

CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY (HE IS NOT DEAD)

Christ the Lord is risen today alleluia
Sons of men and angels say alleluia
Raise your joys and triumphs high alleluia
Sing ye heavens and earth reply alleluia

Lives again our glorious King alleluia
Where oh death is now thy sting alleluia
Dying once He all doth save alleluia
Where thy victory oh grave alleluia

Love's redeeming work is done alleluia
Fought the fight the battle won alleluia
Death in vain forbids Him rise alleluia
Christ has opened paradise alleluia

Soar we now where Christ has led alleluia
Following our exalted Head alleluia
Made like Him like Him we rise alleluia
Ours the cross the grave the skies alleluia

Charles Wesley | Kurtis Parks | Samuel Arnold

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

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

The hope of the Resurrection is for people from every nation, tribe, people and language (Revelation 7:9). Some of those languages are spoken here at Emmanuel, including Arabic, American Sign Language, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin, Portuguese, Quechua, Spanish, Tamil, Taiwanese, and Ukrainian. "Emmanuel" has the same meaning and pronunciation in all of them.

"The Lord has risen indeed . . . and they shall call his name Emmanuel."
~Luke 24:34 & Matthew 1:23~

CHRIST IS RISEN

Let no one caught in sin remain; Inside the lie of inward shame
But fix our eyes upon the cross; And run to Him who showed great love
And bled for us; Freely You've bled for us

Chorus:

Christ is risen from the dead; Trampling over death by death
Come awake come awake; Come and rise up from the grave
Christ is risen from the dead; We are one with Him again
Come awake come awake; Come and rise up from the grave

Beneath the weight of all our sin; You bowed to none but heaven's will
No scheme of hell no scoffer's crown; No burden great can hold You down
In strength You reign; Forever let Your church proclaim

Bridge:

O death where is your sting; O hell where is your victory
O church come stand in the light; The glory of God has defeated the night
Singing O death where is your sting; O hell where is your victory
O church come stand in the light; Our God is not dead He's alive He's alive

Matt Maher | Mia Fielder

NEW CITY CATECHISM

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

Answer: Christ triumphed over sin and death, so that all who trust in him are raised to new life in this world and to everlasting life in the world to come.

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 Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." ³ So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. ⁴ Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, ⁷ and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to their homes. ¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. ¹² And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴ Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"—and that he had said these things to her. ~John 20:1-18

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.

WHOM ARE YOU SEEKING?

SCOTT SEATON

AMAZING GRACE (MY CHAINS ARE GONE)

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Chorus:

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

Chris Tomlin | John Newton | Louie Giglio

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Jesus, who can fully grasp this head-spinning resurrection news? Like the disciples, we are still caught off guard, resurrection seeming stranger than fiction. With all who doubt and struggle, we pray that you would flare in our sight anew today.

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.

"Death is swallowed up in victory." "O death, where is your victory?" "O death, where is your sting?" The sting of death is sin and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

~1 Corinthians 15

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.

YET NOT I BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME
What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me
The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Saviour he will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed

To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me
No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me
With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me

When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me
Yet not I but through Christ in me

Jonny Robinson | Michael Farren | Rich Thompson

BENEDICTION

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 1-1:30pm.

Emmanuel Employment Opportunity

Emmanuel is accepting applications for the full-time staff position of Office Administrator. This position is eligible for full employee benefits. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Scott Seaton at sseaton@emmanuelarlington.org for more details.

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.

Rivendell's Gym

Everyone is welcome to enjoy the gym at Rivendell on Sundays before or after worship, but only soft-sole shoes or socks are allowed on the court. Please help us keep this fun space in good condition!

Youth Group Meeting - April 11th

Emmanuel's Youth Group (6th-12th graders) will meet again on April 11th from 12:30-2:00.

April Mercy Ministry

This month, our mercy offering is supporting Project Belong, which recruits and resources the local church to care for vulnerable children. You can give to their ministry at www.emmanuelarlington.org/give or on the Emmanuel app by designating your gift for "April Mercy Ministry - Project Belong".

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).