

WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Eastminster's FM Hearing Assistive Listening Devices are Not Working:
The FM Hearing Assistive Listening Devices are not currently working, but EPC has a hearing loop on the floor level of the Sanctuary for hearing aid users.

Prayer Cards are available in our Welcome Centers and online.

It's Family Promise Week (August 6-12): Drop off Walmart gift cards to Kelly McGrady by this Friday, August 4, at the Church Office. If you signed up to prepare a meal, Jennifer Lott or Beth Brownlee will be in touch.

Fall Worship Resumes Next Sunday (August 13): There will be three worship services- Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary at 9 am and 11:15 am and Jubilee Worship in Thompson Hall at 11:15 am. Sunday School classes are at 10 am in breakout classrooms; adults will be in the Adult Reception Hall for an Adult Sunday School Open House.

SWAG (Saved With Amazing Grace) Pool Party is August 13: 1st-5th graders meet at Gregg Park from 5 pm - 6:30 pm. Enjoy pizza and watermelon (\$3). Volunteers are needed; to help, contact Croskeys Royall- croyall@eastminsterpres.org.

Sundays@5 Kick-off for Adults on August 13: Join for a general overview of Sundays@5 including information on children's and youth programming and the church-wide study, which begins September 10.

Youth Wednesday Night Bible Studies Start August 16: From 7 pm - 8:30 pm, High School will meet in the Arts & Crafts Room (ACR) and Middle School will meet in Rooms 261-263 of the Christian Life Center (CLC).

ECAMP (Eastminster Children's Afternoon Music Program) Begins August 20: K4-5th Grade will gather in the Sanctuary each Sunday from 5 pm - 6:30 pm for rehearsal followed by a meal (\$4). Volunteers are needed and appreciated! Register your child and sign up to volunteer by visiting: <https://eastminsterpres.org/events/ecamp-kickoff-is-august-20/>

**Note - There is no ECAMP for K4-K5 children on Aug. 13 during the SWAG Pool Party.*

Christian Life Center's Fitness Open House is August 20 (5 pm-6:30 pm):
At the Fitness Open House, you will learn about the variety of Fitness Classes for members and guests at reasonable prices. The event is free and free childcare will be available, but you must register. <https://eastminsterpres.org/events/christian-life-center-open-house/>

Interested in joining a Small Group (SG) this Fall? Fill out the online Small Group Interest Form to get plugged into a community that studies, prays, and serves together. <https://forms.ministryforms.net/embed.aspx?formId=789d1185-8920-4d8d-ac70-f00105bd5b6d>.

The Small Groups Kickoff Dinner: Thursday, Sept 7 from 5:30 pm - 7:15 pm (Thompson Hall). All current Small Groups and people interested in joining are invited to this inspirational event. RSVP at: <https://forms.ministryforms.net/embed.aspx?formId=9fdf668e-6f4b-4951-bb7b-c14922c2ff3f>

Alpha Leader Training and Event Kickoff September 6 & 13: Take Alpha this Fall. Alpha is an evangelistic course that seeks to introduce the basics of the Christian faith through a series of talks and discussion. Leaders will meet on September 6, and the class begins on , September 13.

Join the Greeter Team this Fall: Training is on September 17 from 10 am-11 am in the Parlor. With questions and to sign up, contact Lib Foster at lfoster@eastminsterpres.org.

Flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God by an Eastminster family.

Unison Reading: Isaiah 25:6

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

SERMON NOTES



EASTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN



DEACONS: MARY MCCANTS AND STEPHEN SANSBURY
HEAD USHER: JOSH ARD

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MINISTERS—ALL OF US!

STAFF

Dr. Bradley D. Smith, Pastor

Dr. Douglass D. Key, Senior Associate Pastor
Rev. Dr. J. Ben Sloan, Interim Parish Associate
Rev. Dr. Carol J. Byrd, Parish Associate
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Rev. Nicholas P. Demuyneck, Associate Pastor
Rev. W. Croskeys Royall, Associate Pastor
Fredna Lee, Director of Music Ministry
Lucinda Shields, Interim Organist
Emily Higgins, Director of Middle School Youth
Katie Herndon, Day School Director
Christy Rippy, Treasurer
Caroline Bennett, Small Groups Dir./Librarian

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 6, 2023
10:30 AM

3200 TRENHOLM ROAD
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Welcome to Eastminster Presbyterian Church!

In Christ's name, we welcome you to Eastminster. We hope that you will feel the love and peace of Christ as you worship with us. Please take this time to silence the world and focus your heart and mind on worshipping our Living God.

“So welcome each other, in the same way that Christ also welcomed you, for God's glory.” Romans 15:7.

PRELUDE

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need William Walker, arr. Wood and Callahan

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Nicholas P. Demuyneck

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God meets us in our greatest need,
People: and satisfies us with divine presence and provision.
All: In gratitude, let us worship the Lord our God.

†*HYMN OF ADORATION #35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty LOBE DEN HERREN

***PRAYER OF ADORATION** Rev. Demuyneck

*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 3K—5K children come to the front and bring their offering.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Elizabeth Brunson Ford

BAPTISMAL HYMN #486

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise KINGDOM

Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign, with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine. Child of love, our love's expression, love's creation, loved indeed! Fresh from God, refresh our spirits; into joy and laughter lead.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Rev. Dr. Carol J. Byrd
God of compassion, we are sick. We have wrestled all night with worry instead of resting in you. We have asserted our own goodness instead of awakening to yours. We have turned away those hungry for your help instead of trusting you and feeding them from your limitless supply of blessings. Forgive us, heal us, and help us to hold on to you. We call upon you, for you will answer us, O God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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 #485

Hear the Good News of Salvation NETTLETON

Hear the good news of salvation: Jesus died to show God's love. Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from heaven above. Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin! How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Douglass D. Key

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 ANTHEM

You Are My God and King Tom Fetkke
O Lord, You are my God and King, And I will ever praise You, I will magnify Your name. I will extol You ev'ry day, and evermore Your praise proclaims. I'll tell of Your splendor, tell of Your beauty, tell of Your steadfast love. I will tell of Your name. O Lord.

*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.

***OFFICER'S PRAYER** Bick Halligan

*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

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Unison Reading: Isaiah 25:6 Page 613
Scripture Focus: Matthew 14:13-21 Page 15

Pastor: The Word of the LORD!
Congregation: Thanks be to God!

SERMON Rev. W. Croskeys Royall
“Well, Do That Then”

***HYMN OF DEDICATION #460**
Break Thou the Bread of Life BREAD OF LIFE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

***RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION** Lee Turner
May the Road Rise to Meet You
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 John Reading
Trumpet Tune

*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 scan the QR code or leave your contact information in the Friendship Pad when it is passed.

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP?

Contact the church office at 803-256-1654 to learn more and find out about our next First Step class, a class designed to help you learn about Eastminster and our ongoing ministries.

DURING THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP:

Elizabeth Brunson Ford, daughter of Francie and Brian Ford, will receive the sacrament of baptism this morning. Kelley Liggitt will offer the baptismal prayer.

August 13, 2023

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith