

WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

Worship Discovery for Second Graders Starts Today: This is a seven-week class in the Adult Reception Hall during the Sunday School Hour. Our last class is on March 22nd.

Kingdom Kids and Club 345 Tonight at 5 p.m.: Look for emails from Mrs. Stefanie. Parents, we still need volunteers, so please sign up to help on Sundays if you can.

Circles One and Three Meet Tomorrow at 10 a.m. in Thompson Hall: All ladies are invited to join us for fellowship and a short lesson on second Mondays.

EPW's Valentine's Prayer Breakfast (\$6) is Tuesday, February 10th, at 9 a.m. in Thompson Hall: All Eastminster ladies are invited to join Rev. Emily Mooneyhan for fellowship, a delicious breakfast, prayer, and a loving service project- making valentines for shut-ins.

WE@EPC Meals Wednesday, February 11th (5:15 p.m. Thompson Hall): MENU: Adults: Stuffed Peppers, Roasted Sweet Potato, Fried Green Tomatoes & Rolls Children: Cheeseburger Sliders, Fries, & Sliced Cucumbers with Ranch. Pricing: Children (0-8) \$4, Adults \$8. Please RSVP by Wednesday at noon.

Current Adult PM Sunday/Wednesday Class End Dates: "Christian Prayer" and "Winter Wellness" end this Wednesday, February 11th, and our Sundays@5 Pastoral Epistles Class ends on Sunday, February 22nd.

Mindfulness Mondays Returns on February 16th at 5 p.m. (Parlor): Join Care Pastors for a time of centering prayer, mindfulness practices, and also to pray over our church family prayer list on the first Monday of the month at 9 a.m. and the third Monday at 5 p.m.

Transitions Third Thursday is February 19th: Sign up for AM or PM meal service and donations via Upcoming Events. Food donations for the PM meal are due to the Staff Kitchen by 3 p.m.

A Congregational Meeting will be held on February 22nd: immediately following the 9 a.m. worship service for the purpose of electing one Deacon and one Elder to fill vacancies, and for electing the Officer Nominating Committee for 2026.

Seniors Ministry Kick-off Luncheon is February 22nd: after 11:15 worship (CLC Gym). Join us around 12:30 p.m. for a planning lunch for 2026. This is a catered meal at no charge to our Seniors (65+).

Sundays@5 Adult PM Lenten Study of James begins March 1st: Join Dr. Douglass Key in the Gray Music Room to learn about James' letter for a "Settled World" through March 29th (5 weeks). There will also be a sermon series on James during Lent.

WE@EPC Adult PM Lenten Classes February 25th - March 25th: "Praying the Scriptures" is a pastor-led class in the parlor (6-7 p.m.) to help us read and pray the scripture more slowly and thoughtfully. Dr. Douglass Key's Wednesday p.m. book study, "Being Presbyterian in a Dysvangelical America," is about reasserting the truth of the Gospel. That study will be in the Adult Reception Hall (ARH).

Men's Oyster Roast on Thursday, February 26th, at the Causey's: EPC men are invited to join us for food and fellowship at 6 p.m. Venmo \$25 to Berry Mattox to RSVP, or sign up via Upcoming Events.

EAA Group Photography 4-week Workshop begins Monday, March 2nd (HS Students and up): for all experience levels. Bring your digital camera or request one via EAA. Ryan Holcombe (EPC Communications) will lead our workshop (\$110/student registration fee). Visit the EAA page on our website to register.

Serve with us in Western NC April 17th - 22nd: repairing homes damaged by Hurricane Helene. There are also other options. You can travel Friday, April 17th, and return on Sunday, April 19th, or arrive Sunday, April 19th, and return on Wednesday, April 22nd. Visit Upcoming Events to sign up.

Flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God by an Eastminster family. **Flowers in the Narthex** are given in celebration of the marriage of Claire Pound and Jacob Russell.

Unison Reading: Colossians 3:12-15

¹²Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

SERMON NOTES



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DEACONS: JOSH LIVINGSTON AND AUSTIN RHODES
HEAD USHER: JEFF MUTHIG (9:00 AM) MIKE GORMAN (11:15 AM)
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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
Fredna Lee, Director of Music Ministry
Louis Shirer, Organist
Emily Higgins, Director of Middle School Youth
Katie Herndon, Day School Director
Emmet Hough, Director of Christian Life Center
James Cassidy, A/V Director

Rev. Emily M. Mooneyhan, Associate Pastor
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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 8, 2026
9:00 AND 11:15 AM

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

Glorify Thy Name

arr. Mark Hayes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

Festival Sanctus

Traditional Latin; translation:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord: Glory to God in the highest!

CALL TO WORSHIP

Davis Lumpkin (9:00 am)
Avery Barthel (11:15 am)

Leader: Come, all who are weary and carrying heavy burdens.
People: We come seeking rest for our souls.
Leader: We come to learn from Christ, who is gentle and humble in heart.
People: For His yoke is easy, and His burden is light.
All: Let us worship God, who meets us in our weariness and gives us true rest.

*HYMN OF ADORATION #1

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

NICEA

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

*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.

Middle School Youth

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lucy Stallworth (9:00 am)

May Chaplin (11:15 am)

Gracious God, in Christ Jesus, have mercy upon us. We are not quick to proclaim Christ as our savior. We have our own desires that demand our devotion. Other people have power over us that we dare not deny. We sometimes confuse Christ's will and our own. At times it is awkward to confess him as the source of new life. O God, hear our confession, and through Christ keep us upright.

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 #582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GLORY TO GOD

Glory to God, who goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, who love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Reese Wingo (9:00 am)

Annie Hutton (11:15 am)

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

Total Praise

Richard Smallwood

Lord I will lift my eyes to the hills, knowing my help is coming from You. Your peace You give me in times of the storm. You are the source of my strength! You are the strength of my life. I lift my hands in total praise to You. Amen.

*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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Nate Moise (9:00 am)

Annie Hutton (11:15 am)

*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

Unison Reading: *Colossians 3:12-15*

Scripture Focus: *Matthew 11:28-30*

Leader: The Word of the LORD!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

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SENIOR SERMONS

Anna Claire McCain, Zach Swan, Emma Lumpkin, Eden Hall (9:00 am)

Anna Claire McCain, Lydia Morton, Carter Atkins,

Anna Grace Getz (11:15 am)

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #463

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

*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 field, 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? Join us for the First Step Class (February 22nd - March 22nd). Visit Upcoming Events to register. Questions? Contact Katie Barthel (kbarthel@eastminsterpres.org).

February 15, 2026

Dr. Bradley D. Smith