



EMMANUEL

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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.

WELCOME TO EMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

Use the QR code to fill out our Keeping Connected form (physical forms are available in the lobby) to receive information about our church. You can also use Church Center for general purposes such as registering for events.



Church Center



EASTER

The resurrection of Jesus is a reality so glorious, it requires fifty days to sink in. Christ is Risen!

ANCIENT OF DAYS

Blessing and honor glory and power
Be unto the Ancient of Days
From ev'ry nation all of creation
Bow before the Ancient of Days

Chorus

Ev'ry tongue in heaven and earth
Shall declare Your glory
Ev'ry knee shall bow at Your throne
In worship
You will be exalted O God
And Your kingdom shall not pass away
O Ancient of Days

Your kingdom shall reign
Over all the earth
Sing unto the Ancient of Days
For none can compare
To Your matchless worth
Sing unto the Ancient of Days

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INVITATION TO WORSHIP

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

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

People: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

Leader: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

People: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! (*Psalm 95:1-3,6*)

ESTABLISH THE WORK OF OUR HANDS

If You don't build it we labor in vain
Without Your Spirit we stand with no strength
I know my life is passing away
But the works of Your hands are what will remain

Let the favor of the Lord rest upon us

O Lord establish the work of our hands
O Lord establish the work of our hands

Teach us to number the length of our days
Pour out Your power we'll pour out Your praise
Teach us to run to finish the race
For only what's done in love will remain

Alleluia alleluia alleluia
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

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NEW TESTAMENT READING

Leader: ¹“Don’t let your heart be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? ³If I go away and prepare a place for you, I will come again and take you to myself, so that where I am you may be also. ⁴You know the way to where I am going.’ ⁵ ‘Lord,’ Thomas said, ‘We don’t know where you’re going. How can we know the way?’

People: ⁶Jesus told him, ‘I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him.’ ⁸‘Lord,’ said Philip, ‘show us the Father, and that’s enough for us.’ ⁹ Jesus said to him, ‘Have I been among you all this time and you do not know me, Philip? The one who has seen me has seen the Father.’ (John 14:1-9)

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

People: Thanks be to God.

BAPTISMS

Jordan Arlo Drobish
Caroline Elizabeth Roberts

JESUS LOVES ME

Jesus loves me, this I know
For the Bible tells me so
Little ones to Him belong
They are weak, but He is strong
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
The Bible tells me so

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

GREETING AND PROCESSIONAL

Children up to 5th grade are invited to attend Children’s Church. Preschoolers and 4th-5th graders, please head directly to your classrooms upstairs. Other children, meet your teachers in the lobby to walk upstairs together. First-time visitors, please visit the Children’s Ministry Table for more information.

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.

“Of Solomon. ¹God, give your justice to the king and your righteousness to the king’s son. ²He will judge your people with righteousness and your afflicted ones with justice. ³May the mountains bring well-being to the people and the hills, righteousness. ⁴May he vindicate the afflicted among the people, help the poor, and crush the oppressor. ⁵May they fear you while the sun endures and as long as the moon, throughout all generations. ⁶May the king be like rain that falls on the cut grass, like spring showers that water the earth. ⁷May the righteous flourish in his days and well-being abound until the moon is no more. ⁸May he rule from sea to sea and from the Euphrates to the ends of the earth. ⁹May desert tribes kneel before him and his enemies lick the dust. ¹⁰May the kings of Tarshish and the coasts and islands bring tribute, the kings of Sheba and Seba offer gifts. ¹¹Let all kings bow in homage to him, all nations serve him. ¹²For he will rescue the poor who cry out and the afflicted who have no helper. ¹³He will have pity on the poor and helpless and

save the lives of the poor. ¹⁴He will redeem them from oppression and violence, for their lives are precious in his sight. ¹⁵May he live long! May gold from Sheba be given to him. May prayer be offered for him continually, and may he be blessed all day long. ¹⁶May there be plenty of grain in the land; may it wave on the tops of the mountains. May its crops be like Lebanon. May people flourish in the cities like the grass of the field. ¹⁷May his name endure forever; as long as the sun shines, may his fame increase. May all nations be blessed by him and call him blessed. ¹⁸Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who alone does wonders. ¹⁹Blessed be his glorious name forever; the whole earth is filled with his glory. Amen and amen.”
(Psalm 72:1-19)

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

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

Vocational Stewardship: Law and Politics

Rev. Young Lee

VOCATIONAL TESTIMONY

Karen Wu

OFFERING

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

JESUS I MY CROSS HAVE TAKEN

Jesus, I my cross have taken
All to leave and follow Thee
Destitute, despised, forsaken
Thou from hence my all shall be
Perish every fond ambition
All I've sought or hoped or known
Yet how rich is my condition!
God and heaven are still my own

Let the world despise and leave me
They have left my Savior, too
Human hearts and looks deceive me
Thou art not, like them, untrue
O while Thou dost smile upon me
God of wisdom, love, and might
Foes may hate and friends disown me
Show thy face and all is bright

Soul, then know thy full salvation
Rise o'er sin and fear and care
Joy to find in every station
Something still to do or bear
Think what Spirit dwells within thee
Think what Fathers smiles are thine
Think that Jesus died to win thee
Child of heaven, canst thou repine

Haste thee on from grace to glory
Armed by faith, and winged by prayer
Heavens eternal days before thee
Gods own hand shall guide us there
Soon shall close thy earthly mission
Soon shall pass thy pilgrim days
Hope shall change to glad fruition
Faith to sight, and prayer to praise

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 and our assurance is based on God's promises.

"¹My little children, I am writing you these things so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ the righteous one. ²He himself is the atoning sacrifice, for our sins, and not only for ours, but also for those of the whole world." (1 John 2:1–2.)

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 are available.)

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

Chorus

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
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BENEDICTION

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.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Restoring Justice: Law as a Redemptive Force for Communities - Today

As part of our Vocational Series, we will shine a light on the redemptive work in the sphere of Law and Politics. Plan to stay after the service to hear from Pablo Villeda about his work with criminal record sealing and as Executive Director of Christian Legal Aid of DC. Lunch and childcare will be provided.

Flowers for Kenya Fundraiser - May 10 (Mother's Day)

Support Emmanuel's missions team by purchasing flowers in the church lobby on Mother's Day. Purchase a single stem or bouquet for someone you love. All proceeds will directly support our team's ongoing partnership with the Makukus in Kibera, Kenya this summer. Pay via Square, cash, or check.

Senior Recognition & Commissioning Sunday - May 10

We will recognize our graduating seniors and commission a military officer during worship service. Come celebrate their achievements and pray for God's blessing on their future.

Eating Disorder & Body Image Seminar - May 17

After the service, in conjunction with Arlington Bridge Builders' Extra Mile and Rock Recovery Program, we will host a presentation on healthy body image and eating disorders, both topics that many struggle with but are often not discussed in the church. This is a great opportunity to invite friends. Lunch will be available.

Collaborative Worship Service - May 24

Arlington Bridge Builders is orchestrating a collaborative worship service with several local churches at Cherrydale Baptist Church from 5-6pm. Come worship with our congregation and other local believers.