

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.

WE WILL FEAST IN THE HOUSE OF ZION

Chorus:

We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things we will say together
We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire
He is the Lord our God
We are not consumed by the flood
Upheld protected gathered up

In the dark of night before the dawn
My soul be not afraid
For the promised morning oh how long
Oh God of Jacob be my strength

Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the faithful one
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together bring shalom

Joshua Moore | Sandra McCracken

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

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.

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".

Drop-In Communion

We will offer drop-in communion today in the courtyard outside of Rivendell (2410 N. Kensington St. Arlington, VA 22207) from 1-1:30pm.

Virtual Emmanuel 101

We will be offering a virtual Emmanuel 101 soon for those you are interested in learning more about Emmanuel or pursuing membership. Please contact the office (office@emmanuelarlington.org) if you are interested in participating in the seminar.

Youth Group Meeting - TODAY

Emmanuel's Youth Group (6th-12th graders) will meet again today from 12:30-2:00.

Assist Pregnancy Center Walk Run Ride for Life

There is still time to support our Emmanuel team in this year's virtual Walk Run Ride for Life! If you would like to participate, or make a donation to our fundraiser, you can sign up/donate at <https://runsignup.com/emmanuel>.

Arlington Bridge Builders Employment Opportunity

Arlington Bridge Builders is looking for a part-time office administrator to start May 3rd for up to 5 hours per week. Contact Carlos Dimas (cdimas1218@gmail.com) to apply.

Emmanuel Employment Opportunity

Emmanuel is accepting applications for the full-time staff position of Office Administrator. This position is eligible for full employee benefits. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Scott Seaton at sseaton@emmanuelarlington.org for more details.

May Mercy Ministry

This month, our mercy offering is supporting SaveThem, which is an organization dedicated to combating human trafficking. You can give to their ministry at www.emmanuelarlington.org/give or on the Emmanuel app by designating your gift for "May Mercy Ministry - SaveThem".

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).

WORSHIP SERVICE

MAY 2, 2021

WELCOME TO EMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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.

REFLECTION

"When Satan attacked, he gave the "fatal stab unseen," and his slyness was confirmed by the difficulty of recognizing him. The devil's cleverest wile is to convince us that he does not exist. It is a policy of the Devil to persuade us that there is no Devil."
- Andrew Delbanco (*The Death of Satan*)

WHO YOU SAY I AM

Who am I that the highest King; Would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in; Oh His love for me
Oh His love for me

Chorus 1:

Who the Son sets free; Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God; Yes I am

Free at last; He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep; While I was a slave to sin
Jesus died for me; Yes He died for me

Chorus 2:

In my Father's house; There's a place for me
I'm a child of God; Yes I am

Bridge:

I am chosen not forsaken; I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me; I am who You say I am

Ben Fielding | Reuben Morgan

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

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

Leader: "Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty!

People: Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations!

Leader: Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name?

People: For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed."

~Revelation 15:3-4

JESUS WHAT A FRIEND FOR SINNERS

Chorus:

Hallelujah what a Saviour
Hallelujah what a friend
Saving helping keeping loving
He is with me to the end

Jesus what a friend for sinners
Jesus lover of my soul
Friends may fail me foes assail me
He my Saviour makes me whole

Jesus what a strength in weakness
Let me hide myself in Him
Tempted tried and sometimes failing
He my strength my vict'ry wins

Jesus what a help in sorrow
While the billows o'er me roll
Even when my heart is breaking
He my comfort helps my soul

Jesus I do now receive Him
More than all in Him I find
He hath granted me forgiveness
I am His and He is mine

David Phelps | John Wilbur Chapman

NEW CITY CATECHISM

Question 13: Can anyone keep the law of God perfectly?

Since the fall, no mere human has been able to keep the law of God perfectly, but consistently breaks it in thought, word, and deed.

Question 14: Did God create us unable to keep his law?

No, but because of the disobedience of our first parents, Adam and Eve, all of creation is fallen; we are all born in sin and guilt, corrupt in our nature and unable to keep God's law.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

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.

¹ Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ² And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. ³ And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴ But he answered, "It is written, "'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" ⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple ⁶ and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, "'He will command his angels concerning you,' and "'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.'" ⁷ Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹ And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written, "'You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.'" ¹¹ Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

~ Matthew 4:1-11

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, in you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Open our eyes that we may see the wonders of your Word. Give us grace not only to hear and understand how you would speak to us today, but also the grace to trust and follow you, through Christ our Lord. 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.

THE GREAT ENEMY

REV. YOUNG LEE

CHRIST IS RISEN

Let no one caught in sin remain
Inside the lie of inward shame
But fix our eyes upon the cross
And run to Him who showed great love
And bled for us
Freely You've bled for us

Chorus:

Christ is risen from the dead
Trampling over death by death
Come awake come awake
Come and rise up from the grave
Christ is risen from the dead
We are one with Him again
Come awake come awake
Come and rise up from the grave

Beneath the weight of all our sin
You bowed to none but heaven's will
No scheme of hell no scoffer's crown
No burden great can hold You down
In strength You reign
Forever let Your church proclaim

Bridge:

O death where is your sting
O hell where is your victory
O church come stand in the light
The glory of God has defeated the night
Singing O death where is your sting
O hell where is your victory
O church come stand in the light
Our God is not dead He's alive He's alive

Matt Maher | Mia Fieldes

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

God of mercy, You sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from You and turned aside from Your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

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.

"Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins." *~Isaiah 40:1-2*