

WORSHIP SERVICE JANUARY 28, 2024

REFLECTION

"There is a strength, a power even, in understanding brokenness, because embracing our brokenness creates a need and desire for mercy, and perhaps a corresponding need to show mercy. When you experience mercy, you learn things that are hard to learn otherwise. You see things you can't otherwise see; you hear things you can't otherwise hear. You begin to recognize the humanity that resides in each of us." ~Bryan Stevenson

ANCIENT OF DAYS

Blessing and honor glory and power Be unto the Ancient of Days From ev'ry nation all of creation Bow before the Ancient of Days

Chorus: Ev'ry tongue in heaven and earth Shall declare Your glory Ev'ry knee shall bow at Your throne In worship You will be exalted O God And Your kingdom shall not pass away O Ancient of Days

Bridge: Your kingdom shall reign Over all the earth Sing unto the Ancient of Days For none can compare To Your matchless worth Gary Sadler | Jamie Harvill CCLI #798108

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

We gather in response to God's gracious invitation, not because worship earns favor with him. Leader: There is none like you, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours **People: All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.** Leader: For you alone are great and do wonderous things **People: You alone are God.**

~Psalm 86:8-10

WE ARE NOT OVERCOME

Flesh will fail and bones will break Thieves will steal the earth will shake Night will fall light will fade The Lord will give and take away

Put no trust in the earth In the sod you stand upon Flowers fade into dust The Lord will make a place for us

Chorus: Because of His great Love we are not overcome Because of His great Love we are not overcome

> Have no fear for your life Turn your cheek turn your cheek Bear the yoke love and death The Lord will give all life and breath Isaac Wardell | Robert Heiskell CCLI Song #7023232

NEW CITY CATECHISM

Question 43: What are the sacraments or ordinances? Answer: The sacraments or ordinances given by God and instituted by Christ, namely baptism and the Lord's Supper, are visible signs and seals that we are bound together as a community of faith by his death and resurrection. By our use of them the Holy Spirit more fully declares and seals the promises of the gospel to us. Question 44: What is baptism?

Answer: Baptism is the washing with water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; it signifies and seals our adoption into Christ, our cleansing from sin, and our commitment to belong to the Lord and to his church.

PARTNERSHIP OFFERING PRESENTATION Project Belong

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

GREETING AND PROCESSIONAL Children up to 3rd 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.

¹⁰God saw their actions—that they had turned from their evil ways—so God relented from the disaster he had threatened them with. And he did not do it.

Jonah was greatly displeased and became furious. ²He prayed to the Lord, "Please, Lord, isn't this what I said while I was still in my own country? That's why I fled toward Tarshish in the first place. I knew that you are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger, abounding in faithful love, and one who relents from sending disaster. ³And now, Lord, take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." ⁴The Lord asked, "Is it right for you to be angry?"

~lonah 3:10 – 4:4

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

O Lord, quiet 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.

IS IT RIGHT FOR YOU TO BE ANGRY?

REV. SCOTT SEATON

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, LOVER OF MY SOUL

Jesus, lover of my soul, Let me to Your bosom fly, While the nearer waters roll, While the tempest still is high. Hide me, O my Savior, hide, 'Til life's storm is past; Safe into the haven guide; Receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none, I helpless, hang on Thee; Leave, oh leave me not alone, Support and comfort me. All my trust on Thee is stayed, All help from Thee I bring; Cover my defenseless head In the shadow of Thy wing.

You, O Christ, are all I want, Here more than all I find; Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, Heal the sick, and lead the blind. Just and holy is Thy Name, I am all unrighteousness; False and full of sin I am; Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found, Grace to cover all my sin; Let the healing streams abound; Make and keep me pure within. Thou of life the fountain art, Let me take of Thee; Spring Thou up within my heart; For all eternity

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Lord, the fruit of your spirit is peace, but we confess we are often content to nurse bitterness. For the ways we turn our backs on healthy restoration, forgive us. For the ways we revel in unrighteous conflict, forgive us. Spirit, help us "seek peace and pursue it."

~Based on Psalm 34:14

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.

I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

~John 16:33

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.

HEART & FLESH (PSALM 84:2)

Humbly I come to You now Thirsty for the living water My heart and my flesh cry out More of You

Jesus You are all I want Jesus You are all my soul desires Jesus You are all I need

> *Chorus:* My heart and my flesh Cry out for You My heart and my flesh Cry out for You

Bridge: My heart and my flesh cry out

CCLI Song # 7203276

PROJECT BELONG PARTNERSHIP OFFERING

REVELATION SONG

Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain Holy holy is He Sing a new song to Him Who sits on Heaven's mercy seat

Chorus: Holy holy holy Is the Lord God Almighty Who was and is and is to come With all creation I sing Praise to the King of kings You are my ev'rything And I will adore You

Clothed in rainbows of living color Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder Blessing and honor strength and glory And power be to You the only wise King

Filled with wonder awestruck wonder At the mention of Your name Jesus Your name is power breath and living water Such a marv'lous mystery

Jennie Lee Riddle

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".

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. Classes will meet every two weeks, and a Spanish version handbook is available. The class will meet in the conference room.

January Partnership Offering - TODAY We will collect a partnership offering for Project Belong, during the closing song. Please designate this partner when giving inperson or online.

Project Belong Luncheon - TODAY

Come learn more about the work of Project Belong over lunch this Sunday, January 28. We'll hear from Executive Director Chris Seaton about local needs and consider ways that each of us can get involved in coming alongside vulnerable children, youth, and families. Learn how we can support mentors from our church and discover ways to use your gifts and time to encourage and support those involved in foster care and adoption. We'll eat and chat in the art room after the church service. For more information, contact Marianna Stone.

Women's Sexual Integrity Group - Meets TODAY The sexual integrity group (women only) will meet after service for a time of sharing and prayer. The group will meet at our office (5545 Langston Blvd) which is a block from the church.

Artificial Intelligence Luncheon - February 4

The increasing use of artificial intelligence technology offers tremendous benefits to society, but also raises many questionsincluding, "what does it mean to be human?" Join us, and invite a friend, for a luncheon presentation entitled "Imago AI: Artificial Intelligence and the Image of God" after the service on February 4. The presentation will feature Chris Sibben, Headmaster of Rivendell School, who has studied and taught on this topic.

Coffee and Conversations - Starts February 9

Join us for Coffee & Conversations starting on Friday, February 9 from 7-8:30 pm for 10 weeks at the Greenbrier Coracle location, 5401 7th Rd. S (3rd floor). This program enables our neighbors to practice their English and learn valuable life skills, with food provided. In addition, a Citizenship Class is also being offered from 6 to 7pm. Please contact Judy Kauer if you have any questions. Sign up to volunteer for just one night or several <u>using this link</u>.

Lunar New Year Karaoke Party - February 18 Emmanuel will be hosting a Lunar New Year Karaoke Party at Rivendell on Sunday, February 18, from 2:00pm-4:00pm. P<u>lease</u> <u>RSVP if you plan to attend</u>, and sign up to bring some fun snacks or drinks. We hope that many families and Emmanuel attendees will join us, and if you already know what you would like to sing, <u>please reach out to Mel Chang</u>.

Intro to Emmanuel - February 25 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. Handbooks are available in both English and Spanish. The luncheon also serves as our Membership Seminar, but attending does not obligate you to join the church. <u>Please RSVP to Karen Adjei</u>.

Hospitality Month in March

During the month of March, we'd like to offer various fellowship events to gather with other members of Emmanuel and invite friends. If you would like to suggest an event you can host, <u>please email Karen</u>.