

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

Veni Creator Spiritus/Crown Him with Many Crowns

Peter Niedmann

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Acts 2: 1-21)

Leader: God's Spirit has been poured upon all flesh.
People: That Spirit rests upon us like flames of fire,
Leader: That we may be light in the world's darkness,
People: And warmth in the world's coldness.
Leader: The Spirit has been poured upon us like a mighty wind
People: Refreshing us in love and renewing us in strength.
All: Let us worship God in joy!

*HYMN OF ADORATION #297

In Christ Called to Baptize

ST. DENIO

1. In Christ called to baptize, we witness to grace and gather a people from each land and race. In deep, flowing waters, we share in Christ's death, then, rising to new life, give thanks with each breath.
2. In Christ called to banquet, one table we share, a haven of welcome, a circle of care. Although we are many, we share in one bread. One cup of thanksgiving proclaims Christ, our head.
3. In Christ called to witness, by grace we will preach the lifegiving gospel; God's love we will teach. By grace may our living give proof to our praise in costly compassion reflecting Christ's ways.
4. Unite us, anoint us, O Spirit of love, for you are within us, around us, above. Equip us for service with gifts you bestow. In Christ is our calling. In Christ may we grow.

PRAYER OF ADORATION, CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Dr. Lynn A. Grandsire

RESPONSE TO THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON #286

Breathe On Me, Breath of God

TRENTHAM

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.

*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.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Berry Mattox

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 “2021 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

Finnley Louise Poston

BAPTISMAL HYMN #450

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

1. **Be thou my vision, O Lord on my heart; naught be all else to me save that thou art; thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**
2. **Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my soul’s shelter, and thou my high tower; raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power**

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: Acts 2:1-4

Scripture Focus: Acts 2:5-18

Pastor: The Word of the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

SERMON:

"Better Than AAA"

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #66

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

PENTECOST

Refrain: Every time I feel the spirit moving in my heart I will pray. Yes, every time I feel the

Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.

1. Upon the mountain, when my Lord spoke, out of God's mouth came fire and smoke. Looked all around me, it looked so fine, till I asked my Lord if all was mine. Refrain: Every time I feel the spirit moving in my heart I will pray. Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.
2. Jordan River, chilly and cold, it chills the body but not the soul. There is but one train upon this track. It runs to heaven and then right back. Refrain: Every time I feel the spirit moving in my heart I will pray. Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.

***CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION #66

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

PENTECOST

Refrain: Every time I feel the spirit moving in my heart I will pray. Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.

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.

DURING THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Finnley Louise Poston, daughter of Keith and Dori Poston, will receive the sacrament of baptism during the 9 am worship service. Bronwyn McElveen, deacon at First Presbyterian in Sumter, SC, will give the baptismal prayer.

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP?

Contact Member Involvement Coordinator Christina Siokos (csiokos@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 30, 2021

Rev. Brian J. Marsh

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHIFT FROM DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN & THEIR FAMILIES TO ORDAINED ASSOCIATE PASTOR FOR CHILDREN & THEIR FAMILIES. At the Congregational Meeting on Sunday, the Session was approved to be the temporary Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) for the Associate Pastor for Children and their Families. The Personnel Committee and Session welcome your input and comments. Please submit your thoughts in writing to Personnel Chair Betty Gilbert, bgilbertsc2@icloud.com.

STOP BY THE NED "REVIVE" SIGN-UP TABLES IN THE NARTHEX & FIELD. We need adults of all ages to teach children and youth of all ages on Sundays (AM/PM) and Wednesdays (PM Bible Studies) this

fall. We are taking a team approach to teaching and leading. Please consider leaning in and contributing to the faith formation of our young people in 2021-2022. You may count on inspirational training and attentive support. Questions or to sign up, contact Janice Blair at ext. 168.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WORSHIP DISCOVERY GRADUATES who will be recognized this morning during the 11:15 am Field Worship service: Julia Conroy Boyer, Elizabeth Louise Brawley, Stella McClure Brawley, John Colin Burbage, Henry Flynn Burtt, Ethan Silver Dover, Ann Sawyer Draffin, James David Ellison, Taylor Michelle Gentry, Delaney Arden Good, Ella Harris Johnson, Mary Whit Lindsay, Henry Marshall Moca, Graydon Foy Moore, Pressley Catherine Osborne, Lillian Russell Powell, Isabelle Pinckney Rasor, Johnny Rollins Richardson, Hudson Grace Riddle, Harrison Chase Strong

TODAY IS PEANUT BUTTER SUNDAY. Drop off a jar in one of the Harvest Hope bins in our reception areas, or at Tues/Thurs meal pick-up. Thank you for helping fight hunger in The Midlands.

JOIN US TODAY FOR A TAILGATE ON THE FIELD AFTER WORSHIP. Enjoy local fare from food trucks & music from the Youth Band for a much needed chance to reconnect with one another in fellowship.

YOUTH END DATES (SUMMER) FOR MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL: Regular Sunday school ends for youth today, and this Wednesday ends our PM Bible Studies. Thank you, Youth Leaders! Look for emails from Bethany and Nick for summer fellowship and service ops.

REGISTRATION FOR COMPASS YOUTH MISSION OPPORTUNITY ENDS TUESDAY for MS youth (Rising 6-8 grades, June 16-19). HS youth (Rising 9—12 grades) have more time to register since their dates are July 26-31. Register via Quick Links and look for emails from Bethany and Nick.

PEP (PEOPLE ENJOYING PEOPLE) LUNCHEON ON TUESDAY MAY 25 with guest speaker, Rev. Nick Demuynck, EPC's Assoc Pastor of Youth & Younger Adults. Join us in Thompson Hall at 11:45 am. Please RSVP via Quick Links! Everyone is welcome. Call Sarah Beasley at ext. 122 with questions (\$6/person).

TUES/THURS TO-GO MEALS MENUS FOR THIS WEEK. Please RSVP via Quick Links at www.eastminsterpres.org each Tuesday/Thursday by noon.

May 25: Chicken Pot Pie, Cauliflower/Broccoli/Carrots, Tomato and Cucumber Salad, Fried Green Beans

May 27: BBQ Ribs, Corn on the Cob, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Hush puppies

INTERGENERATIONAL SUMMER BRUNCHES ARE MAY 30, JULY 4 & SEPTEMBER 5 at 10:15 AM (No combined Sunday School on those dates).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS—SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS JUNE 6. Field worship will move to 9 am. Traditional worship will begin at 9:15 am in the Sanctuary, and Sunday school will begin at 10:15 am in the Adult Reception Hall.

SOAP READINGS & DISCUSSIONS CONTINUE THIS SUMMER. Join us now in reading the Psalms. Reading can be found in the footer of the Daily Devotional. On June 6, SOAP discussions begin again during our combined Sunday school class in the Adult Reception Hall, led by Dr. Douglass Key. We will journey through 1 & 2 Samuel. To join us virtually, contact Janice Blair at jblair@eastminsterpres.org.

REGISTER FOR MUSIC CAMP (JULY 6-8 EVENINGS) VIA QUICK LINKS. We are excited about our evening program in the FIELD for rising 5K—rising 5th graders. We will be drumming, singing, playing games and play-acting. It's going to be fun. Volunteers are needed. Contact Fredna Lee at 803-256-1654 ext. 160 or flee@eastminsterpres.org to help.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR VBS, AUGUST 2—5 (RISING 4K—RISING 6TH). Visit Quick Links for latest updates. Email croyall@eastminsterpres.org to help out. We will have fun, make crafts, listen to music, play games & more from 9AM to noon Mon-Thurs.

ALPHA LEADERS NEEDED WEDNESDAY NIGHTS THIS FALL. If you have taken Alpha previously and are willing to lead a class, or even if you haven't taken Alpha, but are willing to be trained to lead, contact Laura Long at long@eastminsterpres.org.

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given in celebration for the baptism of Finnley Louise Poston by her parents, Keith and Dori Poston, her sister Callie and her cousin Ayla Connor.