

WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

For detailed information and to register for the below programs and events, visit our website: <https://eastminsterpres.org/>.

The Session has called the Annual Meeting of the Congregation for June 29, 2025: immediately following the 10:15 am service to vote on the Officer Nominating Committee report for the Election of Deacons (Charlotte Castles, Mark Chappell, Kirstin DiMarco, Jim Kitchens, Stephen Ross, Parker Sizemore, Stacy Strong, Lee Tupper, Dana Wilson, Taylor Wray) and Elders (Branford Breland, Yolanda Courie, Perry Crosthwaite, Mary Hanna, Rebecca Hartner, Susan Jones, Anne Kleitches, Kit Pound, Drew Richardson, Scott Verzyl) for the Class of 2028, pastors' Terms of Call, and any other items.

Today is Peanut Butter Sunday. Thank you for supporting food insecurity in our community. Please place your donations in the Harvest Hope bins around campus.

June 29 is Communion Sunday. Please contact Rev. Emily Mooneyhan (emooneyhan@eastminsterpres.org) if you or a member you know would like to receive in-home communion.

Combined Adult Summer Sunday School through July 27 Adult Reception Hall (ARH): at 9 am led by Dr. Douglass Key. "From Jesus to Christ: The First Christians," is a PBS Frontline Documentary Series for a journey into the First Century world of Jesus' life and ministry. There is a repeat of the Sunday a.m. class on Wednesday evenings at 5:30 pm (ARH) through July 30.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) is June 23-26, 2025 (9 am - 12 pm): for rising 4K through rising 4th graders and rising 5th and 6th graders. Volunteers are still needed. Contact Croskeys if you can help (croyall@eastminsterpres.org).

All Eastminster Facilities will be closed on Friday, July 4: Have a safe and happy Fourth of July.

The Dick Goodwin Quintet Returns to lead Worship on July 6: (10:15 am) Join us for patriotic hymns in the sanctuary. Breakfast is at 9 am in Thompson Hall, followed by one blended worship service. There is no Sunday School on July 6.

Our next "Mindfulness Monday" is July 7, at 9 am in the Parlor: Mindfulness Mondays are co-led by pastors Emily Mooneyhan & Carol Byrd. Learn healthy ways to manage stress, lower anxiety, improve cognitive function, and connect with God. No need to sign up- just join us in the Parlor.

The Annual Handbell Retreat is July 12 (9 am - 1 pm): Interested in participating in our music ministry? Join us on July 12 to learn handbell ringing and music reading basics, followed by lunch together. The retreat is free of cost, and we will participate in worship on July 13. Bring a friend and join us! Please register through the website under Upcoming Events.

Children's Music Camp is July 15-17: Rising 5K through rising 6th graders are invited to attend. We will enjoy music and singing, arts and crafts, devotion time, snacks, and recreation at Eastminster. Join us from 9 am - 12 pm. If you can help out in July, please contact Stefanie Hammond at shammond@eastminsterpres.org. Registration will close on Monday, June 30.

Eastminster Arts Academy hosts EAA Arts Intensive on July 21 - 25: welcoming rising 7th graders through rising 12th graders and adults to explore artistic expression. Workshops include Musical Theatre, Beginning Guitar, and Visual Art. Visit our website MINISTRIES menu and click on the Academy link to see full details. Dr. Augie Gil, Director of Worship & Arts at Eastminster, leads EAA (agil@eastminsterpres.org).

Save the Dates for Holy Rest: A Contemplative Retreat on Sept 21-24: offered by Care Ministries. Registration will be open tomorrow. All are invited to join Pastors Carol Byrd and Emily Mooneyhan at The Coastal Retreat Center in Isle of Palms, SC, where we will join in contemplative prayer and a joyful smattering of mindfulness practices. Rooms are available for either single or double occupancy. Space is limited so register soon. A deposit of \$100 is due by July 20th.

Flowers in the sanctuary are given in celebration of the baptism of Virginia Campbell Byars.

Unison Reading: Hosea 8:1-6

Set the trumpet to your lips!

**One like a vulture is over the house of the Lord,
because they have broken my covenant
and transgressed my law.**

²They cry to me,

"My God, we know you!"

**³Israel has spurned the good;
the enemy shall pursue him.**

⁴They made kings but not through me;

they set up princes but without my knowledge.

**With their silver and gold they made idols
for their own destruction.**

⁵Your calf is rejected, O Samaria.

My anger burns against them.

How long will they be incapable of innocence?

**⁶For it is from Israel,
an artisan made it;
it is not God.**

**The calf of Samaria
shall be broken to pieces**

SERMON NOTES

DEACONS: LISA NEWMAN AND AUSTIN RHODES
HEAD USHER: BERRY MATTOX

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MINISTERS—ALL OF US!

STAFF

Dr. Bradley D. Smith, Pastor

Dr. Douglass D. Key, Senior Associate Pastor

Rev. W. Croskeys Royall, Associate Pastor

Dr. J. Ben Sloan, Parish Associate

Fredna Lee, Director of Music Ministry

Louis Shirer, Organist

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Rev. Emily M. Mooneyhan, Associate Pastor

Rev. Rob Schoonover, Associate Pastor

Dr. Carol J. Byrd, Parish Associate

Alisha Hudson, Ex. Dir. Finance and Admin.

Emily Higgins, Director of Middle School Youth

Katie Herndon, Day School Director

Christy Rippy, Treasurer

Caroline Bennett, Small Groups Dir./Librarian

Alex Rogers, Plant Operations Director



EASTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN



SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 22, 2025

10:15 AM

3200 TRENHOLM ROAD
COLUMBIA, SC 29204

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 96)
Leader: Sing to the Lord; bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.
People: **For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; he is to be revered above all gods.**
Leader: For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the Lord made the heavens.
People: **Honor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.**
ALL: **Worship the Lord in holy splendor; tremble before him, all the earth.**

†***HYMN OF ADORATION #49**
The God of Abraham Praise LEONI

***PRAYER OF ADORATION** Rev. Dr. J. Ben Sloan

***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 may come to the front and bring their offering.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Virginia Campbell Byars

BAPTISMAL HYMN #188
Jesus Loves Me! JESUS LOVES ME

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Rev. Dr. Carol J. Byrd
God of mercy and grace, hear our prayer as we confess to you. We want to be the people you intend us to be, to walk according to your will and way, to trust you enough to set our course and be our guide. But our hearts are faint and our faith falters. We refuse your way and follow guides of our own choosing; leaders who promise us an easier, clearer, more inviting path. Strengthen our faith, O Lord, and give us confidence and courage to stay the course with you, knowing that you are with us always. Set us free to love you, our neighbors, and ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord, before whom we open our hearts in silent prayer:

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 #551
Lord, Have Mercy LAND OF REST
Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith
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
Write Your Name Upon My Heart Benjamin Harlan
Write your blessed name, O Lord, upon my heart, There to remain so indelibly engraved that no prosperity nor adversity shall remove me from your love. Be thou my fortress, be thou my comforter. Be my deliv’rer, be thou my faithful guide. Be in each step I take, be in each pray’r I make, be in each song I sing, be in my ev’rything, O blessed Jesus, my Lord.
Thomas a Kempis (1380-1471)

***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** Lisa Newman

*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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AT EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SCRIPTURE LESSONS
Unison Reading: Hosea 8:1-6 Page 791
Scripture Focus: 1 Kings 11:26-28; 12:25-33 Page 302, 304

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

SERMON Rev. Dr. Douglass D. Key
“Walking in the Way of Jeroboam ”

***HYMN OF DEDICATION #441**
Hear the Good News of Salvation NETTLETON

***CHARGE AND 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 face, and until we meet again, until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand. Amen.

POSTLUDE

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

DURING THIS MORNING’S WORSHIP:
Virginia Campbell Byars, daughter of Trey and Mikayla Byars, will receive the sacrament of baptism. Julie Hudson will offer the baptismal prayer.

June 29, 2025
Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith