



EMMANUEL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WORSHIP SERVICE
SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

VISION SUNDAY

FATHER LET YOUR KINGDOM COME

Chorus:

Hallelu, hallelujah
Father let Your kingdom come

May the works of my hands bring You joy
May the works of my hands bring You joy
May the works of my hands bring You joy
May the works of my hands bring You joy

May the words from my mouth speak Your peace
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Bridge:

You make all things new
You make all things new
In places we don't choose
You make all things new

Ben Cooper | Isaac Wardell | Latifah Alattas | Liz Vice Music LLC
| Madison Cunningham | Orlando Palmer | Paul Zach
CCLI Song #7097862

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

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

Leader: Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest

People: Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me

Leader: For I am gentle and lowly in heart

People: And you will find rest for your soul.

~Matthew 11:28-29

BUILD MY LIFE

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

Chorus:

Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

Bridge:

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

Brett Younker | Karl Martin | Kirby Kaple | Matt Redman | Pat Barrett
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NEW CITY CATECHISM

Question 1: What is our only hope in life and death?

That we are not our own but belong, body and soul, both in life and death, to God and to our Savior Jesus Christ.

PASTOR INSTALLATION

Nathan Boyette

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

GREETING AND RECESSIONAL

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

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

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.

⁸Then Haman said to King Ahasuerus, "There is a certain people scattered abroad and dispersed among the peoples in all the provinces of your kingdom. Their laws are different from those of every other people, and they do not keep the king's laws, so that it is not to the king's profit to tolerate them.

¹³Letters were sent by couriers to all the king's provinces with instruction to destroy, to kill, and to annihilate all Jews, young and old, women and children, in one day, the thirteenth day of the twelfth month, which is the month of Adar, and to plunder their goods.

When Mordecai learned all that had been done, Mordecai tore his clothes and put on sackcloth and ashes, and went out into the midst of the city, and he cried out with a loud and bitter cry. ²He went up to the entrance of the king's gate, for no one was allowed to enter the king's gate clothed in sackcloth. ³And in every province, wherever the king's command and his decree reached, there was great mourning among the Jews, with fasting and weeping and lamenting, and many of them lay in sackcloth and ashes. ⁴When Esther's young women and her eunuchs came and told her, the queen was deeply distressed. She sent garments to clothe Mordecai, so that he might take off his sackcloth, but he would not accept them. ⁵Then Esther called for Hathach, one of the king's eunuchs, who had been appointed to attend her, and ordered him to go to Mordecai to learn what this was and why it was. ⁶Hathach went out to Mordecai in the open square of the city in front of the king's gate, ⁷and Mordecai told him all that had happened to him, and the exact sum of money that Haman had promised to pay into the king's treasuries for the destruction of the Jews. ⁸Mordecai also gave him a copy of the written decree issued in Susa for their destruction, that he might show it to Esther and explain it to her and command her to go to the king to beg his favor and plead with him on behalf of her people. ⁹And Hathach went and told Esther what Mordecai had said. ¹⁰Then Esther spoke to Hathach and commanded him to go to Mordecai and say, ¹¹"All the king's servants and the people of the king's provinces know that if any man or woman goes to the king inside the inner court without being called, there is but one law—to be put to death, except the one to whom the king holds out the golden scepter so that he may live. But as for me, I have not been called to come in to the king these thirty days." ¹²And they told Mordecai what Esther had said. ¹³Then Mordecai told them to reply to Esther, "Do not think to yourself that in the king's palace you will escape any more than all the other Jews. ¹⁴For if you keep silent at this time, relief and deliverance will rise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. And who knows whether you have not come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" ¹⁵Then Esther told them to reply to Mordecai, ¹⁶"Go, gather all the Jews to be found in Susa, and hold a fast on my behalf, and do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my young women will also fast as you do. Then I will go to the king, though it is against the law, and if I perish, I perish."

~Esther 3:8, 13; 4:1-16

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

O Lord, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, and strength to follow on the path you set before us; through Jesus Christ, 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 self-reliance or self-justification.

SUCH A TIME AS THIS

SCOTT SEATON AND 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 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

Greg Thompson | William True Sleeper
CCLI Song #4855026

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Grant us your peace.

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.

As for you, O Lord, you will not restrain your mercy from me; your steadfast love and your faithfulness will ever preserve me!

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.

JESUS I MY CROSS HAVE TAKEN

Jesus I my cross have taken
All to leave and follow You
Son of man despised forsaken
Lord of all I am or do
Perish every fond ambition
All I've sought and hoped and known
Yet how rich is my condition
God and heaven are still my own
Let the world despise and leave me
They have left my Saviour too
Human hearts and looks deceive me
You are not like them untrue
And while You shall smile upon me
God of wisdom love and might
Foes may hate and friends may shun me
Show Your face and all is bright
Those who trouble and distress me
Drive me to Your presence blessed
Life with bitter trials may press me
Heaven will bring me sweeter rest
How could grief or sorrow harm me
While my heart still feels Your love
How could this world's pleasures charm me
When You are my joy above
Take my soul His full salvation
Conquer every sin and care
Find in every situation
Joy and peace and service there
Think what Spirit dwells within you
What a Father loves you yet
What a Saviour died to win you
Child of heaven why should you fret
Onward then from grace to glory
Armed by faith and spurred by prayer
Heaven's eternal day's before me
God's own hand shall guide me there
Soon shall close my earthly mission
Swiftly pass my pilgrims days

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). ■ CCLI #3184477

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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".

Vision Sunday, Congregational Meeting & Ministry Fair - TODAY

Following the service, we will have a brief congregational meeting, that will include a presentation of the budget and the election of new trustees. Afterwards, check out Emmanuel's Ministry Fair!

Children's Ministry Town Hall - September 18

Children's Ministry will be hosting a town hall at noon after church in the sanctuary to share what we will be doing this year and hold a Q&A session.

Youth Group Kickoff - TODAY

Emmanuel's Youth Group will begin today after church at the Lee's - [contact Stephen Bates for more information](#).

Hospitality Ministry Info Session - September 18

Do you like to bake, mingle on Sundays, or host people? If so, Emmanuel is looking for volunteers to join a hospitality team that will involve bringing baked goods and coffee and greeting people on Sundays, as well as welcoming newcomers to Emmanuel events. An information session will be held after church on Sunday, September 18. If you're interested, please contact [Karen Adjei](#).

Intro to Emmanuel - September 25

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. The luncheon also serves as our Membership Seminar, but attending does not obligate you to join the church. [Please RSVP to Karen Adjei](#).

Fellowship Month in October

Emmanuel is hosting its annual Fellowship Month in October! This is a great opportunity to get to know other people at Emmanuel in a more fun and intimate setting. More details and events are forthcoming, but please mark your calendar with the events below!

- ~Korean BBQ Night (October 1)~
- ~Guatemalan Game Afternoon (October 8)~
- ~D.C. Monument Night Photography (October 8)~
- ~Dinner and Dominoes (October 8)~
- ~Vinyls and Victuals (October 15)~
- ~Indoor Rock Climbing (October 16)~
- ~Pumpkin Patch Outing (October 21)~
- ~Women's Weekend Breakfast (October 22)~
- ~Fall Baking Session (October 29)~
- ~Pickleball (date TBD)~
- ~Taco Crawl (date TBD)~
- ~Apple Picking Outing (date TBD)~

Sri Lankan Cooking Class - October 23

Lily Soosai will host a cooking class featuring Central & Western Sri Lankan food! Sponsored by Arlington Bridge Builders, ABB is fundraising for their ministry, and is asking \$30 per adult and \$15 per child (under 8 is free) if you're able to donate. To sign up, [please contact Kristine Leiphart](#). You can make [fundraising donations at this link](#).

Help With Food Pantry Deliveries

Arlington Bridge Builders is looking for volunteers to serve as food pantry delivery drivers on Saturdays throughout the summer to neighbors in need. ABB meets at 11:30am and the deliveries usually take less than an hour. If you're interested in serving, please [sign up at this link](#).

September Mercy Offering - International Justice Mission

In lieu of our mercy offering collection, we are asking people to sign up to be an IJM Freedom Partner! Your monthly financial support will help fight the violent oppression of the poor and will also give you access to IJM's prayer reports and updates.

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).

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.