

**GATHERING MUSIC** 

**VIDEO ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

THE PEOPLE ARE CALLED TO WORSHIP

\*OPENING SONG—All are invited to sing Rejoice

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\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Rev. Emily Mooneyhan

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

\*SONG OF PRAISE—All are invited to sing

Praise the Lord

Bays/Harris/Kulper/Smith

(After the song, 3K—5K children may be dismissed to Children's Church)

#### **SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

Unison Reading: Proverbs 15:16-17 Scripture Focus: Luke 4:1-15

**SERMON** Rev. Dr. Bradlev D. Smith

"Time for a Better Diet"

\*WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION, PASTORAL PRAYER, AND LORD'S PRAYER

**TIME OF OFFERING**Officer's Prayer: Will Brownlee

SONG OF OFFERING—All are invited to listen and reflect
Holy Spirit

Bryan Torwalt/Katie Torwalt

\*SONG OF RESPONSE—All are invited to sing

Freedom Stanfill/Younker/Fieldes/Frye/Bentley

## \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

## \*WE RESPOND TO THE BENEDICTION

May the Road Rise to Meet You

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.

## **WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER**

<sup>\*</sup>Those who are able, please stand.



#### WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

For detailed information and to register for the below programs and events, visit our website: <a href="https://eastminsterpres.org/">https://eastminsterpres.org/</a>.

The "Next Steps" Class Continues Today, at 10 am, in the Education Building (E-356): Are you looking to deepen your spiritual walk and connect with other members? Join us for Next Steps, Eastminster's new four-week class designed to help you grow spiritually, build meaningful relationships, and discover your purpose within our church family.

**Sundays@5 Vanishing Grace Class Starts Tonight**: Led by Dr. Douglass Key, we'll delve into a study of Philip Yancey's book, "Vanishing Grace." Learn about the power of grace and its impact on our lives and the world around us.

**ECAMP Kicks off Tonight at 5 pm:** Singers in 4K through fifth grade are welcome! We will have a devotional, a rehearsal, and then dinner near the choir room in the Sanctuary basement. Parents, we would love your help. Visit our website's Upcoming Events to register your singer and volunteer on Sunday nights. Look for emails with more information from Stefanie Hammond (<a href="shammond@eastminsterpres.org">shammond@eastminsterpres.org</a>), Eastminster's Director of Children's Music.

**EPW Circles One and Three Meet Tomorrow in Thompson Hall:** at 10 am Enjoy fellowship and a devotional as we reconvene after the holidays. All women of Eastminster are welcome to join us.

**Bible Doers Will "Do" on Wednesday, January 15, at the Olivers':** 6 - 7 am, walk and fellowship, 7 - 8 am, prepare and pray over pasta salad for Transitions. Stop by any time. Friendly faces and coffee will be waiting for you! Text Beth at 803-622-5384 with any questions.

**WE@EPC Meals on January 15 at 5:15 p.m.:** MENU- Chicken Cordon Bleu Casserole, Grilled Asparagus, and Tomato Pie-(Kids: Chicken Nuggets, French Fries, and Cucumbers w/Ranch). Visit our website's Upcoming Events to RSVP. You may pay online when you make your reservation (by Wednesday at noon), or you can bring cash or check and pay when you get to Thompson Hall. Join us!

**WE@EPC Bible 201 is at 6 pm, in the Adult Reception Hall:** This is a pastor-led study of the Gospel of Luke. We'll explore the life and ministry of Jesus Christ and how his message continues to inspire us today. Join us for WE@EPC meals at 5:15 p.m. in Thompson Hall prior to the study.

**WE@EPC Divorce Care is at 6 p.m., in the CLC Room 263:** For those who are facing the challenges a divorce can bring, our Care ministry offers a safe and supportive space to heal and grow. Led by compassionate pastors, this group provides biblical guidance, practical advice, and the opportunity to connect with others who understand the pain of divorce.

Serve Lunch at Transitions on Third Thursdays beginning January 16: Our MSB Ministry Team heard many requests for a lunchtime service opportunities. Meet at Transitions at 11:30 am to serve lunch. We will continue to support Third Thursday dinners as well by providing food donations (pasta salad, pound cake and bananas) by 3 pm. (Staff Kitchen), packaging food at 3:45 pm or serving dinner at 5 pm at Transitions. Contact Alison McGowan to learn more (alisonmcgowan11@gmail.com). Sign up via Upcoming Events.

**Save the Date for EPW's Generations of Grace, a Tea Party:** All ladies are invited on Sunday, January 26, to gather for a delightful afternoon of tea, treats, and fellowship. This special event is open to all ladies of the church, young and old. Join us in the Adult Reception Hall from 2:30 p.m. until 4 p.m. It's the perfect opportunity to create lasting memories and strengthen bonds across generations.

# Pledge Status Report as of January 6, 2025

Thank you to those who have pledged. If you have not yet done so, please give us an estimate of your giving to support Christ's work through Eastminster in 2025.

- 248 Pledges Increased
- 00 Pledges With No Change
- 27 Pledges Decreased
- 65 New Pledges

For a total of 440 pledges totaling \$4,116,223

53 pledges were made for 2024, but not yet for 2025

Deacons serving in Worship today: Mary McCants and Austin Rhodes

