

WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER

Join Our "Membership As Ministry" Joint Adult Sunday School Class: Dr. Douglass Key will lead us this summer on a membership "tune-up." Experience an in-depth consideration of the Presbyterian "Marks of Membership," what they mean, how they invite us to live, and how we can practice them in our daily discipleship. (Adult Reception Hall 9 am).

The PEACE Service is today at 4 pm in the Adult Reception Hall (ARH):

Join us as we gather quietly in prayer before God. Invite a friend who may be grieving. This is a Communion Service led by Dr. Lynn Grandsire on the second Sunday of even months.

Take the Time & Talent Survey:

Prayerfully consider where you would like to serve in 2022 and 2023 at Eastminster. Complete the survey, which can be found on our website or in our Welcome Centers, by June 26th. Contact Kelly Fernet if you have any questions, kfernet@eastminsterpres.org.

Transitions Third Thursday is June 16, at 5 pm, at Transitions:

Donations of pasta salad, pound cake, and bananas are due to the Church Office Staff Kitchen by 4 pm that day. Contact Alison McGowan if you'd like to help (alisonmcgowan11@gmail.com).

Faith Formation Summer class for adults begins June 20th!

Faith Formation Summer Class is a chance to experience new ways to practice faith. It will include topics like gratitude, different ways to read the bible, and other spiritual practices. Join this class to find a new way to interact with God and be encouraged in your faith through the community of friends who will be trying these new practices with you. The class will meet on June 20th, June 27th, July 11th, July 25th, and August 8th; email the class leader, Marya Marsh, to join: marsh603@gmail.com.

VBS is June 27th - 30th:

Many volunteers are needed as we plan to be in-person at full capacity. Contact Croskeys to help out Monday - Thursday morning that week. If you can only volunteer one or two days, that still helps!

Handbell Workshop is July 16th:

Learn everything you need to know to become a "ringer." Join us from 9 am until 3 pm in the Sanctuary basement. Visit our website to register. Contact Fredna Lee with questions (flee@eastminsterpres.org).

Summer Music Camp for Rising 5K to 5th Grade: The dates are July 18-20 from 5:30 pm until 8:30 pm. Registration is open via our church website (www.eastminsterpres.org) under "Upcoming Events."

Save the Dates for Adult VBS, August 14th & 15th:

Rev. Dr. Stan Saunders, Professor Emeritus (New Testament) from Columbia Theological Seminary, will preach on August 14th and lead a second session on Monday evening. Contact Janice Blair (jblair@eastminsterpres.org) for more information.

Join a Small Group this Fall! Email SG Director Caroline Bennett, cben-nett@eastminsterpres.org, who will help you get connected in a new Small Group in September. Mark your calendars now for the Small Groups Kickoff Dinner, scheduled for Thurs, September 8, 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm, in Thompson Hall. Details to come soon.

Flowers in the sanctuary are given in celebration of the baptism of Joseph Hammond Cornwell by his parents, Matt and Sarah-Porter Cornwell.

*Last week's sanctuary flowers were given in honor of Anna Elizabeth Shuler's first birthday by her grandparents, Frank and Jane Shuler.

Unison Reading: Matthew 13:24-30

²⁴He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; ²⁵but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' ²⁸He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

SERMON NOTES

DEACONS: KATHY WINTERHALTER AND CARMEN ATKINS
HEAD USHER: JEFF MUTHIG

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MINISTERS—ALL OF US!

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EASTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN



return, rejoice, respond

TRINITY SUNDAY

JUNE 12, 2022

10:30 AM

3200 TRENHOLM ROAD
COLUMBIA, SC 29204

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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.**

CHORAL PRELUDE

A Triune Prayer Molly Ijames
Blessed Father, hear our cry. Cast out sin, but draw us nigh. Not for merit we have none; for your mercy, for your Son. Blessed Jesus, make our plea. In our name to God we flee, Through your blood we seek His face, by your priesthood claim His grace. Blessed Spirit meet our need; in our silence intercede. Translate groans we cannot speak; heal the broken, help the weak. Keep our thoughts which run astray. Curb our doubts, increase our faith. Triune God, please grant our prayer as your glory we declare. May your promised kingdom come; may your will on earth be done. Blessed Father, Blessed Jesus, Blessed Spirit, hear our prayer.

Chris Anderson

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Brian J. Marsh

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord for He is good.

People: His steadfast love endures forever!

All: Come, let us worship our Savior and our King.

†*HYMN OF ADORATION #1

Holy, Holy, Holy!

NICAEA

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Rev. Dr. Douglass D. Key

*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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Joseph Hammond Cornwell

BAPTISMAL HYMN #480

Take Me to the Water

TAKE ME TO THE WATER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we confess that we are people unable to live life in the manner You desire. We fall short of Your glory and Your goodness. We contribute too often to the brokenness in this world. We sin against You, hurting ourselves and others. Lord, cleanse our hearts, purify our thoughts, and help us to feel Your grace and Your mercy even now as we silently lift our sins to You...

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 #288

Spirit of the Living God

LIVING GOD

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Nicholas P. Demuyneck

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

Be Thou My Vision

J.C. & J.I. Harris

Memorial Handbells

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

Carmen Atkins

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

†THOSE WAITING IN THE NARTHEX MAY NOW BE SEATED.

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SCRIPTURE LESSONS

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Pastor: The Word of the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Stuck in the Weeds”

Rev. Brian J. Marsh

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #357

The Days Are Surely Coming

LLANGLOFFAN

*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

Holy, Holy, Holy

arr. Ken Varner

*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.

DURING THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP SERVICES

Joseph Hammond Cornwell, son of Sarah-Porter and Matt Cornwell, will receive the sacrament of baptism during this morning's worship service. Kathy Winterhalter will offer the baptismal prayer.

June 19, 2022

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith