

WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER

Welcome to Fall Kick-off Sunday:

We've returned to three worship services: two in the sanctuary at 9 am and 11:15 am, and our contemporary (Jubilee) at 11:15 am in Thompson Hall. Children's and Youth Sunday School have also resumed at 10 am in break-out classrooms.

SWAG Elementary and Youth Pool Parties are Tonight (5 pm - 6:30 pm):

SWAG(\$3/child) is at Gregg Park's pool (contact Croskeys at croyall@eastminsterpres.org.) HS Youth will be at the Kitchens' house, and MS Youth should look for GroupMe texts from Bethany for location.

Youth Wednesday Night Bible Studies Begin this Week (7 pm - 8:30 pm):

Join us in the CLC for dinner at 7 pm followed by boys and girls break-out study sessions. See GroupMe texts from Bethany and Pastor Nick for more details.

Give the gift of life this Thursday!

Donate blood on August 25th (1 pm - 6 pm), in the Christian Life Center (GYM). Our goal is 35 donors! Visit our website, www.eastminsterpres.org, "Upcoming Events."

Intergenerational Brunch is September 4th, at 10 am (Courtyard): Join us for a time of food and fellowship as we bid farewell to summer.

Small Group Facilitator Dinner and Training is August 28th:

All SG leaders should join us in Thompson Hall from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Visit our website's "Upcoming Events" to register.

WE@EPC Dinners and Classes begin September 14 (5 pm - 7:15 pm):

Join us for dinner in Thompson Hall from 5 - 6 pm. You will be able to register for meals under the Fellowship Menu on the WE@EPC RSVP Form on our website each week, but payments (cash or check) will be accepted at the door. After dinner, join Dr. Douglass Key (6 pm - 7:15 pm) in Room E-357 for a Journey Through the Bible.

Our Small Group Kick-off Dinner is Thursday, September 8 (5:30 pm - 7 pm):

Current Small Group members and anyone interested in joining a new SG are invited to this inspirational and informative event. Join us in Thompson Hall for a delicious meal (Seafood Paella) and hear from guest speaker and child of Eastminster, Rev. Dr. Stewart Rawson. Register on our website under "Upcoming Events."

Servant Leadership Sunday is September 11th: Worship with us and stay for a congregational meal honoring first responders. Cookies for First Responders will also be delivered that afternoon. To sign up to bake or deliver cookies, contact Christina Siokos (ext. 123).

Sundays@5 Begins September 11th: Dr. Douglass Key will lead a Bible Study in Room E-357. Register on our website's "Upcoming Events."

Alpha Kick-off is September 14th at *5:30 pm (Thompson Hall): The Alpha Course is a 10-week series with a day retreat that explores the Christian faith. Leaders are Pastor Brian Marsh and Laura Long. Dinner and childcare provided. Visit our website to register. (*The food line opens at 5 pm.)

Save the Date! EPW's Fall Gathering is Sept. 20th from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm (Thompson Hall).

Learn How to Make Chrismons for Eastminster's Christmas Tree: Carol Anderson will lead two workshops, October 5th at 10 am and October 12th at 7 pm. Please email Carol at cga1655@gmail.com to let her know when you will attend. Workshops are limited to 15 participants.

Flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ross Holcombe by his family, Nelle, Shawn, Mark, Jarrell, Ian, Dylan, Lynn, Chris, Ashley, Robby, Maggie, Jack and Patrick.

Unison Reading: Deuteronomy 6:20-25

²⁰When your children ask you in time to come, "What is the meaning of the decrees and the statutes and the ordinances that the Lord our God has commanded you?" ²¹then you shall say to your children, "We were Pharaoh's slaves in Egypt, but the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand. ²²The Lord displayed before our eyes great and awesome signs and wonders against Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his household. ²³He brought us out from there in order to bring us in, to give us the land that he promised on oath to our ancestors. ²⁴Then the Lord commanded us to observe all these statutes, to fear the Lord our God, for our lasting good, so as to keep us alive, as is now the case. ²⁵If we diligently observe this entire commandment before the Lord our God, as he has commanded us, we will be in the right."

SERMON NOTES

DEACONS: DOLORES LONG/KELLEY LIGGITT AND WARREN DARBY
HEAD USHER: DON HELMS (9:00 AM) BILL COGGINS (11:15 AM)

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MINISTERS—ALL OF US!

STAFF

Dr. Bradley D. Smith, Pastor

Dr. Douglass D. Key, Senior Associate Pastor
Rev. Nicholas P. Demuyne, Associate Pastor
Rev. Dr. Carol J. Byrd, Parish Associate
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Caroline Bennett, Small Groups Dir./Librarian
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EASTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN



ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 21, 2022

9:00 AND 11:15 A.M.

3200 TRENHOLM ROAD
COLUMBIA, SC 29204

803-256-1654

www.eastminsterpres.org

AS YOU ENTER THE SANCTUARY

In Christ's name we welcome you to the Sanctuary at Eastminster. This is a place set apart for Christian worship. As the Prelude begins, we invite you into a period of quiet reflection as we prepare for worship. Please **silence all electronic devices** and **do not take flash photos** during the service.

*“God is in His Holy temple,
let all the earth keep silence before Him.”*

****All Eastminster worship services and activities are mask optional. This decision, made by the Session, relates to all Eastminster programs and events. In the event you would like a mask, they are available at the Welcome Center.**

PRELUDE

All Glory Be to God on High

Johann Walther

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end;

People: God's mercies are new every morning; great is Thy faithfulness.

Leader: “The Lord is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.”

All: Let us unite our hearts in thanksgiving and praise, in devotion and service.

†*HYMN OF ADORATION #826

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Rev. Brian J. Marsh

*THE APOSTLES' CREED *(Unison)*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our LORD; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

**GLORIA PATRI *(Please send the children forward.)*

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

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

The 4K and 5K children come to the front and bring their offering.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord our God, we confess that we are prone to push You to the margins of our lives. When work calls, we answer. When opportunity knocks, whether for us or for our children, we are quick to welcome and even pursue it. But when You call, we confess we are often busy. When You knock, we are reluctant to open the door. Forgive us, O God, for our individual and collective waywardness. Help us turn afresh to You in silent prayer and transformed living...

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

Congregation: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE TO THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON #415

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

RESTORATION

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and power. I will arise and go to Jesus; he will embrace me in his arms. In the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

SIGNING OF FRIENDSHIP REGISTER AND OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

If you or someone you know is in need of special prayer today or if you would like to speak personally with a pastor about making a first-time commitment to Christ or growing in the Christian faith and discipleship, a pastor is on hand to speak with you following the worship service today by the pulpit in the front of the Sanctuary.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Order My Steps

Burleigh/Schrader

Order my steps in your Word, dear Lord, lead me, guide me, every day. Send your anointing, Father I pray. Order my steps in your Word, please, order my steps in your Word. Humbly I ask Thee, teach me your will, while You are working, help me be still. Tho' Satan is busy, God is real! I want to walk worthy, my calling to fulfill. Please order my steps, Lord, and I'll do your blessed will. The world is ever changing, but You are still the same. If you order my steps, I'll praise your name. Order my steps in your Word, order my tongue in your Word; guide my feet in your Word, wash my heart in your Word. Show me how to walk in your Word, show me how to talk in your Word. When I need a brand new song to sing, show me how to let your praises ring, in your Word.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*THOSE WHO ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND. **CHILDREN MAY BRING THEIR OFFERING AT THIS TIME.

†THOSE WAITING IN THE NARTHEX MAY NOW BE SEATED

THE FLOOR LEVEL OF THE SANCTUARY HAS A HEARING LOOP FOR HEARING AID USERS
FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY IS PROHIBITED IN ALL WORSHIP SERVICES

OFFICER'S PRAYER

Neal Beard

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

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Pastor: The Word of the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Reflections on Raising Children”

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #735

I Need Thee Every Hour

NEED

*CHARGE

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION

May the Road Rise to Meet You

Lee Turner

May the road rise to meet you; may the wind be at your back; may the sun shine warmly on your face; may the rain fall softly on your field and until we meet again, until we meet again may God hold you in the palm of His hand. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Rondo

John Bull

*A TIME FOR GREETING AND FELLOWSHIP



WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER

We are delighted that you have chosen to celebrate this Lord's Day with us, and we hope that in a real and meaningful way you will sense God's presence, power and purpose among us. If you would like for us to connect with you, please leave your contact information in the Friendship Pad when it is passed.

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP?

Contact Christina Siokos (csiokos@eastminsterpres.org or 256-1654 x123) to learn more and find out about our next First Step class, a class designed to help you learn about Eastminster and our on-going ministries.

August 28, 2022

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

Psalm 78:1-4

“Old Testament 101-An Overview”