

# WORSHIP SERVICE

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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.

# WELCOME TO EMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

If you are new to Emmanuel, we'd like to stay in touch!

Fill out our Keeping Connected form to let us know you visited and to receive information about our church. You can use the QR code below, use this link (bit.ly/EPCkeepingconnected), or complete a physical form found at our Welcoming Table in the lobby.

We are so happy that you visited!



## HOPE OF THE AGES

The gospel of Jesus It's the hope of the ages Burning brighter and brighter And standing forever

The Church He is building Nothing can stop it It's a city that's shining A light in the darkness

Chorus
Though Christ was dead
Now surely He's risen
Yeah He's coming back again
And Christ will reign In triumph forever Yeah all praise belongs to Him Yeah all praise belongs to Jesus.

> His Word is the answer For all generations It will never be tainted It will never be broken

This is our confession This is our conviction We believe what is written We believe what You've spoken

> Sing hallelujah Christ is our redeemer Sing hallelujah Jesus holds our future

> Cody Carnes | Reuben Morgan

### **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

# HEAR MY CRY

Hear my cry, O Lord, at the gates of death; My body is weak and I've lost all my breath. For You, O Lord, are the Righteous Judge Be my stronghold, my refuge, my solid rock, Hear my cry!

Hear my cry, O Lord, when I'm lost in sin Search deep in my heart and restore me within For You, O Lord, are the Worthy Lamb Be my savior, redeemer, my living word, Hear my cry!

> Chorus Oh I love you Lord For you have heard my voice When in my deepest need, You turn to me, And hear my cry.

Hear my cry, O Lord, make your church a light A city that stands to defend what is right For You, O Lord, are the Glorious King Be my shepherd, my master, my morning star—Hear my cry!

Hear my cry, O Lord, when we face discord Send patience until fellowship is restored For You, O Lord, are the Faithful Friend Be my comfort, my healer, my Prince of Peace—Hear my cry!

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

**Leader**: <sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive by the Spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which he also went and made proclamation to the spirits in prison <sup>20</sup>who in the past were disobedient, when God patiently waited in the days of Noah while the ark was being prepared. In it a few—that is, eight people,—were saved through water."

People: <sup>21</sup>Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you (not as the removal of dirt from the body, but the pledge of a good conscience toward God) through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God with angels, authorities, and powers subject to him."

~1 Peter 3:18-22

#### LAMENT

Leader: "Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am languishing; heal me, O LORD, for my bones are troubled. My soul also is greatly troubled. But you, O LORD—how long? Turn, O LORD, deliver my life; save me for the sake of your steadfast love. For in death there is no remembrance of you; in Sheol who will give you praise?"

—ProIm 6:1-5

### People: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers of lament.

Brief silence kept.

#### CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

## GREETING AND PROCESSIONAL

Children up to 5th grade are invited to attend Children's Church, and all children will meet in Room 103. First time visitors, please visit the Children's Ministry Table for more information.

## 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.

"IKing Nebuchadnezzar made a gold statue, ninety feet high and nine feet wide. He set it up on the plain of Dura in the province of Babylon. <sup>2</sup>King Nebuchadnezzar sent word to assemble the satraps, prefects, governors, advisers, treasurers, judges, magistrates, and all the rulers of the provinces to attend the dedication of the statue King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. <sup>3</sup>So the satraps, prefects, governors, advisers, treasurers, judges, magistrates, and all the rulers of the provinces assembled for the dedication of the statue the king had set up. Then they stood before the statue Nebuchadnezzar had set up. <sup>4</sup>A herald loudly proclaimed, 'People of every nation and language, you are commanded: <sup>5</sup>When you hear the sound of the horn, flute, zither, lyre, harp, drum, and every kind of music, you are to fall facedown and worship the gold statue that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up. <sup>6</sup>But whoever does not fall down and worship will immediately be thrown into a furnace of blazing fire.' <sup>7</sup>Therefore, when all the people heard the sound of the horn, flute, zither, lyre, harp, and every kind of music, people of every nation and language fell down and worshiped the gold statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up."

~Daniel 3:1-7 CSB

## 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

Sermons at Emmanuel encourage us to depend on the finished work of Christ rather than self-justification.

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#### **OFFERING**

Offering is a grateful acknowledgement of trust and worship of our God who owns everything and withholds nothing.

## COME YE SOULS BY SIN AFFLICTED (LOOK TO JESUS)

Come ye souls by sin afflicted, bowed with fruitless sorrow down By the broken law convicted, through the cross behold the crown Look to Jesus, look to Jesus, look to Jesus Mercy flows through Him alone.

Take His easy yoke and wear it, Love will make your obedience sweet Christ will give you strength to bear it while His grace shall guide your feet Safe to glory, safe to glory, safe to glory Where His ransomed captives meet.

Blessed are the eyes that see Him, bless the ears that hear His voice Blessed are the souls that trust Him and in Him alone rejoice His commandments, His commandments, His commandments Then become their happy choice

Sweet as home to pilgrims weary, light to newly opened eyes Like full springs in deserts dreary is the rest the cross supplies All who taste it, all who taste it, all who taste it Shall to rest immortal rise

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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, the fruit of your spirit is peace, but we confess we are often content with 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 and our assurance is based on God's 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

The Lord's table is open to all who have faith in Jesus and have joined themselves to the visible body of Christ. (Gluten free wafers available.)

## THE HEART OF WORSHIP When the music fades, all is stripped away, and I simply come Longing just to bring something that's of worth that will bless Your heart

Pre-Chorus I'll bring you more than a song
For a song in itself is not what You have required
You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear
You're looking into my heart.

Chorus I'm coming back to the heart of worship And it's all about You, all about You Jesus I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it

When it's all about You, all about You Jesus

King of endless worth, no one could express how much You deserve Though I'm weak and poor, all I have is Yours, Ev'ry single breath

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ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name Let angels prostrate fall Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all Bring forth the royal dia - dem And crown Him Lo - rd of all

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race Ye ransomed from the fall Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lo - rd of all

> Let ev'ry kindred, every tribe On this terrestrial ball To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all To Him all maje - sty ascribe And crown Him Lo - rd of all

O that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall We'll join the ever - last - ing song And crown Him Lord of all We'll join the ever - lasting song And crown Him Lo - rd of all

Benediction means "good word" and is a pronouncement of grace and blessing.

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

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Kenya Mission Trip Fundraiser - TODAY**

After the service, Kenya team members will host a taco bar and bake sale to raise funds and prayer support for their upcoming trip. Please make a donation for the food and provide extra financial support as you are able. Tax deductible donations can be made by check designated to Kenya, on Emmanuel's website, or via QR code; anonymous donations can be paid directly through Square at lunch.

#### All-Youth Pool Party - TODAY

All rising 6th-12th graders are invited to the pool party for games, pizza, and pool time. See Church Center to RSVP and to find out more details.

Women's Summer Book Club - July 1
Join us Tuesdays in July (1, 8, 15, 22, 29) from 7:30-9:00pm at Amy Fong's house in Vienna as we read *Try Softer* by Aundi Kolber. Amy Fong and Christina Pinnell Rawls will lead discussion. RSVP to Amy at <a href="mailto:amyghudson@gmail.com">amyghudson@gmail.com</a>. Come once, come weekly—you're welcome anytime!

## Summer Bible Study - July 2

Join us for a co-ed, 4-week Bible study on the books of Hosea and Amos, starting Wednesday night June 25 at 7:30pm in Rosslyn. Together, we'll explore God's steadfast love, the call to justice and mercy, and His faithful pursuit of a wayward people. Please contact Yelena Urcia (yelenavu@gmail.com) and Wendy You (wendyyu88@gmail.com) for more details.

#### Partnership Offering - Sarrans - July 6

Our July partnership offering will go to church planters Alex and Suzanne Sarran, who serve with their family in Lyon, France. Consider giving to support them and their work next week during the closing song.

Enjoy time with our church family and bring a friend to Emmanuel's annual summer cookout at Bon Air Park. The church will provide Central American BBQ; please bring a side to share. If you are able to help grill or volunteer in other ways, please sign up on Church Center.

#### Singles Community Building - July 19

Come spend a relaxing evening with food and fellowship from 4-8 PM. Main dish will be provided. Bring a salad, dessert, or drinks to share. Location is Jenn and Geoff Chin's backyard, and carpooling is encouraged. Sign up and find out more details on Church Center.

## Youth Retreat Sign-up

Fall Youth Retreat sign ups are open on Church Center. Rising 6th-12th graders, mark September 12-14 on your calendars and sign up today.

# ABB Volunteer Opportunities - VBS, Coffee & Conversation, and Food Pantry

Volunteers are needed for our community Vacation Bible School on July 21-25 from 9am-12pm. Sign up for one or more days as you're able! Join **Coffee & Conversation** - practice English with learners in a fun, informal setting at 5401 7th Rd S, Arlington on Fridays from 4:30-5:30pm. No sign-up needed—just drop in. Teens can volunteer too! **Food Pantry Help** - Lend a hand at 790 S Carlin Springs Rd (behind Community Church of God). Most needed: Weds/Thurs, 10 AM–3 PM, or Saturdays, 11 AM–3 PM. Great for families—kids can help stock shelves!