



EMMANUEL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WORSHIP SERVICE
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REFLECTION

God's provision has been the means of letting us see the tender love and care of our God over his children, even in the most minute things.
~George Mueller

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

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

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

Leader: "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

People: Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart,

Leader: and you will find rest for your souls.

People: For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

~Matthew 11:28-29

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!

Kirk Ward

OLD TESTAMENT READING

¹The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. ²He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. ³He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. ⁴Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. ⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. ⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

~Psalm 23

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

People: Thanks be to God

LAMENT

He has made my teeth grind on gravel, and made me cower in ashes; my soul is empty of peace; I have forgotten what happiness is; so I say, "My endurance has perished; so has my hope from the LORD."

~Lamentations 3:16-18

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

GREETING AND PROCESSIONAL

Children up to 5th grade are invited to attend Children's Church. Please meet your teacher in the lobby.

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.

¹⁰So he sent orders and had John beheaded in the prison. ¹¹His head was brought on a platter and given to the girl, who carried it to her mother. ¹²Then his disciples came, removed the corpse, buried it, and went and reported to Jesus.

¹³When Jesus heard about it, he withdrew from there by boat to a remote place to be alone. When the crowds heard this, they followed him on foot from the towns. ³⁵When it grew late, his disciples approached him and said, "This place is deserted, and it is already late. ³⁶Send them away so that they can go into the surrounding countryside and villages to buy themselves something to eat." ³⁷"You give them something to eat," he responded. They said to him, "Should we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give them something to eat?" ³⁸He asked them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." When they found out they said, "Five, and two fish." ³⁹Then he instructed them to have all the people sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰So they sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties. ⁴¹He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he blessed and broke the loaves. He kept giving them to his disciples to set before the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. ⁴²Everyone ate and was satisfied. ⁴³They picked up twelve baskets full of pieces of bread and fish. ⁴⁴Now those who had eaten the loaves were five thousand men.

~Matthew 14:10-13, Mark 6:35-44 CSB

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

O Lord, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, and strength to follow on the path you set before us; through 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.

FEEDING 5,000 FOR 12

REV. YOUNG LEE

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.

'TIS SO SWEET TO TRUST IN JESUS
'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus;
Just to take Him at His word
Just to rest upon His promise;
Just to know thus saith the Lord

Chorus:

Jesus Jesus how I trust Him;
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er
Jesus Jesus precious Jesus;
O for grace to trust Him more

O how sweet to trust in Jesus;
Just to trust His cleansing blood
Just in simple faith to plunge me;
'Neath the healing cleansing flood

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus;
Just from sin and self to cease
Just from Jesus simply taking;
Life and rest and joy and peace

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee;
Precious Jesus Savior Friend
And I know that Thou art with me
Will be with me to the end

Louisa M. R. Stead | William James Kirkpatrick

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

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.

But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."
~Lamentations 3:22-24

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. Gluten free wafers available at communion table.

NOTHING TO FEAR

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you
And the depths of the rivers, shall not overwhelm
When you walk through the fire, You will not be burned
I am the Lord I am the Lord

Chorus:

And there is nothing to fear nothing to fear
There is nothing to fear nothing to fear
For I am with you always
In the depths of your sorrow, I wept beside you
When you walked through the shadow, I drew you near
Yesterday today tomorrow, always the same
I am the Lord I am the Lord

Bridge:

What can separate you from my perfect love
(Repeat) Do not fear
Do not fear

Do not fear

CCLI Song # 7133723 | Audrey Assad | Isaac Wardell | Paul Zach

COME QUICKLY

Come, it's the Spirit and the bride
Come, this water isn't priced
Come, the bright star is the Christ.
Every wrong reversed, it shall be made right

Chorus:

Come quickly Lord, come Lord Jesus
Come quickly Lord
Yes, Amen

Done, the feast will end the fast
Done, the ancient ache collapse
Dawn, green and gold at last
Every wrong reversed, it shall be made right

Bridge:

All will be well
It all will be well
All manner of things shall be well
(x3)

Stephen Bates

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 to pray for any concerns you have, through the door on the right of the stage.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birth Announcement

Mollie and Evan Johnson welcomed Alethea "Thea" Eden Johnson on April 10! To help with meals please visit this link: bit.ly/49vViAS

Bake cookies for CRU-Marymount University Students - TODAY

Join us after service to bake cookies that will go into care packages for the CRU college students. Let's encourage the Marymount students during exam week! Reach out to Kristine Leiphart at kristine.Leiphart@gmail.com and Molly Harnish at mollyharnish@gmail.com if you have questions, ideas, or would like to drop off baked goods on April 14.

Women's Listening Session - TODAY

The women of Emmanuel are invited to stay after service for a guided discussion session led by Pam Dourado and Michele Lee, both of whom are professional counselors. Lunch will be provided but there will be no childcare.

Men's Listening Session - April 21

The men of Emmanuel will have a guided discussion led by Young Lee, Jake Abraham and Lonni Jackson, where we will discuss the importance of pursuing deeper intimacy in male relationships. Lunch will be provided but there will be no childcare.

Youth Group Meeting - April 21

The youth group will have a special meeting after service to help our students process this transition. There will be a short time of teaching and ample time for Q&A and discussion. We will resume normal youth group rhythms beginning in May.

Women's Virtual IF Gathering Watch Party - April 26 & 27

Join the ladies of Emmanuel for a virtual viewing of the IF Gathering Conference at Pam Dourado's home on the evening of April 26 and/or all day April 27. Please sign up at this link: <https://bit.ly/virtualifgathering>. For more information, please contact Yelena Urcia at yelenavu@gmail.com.

Zoom Call with the Sarrans - April 27 @ 12:30pm

Join a Zoom meeting with Alex and Suzanne Sarran, missionaries in Lyon, France, to hear about their ministry, ask questions, and pray. Contact Carole Corkran at carolecorkan@gmail.com for more information and the Zoom link.