



EMMANUEL

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WORSHIP SERVICE

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

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

JOYFUL JOYFUL WE ADORE THEE

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee
God of glory, Lord of love
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee
Opening to the sun above
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness
Drive the dark of doubt away
Giver of immortal gladness
Fill us with the light of day!

All Your works with joy surround You
Earth and heaven reflect Your rays
Stars and angels sing around You
Center of unbroken praise
Field and forest, vale and mountain
Flowery meadow, flashing sea
Chanting bird and flowing fountain
Praising You eternally!

Always giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living,
Ocean-depth of happy rest!
Loving Father, Christ our Brother,
Let Your light upon us shine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine

Henry Van Dyke
CCLI Song # 2647951— CCLI License # 3184477

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

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

Leader: Abide in me, and I in you.

People: As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me.

Leader: I am the vine

People: You are the branches.

(John 15:3-5)

HOLY SPIRIT

There's nothing worth more that will ever come close
No thing can compare You're our living hope
Your Presence

I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free and my shame is undone
In Your Presence, Lord

Chorus

Holy Spirit, You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory God is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your Presence, Lord

Let us become more aware of Your Presence
Let us experience the glory of Your goodness (Lord)

Bryan Torwalt and Katie Torwalt © 2011 Jesus Culture
CCLI Song # 6087919--CCLI License # 3184477 1

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Leader: ¹My soul, bless the Lord, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. ²My soul, bless the Lord, and do not forget all his benefits. ³He forgives all your iniquity; he heals all your diseases. ⁴He redeems your life from the Pit; he crowns you with faithful love and compassion. ⁵He satisfies you with good things; your youth is renewed like the eagle. ⁶The Lord executes acts of righteousness and justice for all the oppressed. ⁷He revealed his ways to Moses, his deeds to the people of Israel.

People: ⁸The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in faithful love. ⁹He will not always accuse us or be angry forever. ¹⁰He has not dealt with us as our sins deserve or repaid us according to our iniquities. ¹¹For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his faithful love toward those who fear him. ¹²As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. ¹³As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him.”
(Psalm 103:1-13)

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

People: Thanks be to God.

INTRODUCTION OF NOMINATED LEADERS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

GREETING AND PROCESSIONAL

Children up to 5th grade are invited to attend Children's Church. Preschoolers and 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.

³⁵Jesus continued going around to all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. ³⁸Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest." (*Matthew 9:35-38*)

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

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

Ministry of Presence

Rev. Young Lee

OFFERING

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

LORD, I NEED YOU

Lord, I come, I confess
Bowing here I find my rest
And without You, I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

Chorus

Lord I need You, oh I need You
Every hour I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are, Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me
Where You are, Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay

Daniel Carson | Matt Maher | Christy Nockels | Jesse Reeves
©2011 Sweater Weather Music, Valley Of Songs Music, and Thankyou Music
CCLI Song # 5925687--CCLI License # 3184477 1

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Most 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. *(The Book of Common Prayer)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We are forgiven in Christ and our assurance is based on God's promises.

"I will leave a meek and humble people among you, and they will take refuge in the name of the Lord.... Sing for joy, Daughter Zion; shout loudly, Israel! Be glad and celebrate with all your heart, Daughter Jerusalem! The Lord has removed your punishment; he has turned back your enemy. The King of Israel, the Lord, is among you; you need no longer fear harm. *(Zephaniah 3:12,14-15)*

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.)

MAKE US ONE

One with the Father, one with the Spirit
One with the Son of God
One with our sister, one with our brother
One family by the blood

Chorus 1

Make us one, make us one
Your will be done, make us one

One heart with heaven, one mind connected
One body unified
Bind us together now and forever
Jesus be glorified

We confess all our offenses
We confess we've been afraid
We repent of all our pride
Let all the hurt be washed away
For all the wars and violence against our enemy

Come heal our land with Your great river
Restore the family and

Chorus
Make us one make us one
Let Your kingdom come
Make us one make us one

Chris Quilala | Joshua Silverburg | Ran Jackson | Ricky Jackson
© Capitol CMG Amplifier (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing), Jesus Culture Music (Admin. by Capitol
CMG Publishing)

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.

CCLI #3184477

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vision Sunday and Congregational Meeting - Today

All members are encouraged to attend our congregational meeting after the service today. During this meeting, we will hold a vote on our Assistant Pastor Stephen Bates becoming Associate Pastor. We will also discuss the budget for the year. Immediately after the service, snacks will be available in the lobby, and children will be supervised outside during the meeting.

Adult Women's Bible Study - Today

Emmanuel women are invited to join a 6-week Adult Sunday School on 2 Timothy that began today at 9:00 AM at Rivendell. Lisa Lee and Mona Lindeman will lead us as we explore Paul's exhortations to Timothy to guard, suffer for, continue in, and preach the gospel—and what these instructions mean for us today. No sign up is necessary, and women are welcome to join later even if they missed today.

Men's Sexual Integrity Group - September 14

The men's group meets every 2nd and 4th Monday for a time of sharing and prayer at 7:30pm. Contact mensintegrity@emmanuelarlington.org for more information.

Introduction to Emmanuel - September 20

If you're relatively new to Emmanuel or interested in pursuing membership, please join us for our Intro to Emmanuel seminar and lunch at Young and Michele's home. This also serves as our membership class, but you are not obligated to become a member by joining. Children are welcome. Sign up [here](#).

Ministry Partner Offering: Imbumi and Martha Makuku in Kenya - September 20

Our September partnership offering will go to our partners Pastor Imbumi and Martha Makuku in Kenya. Consider giving to support them and their work during the closing song next week or [online](#).

Parenting Seminar - September 27

Parents, join us for a talk, parent panel, and discussion about how we can meet our children and youth where they are developmentally as we help encourage their faith formation in our homes. Emmanuel member Jacqueline Anderson, LPC, will share helpful information on child and adolescent development and connection, and other families will share a variety of practical ways they connect and intentionally foster faith formation. All parents are welcome; childcare is provided. RSVP on [Church Center](#).

Call for Fellowship Month Event Hosts

Would you like to host an event during October? Swing dancing, hiking, whisky tasting, dog park meetup—anything you want! Please indicate the date/time(s) that work for you, a location, max number of people if applicable, and a short description of your event. Sign up to host on [Church Center](#).