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: The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it

People: for he has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers. Leader: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. People: Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory!

~Psalm 24:1-2, 9-10

HIS MERCY IS MORE

What love could remember no wrongs we have done Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam What Father so tender is calling us home He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What riches of kindness He lavished on us His blood was the payment His life was the cost We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford Our sins they are many His mercy is more.

Chorus: Praise the Lord His mercy is more Stronger than darkness new every morn Our sins they are many His mercy is more Matt Boswell | Matt Papa CCLI #7065053

NEW CITY CATECHISM

Question 49: Where is Christ now?

Christ rose bodily from the grave on the third day after his death and is seated at the right hand of the Father, ruling his kingdom and interceding for us, until he returns to judge and renew the whole world.

Question 50: What does Christ's resurrection mean for us?

Christ triumphed over sin and death by being physically resurrected, so that all who trust in him are raised to new life in this world and to everlasting life in the world to come. Just as we will one day be resurrected, so this world will one day be restored. But those who do not trust in Christ will be raised to everlasting death.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

A prayer given by Jesus to his disciples as a model of how to pray.

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

GREETING

DOXOLOGY

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.

¹⁰You, however, have followed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, ¹¹my persecutions and sufferings that happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra—which persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. ¹²Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, ¹³while evil people and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. ¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

~2 Timothy 3:10-17

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.

INSPIRED BY GOD

REV. SCOTT SEATON

OFFERING

HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION How firm a foundation you saints of the Lord Is laid for your faith in His excellent word What more can He say than to you He has said To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled

Fear not I am with you, O be not dismayed For I am your God I will still give you aid I'll strengthen you help you And cause you to stand Upheld by My gracious omnipotent hand

When through the deep waters I call you to go The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow For I will be with you in trouble to bless And sanctify to you, your deepest distress

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose I will not I will not desert to its foes That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never no never no never forsake John Rippon | Joseph Funk CCLI #5203505

CONFESSION OF SIN

Since we are forgiven in Christ, confession is an honest word of grace and not an exercise in shame. For the ways we have treated You, Our Lord, forgive us. For the ways we have treated ourselves, forgive us. For the ways we have treated our neighbors, forgive us.

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!" ~Psalm 40:11

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.

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

Bridge: You give and take away You give and take away My heart will choose to say Lórd blessed be Your namé Beth Redman | Matt Redman CCLI #3798438

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

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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".

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.

COVID Precautions

As a friendly reminder, if you are not vaccinated, please wear a mask. Unvaccinated children older than 3 years old are also encouraged to wear a mask. And for those who would like greater social distancing precautions, the balcony is available to use during service, where wearing a mask is required.

Children's Ministry Welcome - Today Children's Ministry will be hosting a get-together right after service today. Come meet other families, grab a snack, and pick up an information packet for this upcoming year!

Spiritual Practices For the upcoming ministry year, Emmanuel is introducing a series of spiritual practices for the congregation to explore together as one body in Christ. Each month, we will introduce a new spiritual practice, and will provide resources on how to more deeply engage. This month's spiritual practice is focused on scripture. Stop by the church lobby table after service to learn more,

Small Group Registration for 2021-2022

Covenant and Small Groups are now open for registration! Details can be found in the Small Group Registration Form. This year, we want to encourage people to join a Covenant Group, which are smaller, single-gender groups. If you are interested in joining or switching groups, please fill out a form at this link, or contact Young Lee.

Youth Mentor Opportunity

We are looking for 1-2 youth mentors to be a part of the youth ministry at Emmanuel. If you are interested in ministering to students at a crucial moment in their story, please <u>contact Stephen Bates</u>.

Youth Kickoff - September 12 Emmanuel will kickoff its Youth Ministry for the upcoming ministry year on September 12! Please <u>contact Stephen Bates</u> for more information.

Young Couples Taco Crawl - September 14 Arlington Bridge Builders is hosting a taco crawl for young couples at Emmanuel at La Chiquita Tacos & Tortas on Tuesday evening at 7pm. The cost is \$20 per person. Please <u>contact Jim Presswood</u> if you would like to attend.

Emmanuel's Fellowship Weekend - September 17-19

Emmanuel is hosting its annual Fellowship Weekend on September 17-19! This is a great opportunity to get to know other people at Emmanuel in a more fun and intimate setting. Please sign up on the Emmanuel app under "Meet-Ups" or <u>at this link</u>. This year's events include:

~Wine & Cheese Night (Friday, women)~ ~Korean BBQ Night (Friday, men)~ ~Coffee, Tea & Dessert Gathering (Saturday, women)~ ~Best Ball Golf (Saturday, men)~ ~Get To Know You Game Night (Saturday, coed)~ ~Phone Photography Class (Sunday, coed)~ ~Hike & Picnic (Sunday, women)~ ~Coloring Cafe (Sunday, women)~

Stop by the church lobby table after service to learn more!

Volunteer with Emmanuel ESL

Come join the Emmanuel team to teach English as a Second Language (ESL)! Thank you to those who already contacted us to volunteer - we are looking for a couple of additional volunteers to assist the team with classes that occur right after service at Rivendell. Make an impactful and lasting difference in people's lives by helping them learn conversational English. Being able to volunteer weekly, monthly, or sporadically are all welcome! Interested or have questions? <u>Contact Judy Kauer</u> or <u>Kristine Leiphart</u>, or <u>you can sign up at this link</u>.

Monday Night Prayer Meeting

This week's prayer meeting is paused to observe the holiday. Our weekly prayer meetings will resume next week.

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).