



EMMANUEL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WORSHIP SERVICE

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**REFLECTION**

"There's a capacity for appetite that a whole  
heaven and earth of cake can't satisfy."

*~John Steinbeck (East of Eden)*

FOREVER

Give thanks to the Lord  
Our God and King  
His love endures forever  
For He is good He is above all things  
His love endures forever  
Sing praise sing praise

With a mighty hand  
And an outstretched arm  
His love endures forever  
For the life that's been reborn  
His love endures forever  
Sing praise sing praise

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Forever God is faithful  
Forever God is strong  
Forever God is with us  
Forever forever

From the rising to the setting sun  
His love endures forever  
And by the grace of God  
We will carry on  
His love endures forever  
Sing praise sing praise

Chris Tomlin  
CCLI Song #3148428

**INVITATION TO WORSHIP**

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

Leader: Our hearts are ready, O Lord, our hearts are ready!

**People: We will sing and make melody! We will awaken the dawn!**

Leader: We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples, we will sing praises to you among the nations.

**People: For your steadfast love is great above the heavens, and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.**

*~based on Psalm 108:1-4*

FROM THE DUST

From the dust we came, to the dust we shall return  
From the dust we came, to the dust we shall return  
God everlasting, age unto age the same  
We are a moment, then like a breath we fade

O Lord, have mercy  
O Lord, have mercy

From the dust we came, to the dust we shall return  
From the dust we came, to the dust we shall return  
God everlasting, we are cut down like grass  
Seeds in the morning, and by the night we pass

O Lord, have mercy  
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O Lord, have mercy

Paul Zach | Kate Bluett

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

<sup>1</sup>You know, brothers and sisters, that our visit to you was not without results. <sup>2</sup>We had previously suffered and been treated outrageously in Philippi, as you know, but with the help of our God we dared to tell you his gospel in the face of strong opposition. <sup>3</sup>For the appeal we make does not spring from error or impure motives, nor are we trying to trick you. <sup>4</sup>On the contrary, we speak as those approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel. We are not trying to please people but God, who tests our hearts. <sup>5</sup>You know we never used flattery, nor did we put on a mask to cover up greed—God is our witness. <sup>6</sup>We were not looking for praise from people, not from you or anyone else, even though as apostles of Christ we could have asserted our authority. <sup>7</sup>Instead, we were like young children among you. Just as a nursing mother cares for her children, <sup>8</sup>so we cared for you. Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well.

~1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Leader: This is the word of God, absolutely true, and given to us in love.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

## GREETING

### GLORIA PATRI

Glorify be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

*Gloria al Padre, Al hijo y al Espíritu. Como en el principio, ahora es y será. Mundo sin fin. Amén.*

## 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.*

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

You shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself a carved image.

You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.

Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

And you shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

And you shall not covet...anything that is your neighbor's.

~Deuteronomy 5:6-21

### 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.*

DO NOT COVET

REV. STEPHEN BATES

### 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.*

## I STAND AMAZED (HOW MARVELOUS)

I stand amazed in the presence  
Of Jesus the Nazarene  
And wonder how He could love me  
A sinner condemned unclean

### *Chorus:*

How marvelous how wonderful  
And my song shall ever be  
How marvelous how wonderful  
Is my Savior's love for me

He took my sins and my sorrows  
He made them His very own  
(And) He bore the burden to Calvary  
And suffered and died alone

And with the ransomed in glory  
His face I at last shall see  
It will be my joy through the ages  
To sing of His love for me

Charles Hutchinson Gabriel | Chris Tomlin  
CCLI Song #4674207

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

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

"None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands; no one seeks for God....For there is no distinction: all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God..."

~Romans 3:11, 22-23

## **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.*

For there is no distinction: all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup>and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins.

~Romans 3:23-25

## **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.*

HOW GREAT THOU ART

O Lord my God  
When I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds  
Thy hands have made  
I see the stars  
I hear the rolling thunder  
Thy pow'r thru'out  
The universe displayed

*Chorus:*

Then sings my soul  
My Savior God to Thee  
How great Thou art  
How great Thou art  
Then sings my soul  
My Savior God to Thee  
How great Thou art  
How great Thou art

When through the woods  
And forest glades I wander  
And hear the birds  
Sing sweetly in the trees  
When I look down  
From lofty mountain grandeur  
And hear the brook  
And feel the gentle breeze

And when I think  
That God His Son not sparing  
Sent Him to die  
I scarce can take it in  
That on the cross  
My burden gladly bearing  
He bled and died  
To take away my sin

When Christ shall come  
With shout of acclamation  
And take me home  
What joy shall fill my heart  
Then I shall bow  
In humble adoration  
And there proclaim  
My God how great Thou art

Stuart Wesley | Keene Hine  
CCLI Song #14181

**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 by the stage to pray for any concerns you have.**

*Unless noted, all Scripture is English Standard Version (ESV).*

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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".

### K-2nd Grade Families Luncheon - TODAY

Families with children in kindergarten through second grade are invited after service for a luncheon in the courtyard (or art room if the weather is bad) to fellowship.

### Emmanuel Easter Egg Hunt

On April 16, Emmanuel will host an Easter egg hunt for Emmanuel children ages 0-9 at Rivendell! Please consider inviting a friend or neighbor to this event.

### Easter Services

We're excited to host two Easter Sunday services this year at Rivendell!, along with a Good Friday service April 15 at 7pm! Please consider inviting a friend or family member to one of the following services:

April 15: Good Friday Service, 7pm

April 17: Easter Sunday Services

~8:30am - nursery only

~10:30am - both nursery and Sunday school provided

### Recruiting for Call to Worship

We will start Easter service with a call to worship in languages spoken at Emmanuel as a way to remember that Christ rose for all peoples. If you can converse or just "get by" in a language and are willing to read a short verse we'll supply you with, please email [Karen](#) with the language(s) you can speak.

### Earth Day Clean Up at Bon Air Park - April 23

Emmanuel is invited to an Earth Day Clean Up on April 23 from 10:30am to 12pm with Arlington Bridge Builders! ABB is looking for a few families who can volunteer with those being served by the ABB food pantry, so if you're able to participate, please contact [Judy Kauer](#) or [Carlos Dimas](#).

### Women's Prayer Breakfast - April 30

Ladies! Spring is a time for Soul Sister connection! Will you join us at Pam Dourado's home for a refreshing morning of prayer together? Save the date for April 30th from 9:30-11:30 - we will gather, have a bite, and practice praying together. Because... "When two or three of you are together because of me, you can be sure that I'll be there." [Please give a quick RSVP to Karen.](#)

### Coffee and Conversations

Join Arlington Bridge Builders (ABB) every Friday from 6:30 to 8pm at Arlington Mill Community Center to practice speaking English with our neighbors! Please sign up for at least one Friday under "Get Connected" on the Emmanuel App or [at this link](#).

### Volunteer for Emmanuel Events

Emmanuel is looking for a few volunteers who are able to help with setup and cleanup for luncheons, seminars, etc. If you are able to volunteer, please sign up in the lobby or [email Karen](#).

### Compassion Sunday - April 24

April 24 is Compassion Sunday! Please consider becoming a Compassion Sponsor. You can learn more about our partner on our website: [emmanuelarlington.org/mercy-care](http://emmanuelarlington.org/mercy-care).

### Monday Night Prayer Meeting

Join us on Mondays from 7:30-8pm for our weekly prayer meetings! This week we will be praying for the Easter season.

### COVID Precautions

As a friendly reminder, in compliance with the CDC's and Arlington County's guidelines for COVID protocols, we recommend that you wear a mask during service.

### 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).

### 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.