



EMMANUEL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WORSHIP SERVICE  
APRIL 16, 2023

**REFLECTION**

“Not only are we drawn to beauty, we are the only creatures who engage in certain behaviors purely for the sake of encountering beauty.”  
~Russ Ramsey (*Rembrandt in the Wind*)

THE LION AND THE LAMB

He's coming on the clouds  
Kings and kingdoms will bow down  
And every chain will break  
As broken hearts declare His praise  
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

*Chorus:*

Our God is the Lion  
The Lion of Judah  
He's roaring with power  
And fighting our battles  
And every knee will bow before Him

Our God is the Lamb  
The Lamb that was slain  
For the sins of the world  
His blood breaks the chains  
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb  
Every knee will bow before Him

So open up the gates  
Make way before the King of kings  
The God who comes to save  
Is here to set the captives free  
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

*Bridge:*

Who can stop the Lord Almighty  
Who can stop the Lord (Almighty)

Brenton Brown | Brian Johnson | Leeland Mooring  
CCLI Song #7038281

**INVITATION TO WORSHIP**

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

Leader: Praise the Lord!

**People: Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord!**

Leader: Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and forevermore!

**People: From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the Lord is to be praised!**

*~Psalm 113:1-3*

JUST AS I AM

Just as I am without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me  
And that thou bidst me come to thee, I come  
O Lamb of God I come

Just as I am and waiting not to rid my soul of one dark blot  
To thee whose blood can cleanse each spot, I come  
O Lamb of God I come

*Chorus:*

Just as I am I come to you weary and worn, broken and bruised  
All that I am is all that you want from me  
Just as you are, holy and true, you came to me broken and bruised  
All that you are is all that I'll ever need  
O Lamb of God I come

Just as I am thou will receive, will welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve  
Because thy promise I believe, I come  
O Lamb of God I come

Charlotte Elliott  
CCLI Song #2648352

### SCRIPTURE READING

Leader: Keep me safe, my God, for in you I take refuge.

**People: I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; apart from you I have no good thing." I say of the holy people who are in the land, "They are the noble ones in whom is all my delight."**

Leader: Those who run after other gods will suffer more and more. I will not pour out libations of blood to such gods or take up their names on my lips. Lord, you alone are my portion and my cup; you make my lot secure.

**People: The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance. I will praise the Lord, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me.**

Leader: I keep my eyes always on the Lord. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken. Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure,

**People: because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, nor will you let your faithful one see decay. You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.**

~Psalm 16

### CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

### GREETING AND PROCESSIONAL

Children up to 5<sup>th</sup> 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>1</sup>Behold, you are beautiful, my love, Behold, you are beautiful! Your eyes are doves behind your veil. Your hair is like a flock of goats leaping down the slopes of Gilead.

<sup>2</sup>Your teeth are like a flock of shorn ewes that have come up from the washing, all of which bear twins, and not one among them has lost its young. <sup>3</sup>Your lips are like a scarlet thread, and your mouth is lovely. Your cheeks are like halves of a pomegranate behind your veil.

~Song of Songs 4:1-3

### 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

*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.*

GOODNESS OF MARRIAGE

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.*

### SING TO JESUS

Come and see  
Look on this mystery  
The Lord of the universe  
Nailed to a tree  
Christ our God  
Spilling His holy blood  
Bowing in anguish  
His sacred head

#### *Chorus:*

Sing to Jesus  
Lord of our shame  
Lord of our sinful hearts  
He is our great Redeemer  
Sing to Jesus  
Honor His name  
Sing of His faithfulness  
Pouring His life out unto death

Come you weary  
And He will give you rest  
Come you who mourn  
Lay on His breast  
Christ who died  
Risen in paradise  
Giver of mercy  
Giver of life

#### *Chorus:*

Sing to Jesus  
His is the throne  
Now and forever  
He is the King of heaven  
Sing to Jesus we are His own  
Now and forever  
Sing for the love our God has shown

#### *Chorus:*

Sing to Jesus Lord of our shame  
Lord of our sinful hearts  
He is our great Redeemer  
Sing to Jesus honor His name

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CCLI Song #3469389

## CONFESSION OF SIN

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

*"None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands; no one seeks for God.... For there is no distinction: all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God..."*

*~Romans 3:11, 22-23*

## 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.*

For there is no distinction: all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup>and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins.

*~Romans 3:23-25*

## 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.*

## HOSANNA (PRAISE IS RISING)

Praise is rising  
Eyes are turning to You  
We turn to You  
Hope is stirring  
Hearts are yearning for You  
We long for You

'Cause when we see You  
We find strength to face the day  
In Your presence  
All our fears are washed away  
(Washed away)

### *Chorus:*

Hosanna hosanna  
You are the God who saves us  
Worthy of all our praises  
Hosanna hosanna  
Come have Your way among us  
We welcome You here Lord Jesus

Hear the sound of  
Hearts returning to You  
We turn to You  
In Your Kingdom  
Broken lives are made new  
You make us new

Hosanna hosanna

Brenton Brown | Paul Baloche  
CCLI Song #4662491

## **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*

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\*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! Please fill out a Keeping Connected card in the bulletin or on our church app. On the app, click on "Get Connected" and then "Get Connected".

### Birth Announcement

Stephen, Anna, Josie, and Isaac Bates welcomed Julian and Wren on April 5! Please sign up to bring them a meal using the QR code link.

### Books of the Bible Class - TODAY - Numbers - 2nd Floor Art Room

Using The Bible Project, we will provide an overview of each book of the Bible and how they fit in the Gospel narrative. These 45 minute classes, starting at 12:15pm, will meet every other Sunday. Childcare and lunch will not be provided.

### Theological Foundations - Begins Today

You're invited to join Scott Seaton for our Theological Foundations course, using John Frame's *Salvation Belongs To The Lord*. The first class will meet in the conference room.

### Volunteer with Restoration Immigration Legal Aid

Restoration Immigration Legal Aid (RILA) hosts legal clinics for immigrants seeking asylum Wednesday evenings twice a month. Interested volunteers are invited to learn more at the next orientation at 7pm on Wednesday, April 19. [RSVP](#) for the Zoom link.

### Marriage Seminar - April 22, 9am-11:30am, at Rivendell

Eric McClerren is a licensed professional counselor and will be leading a workshop on how to handle differences between couples such as contrasting expectations, convictions, or parenting philosophies. This will be followed by topical group discussions led by members of our church. Childcare will be provided. Please sign up using the QR code link.

### Singleness Seminar - April 23, 12:30pm, at the Seaton's Home

Our own Jennifer Patterson is the author of "Now And Not Yet: Making Sense of Single Life in the Twenty-First Century." In this informal luncheon, Jennifer will be sharing insights from the book and her own life, as well as leading an interactive discussion. Please sign up using the QR code link.

### Help Dulles Project at South Riding Mosaic Festival - April 29

The Dulles Project will be hosting a booth at the local South Riding Mosaic Festival on Saturday April 29th, 12-6pm. Please sign up using the QR code link.

### Help with Arlington Bridge Builders' Family Festival - May 6

Arlington Bridge Builders' annual Family Festival will be held at the food pantry on May 6 for families being served by the food pantry and surrounding neighborhoods. It is a wonderful opportunity to be involved in the community while having fun. The event will be held from 11am to 2pm with volunteers having an opportunity to serve in 2 hour shifts. Sign up using the link in the Friday email.

### Congregational Luncheon - May 7

Emmanuel is invited to a congregational lunch at Rivendell immediately after worship service on May 7! We ask that everyone bring a large side dish to share!

### High School Blessing - May 21

On May 21, we will honor graduating high school seniors. If you would like your child to be included, please contact the office at [office@emmanuelarlington.org](mailto:office@emmanuelarlington.org).

### April Mercy Offering - Assist Pregnancy Center

We will collect an offering for Assist Pregnancy Center on April 30 during the closing song. Please designate this partner when giving in-person or online.

### Coffee and Conversations

Join us to teach conversational English in a relaxing setting at the Arlington Mill Community Center on Fridays from 6:30-8:00pm on March 3 to May 12. Students are from Central/Latin America, Africa and Asia. Use the Friday email link to sign up.

Sign Up for  
Events Here!:

