



EMMANUEL

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

COMPASSION SUNDAY
JULY 9, 2023

REFLECTION

“Does God miraculously heal? Sure, he does. But in this broken world, it’s still the exception, not the rule. A “no” answer to my request for a miraculous physical healing has meant purged sin, a love for the lost, increased compassion, stretched hope, an appetite for grace, an increase of faith, a happy longing for heaven, a desire to serve, a delight in prayer, and a hunger for his Word. Oh, bless the stern schoolmaster that is my wheelchair!”

~Joni Eareckson Tada

ROMANS 11 DOXOLOGY

Oh, how deep
Are the riches
Of the wisdom, and the knowledge of God

For from him and through him
and to him are all things

From him and through
and to him are all things to
To him be the glory forever; Amen!
To him be the glory forever; Amen!

How unsearchable
Are his judgments,
and his paths cannot be traced

For who then has known it
the mind of the Lord our God for
who then has known it
the mind of the Lord our God or
who then has given that he should repay
Or who then has given that he should repay

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INVITATION TO WORSHIP

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

Leader: Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty!

People: Just and true are your ways, King of the ages.

Leader: Who will not fear you, O Lord, and bring glory to your name?

People: For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you!

~Revelation 15:3-4

BLESSED BE YOUR NAME

Blessed be Your name
In the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll
Turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in Lord
Still I will say

Chorus:

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord blessed be Your name

Beth Redman | Matt Redman
2002 Thankyou Music

SCRIPTURE READING

Leader: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

People: The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

Leader: All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your saints shall bless you!

People: They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power

Leader: to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

People: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

Leader: The Lord is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works.

People: The Lord upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

~Psalm 145:8-14

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

KENYA MISSIONS PRESENTATION

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.

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. ³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, ⁵so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. ⁶Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; ⁷if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

~Romans 12:1-8

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.

BECOMING WORSHIPPERS

MATTHEW DEGIOIA

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.

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

I 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
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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 we have sinned against you in ways both seen and hidden. Work in us more profound and persistent repentance. Give us godly grief, that trembles and trusts. Grant that through the tears of repentance we may see more clearly the brightness and glory of the cross."

~Valley of Vision "Yet I Sin"

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.

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. May the God of mercy who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

~Book of Common Prayer

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.

ALL FOR JESUS

All for Jesus, all for Jesus!
All my being's ransomed pow'rs:
All my thoughts and words and doings,
All my days and all my hours

Let my hands perform His bidding,
Let my feet run in His ways;
Let my eyes see Jesus only,
Let my lips speak forth His praise

Worldlings prize their gems of beauty,
Cling to gilded toys of dust,
Boast of wealth and fame and pleasure;
Only Jesus will I trust

Since my eyes were fixed on Jesus,
I've lost sight of all beside;
So enchained my spirit's vision,
Looking at the Crucified

Oh, what wonder! How amazing!
Jesus, glorious King of kings,
Deigns to call me His beloved,
Let's me rest beneath His wings

Mary James
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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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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".

Parenting Through Transitions - TODAY

Please join certified international parent coach and long-time Emmanuel member Jessica Wright for a parenting info session to gain tools and insight for management and supporting your family's emotions in turbulent times. The seminar will take place after service from 12:20-2pm with lunch and childcare provided.

Books of the Bible Class - TODAY - Judges - 3rd Floor, First Classroom on the Right

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. Here is the summer schedule:

July 23 - Ruth
August 6 - 1 Samuel
August 20 - 2 Samuel

Annual Church Cookout - July 16

Everyone is invited to Emmanuel's annual church-wide cookout on July 16 from 4:30pm - 7:30pm at Bon Air Picnic Shelter! It will be a great time of fellowship, food, and fun. Please bring a side or game to share! We will need help with setup, grilling, and clean-up, so please [sign up using this link](#).

Intro to Emmanuel - July 30

If you are new to Emmanuel and want to learn more about the church, you're invited to an informal luncheon seminar 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](#).

Women's Summer Book Study

The women of Emmanuel are invited to study the book "Famous at Home" by Josh and Christi Straub hosted by Amy Fong and Christina Pinnell Rawls. The group will meet on Thursdays at 7:30pm (Starting July 13 and ending August 17). If interested please reach out to [Amy](#) or [Christina](#) for more information and to confirm.

Kenya Missions Trip Support

In August, Emmanuel will be sending a team to Kenya to serve our ministry partners, serving in the slums of Nairobi. Please consider supporting the team by linking to the Giving page on our website, scrolling down to "Ways To Give" and selecting "Kenya Missions Trip" on the drop-down menu.