

If we take it all for granted, if we think life just shows up with this stuff already in place, if we trick ourselves into believing that everyday household items come from the grocery rather than from a gracious God, we walk right past countless reasons for [thanksgiving] without even knowing it.

– Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth



Giving Thanks to Our Redeemer

Scripture for Meditation

Colossians 1:9–13

And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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Call to Worship

Psalm 150 (Praise the Lord)

You made the starry hosts
You traced the mountain peaks
You paint the evening sky with wonders
The earth, it is Your throne
From desert to the sea
All nature testifies Your splendor.

Chorus:

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord
Sing His greatness all creation
Praise the Lord, raise your voice
You heights and all you depths
From furthest east to west
Let everything that has breath
Praise the Lord.*

You reached into the dust
In love, Your Spirit breathed
You formed us in Your very likeness
To know Your wondrous works
To tell Your mighty deeds
To join the everlasting chorus

Let symphonies resound
Let drums and choirs ring out
All heaven hear the sound of worship
Let every nation bring
Its honors to the King
A roar of harmonies eternal.

Last Chorus:

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord
Sing His greatness all creation
Praise the Lord, raise your voice
You heights and all you depths
From furthest east to west
You distant burning stars
All creatures near and far
From sky to sea and shore
Sing out forevermore
Let everything that has breath
Praise the Lord.*

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Offertory Hymn of Praise

10,000 Reasons

Chorus:

*Bless The Lord, O my soul
O my soul,
Worship his holy name;
Sing like never before,
O my soul,
I'll worship your holy name.*

The sun comes up
It's a new day dawning
It's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass

And whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing
When the evening comes.

You're rich in love
And you're slow to anger;
Your name is great,
And your heart is kind.
For all your goodness
I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons
For my heart to find.

And on that day,
When my strength is failing,
The end draws near,
And my time has come;
Still, my soul will
Sing your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forevermore!

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Prayer of Blessing

Responsive Reading

Psalm 147:1–11

Praise the Lord!

**For it is good to sing praises to our God;
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.**

The Lord builds up Jerusalem;
he gathers the outcasts of Israel.
He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.
He determines the number of the stars;
he gives to all of them their names.
Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;
his understanding is beyond measure.

**The Lord lifts up the humble;
he casts the wicked to the ground.
Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;
make melody to our God on the lyre!**

He covers the heavens with clouds;
he prepares rain for the earth;
he makes grass grow on the hills.
He gives to the beasts their food,
and to the young ravens that cry.

**His delight is not in the strength of the horse,
nor his pleasure in the legs of a man,
but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who hope in his steadfast love.**

Hymn of Salvation

It Was Finished Upon That Cross

How I love the voice of Jesus
On the Cross of Calvary
He declares his work is finished

He has spoken this hope to me
Though the sun had ceased its shining
– Though the war appeared as lost
Christ had triumphed over evil
It was finished upon that Cross.

Now the curse it has been broken
Jesus paid the price for me
Full, the pardon he has offered
Great, the welcome that I receive
Boldly I approach my Father
– Clothed in Jesus' righteousness
There is no more guilt to carry
It was finished upon that Cross.

Death was once my great opponent
Fear once had a hold on me
But the Son who died to save us
Rose that we would be free indeed!
Death was once my great opponent
Fear once had a hold on me
But the Son who died to save us
Rose that we would be free indeed!
Yes, He Rose that we would be free indeed!

Free from every plan of darkness
– Free to live and free to love
Death is dead and Christ is risen!
It was finished upon that Cross!

Onward to eternal glory
– To my Saviour and my God

I rejoice in Jesus' victory
It was finished upon that Cross
It was finished upon that Cross,
It was finished upon that Cross!

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Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism

Question 27: What do you understand by the providence of God?

Answer: **The almighty and ever-present power of God by which God upholds, as with his hand, heaven and earth and all creatures, and so rules them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years, food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and poverty—all things, in fact, come to us not by chance but by his fatherly hand.**

Question 28: How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?

Answer: **We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing in creation will separate us from his love. For all creatures are so completely in God's hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.**

Dismissal for Children

During this next song, children ages 3 – K5 may be dismissed for children’s classes downstairs.

Hymn of Peace

It Is Well with My Soul

When peace like a river attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
“It is well, it is well, with my soul.”

Refrain:

It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul).
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

My sin—O the bliss of this glorious thought—
My sin, not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul.

And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
Even so, it is well with my soul.

Horatio Spafford, 1828-1888

Ministry of the Word

Prayer of Corporate Confession

Silence for Personal Confession

Take a moment for self-reflection, and talk with God quietly about your sin and your need for a Savior.

Assurance of Pardon: *The Lord's Supper*

Presentation of the Bread

There Is One Gospel

There is one Gospel on which I stand
For all eternity
It is my story, my Father's plan
The Son has rescued me
Oh what a Gospel, Oh what a peace
My highest joy and my deepest need
Now and forever He is my light
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

There is one Gospel to which I cling
All else I count as loss
For there, where justice and mercy meet
He saved me on the cross
No more I boast in what I can bring
No more I carry the weight of sin
For He has brought me from death to life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

There is one Gospel where hope is found

The empty tomb still speaks
For death could not keep my Saviour down
He lives and I am free
Now on my Saviour, I fix my eyes
My life is His and His hope is mine!
For He has promised I, too, will rise
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

And in this Gospel the church is one
We do not walk alone
We have His Spirit as we press on
To lead us safely home
And when in glory still I will sing
Of this old story that rescued me
Praise to my Saviour, the King of life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

And when in glory still I will sing
Of this old story that rescued me
Praise to my Saviour, the King of life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ,
Praise to my Saviour, the King of life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ,
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Bread

Presentation of the Cup

Jesus, Thank You

The mystery of the cross I cannot comprehend,
The agonies of Calvary.
You the perfect Holy One, crushed Your Son,
Who drank the bitter cup reserved for me.

Chorus:

Your blood has washed away my sin;

Jesus, thank You.

The Father's wrath completely satisfied;

Jesus, thank You.

Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table;

Jesus, thank You.

By Your perfect sacrifice I've been brought near;
Your enemy You've made Your friend.
Pouring out the riches of Your glorious grace,
Your mercy and Your kindness know no end.

Bridge:

Lover of my soul;

I want to live for You.

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Notes

Emmanuel Bible Church is a community of believers committed to glorifying God by applying the Gospel to every area of life and to making disciples who will love God with all their hearts and their neighbors as themselves.

We are thrilled to be a part of what God is doing in the Upstate. Few things are as exciting as seeing lives and relationships changed through the clear teaching of God's Word. After all, we are made expressly to be in a relationship with Him and to recognize Jesus as our Lord and Savior. At Emmanuel we strive to bring God glory through singing and praying together, hearing His Word preached, loving Him, and loving one another.

We would be delighted to have an opportunity to meet you. We are here to help and encourage you through the teaching of God's Word and through biblical fellowship.

—*Brad Baugham, teaching pastor*

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