

WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

E2 Interns will preach Today in both Traditional and Jubilee Contemporary Worship: Welcome Lana Cate Hoffman, Julia Kososki, and Adair Long, our tenth class of E2 Summer Interns!

Children’s Time is led this week by: participants of the June mission trip to Uganda with Sozo, a children’s home near Kampala. Team members are Vanessa and McLaurin Bankhead, Katie and Avery Barthel, Lauren Cunningham, Carol Hudson, Sallie Jameson, Laura Long, Dede Sellers, Kristy Stoneburner, Sue Thomas and Kathie Williams.

Adult Summer Sunday School meets in the Adult Reception Hall (ARH): at 9 am. We have extended classes for an additional week. The last Sunday class is now August 3. Remaining Wednesday evening repeat classes are July 23, July 30, and August 6.

Our next “Mindfulness Monday” is tomorrow, at 5 pm, 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 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.

Eastminster Arts Academy (EAA) will offer Guitar Lessons on July 22-24: for ages 16 through adults. It’s not too late to register. Visit our website’s Ministries tab and click on the EAA homepage to learn more and sign up. Contact Dr. Augie Gil with any questions (agil@eastminsterpres.org).

Interested in the Western NC work trip September 5-13? Come to E-351 on Wednesday, July 23 at 5:30 pm to hear more.

Our next Cancer Care Support Meeting is on Wednesday, July 30: (5:30 - 7 pm) 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 us.

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 pm) and get a greater understanding of God’s in-breaking power and presence in our world. For childcare (infants - rising 5th graders), contact Pastor Croskeys (croyall@eastminsterpres.org).

Promotion Sunday is August 10, 2025: We will return to our regular schedule for Sunday School and worship. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) will be at 9 am and 11:15 am. Jubilee Contemporary Worship (Thompson Hall) will be at 11:15 am. Sunday School Classes will meet at 10 am in breakout rooms. Adults, if you are looking for a Sunday School Class, meet us in the Adult Reception Hall at 10 am on August 10 for our Adult Sunday School Open House.

Join us for the CLC Fitness Open House on August 17: from 5 to 6:30 pm. This is a free event open to our community, where you will be able to sample fitness classes, speak with instructors, enjoy a healthy snack, and hear from our director. You can also stay after for Pickleball 101. Registration is open, so sign up!

Will For Hope’s Evening with Jim Sonefeld is August 24: at 5 p.m. in Thompson Hall. Join us for dinner followed by a program with Jim Sonefeld, musician (Hootie and the Blowfish) and author, who will share his experiences with mental health solutions and addiction recovery. This is a free event for High School Youth and older. You need to RSVP if you will be joining us for dinner. Spread the word and plan to join us. This event is open to the community, so invite a friend.

Register now for Holy Rest: A Contemplative Retreat on Sept 21-24: Join Pastors Carol Byrd and Emily Mooneyhan at The Coastal Retreat Center in Isle of Palms, SC, for contemplative prayer and mindfulness practices. Registration is open under Upcoming Events, and space is limited so register soon. A deposit of \$100 is due by July 28th.

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

Unison Reading: Matthew 6:28-34

²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹ Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ ³² For it is the gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

³⁴ “So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.

SERMON NOTES

DEACONS: ADAM HEGLER AND CHESLEY GOOD
HEAD USHER: WILSON MCDONALD

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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

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Rev. Emily M. Mooneyhan, Associate Pastor

Rev. Rob Schoonover, Associate Pastor

Dr. Carol J. Byrd, Parish Associate

Alisha Hudson, Ex. Dir. Finance and Admin.

Emily Higgins, Director of Middle School Youth

Katie Herndon, Day School Director

Christy Rippy, Treasurer

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EASTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN



SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 20, 2025

10:15 AM

3200 TRENHOLM ROAD
COLUMBIA, SC 29204

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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

INTROIT
This Is the Day
Traditional
Music Camp Singers

CALL TO WORSHIP
Psalm 96)
Leader: Ascribe to the Lord, O families of nations,
People: ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
Leader: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name.
People: Bring an offering and come into his courts.
Leader: Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.
People: Tremble before him all the earth.
All: Let us worship God!

†***HYMN OF ADORATION #623**
I’ve Got Peace Like a River
PEACE LIKE A RIVER

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**
Rev. Rob Schoonover

***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**
Sozo Mission Team members
Avery Barthel and McLaurin Bankhead
The 3K—5K children may come to the front and bring their offering.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith
Almighty God, you alone deserve the glory and praise. Apart from you we are nothing. We humble ourselves before you because all we have is a gift from you. Yet we think we have lived our lives alone. We confess our apathy and complacency towards you. In our pride, we go our own way, thinking we can leave you behind. We are quick to condemn others, seeing the speck in their eyes and slow to see the plank in our own eyes. Draw us back. Welcome us back as the father welcomed the prodigal. Renew us again, that we may realize in quietness that trust in you is our strength.

SILENT PRAYER
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 #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. Dr. Carol J. Byrd
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
Come! Let Us Worship God
Katie Houts

***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**
Adam Hegler

*THOSE WHO ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND. **CHILDREN MAY BRING THEIR OFFERING AT THIS TIME.
†THOSE WAITING IN THE NARTHEX MAY NOW BE SEATED.
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SCRIPTURE LESSONS
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Pastor: The Word of the LORD!
Congregation: Thanks be to God!

SERMONS
E2 Interns Adair Long, Julia Kososki, and Lana Cate Hoffman
“Eastminster Experience Reflections ”

***HYMN OF DEDICATION #694**
Great God of Every Blessing
AURELIA

*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

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

July 27, 2025
Rev. Robert Schoonover