

WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Today is Peanut Butter Sunday: Each fourth Sunday, members bring jars of peanut butter for local food banks to help fight hunger in The Midlands. Thank you for your donations, which may be dropped in the peanut butter bins around campus.

Eastminster will be Closed Tomorrow for the Memorial Day Holiday: To reach a pastor even when the church offices are closed, please call (803) 256-1654 for directions on how to reach the on-call pastor.

Time and Talent Questionnaires are due this Wednesday, May 31: Paper questionnaires available at the Welcome Centers, or online (<https://eastminsterpres.org/events/time-and-talent/>). After you have indicated which ministries you would like to explore, someone from those ministries will be in touch.

Summer Worship Hours begin next Sunday, June 4: Jubilee Worship (Thompson Hall) at 10:15 am and Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) at 10:30 am. The Summer combined Adult Sunday School class is at 9 am in the Adult Reception Hall.

“Reclaiming Revelation,” Adult Combined SS Class, begins June 4: Join Dr. Douglass Key to read and think about Revelation anew. Meet in the ARH at 9 am on Sunday mornings (childcare available). If you can’t make it on Sundays, then join Dr. Douglass Key on Wednesdays in the ARH from 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm for a repeat of the Sunday School lesson (no childcare).

Holy Land Pilgrimage October 30-November 9, 2023: Are you interested in traveling to the Holy Land? There is still room for travelers! This trip will be led by Dr. Ben Sloan and Dr. Douglass Key. Contact Julie McDaniel (ext. 143) to learn more and sign up.

CHAMPS Sunday is June 11: Celebrate CHAMPS (Communities Helping Assisting and Motivating Promising Students) with guest preacher, Dr. Buz Wilcoxon, who is the first Lassiter Chaplain and Dean of Spiritual Life at Presbyterian College, where the CHAMPS Program originated.

Register and Volunteer for VBS Food Truck Party: VBS is June 26-29 at 9 am until noon with Bible stories, crafts, music, and of course- food trucks! Volunteers are needed, so please register your child and/or sign up to volunteer by visiting <https://eastminsterpres.org/events/vbs-2023/>.

Register for Music Camp Rising 5K-Rising Fifth Graders (July 16-20): where your camper will recreate a beloved children’s musical in just 5 nights! “We Like Sheep” is a children’s musical teaching the love of the Good Shepherd. From music, drama, and dinner each night, children are sure to enjoy Music Camp. Register at: <https://form.jotform.com/231305353681148>. If you can volunteer to help out at Music Camp, sign up here: <https://form.jotform.com/231305218047144>.

Only 4 Spots Left- Adult Fall Mission Trip: You can head to Marsh Island, Bahamas, November 11-18, to continue rebuilding the foundations of houses affected by Hurricane Dorian in 2019. EPC high schoolers will begin the work there in July, and adults will help finish the work in November. Register here: <https://eastminsterpres.org/events/mission-trip-marsh-island-bahamas/>.

Flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God by an Eastminster family.

Unison Reading: Acts 2:1-4

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

SERMON NOTES



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MINISTERS—ALL OF US!

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PENTECOST
MAY 28, 2023
10:15 AM

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Welcome to Eastminster Presbyterian Church!

In Christ's name, we welcome you to Eastminster. We hope that you will feel the love and peace of Christ as you worship with us. Please take this time to silence the world and focus your heart and mind on worshiping our Living God.

“So welcome each other, in the same way that Christ also welcomed you, for God's glory.” Romans 15:7.

All Eastminster worship services and activities are mask optional, with masks available at the Welcome Center if you'd like one.

PRELUDE

Veni, Creator Spiritus

Samuel Scheidt

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

INTROIT

Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me

K. Lee Scott

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be; Help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee; And, with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal; And, with actions bold and meek, For Christ, my Savior speak. Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be, Help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee; And, with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear; And, with actions brotherly, Speak Christ's sincerity. Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be; Show thy mercy tenderly, Make me more like thee; Separate from sin, I would And cherish all things good; And whatever I can be Give him who gave me thee. Mighty Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be; Help me more thy pow'r to see, I would be like thee; 'Gainst all weapons hell can wield, be thou my strength and shield; Let thy word my weapon be, Lord, Thine the victory. Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would be like thee!

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Revelation 22:17

Leader: The Spirit and the Bride say,

People: Come!

Leader: And let everyone who hears say,

People: Come!

Leader: And let everyone who is thirsty,

People: Let them come.

All: Whoever wishes, let them come and take the free gift of the water of life. We come to be renewed and pray for our nation to be renewed.

†*HYMN OF ADORATION #8

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

MELITA

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Dr. Smith

*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.

**GLORIA PATRI *(Please send the children forward.)*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Payson Charles Hardin

BAPTISMAL HYMN #482

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Nicholas P. Demuynck

We come to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Living God, recognizing we quench your Spirit by forsaking your ways; we grieve your Spirit by our disunity and our focus on ourselves. Forgive us when we fill ourselves with lust instead of seeking to be filled with you, Holy Spirit. Strengthen us that we may use the gifts of the Spirit that you endow upon us. Keep us from the blasphemy of the Spirit and hard heartedness to you. O Holy Spirit, giver of life, our Counselor, our advocate, convict us, lead us back to you with our whole hearts that we might be filled with all the gifts, zeal, energy, aspiration and courage that we need to be instruments of your love, keepers of your purpose, with a wide sympathy and grace toward others. Forgive us as individuals, as a church, as a community, state and nation. Renew us again by the power of your Holy Spirit, For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

Congregation: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE TO THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON #408

There's A Sweet, Sweet Spirit

SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

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.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S 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.

SIGNING OF FRIENDSHIP REGISTER AND OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

If you or someone you know is in need of special prayer today or if you would like to speak personally with a pastor about making a first-time commitment to Christ or growing in the Christian faith and discipleship, a pastor is on hand to speak with you following the worship service today by the pulpit in the front of the Sanctuary.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Holy Spirit

Bryan and Katie Torwalt

*THOSE WHO ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND. **CHILDREN MAY BRING THEIR OFFERING AT THIS TIME.

†THOSE WAITING IN THE NARTHEX MAY NOW BE SEATED

THE FLOOR LEVEL OF THE SANCTUARY HAS A HEARING LOOP FOR HEARING AID USERS

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*OFFICER'S PRAYER

Liz Agee

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Unison Reading: Acts 2:1-4

Scripture Focus: Revelation 2:24-29

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Pastor: The Word of the LORD!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Quench Your True Thirst”

Rev. Dr. J. Ben Sloan

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #192

Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining

SHINE, JESUS, SHINE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*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 face, and until we meet again, until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Finale

Janet Correll

*A TIME FOR GREETING AND FELLOWSHIP



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. If you would like for us to connect with you, please leave your contact information in the Friendship Pad when it is passed.

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP?

Contact the church office at 803-256-1654 to learn more and find out about our next First Step class, a class designed to help you learn about Eastminster and our ongoing ministries.

DURING THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP:

Payson Charles Hardin, son of Jonathan and Sara Anne Hardin, will receive the sacrament of baptism. Burgin Hardin will offer the baptismal prayer.

June 4, 2023

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith