

**GATHERING MUSIC** 

**VIDEO ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

THE PEOPLE ARE CALLED TO WORSHIP

\*OPENING SONG—All are invited to sing Raise a Hallelujah

D. Helser/M. Helser/Skaggs/Stevens

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Rev. Emily Mooneyhan

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

\*SONG OF PRAISE—All are invited to sing

Rest on Us

Lake/Smith/Bashta/Jay/White/Brown

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

### **SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

Old Testament Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-5 New Testament Reading: John 6:1-11

SERMON Rev. Croskevs Royall

"Little Hands, Big Gifts"

\*WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH Rev. Dr. Carol Byrd

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

**TIME OF OFFERING**Officer's Prayer: Zack Hudson

**SONG OF OFFERING**—All are invited to listen and reflect

Trust in Bod

Lake/Brown/Wong/Furtick

\*SONG OF RESPONSE—All are invited to sina

House of the Lord Wickham/Smith

# \*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: https://eastminsterpres.org/.

"Blessing of the Animals" Peace Service is today: at 4 pm on the Field across Trenholm. Our service will be led by Pastor Emily Mooneyhan with Pastor Carol Byrd's assistance and comes from *The Book of Common Worship*. Our offering will be donations for Howlmore Animal Sanctuary. Visit our website's Upcoming Events to see the "Wish List" for Howlmore. Bring your pets and a lawn chair and join us.

**CLC Blood Drive is also today from 9 am until 2 pm:** Give the gift of life! You can sign up online. There will be a bloodmobile in the CLC parking lot so as not to disrupt Sunday morning activities.

**EPW's Sisters in Christ Dinner is this Tuesday, May 6:** at 5:30 pm in Thompson Hall. All women are invited and you may RSVP under Upcoming Events on our website. Lifetime Member Awards will be announced during a delicious meal with friends. The cost is only \$8. Please join us!

**Last Youth Wednesday p.m. Bible Studies are this Wednesday, May 7.** There is an All-Youth End of the Year Party on May 18. Join us and meet Pastor Rob Schoonover, EPC's new Associate Pastor for Senior High Youth and Younger Adults.

**Baccalaureate Sunday is May 11:** when we will celebrate and recognize EPC's 2025 High School graduates during the 11:15 am worship service in the Sanctuary.

**EPW Circles One and Three will not meet on May 12:** Our next Circles Meeting will be on October 13, at 10 am, in Thompson Hall.

**Bible Doers Will "Do" on Wednesday, May 14, at the Olivers': (**6 - 8 am). Stop by any time. Friendly faces and coffee will be waiting for you! Let's serve together. Text Beth at 803-622-5384 with any questions.

**Transitions Third Thursday Service Opportunities May 15:** Meet us at Transitions at 11:30 am to serve lunch. We continue to support Third Thursday dinners by providing food donations (pasta salad, pound cake, and bananas) by 3 pm (Staff Kitchen), or serving dinner at 5 pm both at Transitions. You can sign up to volunteer for either AM or PM meal support via Upcoming Events.

May 18 is Communion Sunday: If you or you know of a member who would like to receive In-Home Communion, please contact Kelly McGrady in the Church Office at ext. 123.

May 18 is our Youth Ministry End of the Year Party: Look for details from Emily Higgins via the ENews. Pastor Rob Schoonover will also begin serving as Associate Pastor for Senior High Youth and Younger Adults on Sunday, May 18.

**Join us Memorial Day Weekend for Breakfast and Blended Worship Sunday, May 25:** Intergenerational Breakfast will be at 9 am in Thompson Hall (no Sunday School) followed by one blended worship service at 10:15 am in the Sanctuary.

**Join a Small Group:** EPC's Small Groups Ministry offers a variety of SGs (Women's, Men's, Couples, and Mixed) for men and women (ages 20s to 90s). Each Small Group gathers weekly for study, prayer, and discussions. Fill out the interest form on our website under Ministries/Adults/Small Groups, or contact Caroline Bennett at 803-256-1654 or cbennett@eastminsterpres.org.

**Save the Dates! Vacation Bible School (VBS) is June 23-26, 2025 (9 am - 12 pm):** Rising 4K through rising 4th graders (\$20) and rising 5th and 6th graders (\$30) will learn how to "Live It Out." Register your child or volunteer via the registration form on our Upcoming Event on the website.

