

## 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

## WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We join together as people who hunger in both body and soul.

People: **Amid the challenges of these times, our hunger is deep.**

Leader: So we gather to worship the Lord our God, who feeds us day by day.

People: **Holy Spirit, come! Give us this day our daily bread.**

All: **So that, in grateful response, we might share your bread with others, near and far, in body and in soul.**

## \*HYMN OF ADORATION #2

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

ITALIAN HYMN

1. **Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing; help us to praise: Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.**
2. **To the great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence evermore. Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.**

## PRAYER OF ADORATION, CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Lynn A. Grandsire

## RESPONSE TO THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*He Is Lord*

**He is Lord! He is Lord! He is risen from the dead and he is Lord! Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. He is Lord! He is Lord! He is risen from the dead and he is Lord! Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.**

## \*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:** Matthew 6:5-13

**Scripture Focus:** Exodus 16:1b-5; 9-15

Pastor: The Word of the Lord!

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

## **SERMON:**

"God's Manna for This Moment"

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

## **\*HYMN OF DEDICATION #846**

*Fight the Good Fight*

DUKE STREET

1. **Fight the good fight with all thy might. Christ is thy strength and Christ thy right. Lay hold on life, and it shall be thy joy and crown eternally.**
2. **Run the straight race through God's good grace; lift up thine eyes, and seek Christ's face. Life with its way before us lies; Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.**

## **\*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**

## **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.

9 am Traditional service

## INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP?

Contact Rev. Brian Marsh ([bmarsh@eastminsterpres.org](mailto: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.

January 24, 2021

Rev. Dr. Douglass D. Key

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pledge Status Report as of January 11, 2021

Thank you to those who have pledged. If you have not yet pledged, please join us in pledging to support Christ's work through Eastminster in 2021.

248 Pledges Increased

110 Pledges With No Change

36 Pledges Decreased

57 New Pledges

For a total of 451 pledges totaling \$3,631,912

89 Pledges were made for 2020, but not yet for 2021

**IN HONOR OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., EPC WILL BE CLOSED TOMORROW.**

**ADDITIONAL CHILDCARE OPTIONS FOR SUNDAY MORNING.** Parents, please see emails from Croskeys for RSVPs and details. You can sign-up each week via the Sunday RSVPs Quick Link at [www.eastminsterpres.org](http://www.eastminsterpres.org).

**THE CARE LINE RETURNS—NEED HELP, WANT TO HELP?** If you need assistance during this pandemic with grocery shopping or errands or want to help a member who does, contact Sarah Beasley at [sbeasley@eastminsterpres.org](mailto:sbeasley@eastminsterpres.org) to sign up. Sponsored by Congregational Care & Concern ministries.

**THE CLC WALKING TRACK IS OPEN WITH LIMITED ACCESS** (Tues-Fri 8:30 am to 3:30 pm). Visit our website's Quick Links to sign up beginning on Thursdays. (Emmet Hough, Director, [ehough@eastminsterpres.org](mailto:ehough@eastminsterpres.org))

**SSUNDAYS@5 ACTS CLASS WILL NOT MEET TONIGHT.** Join in again on Jan. 24, to study how the disciple community ventured through unfamiliar territory is not unlike our own current path. Led by Dr. Douglass Key via ZOOM or in-person (Adult Reception Hall). Sign up via Quick Links.

**HS AND MS YOUTH MEETINGS UPDATE:** Due to the surge in COVID-19 cases in our community and congregation this winter, for the well-being of our youth, youth leaders, and everyone involved in our shared ministries, we are going to pause in-person Youth events until Ash Wednesday, February 17. Please check ENews for Zoom links to weekly events.

**TUES/THURS TO-GO MEALS MENUS FOR THIS WEEK -** Please sign up each Tuesday/Thursday by noon via Quick Links at [www.eastminsterpres.org](http://www.eastminsterpres.org).

Jan. 19: Chicken Pot Pie, Broccoli, Fried Green Tomatoes & Rolls

Jan. 21: Beef Stroganoff, Egg Noodles, Mixed Veggies, Pickled Beets and Cheese Biscuits

**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING'S MILLION DOLLAR CHALLENGE** has begun. Visit the [eastminsterpres.org](http://eastminsterpres.org) Quick Link to learn more, and for resources to recruit family and friends across South Carolina to help feed the hungry. The time is now! To learn more, contact LeeAnn Harris at [rustyandleeann@sc.rr.com](mailto:rustyandleeann@sc.rr.com).

**S.O.A.P APPROACH WEDNESDAY DISCUSSIONS HAVE RESUMED.** Join pastors virtually on Wednesdays at 11 am or 7 pm via ZOOM for a journey through Exodus. Send an email to

Second Sunday after Epiphany, January 17, 2021

9 am Traditional service

[now@eastminsterpres.org](mailto:now@eastminsterpres.org) specifying which group you'll be joining. In-person discussions are temporarily on hold.

**PRAYER MATTERS, A BEHIND THE SCENES MINISTRY AT EPC.** If you are interested in serving in a wonderful way this year, join Prayer Matters. Pray for church families for a week and then send them a note to let them know. Contact Rev. Lynn Grandsire to sign up or learn more.

**TRANSITIONS NEXT THIRD THURSDAY MEAL IS JAN. 21.** Donations of Pasta Salad, Pound Cake and Bananas are due to the McGowan's by 4 pm. Want to donate food, serve that day or drive donations to Transitions? Contact Alison McGowan at [alisonmcgowan11@gmail.com](mailto:alisonmcgowan11@gmail.com)

**EPW INVITES YOU TO "THE VINE" ON THURSDAY, FEB. 4 FROM 6 TO 8 PM** with guest speaker Rev. Angela Ford-Nelson. Join us in the Sanctuary (100 Max), or via LIVE FEED. To learn more, contact Sarah Beasley at [sbeasley@eastminsterpres.org](mailto:sbeasley@eastminsterpres.org).

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given in honor of the baptism of Larry Pedrick McWilliams, son of Larry and Ashley McWilliams, grandson of Bill and Nan Hausman, and Robert and Susi McWilliams, and great-grandson of Dale B. Pedrick.