, and Spirit, break our self-deception.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We are forgiven in Christ! Using the words of Scripture reinforce that our assurance is based on God's declaration and promises.

"He said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. When I am weak, then I am strong."

~2 Corinthians 12:9-11

COMMUNION

This is the Lord's table, not Emmanuel's, and is open to all who have a sincere faith in Jesus and have joined themselves to the visible body of Christ. The Lord's Supper isn't simply a memorial, but is also a time of real grace imparted and received in union with God.

MERCY OFFERING

REVELATION SONG

Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain Holy holy is He Sing a new song to Him Who sits on Heaven's mercy seat

Chorus: Holy holy holy Is the Lord God Almighty Who was and is and is to come With all creation I sing Praise to the King of kings You are my ev'rything And I will adore You

Clothed in rainbows of living color Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder Blessing and honor strength and glory And power be to You the only wise King

Filled with wonder awestruck wonder At the mention of Your name Jesus Your name is power breath and living water Such a marv'lous mystery Jennie Lee Riddle CCLI Song #4447960

BENEDICTION

Benediction literally means "good word." It is a pronouncement of grace and blessing as we are sent, that we would live out the Christian life solely because God is with us.

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

After the service, a male and female leader of Emmanuel will be available by the stage to pray for any concerns you have.

Unless noted, all Scripture is English Standard Version (ESV).
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Keeping Connected

If you're new to Emmanuel, we'd like to stay in touch, so please fill out a Keeping Connected card through our church app. Click "Get Connected" and then "Get Connected".

May Mercy Offering - TODAY

On May 22, we will collect a Mercy Offering for Assist Pregnancy Center. Please designate mercy offerings to this partner when giving on the Emmanuel App or online.

Baby Shower Drive

In addition to taking up a mercy offering for Assist Pregnancy Center this month, we will also be sponsoring a baby shower to benefit an expecting family being served by Assist! You can sign up to donate items by using this link.

Sparks Meeting & Boys Basketball Clinic - TODAY

Emmanuel's third through fifth graders are invited to lunch, games, and a lesson from 12:30pm to 2:00pm. After Sparks, we will have a Sparks Boys Basketball Clinic from 2:00pm to 3:00pm.

Youth Group Meeting - TODAY

Emmanuel's Youth Group (6th-12th graders) will meet at Rivendell from 12:30-2pm! Lunch will be provided.

Birth Announcement

Ben and Andrea Backes welcomed Corey on May 14! To help with meals, please email Mel Chang.

Rescheduled Rachel Gilson Conference - June 5

Emmanuel is invited to a conference with Rachel Gilson, author of *Born Again This Way*, who will share her story of how she has navigated same-sex attraction on her faith journey. Afterwards, there will be a moderated Q&A. Students are especially invited, and childcare will be provided! You may register on the app or <u>at this link</u>.

Emmanuel Movie Night - June 12

On Sunday, June 12, at Rivendell, Emmanuel will host a double feature of "The Chosen," a faithful and winsome series about Jesus and his first disciples. Hot dogs and popcorn will be provided at 4:30pm, with the first episode beginning at 5:00pm. After a break, we'll begin the second episode at 6:00pm. Come for one or both, and be sure to invite your friends! <u>Please RSVP at this</u> link.

Session Retreat Prayer Requests

On June 2, the Session (pastors and elders) will be going on their annual retreat in order to plan for the upcoming ministry year and spend time in prayer. You can submit a prayer request by <u>emailing Young Lee directly</u> or filling out a prayer request card in the foyer and placing it in the offering box. All prayer requests are confidential. Prayer requests will be received until May 31.

Join the Missions Prayer Team!

Join Emmanuel's Missional Prayer Team to support local and global missions through prayer! If you're interested, please email Young Lee.

Coffee and Conversations

Join Arlington Bridge Builders (ABB) every Friday from 6:30 to 8pm at Arlington Mill Community Center to practice speaking English with our neighbors! Please sign up for at least one Friday under "Get Connected" on the Emmanuel App or <u>at this link</u>.

Monday Night Prayer Meeting

Join us for our weekly prayer meeting on Mondays at 7:30pm! This week we will be praying for the military, veterans, and chaplains for Memorial Day.

COVID Precautions

As a friendly reminder, in compliance with the CDC's and Arlington County's guidelines for COVID protocols, masks are optional during service.

Offering We highly encourage everyone to give online through our website (click "Give" on the upper right corner) or our app (click "Give" on the bottom of the homepage). If this is not possible, then please mail checks to our office (5545 Lee Highway, Arlington, VA 22207).

Parking at Rivendell

Please remember not to park in front of a residence when parking at Rivendell. Parking is available surrounding the Lee Community Center and park as well as the Little Ambassadors Academy parking lot.