

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

Sonata Satz

Johannes Brahms

Shr-Han Wu, violin

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord with our whole heart;

People: We will tell of all of your wonderful deeds, O God.

Leader: Let us be glad and rejoice in our Savior.

All: We will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

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

Rev. Dr. Douglass D. Key

RESPONSE TO THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Musical meditation: *Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment*

*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.

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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND PASTORAL 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.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Unison Reading: Proverbs 3:5-10

Scripture Focus: 2 Corinthians 8:1-7

Pastor: The Word of the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"God’s Grace → Our Gratitude"

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

***HYMN OF DEDICATION #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 endued.**

***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

Fantasia on an Early American Tune

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 among us.

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. 25, 2020

Rev. Dr. Douglass D. Key

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.

CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF REV. DR. JOE B. DONAHO will be live-streamed from Germantown Presbyterian Church, on Friday, October 23, at 12 NOON (EST). The link to the LIVE FEED at GPC can be found under Quick Links at www.eastminsterpres.org.

FIELD WORSHIP HAS MOVED TO 11:15 AM. We will gather in the field for Field Worship (Pods or Cars 87.7 FM) 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.

CHILDREN'S TIME THIS FALL: There are three in-person Children's Times on Sundays: 11:15 am–12:15 pm for 3K-5K, and 5-6 pm in the Sanctuary for 1st-5th graders. There is also a "School House Sunday School" for 1st-5th grades from 10-11 am 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."

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 p.m. 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 20: Braised Pork Chop, German Potato Salad, Red Cabbage, Three Bean Salad & Rolls

Thurs., Oct. 22: Goulash (pork and beef stew in a paprika sauce), Spätzle (Egg Noodles), Brussel Sprouts, Fried Zucchini Sticks & Rolls

S.O.A.P. APPROACH TO SCRIPTURE CONTINUES THIS WEEK with 1 John and then the Book of Esther. Discussions with Pastors Brad and Douglass will continue on Wednesday, Oct 21. Go to now@eastminsterpres.org to sign-up for either 11 am or 7 pm. Daily readings will be on Quick Links as well as in the Daily Devotional footers.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IS SATURDAY, OCT. 24 IN THE CLC from 8 am to 1 pm. Online sign-up is available on our website's Quick Links. Give the gift of life again this fall. Questions about CLC Ministries? Contact Emmet Hough at ehough@eastminsterpres.org.

October 18, 2020

DEDICATION SUNDAY IS OCT. 25. Look for a Stewardship letter with your pledge card, and a return envelope via USPS mail. You may also pledge online under the CONTRIBUTE tab (top right). Questions about tithing options at EPC, contact Christy Rippy (Treasurer) at crippy@eastminsterpres.org.

PEANUT BUTTER SUNDAY OCT. 25. Drop off jars of peanut butter in the bins under the CLC portico from Oct. 25—Oct 29 (Thursday meal pick up) for this month's Harvest Hope Peanut Butter Drive.

TRUNK-OR-TREAT IS SUNDAY OCT 25 (3:45—5PM) 5K AND YOUNGER We will safely celebrate in either the field or the Upper Medway lot. See email from Croskeys with sign-up and details. Volunteers needed!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BOXES will be on tables in the field, the courtyard breezeway, and outside the CLC entrance on Sunday mornings. Filled boxes with a check to Samaritan's Purse should be returned to the church Oct 25 - Nov 22. Details on where to drop them off to come. Questions about OCC? Contact Beth Oliver at betholiver2@yahoo.com.

INTERGENERATIONAL POTATO-GLEANING SERVICE PROJECT NOV 6 & 7—See emails from Croskeys with sign-up link (About 50 total volunteers needed). Friday evening a small group will unload potatoes; Saturday morning, in the upper Medway lot, a larger group will “glean” or pick out the good ones for volunteers to deliver to places in need. Contact Croskeys with questions at croyall@eastminsterpres.org.

“VIRTUAL SONGFEST” IS NOV 9 AT 7 PM VIA LIVE FEED featuring the Sanctuary Singers, Jubilee Singers, and organist Joshua Evanovich. You will be able to send in hymn requests. More details to come.

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Ross Holcombe by his family, Nelle, Shawn, Mark, Jarrell, Ian, Dylan, Lynn, Chris, Ashley, Robby, Maggie, Jack and Patrick.