

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

O Worship the King

Fran Sullivan, piano

arr. Mark Hayes

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song;

People: sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Leader: Sing, and give praise to God's name;

All: tell the glad news of salvation from day to day.

*HYMN OF ADORATION #375

Shall We Gather at the River

HANSON PLACE

1. Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God? **REFRAIN: Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river; gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.**
4. Soon we'll reach the shining river; soon our pilgrimage will cease; soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. **REFRAIN: Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river; gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION, CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE TO THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON #286

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

BUNESSAN

1. **Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.**
3. **Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine, until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE AND TIME OF OFFERING

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

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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Cooper James Turner

BAPTISMAL HYMN #480

Take Me to the Water

TAKE ME TO THE WATER

1. **Take me to the water. Take me to the water. Take me to the water to be baptized.**
2. **I love Jesus. I love Jesus. I love Jesus, yes, I do.**
3. **He's my Savior. He's my Savior. He's my Savior, yes, he is.**
4. **Glory hallelujah. Glory hallelujah. Glory hallelujah to be baptized.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Douglass D. Key

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.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Unison Reading: Genesis 2:4b-7

Scripture Focus: Revelation 22:1-2

Pastor: The Word of the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"New Life Breathed In"

Rev. Nicholas P. Demuyneck

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #384

Soon and Very Soon

SOON AND VERY SOON

1. **Soon and very soon we are going to see the King. Soon and very soon we are going to see the King. Soon and very soon we are going to see the King. Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we're going to see the King.**
2. **No more crying there; we are going to see the King. No more crying there; we are going to see the King. No more crying there; we are going to see the King. Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we're going to see the King.**
3. **No more dying there, we are going to see the King. No more dying there, we are going to see the King. No more dying there, we are going to see the King. Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we're going to see the King.**
4. **Soon and very soon we are going to see the King. Soon and very soon we are going to see the King. Soon and very soon we are going to see the King. Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we're going to see the King.**

***CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

CONGREGATIONAL 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

Sweet Hour of Prayer

arr. Kenneth Dake

Emily Whitlow, Oboe

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.

DURING THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Cooper James Turner, son of Barrett and Courtney Turner, will receive the sacrament of baptism. Paternal grandmother Anne Turner, past officer at Northeast Presbyterian Church, will give the baptismal prayer.

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP?

Contact Susie Glenn (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.

Sept. 13, 2020

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

2 Corinthians 5:14-21

"Congratulations Mr./Madam Ambassador"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO IN-PERSON WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY! You must register via Quick Links each week. The maximum for safe seating is 100 in our sanctuary, and while you are here, you are required to wear a mask and practice safe-distancing. Ushers/greeters will be available to assist you. **WORSHIP**

SCHEDULE: Gather in the field for **Outdoor Worship at 8:30 am. Live streaming at 9 and 10:30 am,** with the Children's Lesson at 8:45 & 10:15 am. Regular worship hours will begin again next Sunday, Sept. 13, with live streaming at 9 and 11:15 am and Children's Lesson at 8:45 and 11 am. Visit www.eastminsterpres.org to find WORSHIP OPTIONS under the Quick Links section. Click on WORSHIP OPTIONS for details and to register.

SEPTEMBER PRAYER CARDS ARE AVAILABLE VIA QUICK LINKS.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR USPO MAILBOX FOR EPC'S FALL FLYER, which mailed this past week. You will find Fall Sunday morning & evening classes, WE@EPC evening classes, Younger Adult and College evening studies, Children & Youth listings with in-person meeting locations, or online designations. The flyer

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also includes Small Group info and 5 Kingdom Ideas for Service. Visit our website's Quick Links to download or view the flyer.

MINISTRY PARTNER SPOTLIGHT: This week, please pray for Habitat for Humanity. They are continuing to build safe and affordable homes in our area for those who are struggling to find adequate housing. Please pray that they would continue to be a bright spot in our community for those in need. If you would like to help, contact Susie Glenn (sglenn@eastminsterpres.org).

CHILDREN'S TIME THIS FALL: Starting Sunday, Sept. 13, there will be two in-person Children's Times on Sundays. One 8:30-9:30 am for 3K-5K, and the second from 5-6 pm in Thompson Hall for 1st-5th graders. Attendance is limited for both so you must RSVP. See emails from Croskeys for details.

REGISTER FOR THE SMALL GROUP CELEBRATION ON SEPT. 9! Join us for a Celebration in the Field, this Wednesday, Sept. 9, from 7-8:15 pm., including Cold Stone Creamery, live music, an inspirational speaker and childcare for 3K-5th grade. Bring a chair or listen from your parked car via our FM station (87.7). Register today via Quick Links on our website: www.eastminsterpres.org.

TUESDAY/THURSDAY MEAL MENUS FOR NEXT WEEK: Eastminster has to-go dinners on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Pick up a meal for a neighbor. The costs are \$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.

Tues., September 8: Pulled Pork, Rice & Hash, Green Beans, Squash Casserole & Hush Puppies
Thurs., September 10: Beef Petite Diane, Assorted Roasted Potatoes, Asparagus, Pickled Beets & Rolls

OUR COLLECTION OF COOKIES FOR FIRST RESPONDERS will be next Sunday, Sept. 13. If you would like to provide cookies or help deliver them that day, contact Jennifer Seigler at jbseigler@gmail.com.

SUNDAYS @5 CLASSES BEGIN SEPT. 13 FROM 5-6:30 PM: "Job: An Enduring Conversation," led by Dr. Douglass Key, looks at Job's struggle with central, timeless questions of faith and human existence. (Online & Adult Reception) and Communication in a World of Technology co-led by Rev. Lynn Grandsire & Rev. Brian Marsh (Online & Rm E-357).

COLLEGE & YOUNGER ADULT STUDIES START TUESDAY, SEPT. 15. Rev. Nick Demuyneck will lead two six-week studies on *An Altar in the World: A Geography in Faith* by Barbara Brown Taylor. College students will meet from 5:30-7 pm, and Younger Adults will meet from 7:15-8:30 pm on Tuesdays.

WE@EPC BIBLE STUDY BEGINNING NEXT WED, SEPT 16, AT 7 PM: "One in Christ? Quest for Unity in New Testament Churches and Beyond," led by Dr. Douglass Key takes us to the early church and its struggle to remain united (Online & In-person).

TRANSITIONS THIRD THURSDAY IS SEPT 17. Please take donations of pasta salad, bananas and pound cakes to the McGowan's house by 4 pm that day. Servers should be at Transitions by 5 pm. To sign up (cook, deliver food or serve), contact Alison McGowan at alisonmcgowan11@gmail.com.

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP? Our next First Step class will be September 20 from 2-5 pm via Zoom. To RSVP contact Susie Glenn, Member Involvement Coordinator at (sglenn@eastminsterpres.org).

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDIES FOR HS YOUTH BEGIN SEPT. 23. Meet in the Gym for dinner at 7 pm and then break out into single-gender groups until 8:30 pm. Questions? Contact Nick Demuyneck at ndemuyneck@eastminsterpres.org.

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY IS SEPT. 27 AT 5 PM IN THE SANCTUARY. *This is for last school-year's 9th-grade confirmands.* The exam will be in the CLC (Gym) from 3:30-4:30 pm, with dinner in the field following the celebration. See invitation from Nick Demuyneck for details. Please RSVP (confirmand plus 2 family members) by Sept. 13 to Janice Blair at jblair@eastminsterpres.org.

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the Glory of God by an Eastminster family.