

## MAY YOUR HOME AND HEART BE A SANCTUARY

In Christ's name we gather in homes in Columbia and beyond to worship God. This day we set our homes apart for Christian worship. As the Prelude begins, we invite you into a period of quiet reflection as we prepare for worship.

*“God is in His Holy temple,  
let all the earth keep silence before Him.”*

## PRELUDE

*Were You There When He Rose Up from the Grave*

arr. for the Haven Quartet by Steve Ragsdale

## WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 126

Leader: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.  
**People: Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy;**  
Leader: Then it was said among the nations, “The Lord has done great things for them.”  
**All The Lord has done great things and we are filled with joy!**

## HYMN OF ADORATION #321

*The Church's One Foundation*

AURELIA

1. **The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord. She is his new creation by water and the word. From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride. With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.**
2. **Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth. One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with every grace ended.**

## PRAYER OF ADORATION, CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Brian J. Marsh

## CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE TO THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON #469

*Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

CHILDREN PRAYING

**Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place. Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love; send us power; send us grace.**

## PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

During this time you are encouraged to extend the hand of Christ by texting “The peace of Christ be with you,” “Resurrection hope to you and yours,” or another brief greeting to 3-4 people, Eastminster members or beyond.

## OFFERTORY AND TIME OF OFFERING

*One Way*

Hillsong United

Eastminster Youth Band (previously recorded)

To respond to God's grace by participating in God's work through Eastminster, use one of the following options:

1. Mail contributions to: EPC, 3200 Trenholm Road, Columbia, SC 29204.
2. To set up recurring gifts, register on the members' portal at <https://members.eastminsterpres.org>

- then follow prompts for giving.
3. One time gifts: Go to our webpage at <https://eastminsterpres.org/contribute> and select "2020 General Fund" and follow prompts.
  4. Give by texting 18035909901, type "give" and hit send. You will be sent a link to give.

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### SCRIPTURE LESSONS

**Unison Reading:** Psalm 126:1-6  
**Scripture Focus:** John 21:1-7a, 15-17

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

### COMMUNION MEDITATION

"A Twinkle in His Eye?"

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

### 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 #611

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

HYMN TO JOY

1. Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of Love! Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.
3. Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began. Love divine is reigning o'er us, joining all in heaven's plan. Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife. Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

### CHARGE and BENEDECTION

### CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE TO THE BENEDECTION

*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

*All Hail the Power*

arr. by Joshua Evanovich

## 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 during this time.

## INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP?

*Contact Susie Glenn ([sglenn@eastminsterpres.org](mailto:sglenn@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 10, 2020**

Rev. Lynn Grandsire

Psalm 23

“Our Shepherd: Provider and Protector”

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION DURING THIS TIME** — Please read the E-news each week for the latest news from EPC. Also, to receive the Daily Devotional, a brief devotional written by various EPC members, simply email [blewis@eastminsterpres.org](mailto:blewis@eastminsterpres.org) and type “add me to DD list.”

**THERE IS A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING FOLLOWING WORSHIP** for the purposes of: 1) Calling the new Associate Pastor for Senior High Youth and Younger Adults; 2) changing the Terms of Call for Lynn Grandsire and 3) Brian Marsh; and 4) Electing the 2020 Nominating Committee to recommend Elders and Deacons for the class of 2023. Written ballots have been distributed to each Eastminster household via USPS. Please return your ballots so the results can be announced next Sunday, May 10. Thank you for your participation in these exciting events in the life of Eastminster!

**THANK YOU TO EASTMINSTER'S YOUTH BAND** for providing the offertory music. This performance was recorded during worship on Youth Sunday, January 26, 2020. Sam Baker, William Bennett, Colson Carey, Pressley Clark, Connor Freeman, Daniel Goodwyn, Constance McCants, John McCants, Ellen McCutchen, Thomas Stiles, Donald Tomlin, Sophie Verzyl, Sarah Walker. Directed by Chuck and Hannah Stiles, produced by James Cassidy.

**MINISTRY PARTNER SPOTLIGHT:** This week, please keep Thornwell in your prayers. Thornwell Children's Home gives children a place to stay when they are in difficult situations. Thornwell also helps families through times of hardship with their Building Families program. If you would like to help out, reach out to Susie Glenn for more details ([sglenn@eastminsterpres.org](mailto:sglenn@eastminsterpres.org)).

**BACCALAUREATE SUNDAY HAS BEEN POSTPONED TO THE SUMMER**, date TBD. In honor of this “Almost Baccalaureate Sunday,” our high school seniors’ plans for next year are listed at the end of the announcements. Please keep our seniors in your prayers as they are experiencing a dramatic ending to their senior year of high school and the uncertainty of their fall plans.

**PRAYER CARDS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE. VISIT QUICK LINKS** so you can be in prayer for members of the EPC family who may be ill, grieving the loss of a loved one, or loss of a job. Contact Sarah Beasley to add a member to our monthly prayer list ([sbeasley@eastminsterpres.org](mailto:sbeasley@eastminsterpres.org)).

**SUNDAY@5 CLASS TONIGHT! “NOTHING MINOR ABOUT IT.”** This tour of the “Minor” Prophets (five remaining) is led by Dr. Douglass Key. Join via LIVE FEED today at 5 p.m. to learn about Habakkuk.

**EASTMINSTERPRES.ORG RESOURCES: VISIT OUR GOOD NEWS HUMOR CHANNEL!** Simply click on the Quick Link in the lower right corner to find videos, memes, etc., all in the name of good clean fun. Have a funny to share? Contact Susie Glenn ([sglenn@eastminsterpres.org](mailto:sglenn@eastminsterpres.org)) to submit a little humor.

**MORE EASTMINSTERPRES.ORG RESOURCES:** Click on Virtual Resources to find: New Fitness videos, as well as channels for: Bible Study; Calming & Coping; Children’s Chapels; Devotionals and Story Time for Children.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE STUDENT ZOOM BIBLE STUDIES** are happening all week on various days/times and a great way to reconnect - Please text Laura Long (803)530.6731 to get on a distribution!

**ACCESS EASTMINSTER’S VIRTUAL CALENDAR ON THE HOMEPAGE.** You will see online activities for mind, body, and soul for all ages. If you miss a day, you can access previous recordings via the VIRTUAL RESOURCES button. Let us know what you’d like to see more of, or if you have a suggestion for something new. Contact Janice Blair at [jblair@eastminsterpres.org](mailto:jblair@eastminsterpres.org).

**MISSING WE@EPC MEALS?** Eastminster has to-go dinners on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Pick up a meal for a neighbor. The costs are the same: \$3 per child (0-8), \$6 per adult (9+) with a \$25 family cap. *You must register through the EPC website’s Quick Links by noon on Tues/Thurs. In an effort to decrease the spread of germs, we will not be accepting payment in person. If you are not able to pay online via PayPal, please mail in your payment.*

Tuesday, May 5: Beef Taco Salad Bowl

Thursday, May 7: Chicken Fettuccini Alfredo, Roasted Asparagus and Fried Cauliflower

**HARVEST HOPE PEANUT BUTTER DRIVE WAS A SUCCESS!** Thank you youth for leading and all who dropped off peanut butter and delivered donations to Harvest Hope! We will report the total donation amount in the next E-News. To find out various ways you can serve, contact Susie Glenn at [sglenn@eastminsterpres.org](mailto:sglenn@eastminsterpres.org).

**POSSIBLE NEW DATE FOR VBS—JULY 27-30!** Stay tuned for more information.

**SHARE PHOTOS OF YOUR VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION WITH EPC!** Just send images to Blythe Lewis at [blewis@eastminsterpres.org](mailto:blewis@eastminsterpres.org).

**IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT SUMMER MISSION TRIPS,** please contact Susie Glenn at [sglenn@eastminsterpres.org](mailto:sglenn@eastminsterpres.org).

**FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL** are given to the glory of God by a member of Eastminster.

**EPC SENIORS FALL PLANS:**

Staying in Columbia and following God’s will for her life: Kate Liggitt

University of South Carolina: Kate Swan, Pressley Clark, Mitchell McCabe, Connor Freeman, Luke Reynolds, James Beck, Julia Chase Burden, Pate Hoffman, Michael Wright, Matthew Reiland, Gracie Lewis, Sarah Walker, Maddy Philips

Clemson: Jennings Searcy, DuPre Eaddy, Katie Lippard, Aidan McInnis

Wofford: Johnston Bauer, James Blackwelder, Stephen Bradley, William Locke, John Bailey Moore, Davis Newman

Washington and Lee: Hayley Andrews, Wade Oliver, Michael Schraibman

Furman: Constance McCants, Coley Brown  
University of Tennessee: Sims Willard  
Midlands Technical College: Alex Fewell  
University of Mississippi: Rebecca Grace Barr  
Grand Canyon University: Harriet DuBose  
Princeton University: Audrey Royall  
Yale University: Faith Robertson  
Winthrop: Jeb Bartlett  
The University of the South (Sewanee): Maggie Irvin  
Davidson: Bailey Leaphart  
University of Georgia: Kati Tanner  
Texas Christian University: Liles Wall  
Undecided: August Swarat