

WORSHIP SERVICE JANUARY 22, 2023

REFLECTION

"What binds us together is not common education, common race, common politics, or anything of that sort. Christians come together because they have all been loved by Jesus. They are a band of natural enemies who love one another for Jesus' sake. ~DA Carson TO GOD ALL PRAISE AND GLORY

Sing praise to God who reigns above The God of all creation The God of power the God of love The God of our salvation He fills my soul with sweet relief And makes my faithless murmurs cease

Chorus:

To God all praise and glory To God all praise and glory

The Lord is never far away But through all grief distressing An ever present help and stay Our peace and joy and blessing In my Father's tender care His love eclipses my despair

When life is hard and days are long I'll sing aloud His praises That men may hear the grateful song My joyful spirit raises My heart revived my soul restored My heart rejoices in the Lord

Let all who claim Christ's holy name Give God all praise and glory Let all who lean on the Spirit's strength Declare the wondrous story Cast every idol from its throne For Christ is Lord and Christ alone

### **INVITATION TO WORSHIP**

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

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! **People: Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.** Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! **People: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.** ~Psalm 100

INSTRUMENT OF PEACE

Lord make me An instrument of peace An instrument of peace (2X)

Where is there hatred let me sow love Where there is darkness let me sow light For in the giving we shall receive And in the dying we're given life

> Lord make me An instrument of peace An instrument of peace (2X)

Where there is sorrow let me sow hope Where there is doubt let me sow faith Where is injury your pardon give Your consolation to those in pain

> Lord make me An instrument of peace An instrument of peace (2X

Isaac Wardell | Jessica Fox | Liz Vice | Orlando Palmer | Paul Zach CCLI Song #7158505

**NEW CITY CATECHISM** *Question 37: How does the Holy Spirit help us? Answer:* The Holy Spirit convicts us of our sin, comforts us, guides us, gives us spiritual gifts and the desire to obey God; and he enables us to pray and to understand God's Word.

#### **Question 38: What is prayer?**

Answer: Prayer is pouring out our hearts to God in praise, petition, confession of sin, and thanksgiving.

#### **CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

#### **GREETING AND PROCESSIONAL**

Children up to 5th grade are invited to attend Children's Church. Please meet your teacher in the lobby.

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>19</sup>Now those who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to no one except Jews. <sup>20</sup>But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Hellenists also, preaching the Lord Jesus. <sup>21</sup>And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number who believed turned to the Lord. <sup>22</sup>The report of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. <sup>23</sup>When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose, <sup>24</sup>for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord.

~Acts 11:19-24

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

O Lord, guiet 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.

EVIDENCE OF GRACE

**REV. YOUNG LEE** 

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.

### 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 earths sorrows into Thy balm Out of lifes storms and into Thy calm Out of distress into jubilant psalm 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

Greg Thompson | William True Sleeper CCLI Song #7131576

#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

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

We confess that we have sinned and come short of the glory of God. We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors. We not sought first your kingdom and righteousness. We have not been content with our daily bread. We have run into temptation; and the sin that we should have hated, we have committed. Have mercy upon us, merciful Father. We confess you alone are our hope.

~Richard Baxter

### **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.

<sup>14</sup>For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, <sup>15</sup>by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, <sup>16</sup>and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. <sup>17</sup>He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. <sup>18</sup>For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.

~Ephesians 5:14-18

#### 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.

### THE SOLID ROCK

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly lean on Jesus' name

*Chorus:* On Christ the solid Rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

When darkness veils His lovely face I rest on His unchanging grace In ev'ry high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil

His oath His covenant His blood Support me in the whelming flood When all around my soul gives way He then is all my hope and stay

When He shall come with trumpet sound O may I then in Him be found Dressed in His righteousness alone Faultless to stand before the throne Edward Mote | William Batchelder Bradbury CCLI Song #25417

#### 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 to pray for any concerns you have, through the door on the right of the stage.

Unless noted, all Scripture is English Standard Version (ESV). • CCLI #3184477

EMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), a denomination committed to the historic truths of Scripture & the relevance of the gospel in everyday life.

\*In the event of an emergency, call 911. Rivendell School's address is: 2410 N Kensington St, Arlington, VA 22205\*

#### **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".

#### New Weekday Morning Men's Covenant Group

Stephen Bates will be leading a new men's covenant group at 7:30am on either Wednesdays or Thursdays. Please contact Young Lee at <u>ylee@emmanuelarlington.org</u> if you are interested in joining.

#### Youth Group - TODAY

Emmanuel's Youth Group will be meeting after service. Youth group meets at 12:30 on the second floor, right next to the entrance to the gym (when you see the orange youth sign, you've come to the right place!). Lunch will be provided.

#### Lunar New Year Celebration - TODAY

Emmanuel is hosting a Lunar New Year celebration on January 22 from 2-5pm! Please stop by for some karaoke, food and fellowship, and sign-up to bring a snack or a dish.

#### Kenya Missions Trip - August 2023

Emmanuel has been invited to send a team to serve Imbumi and Martha Makuku, our missions partners in Nairobi, Kenya. The trip is open to adults and high school students, and will be from August 12-19, not including travel dates. Scott and Chris Seaton will be leading the trip, so if you're interested, please contact Scott or Chris for more information.

# Intro to Emmanuel - February 12

Are you new to Emmanuel and want to learn more about the church? If so, you're invited to an informal luncheon seminar at Rivendell from 12:30pm-2:00pm, with childcare provided. The luncheon also serves as our Membership Seminar, but attending does not obligate you to join the church. Please RSVP to Karen Adjei at kadjei@emmanuelarlington.org.

January Mercy Offering - Project Belong - TODAY We will collect a Mercy Offering for Project Belong on January 22 during the closing song. Please designate this partner when giving in-person or online.

#### **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 Langston Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22207).

**Emmanuel House Keeping** For good stewardship of Rivendell, please remember the following for the new year: please remember not to park in front of a residence when parking at Rivendell. Do not prop open any door at any time. Children should not go into undesignated classrooms. Food should only be in designated areas and cleaned up.

# Use the QR code to sign up for:

Fellowship Month in February Emmanuel is hosting its annual Fellowship Month in February! This is a great opportunity to get to know other people at Emmanuel in a more fun and intimate setting.

Korean Hot Pot and Church Plant Prayer Walk - February 11 Galentine's Day - Women's Sip and Collage - February 12 Homemade Paella Night - Young Adults and Young Couples - February 18 Salsa Dance Night - February 24 Tequila Tasting - Hosted by a Tequila Expert - February 25 Board Game Night - TBA

**International Food Night at Ballston Park Apartments - February 3** On Friday, February 3 at 6pm, consider bringing a dish from your cultural background to this event hosted by Apartment Life. Share your favorite dish and get to know some of our neighbors!

**Roundtable Discussions in March** 

Roundtable Discussions are now open for sign up!

Sign Up for Events Here!:

