

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

Savior, Like a Shepherd, Lead Us

arr. Carolyn Hamlin

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Douglass D. Key

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: What does the Lord require of you?

People: **To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God.**

Leader: Let us worship the God who calls us to take up the cross, deny ourselves and follow him.

All: Let us worship the Lord, our God, who alone gives true life.

HYMN OF ADORATION #408

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

SWEET SWEET SPIRIT

1. There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord; there are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord. Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love; and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.
2. There are blessings you cannot receive till you know him in his fullness and believe; you're the one to profit when you say, "I am going to walk with Jesus all the way." Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love; and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

PRAYER OF ADORATION, CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE TO THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON #441

Hear the Good News of Salvation

NETTLETON

1. Hear the good news of salvation: Jesus died to show God's love. Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from heaven above. Jesus Christ, how much I love! Jesus Christ, you save from sin! How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.
2. All the sins I have committed to my Savior now I bring. I bow down with tears of anguish; Christ forgives and so I sing: Jesus Christ, how much I love! Jesus Christ, you save from sin! How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.

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," "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.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Unison Reading: Deuteronomy 6:1-2a, 6:4-9

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Scripture Focus: Galatians 6:7-10

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Pastor: The Word of the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION MEDITATION

"How's Your Connection?"

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 #853

We Are Marching in the Light of God

SIYAHAMBA

1. We are marching in the light of God; we are marching in the light of God. We are marching in the light of God; we are marching in the light of, the light of God. We are marching; we are marching; we are marching in the light of God. We are marching, we are marching, we are marching in the light of God.
2. We are praying in the light of God; we are praying in the light of God. (repeat)

CHARGE and BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION #306

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love. The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

POSTLUDE

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 Rev. Brian Marsh (bmarsh@eastminsterpres.org or 256-1654 x164) 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.

Oct. 11, 2020

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO IN-PERSON WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY! You must make a reservation via Quick Links each time. 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.

TODAY IS WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY. If you are participating virtually, please have your elements ready so you can join us in the sacrament of communion.

PRAYER CARDS ARE AVAILABLE. VISIT QUICK LINKS ON THE WEBSITE.

FIELD WORSHIP WILL MOVE TO 11:15 AM ON OCTOBER 18. Until then we will gather in the field for Field Worship at 8:30 am. In-person worship at 9 am (Sanctuary—Must RSVP) Live streaming also at 9 and 11:15 am, with the Children's Lesson live streaming at 8:45 & 11 am. Visit www.eastminsterpres.org's Quick Links: WORSHIP OPTIONS for more details and to register.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BOXES ARE HERE! Beginning today, the pre-printed boxes will be on tables in the field, the courtyard breezeway, and outside the CLC doors. Please return packed boxes by Nov. 22. Questions about OCC? Contact Beth Oliver at betholiver2@yahoo.com.

CONFIRMATION CLASS STARTS TONIGHT. Classes will be on Sunday nights from 5-6:15 pm in the CLC Gym through April 11, 2021. Snacks will be provided. Traditionally Confirmation has been for ninth graders, but if your child has not gone through the class yet, we welcome older students as well. Questions? Contact Janice Blair at jblair@eastminsterpres.org.

SUNDAYS @5 CLASSES TONIGHT 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 Hall). Communication in a World of Technology is co-led by Rev. Lynn Grandsire & Rev. Brian Marsh (Rm E-357). Access Zoom link under Quick Links.

SOAP READINGS: JOURNEY THROUGH JOHN CONTINUE: Join Pastor Brad in reading 28-30 verses of Scripture each day, using the SOAP approach- Scripture, Observation, Application and Prayer. The passages for each day will be on a website Quick Link and at the bottom of the Daily Devotional. Also, Brad and Douglass will be offering 50 minute discussion groups at 11 am and again at 7 pm (in-person or via Zoom) on Wednesdays through Oct 21. It's not too late to catch up and join in! Email now@eastminsterpres.org to let us know whether you'd prefer 11 am or 7 pm, and in person or via Zoom. Now is the time.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IS SAT, OCT 24 IN THE CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER from 8 am to 1 pm. Online sign-up will be available soon. Give the gift of life again this fall. Questions about CLC Ministries? Contact Emmet Hough at ehough@eastminsterpres.org.

DEDICATION SUNDAY IS OCTOBER 25. Look for a Stewardship letter with your pledge card, and a return envelope via USPS mail this next week. You may also pledge online. Questions about tithing options at EPC, contact Christy Rippy at crippy@eastminsterpres.org.

October 4, 2020

CHILDREN'S TIME THIS FALL: There are three in-person Children's Times on Sundays: 8:30–9:30 am for 3K-5K, and 5-6 pm in the Sanctuary for 1st-5th graders. There is also a new "School House Sunday School" for 1st-5th grades in the CLC (271-273) Attendance is limited for all three, so you must RSVP. Go to Quick Links on our website (www.eastminsterpres.org) "RSVP for Children's Times on Sundays."

MIDDLE SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL BE SHARING THE GYM with the Sr. Highs during the Sunday school hour. The MS class will meet on the end of the Gym floor closest to the lobby, but possibly moving to the Game Room. Regina Jeffcoat and the kitchen staff are preparing breakfast for all the youth at 10 am.

YOUTH MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDIES ARE ON WEDNESDAYS (7-8:30 PM). MS will meet outdoors for a group meal and then single-gendered studies. High School will meet in the CLC Gym for dinner and then break-out into classrooms.

TUESDAY/THURSDAY MEAL MENUS FOR NEXT WEEK: Eastminster has to-go dinners on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Meal pick-up is from 5:30-6:15 pm. 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., Oct 6: Scrambled Eggs, Grits, Sausage, Bacon, Hash browns & Biscuits

Thurs., Oct. 8: Fried Chicken, Mac-n-cheese, Fried Okra, Tomato & Cucumber Salad

SERVE ON THE COLLEGE MINISTRY TEAM. If you would like to keep in touch with and support Eastminster's college students, you should join this team. Contact Alison McGowan to find out more at alisonmcgowan11@gmail.com.

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of William Walter Halligan, Jr. by his family.