WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

For detailed information and to register for the below programs and events, visit our website: https://eastminsterpres.org/.

Eastminster is hiring a Part-time Contemporary Worship Music Leader: We are seeking a passionate Worship Leader to provide musical and spiritual leadership for contemporary worship. Those interested can find the job description and apply via the Careers tab at the bottom of our website homepage.

Adult Summer Sunday School meets in the Adult Reception Hall (ARH): at 9 a.m. led by Dr. Douglass Key. Our remaining Sunday a.m. classes are 7/20, and 7/27. Our remaining Wednesday p.m. classes are 7/23, and 7/30. We will not meet on 7/16.

Footcare Ministry meets on Tuesday, July 15. We are excited to announce a new location right down the street from our previous spot with a little more room to serve. We will meet going forward at Christ Central Resource & Solution Center at 2018-A Main Street. Contact Lib Foster (libfoster@aol.com) if you can help this Summer. We meet from noon until 1:30 p.m. each Tuesdav.

Children's Music Camp is July 15-17: Registration is now closed. We still need volunteers! If you can help out, please contact Stefanie Hammond at shammond@eastminsterpres.org.

Transitions Third Thursdays continue through the Summer months: (July 17 & August 21). EPC's lunch service at Transitions is led by Becky Airheart. Lunch volunteers, the time has changed from 11:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Please sign up. Dinner donations and service time, led by Alison McGowan remain the same. Volunteers for both AM and PM meals should visit Upcoming Events and sign up at the "REGISTER HERE" buttons, which take you to Sign-Up Genius. Thank you for serving our friends at Transitions.

E2 Interns will preach next Sunday in both Traditional and Jubilee Contemporary Worship: Lana Cate Hoffman, Julia Kososki, and Adair Long belong to the tenth class of E2 Summer Interns!

Our next "Mindfulness Monday" is July 21, at 5 p.m., in the Parlor: Mindfulness Mondays are co-led by pastors Emily Mooneyhan & Carol Byrd. Learn healthy ways to manage stress, lower anxiety, improve cognitive function, and connect with God. No need to sign up- just join us in the Parlor.

Eastminster Arts Academy (EAA) will offer Guitar Lessons on July 22-24: for ages 16 through adults. Visit our website's Ministries tab to find the EAA homepage to learn more and register. Contact Dr. Augie Gil with any questions (agil@eastminsterpres.org).

Our next Cancer Care Support Meeting is on Wednesday, July 30: (5:30 p.m.- 7 p.m.) in room 351 in the Education Building. Find support, pastoral guidance, and fellowship with others who may have cancer or may have a family member who has been diagnosed with cancer. Our support meetings are a safe place to share and find care and hope. Rev. Emily Mooneyhan (emooneyhan@eastminsterpres.org) leads our meetings.

Register for Adult VBS on August 3-4 with Keynote Speaker, Dr. Emily Theus: a graduate of Yale Divinity School and child of Eastminster. Emily will preach on August 3, and on the evenings of August 3 and 4, join us for dinner in Thompson Hall (5 p.m.) and get a greater understanding of God's in-breaking power and presence in our world. For childcare (infants - rising 5 graders), contact Pastor Croskeys (croyall@eastminsterpres.org).

Collection for Transitions Operation HEAT through Labor Day: Immediate relief is needed! To help, visit our Upcoming Events to make donations through the Amazon Wish List. Please enter EPC's address at checkout. You may also drop off water in our office reception area. Thank you to many who have already made donations. Contact Kristy Stoneburner with questions (kstoneburner@eastminsterpres.org).

Save the Dates for Holy Rest: A Contemplative Retreat on Sept 21-24: All are invited to join Pastors Carol Byrd and Emily Mooneyhan at The Coastal Retreat Center in Isle of Palms, SC, where we will join in contemplative prayer and a joyful smattering of mindfulness practices. Registration is open under Upcoming Events, and space is limited so register soon. A deposit of \$100 is due by July 20th.

Flowers in the sanctuary are given in grateful thanksgiving for our youth ministry and their leadership by Alex, Sarah, and Hank Dillard.

Unison Reading: 2 Kings 21: 1-6

"Manasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign; he reigned fifty-five years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Hephzibah.2 He did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, following the abominable practices of the nations that the Lord drove out before the people of Israel. 3 For he rebuilt the high places that his father Hezekiah had destroyed; he erected altars for Baal, made a sacred pole, as King Ahab of Israel had done, worshiped all the host of heaven and served them. 4 He built altars in the house of the Lord, of which the Lord had said, "In Jerusalem I will put my name." 5 He built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of the Lord. He made his son pass through fire; he practiced soothsaying and augury and dealt with mediums and with wizards. He did much evil in the sight of the Lord, provoking him to anger."

SERMON NOTES



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MINISTERS—ALL OF US!

STAFF

Dr. Bradley D. Smith, Pastor

Dr. Douglass D. Key, Senior Associate Pastor Rev. W. Croskeys Royall, Associate Pastor Dr. J. Ben Sloan, Parish Associate Fredna Lee, Director of Music Ministry Louis Shirer, Organist Blythe Lewis, Senior Communications Officer Emmet Hough, Director of Christian Life Center James Cassidy, A/V Director

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Alex Rogers, Plant Operations Director

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 13, 2025 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

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

- You are my God; be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you I cry Leader: all day long.
- For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in People: steadfast love to all who call on you.
- For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God. Leader:
- People : Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere your name.
- ALL: Let us worship God!

****HYMN OF ADORATION** #310

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

Julia Kososki

(Psalm 86)

***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.

****TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

The 3K—5K children may come to the front and bring their offering.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

BAPTISMAL HYMN #188

Jesus Loves Me!

JESUS LOVES ME

Mims Day Garvin

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. [From PCUSA BOCW]

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel. Pastor: Congregation: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE TO THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON #551

Lord, Have Mercy LAND OF REST Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Emily Mooneyhan

Harriet Kneece

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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

Memorial Handbell Choir

*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**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Unison Reading: 2 Kings 21: 1-6 Scripture Focus: 2 Kings 21:7-12, 16

Pastor: The Word of the LORD! Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Rev. Dr. Ben Sloan

SERMON

***HYMN OF DEDICATION #432** How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

***RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

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 group, a class designed to help you learn about Eastminster and our ongoing ministries.

July 20, 2025

^{*}THOSE WHO ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND. ^{**}CHILDREN MAY BRING THEIR OFFERING AT THIS TIME. [†]THOSE WAITING IN THE NARTHEX MAY NOW BE SEATED. FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY IS PROHIBITED IN ALL WORSHIP SERVICES AT EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Lana Cate Hoffman

ST. THOMAS

"Two Kings, Two Crowns"

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***CHARGE AND 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.

***A TIME FOR GREETING AND FELLOWSHIP**

WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER

DURING THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP:

Mims Day Garvin, daughter of Tyler and Laura Garvin, will receive the sacrament of baptism. Fredna Lee will offer the baptismal prayer.

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