

WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Medical Professionals Sunday Evening Book Study Begins Tonight:

Douglass Key will lead *The Healer's Calling* by a Franciscan Friar named Daniel P. Sulmasy for four weeks beginning tonight at 7:00 at the Hassingers' house. Contact Janice Blair for more information (jblair@eastminsterpres.org).

Sisters In Christ Dinner is April 27th (5:30 pm) in Thompson Hall (TH):

Join us for Eastminster Presbyterian Women's (EPW's) spring event as we announce and honor our Lifetime Membership recipients. Please bring an article of clothing for children between eight and 18 years of age or toiletry items. You can now register at www.eastminsterpres.org via Quick Links.

Lightly Seasoned Spring Social is April 28th (7 - 9 pm): Join other "lightly seasoned" adults at Stuart and Spence Jenkins' house for fellowship and refreshments. RSVP via "Quick Links!" Contact Christina Siokos, csiokos@eastminsterpres.org, with questions.

Family Promise of the Midlands (FPM) 2022 Gala Campaign is April 30th: You may still contribute by participating in the silent auction or donating. Every penny raised during this campaign will positively affect families in need and further the FPM mission. To make a donation or participate in the auction, click the link in the Missions Newsletter.

Habitat For Humanity - Volunteers Needed: Saturday, April 30th, from 8 am-12 pm, we need volunteers to lay sod for Toby's house! This is a great family service opportunity for ages 12 and up. Visit "Quick Links" and/or contact Christina Siokos for more information- csiokos@eastminsterpres.org.

Missions Opportunity: A refugee family is relocating to the Columbia, SC area. Eastminster is looking to put a team together that will serve as a support system to this family. If you are interested in being part of the team, contact Rev. Brian Marsh, bmarsh@eastminsterpres.org.

Eastminster Footcare Ministry: After a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic, the Eastminster Footcare Ministry is back in action and needs volunteers. This ministry provides foot care to homeless individuals on Tuesdays for an hour and a half. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Lib Foster, libfoster@aol.com.

May 1st is Children's Emphasis Sunday and a Congregational Brunch:

Join us for a Congregational Brunch in the Courtyard at 10 am. No Sunday School.

New Adult Sunday School Class Begins May 8th at 10 am: Join other "lightly seasoned" adults looking to reconnect during the Sunday School hour. Rev. Dr. Stewart Rawson will lead a study on The Book of Mark. This class meets in Room 258 of the Education Building. To sign-up, Contact Janice Blair jblair@eastminsterpres.org.

May 8th is Baccalaureate Sunday: Join us on Mother's Day in recognition and celebration of our High School seniors. We will also collect the annual special offering for Presbyterian Communities of South Carolina (PCSC).

May 15th is Volunteer Appreciation Sunday: Volunteers should join us on the breezeway for coffee and doughnuts from 10 am to 11 am

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

Unison Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-7

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

SERMON NOTES



EASTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN



DEACONS: ELIZABETH ABRAMSON AND BRANFORD BRELAND
HEAD USHER: BERRY MATTOX (9 A.M.) WILSON MCDONALD (11:15 A.M.)

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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
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Bill Collins, Business Manager
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Josh Evanovich, Organist
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Caroline Bennett, Small Groups Dir./Librarian
Emmet Hough, Dir. of Christian Life Center
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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

APRIL 24, 2022

11:15 A.M.

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 Session decision relates to all Eastminster programs and events. In the event you would like a mask, they are available at the Welcome Center.**

PRELUDE

Doxology arr. Mark Hayes

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Based on Psalm 27

Leader: Clap your hands, all you people; shout to God with loud songs of joy.

People: For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.

Leader: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

People: Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

All: Let us worship our God with praise!

†*HYMN OF ADORATION #66

Every Time I Feel the Spirit PENTECOST

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Rev. Brian J. Marsh

**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

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming flame inside us. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image. Hear us now, as we silently confess our sins to you in the name of Jesus Christ, the light of the world...

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

In Christ Alone Getty/Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found. He is my light, my strength, my song. This cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striving cease. My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

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

Building Up the Kingdom M. Roger Holland II

My hands are your hands, to pray and to serve, to do works of justice, to heal where there is hurt, to touch the untouchable as God did in the flesh. Greater works you said we'll do, if in your name we'll ask. REFRAIN: I wanna be used for the building up of the kingdom of God; keep my hand on the gospel plow, never gonna stop. I wanna be used for the building up of the kingdom of God. I'm gonna build it up until I get home.

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

Mitch Newman

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

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Pastor: The Word of the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“So Many Gifts!” Rev. Nicholas P. Demuynck

CONFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL COVENANT, PROFESSION OF FAITH, BAPTISM AND RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN #69 (verses 1 and 2)

Here I Am, Lord HERE I AM

*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

CONGREGATIONAL LITANY FOR CONFIRMANDS

All: Defend, O Lord, these newest brothers and sisters in Christ with your heavenly grace that they may always love you, growing each day in wisdom and grace, serving you with joy until at last they come to your eternal kingdom.

Pastor: Now may the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory, confirm you to the end that you shall be found faithful on the day of the coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

All: Amen!

*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.

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #69 (verse 3)

Here I Am, Lord HERE I AM

*CHARGE

*BENEDICTION

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 SERVICES

Ada Frances Griffin, daughter of Kari and Robert Griffin, received the sacrament of baptism during this morning's 9:00 a.m. worship service. Elizabeth Griffin gave the prayer.

May 1, 2022

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith