

WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER

Today is Peanut Butter Sunday: Drop off donations in the Harvest Hope bins around campus. Thank you for joining the fight against hunger in The Midlands.

Join us for Sundays@5 Tonight: Journey Through the Bible is being led by Dr. Douglass Key in the Adult Reception Hall. You may register via the Journey Through the Bible Page on our website (<https://eastminsterpres.org/resources/journey-through-the-bible/>).

Tonight is SWAG (Saved With Amazing Grace) for First - Fifth Graders (5 pm - 6:30 pm): Our theme is "Re-created Through Recreation," so wear sneakers and bring \$3.00 for pizza. Drop off at Thompson Hall and pick up at the CLC (Gym). Email Croskeys (croyall@eastminsterpres.org) if you can chaperone!

ECAMP (EPC's Children's Afternoon Music Program) is Tonight (5 pm - 6 pm) for 4K - 5K only: Visit <https://eastminsterpres.org/ministries/children/#children-s-choir-4k-5th-grade> to sign-up your child and to volunteer to help with a meal (6 pm - 6:30 pm). Please retrieve your singer promptly at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary basement.

WE@EPC Dinners and Classes on Wednesdays (5 pm - 7:15 pm): Register for meals on our website (<https://eastminsterpres.org/ministries/fellowship/rsvp/>). Payments (cash or check) will be collected at the door. **MENU:** Bacon Cheeseburgers, French Fries, Baked Beans and Onion Rings. After dinner, join Dr. Douglass Key (6 - 7:15 pm) in the Adult Reception Hall for the Journey Through the Bible class. You may also register for the class under the Journey Through the Bible page on our website (<https://eastminsterpres.org/resources/journey-through-the-bible/>).

Next Sunday is World Communion Sunday. In honor of areas around the world EPC supports, flags from these nations will be on display in the Sanctuary, the Narthex, and in Thompson Hall until October 16th. In celebration of World Communion on October 2nd during traditional worship, the Chancel Choir will be joined by the AC Flora High School Singers under the direction of Ms. Chelse Lawson.

Confirmation Class of 2023 Kicks-Off Next Sunday, Oct. 2nd. Ninth graders (and older) will meet with Pastor Nick in the CLC (Arts & Crafts Room) on the first and third Sundays of the month for Sunday School (10 am). Contact Janice Blair with questions (jblair@eastminsterpres.org).

Join us for the Peace Service on October 9th at 4 pm (Adult Reception Hall): Come quietly before God in prayer. Join us for The Lord's Supper. Bring a friend who may benefit.

Learn How to Make Chrismons for Eastminster's Christmas Tree: You can still attend an evening Chrismon Workshop on Oct. 12th at 7 pm. To register, please email Carol Anderson at cga1655@gmail.com.

Family Promise Week is October 23-29: Support three to four guest families with home-cooked meals and gift cards for clothing and grocery expenses. Volunteers may be needed to prepare meals. Contact Christina Siokos (csiokos@eastminsterpres.org) to sign-up.

Lightly Seasoned is October 27th in the Courtyard (7 pm): Join us for food and fellowship under the breezeway! Catch up with friends old and new. Visit our website under "Upcoming Events" to register to attend and to bring an appetizer or a dessert!

Initial Deposit for "The Vine" Annual Women's Retreat is due this Friday, September 30th: Sign up now for "The Vine," Feb 3rd-5th of 2023, with speaker Rev. Dr. Angela Ford-Nelson! Location is once again at The Cove. Register and join us!

Save the Date for the Fall Festival (October 30th): We will partner with Trenholm Road United Methodist for a family-friendly afternoon on the Field. Join us from 3 pm until 5 pm for food and fellowship, inflatables for the kids, Trunk or Treat, a cake walk, costume parades, and more.

Flowers in the sanctuary are given by Paul and Zan Eaddy on the baptism of their grandson, Henry Evans Townsend. **Flowers in the Trenholm Road entrance** are given in memory of Leighton King Good by Chesley, Alyssa, Delaney, Rutledge and Bailey.

Unison Reading: Genesis 39:1-6a

Now Joseph was taken down to Egypt, and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, the captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him from the Ishmaelites who had brought him down there. ²The Lord was with Joseph, and he became a successful man; he was in the house of his Egyptian master. ³His master saw that the Lord was with him, and that the Lord caused all that he did to prosper in his hands. ⁴So Joseph found favor in his sight and attended him; he made him overseer of his house and put him in charge of all that he had. ⁵From the time that he made him overseer in his house and over all that he had, the Lord blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; the blessing of the Lord was on all that he had, in house and field. ⁶So he left all that he had in Joseph's charge

SERMON NOTES

DEACONS: SHANNON MCCUTCHEN AND BRANFORD BRELAND
HEAD USHER: BERRY MATTOX (9:00 AM) WILSON MCDONALD (11:15 AM)

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MINISTERS—ALL OF US!

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EASTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN



SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

9:00 AM & 11:15 AM.

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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

*May the Mind of Christ My Savior
Largo*

Cyril Barham-Gould
Henri Eccles

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT (9:00 am)

You Shall Go Out With Joy (Isaiah 55:12)
ECAMP Singers

Stuart Dauermann

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: "Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place."

People: **The Lord is with us as we gather, sing, and pray.**

Leader: God is with us when we laugh and cry, when we work and play.

People: **We gather to remember and reclaim our identity as God's children;**

All: **We gather to grow in grace and strength, so that God will be glorified!**

†*HYMN OF ADORATION #65

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM RHONDDA

*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.

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Rev. W. Croskeys Royall

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Henry Evans Townsend (11:15 am)

BAPTISMAL HYMN #188

Jesus Loves Me!

JESUS LOVES ME

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, we confess our prejudices and our pride. Forgive us. We are slow to move beyond our comfort zones but quick to gravitate to people who look and think like us. We confess our awkwardness and reluctance to engage people we see as different. Forgive us when we fail to see Christ in all your children and change our hearts. Hear our personal prayers of confession, and renew us by your forgiving grace even in this silence.

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

Rev. Brian J. Marsh

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

Prayer of Being

Mark Hayes

Be in my life, be in my breath; Be in my walk, be in my rest. Be in this humble heart of mine; Be ever present in my mind. Be in my hands, be in my feet; Be in my eyes and in my speech. Be in the smile I give away; Be in each healing word I say. Be in my work, be in my play; Be in the struggles of each day. Be in my joy, be in my pain; Be in my loss, be in my gain. Be in my thoughts, be in my song; Be in my spirit all day long. Be in my prayers at dawn's first light; Be in my dreams all through the night. Amen.

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

Branford Breland

*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

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

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Pastor: The Word of the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Keeping Faith Even When”

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #71 (Congregation sings refrain only)

Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me

FIRST SONG

*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

*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:

Henry Evans Townsend, son of Anna and Evans Townsend, will receive the sacrament of baptism during this morning's worship service. Paul Eaddy, maternal grandfather, will offer the baptismal prayer.

October 2, 2022

Rev. Dr. Douglass D. Key