WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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, kfer-net@eastminsterpres.org.

Today is Peanut Butter Sunday:

Thank you for bringing peanut butter each fourth Sunday. Please drop off donations in one of our Harvest Hope Food Bank bins around campus. Your donations help fight hunger in The Midlands.

Summer Music Camp for Risking 5K to 5th Grade! The dates are July 18-20 (evenings). Registration opens this Thursday, May 26th. Please visit the church website (www.eastminsterpres.org) for more information.

Register for Youth Summer Mission Trips and Retreats on our Website: There are three different weeks scheduled for High School Youth and two weeks for Middle School Youth. Join us in fellowship and service this summer.

Soul Shop Events Are May 25th & 26th: Soul Shop will host a suicide prevention seminar on Thursday, May 26th, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Also the youth will have an event Wednesday, May 25th, from 7 pm to 8:30 pm. If you can't spend the entire day on Thursday, an abbreviated version will be available for adults on Wednesday evening. You can register on our website. Contact Lynn Grandsire with questions, lgrandsire@eastminsterpres.org.

Habitat for Humanity Home Dedication for Toby's House is May 25th at 4 pm: Thank you to our volunteers who have worked hard and dedicated themselves to this project. Contact Christina Siokos (csiokos@eastminsterpres.org) for more details.

Join Us May 29th for One Blended Worship Service:

Come early for a Congregational Brunch at 9 am in the Courtyard followed by one blended worship service at 10:15 am on the Field.

All Eastminster Facilities Will Be Closed on May 30th for Memorial Day.

Summer Hours Begin Sunday, June 5th:

Join us on Sunday mornings this summer! Sunday School will be at 9:00 followed by Jubilee contemporary worship (Thompson Hall) at 10:15, and traditional worship (Sanctuary) at 10:30.

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!

Save the Dates for Adult VBS August 14 & 15, 2022:

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 (iblair@eastminsterpres.org) for more information.

Flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the safe arrival of their granddaughter, Grace Ann Wolfe, by Kathy and Jack Wolfe.

Unison Reading: Isaiah 53:4-6

⁴Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. ⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. ⁶All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

SERMON NOTES





DEACONS: MIRIAM COVAR AND ELIZABETH CROUCH **HEAD USHER:** BERRY MATTOX (9 AM) WILSON MCDONALD (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. Brian J. Marsh, Associate Pastor Rev. W. Croskeys Royall, Associate Pastor Fredna Lee, Director of Music Ministry Bethany Parker, Director of Middle School Youth Bill Collins, Business Manager Blythe Lewis, Director of Communications Christy Rippy, Treasurer

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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.

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

(from Psalm 67)

Leader: Let the peoples praise You, O God. **People:** Let all the peoples praise You!

Leader: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

People: For You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations

upon earth.

Leader: Let the peoples praise You, O God. All: Let all the peoples praise You!

†*HYMN OF ADORATION #264

At the Name of Jesus

KING'S WESTON

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Rev. W. Croskeys Royall

*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

Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner. You know my heart, heal it. You know the error of my ways, give me the strength to turn to Your ways. Lord, You know my weaknesses and those things that distract me. Give me wisdom and divert my eyes. You know what tempts me and how fear and doubt impact me. Lord, strengthen me, pour Your grace and mercy on me, help me to see and name those things that seek to separate me from You, and give me the courage to confess my sin to You even now in the quiet of this moment...

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 #246

Christ Is Alive!

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing, The cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

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

Stay With Us Egil Hovland

Stay with us, Lord Jesus, stay with us. Stay with us, it soon is evening. Stay with us, Lord Jesus, stay with us, it soon is evening and night is falling. Jesus Christ, the world's true light! Shine so the darkness cannot overcome it! Stay with us, Lord Jesus, it soon is evening. Stay with us, Lord Jesus, for night is falling. Let your light pierce the darkness and fill your church with its glory.

Based on Luke 24:29 and the Phos hilaron

OFFICER'S PRAYER

Mary Elliott

TRURO

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

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Pastor: The Word of the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION MEDITATION

"Do You Want to Be Healed?" Rev. Brian J. Marsh

HYMN OF PREPARATION #770 (verse 1)

I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table

WELCOME TABLE

I'm gonna eat at the welcome table; I'm gonna eat at the welcome table, Alleluia. I'm gonna eat at the welcome table; I'm gonna eat at the welcome table, Alleluia.

*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

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Invitation to the Table of the Lord

The Sursum Corda

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto The Lord.
Leader: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise. The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution Communion of the People

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #288

Spirit of the Living God

LIVING GOD

*CHARGE

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION #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.

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 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.

May 29, 2022

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith