INVITATION TO WORSHIP

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

Leader: "But do not overlook this one fact, beloved,

People: ...with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

Leader: The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness,

People: ...but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

~ 1 Peter 3:8-9

THE LION AND THE LAMB

He's coming on the clouds Kings and kingdoms will bow down And every chain will break As broken hearts declare His praise For who can stop the Lord Almighty

Chorus:

Our God is the Lion
The Lion of Judah
He's roaring with power
And fighting our battles
And every knee will bow before Him

Our God is the Lamb
The Lamb that was slain
For the sins of the world
His blood breaks the chains
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb
Every knee will bow before Him

So open up the gates
Make way before the King of kings
The God who comes to save
Is here to set the captives free
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

Bridge:

Who can stop the Lord Almighty Who can stop the Lord (Almighty) Brenton Brown | Brian Johnson | Leeland Mooring

WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! Oh, what peace we often forfeit, Oh what needless pain we bear All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
Jesus, Savior, is our refuge, take it to the Lord in prayer
Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Jesus knows our every weakness, take it to the Lord in prayer

Chorus:

Oh what a friend Oh what a friend in Jesus (2x)

Blessed Savior, You have promised, all our burdens You will bear May we ever, Lord, be bringing all to you in earnest prayer Soon, in glory bright unclouded, face to face will be our prayer Joyful praise and endless worship will be our sweet portion there

NEW CITY CATECHISM

Question 3 - How many persons are there in God?

Answer - There are three persons in the one true and living God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. They are the same in substance, equal in power and glory.

Question 4 - How and why did God create us?

Answer - God created us male and female in his own image to know him, love, him, live with. Him, and glorify him. And it is right that we who were created by God should live to his glory.

MERCY MINISTRY PRESENTATION

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 "Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven. ² "Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ³ But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴ so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. ~*Matthew 6:1-4*

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

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.

Treasured Treasure Rev. Young Lee

GOOD GOOD FATHER

I've heard a thousand stories Of what they think You're like But I've heard the tender whisper Of love in the dead of night You tell me that You're pleased And that I'm never alone

Chorus:

You're a Good Good Father; It's who You are It's who You are; It's who You are And I'm loved by You; It's who I am It's who I am; It's who I am

I've seen many searching for answers
Far and wide
But I know we're all searching for answers
Only You provide
Because You know just what we need
Before we say a word

Bridge:

You are perfect in all of Your ways; You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Love so undeniable I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still; As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still; Into love love love

Anthony Brown | Pat Barrett

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Almighty God, whose Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let us find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. ~ Book of Common Prayer

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 Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing." ~Zephaniah 3:17

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.

JESUS I AM RESTING RESTING

Jesus I am resting resting; In the joy of what Thou art I am finding out the greatness; Of Thy loving heart Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee; And Thy beauty fills my soul For by Thy transforming power; Thou hast made me whole

Chorus:

Jesus I am resting resting; In the joy of what Thou art I am finding out the greatness; Of Thy loving heart

Oh how great Thy loving kindness; Vaster broader than the sea Oh how marvelous Thy goodness; Lavished all on me Yes I rest in Thee Beloved; Know what wealth of grace is Thine Know Thy certainty of promise; And have made it mine

Simply trusting Thee Lord Jesus; I behold Thee as Thou art And Thy love so pure so changeless; Satisfies my heart Satisfies its deepest longings; Meets supplies its ev'ry need Compasseth me 'round with blessings; Thine is love indeed

Ever lift Thy face upon me; As I work and wait for Thee Resting 'neath Thy smile Lord Jesus; Earth's dark shadows flee Brightness of my Father's glory; Sunshine of my Father's face Keep me ever trusting resting; Fill me with Thy grace

BENEDICTION

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

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 (instructions on downloading the app can be found below). 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 1-2pm.

Good Friday Service - April 2nd
We will gather for Good Friday Service at Rivendell on Friday, April 2nd at 7pm. Emmanuel plans to offer nursery for a limited number of children aged one to four. A link to register for the Good Friday service and the nursery will be emailed the week before the service.

Easter Celebration Services

Emmanuel will have two worship services on April 4th at 9am and 11am. A link to register for either service and nursery will be emailed the week before the service.

Easter Invitation to Worship

We are looking for volunteers to participate in our yearly Easter call to worship in the languages spoken at Emmanuel. All volunteers will be asked to record the call to worship instead of saying it in person on Easter. We already have volunteers for the following languages: Portuguese, Mandarin, Ukrainian, French, ASL, Japanese, Korean, German, Taiwanese, Russian, Quechua, Spanish, and Tamil. If you speak another language, please reach out to office@emmanuelarlington.org.

Sparks Meeting - TODAY at 4:30PM

All 3rd-5th graders are invited to join a virtual Sparks meeting today at 4:30pm. Email Angela with questions.

Sparks Leaders for Next School Year Sparks, Emmanuel's pre-youth group serving third through fifth graders, is looking for leaders starting in September. If you enjoy working with older elementary kids and have a desire to build relationships with them and teach them about God, please reach out to Angela Na

Youth Group Meeting - 3/21 at 12:30pm

Emmanuel's Youth Group (6th-12th graders) will continue meeting every other Sunday from 12:30-2:00pm, the youth group will meet in Rivendell's gym with appropriate social distance and ventilation for a short time of teaching and then break-up into mentor groups which will meet outside. Lunch will be provided.

This month we will be supporting Compassion International. We encourage you to support this great ministry by sponsoring a child. You can do so through their our Emmanuel-specific link: www.compassion.com/emmanuelarlington.

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).