

WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

* For details and to register for EPC programs and events, visit [Upcoming Events](http://Upcoming%20Events) (www.eastminsterpres.org).

***Welcome to EPC's Summer Worship Schedule (through August 2nd):** with a combined Adult Sunday School in the Adult Reception Hall (ARH) at 9 a.m., followed by two worship services, Jubilee Contemporary Worship in Thompson Hall at 10 a.m., and Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary at 10:15 a.m. This schedule runs through August 2nd.

***Combined Adult Summer Sunday School:** Join Dr. Douglass Key in the Adult Reception Hall (ARH) at 9 a.m. for a book study on C.S. Lewis' *The Screwtape Letters*, a classic tale of temptation and its resistance. Whether you read it long ago and want to revisit, or have never picked it up before, join us for fellowship and great conversation this Summer.

Our Summer Sermon Series will focus on Philippians 4:8: "Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things." Each Sunday's sermon will hone in on one of these values.

Commissioning of Missionaries and Travelers during Jubilee Contemporary Worship: We invite you to pray for members who are traveling to serve and grow this Summer. The following groups will be commissioned this morning: High School youth heading to the Bahamas, Middle School youth serving with CROSS in Charlotte, Adults traveling to the Montreat Music Conference, and Adults going to Sozo Children in Uganda.

Welcome Mary Robinson, EPC's new College Resident: Mary Robinson has joined Eastminster's staff to shadow and learn from pastoral and programs staff, as she considers attending seminary. Please welcome Mary when you see her on campus this Summer.

***VBS 2026 June 15th-18th (9-Noon) Volunteers Needed:** Parents, Grandparents, and other members, please contact Pastor Croskeys at croyall@eastminsterpres.org if you can help.

***Transitions Third Thursday is June 18th:** Sign up to serve a meal and/or provide donations of bananas, pasta salad, pound cakes, and bottled water. All donations are due to EPC's Staff Kitchen (1st floor Education Bldg.) by 3 p.m. on June 18th.

***Seniors' Edisto River Canoe Trip - St. George, SC, is on June 25th:** We will travel by bus to enjoy a ten-mile trip by canoe. The cost is \$40, and we'll depart at 9 a.m. and return by 5 p.m. Bring a picnic lunch to enjoy. Our E2 interns, Michael Balthazor, Walker Bell, and Nicholas Beitz will accompany us. Join us!

Summer Service Opportunities: You can now see all service opportunities in one "place." Visit our website's "Ministries" button, select "Missions," and scroll down to the magenta "I Want To Serve" button. If you have questions, please contact Lauren Cunningham at lcunningham@eastminsterpres.org or Laura Long at llong@eastminsterpres.org, and they will be happy to help!

Our Footcare Ministry Volunteers Needed this Summer: We meet at Christ Central Resource and Solution Center (2018 Main St.) from 12:15 - 1:15 p.m. each Tuesday to wash the feet of our friends in the community who are experiencing homelessness. You can sign up via the information above. If you have questions, contact Lib Foster at libfoster64@gmail.com.

***Register for the Advent Retreat December 4-6, 2026, at Montreat:** Early Bird Registration will close on September 1st. Rev. Ernie Thompson is our speaker. Ernie is Parish Associate at First Presbyterian in Raleigh, NC, and the son of Eastminster's former Senior Pastor, Dr. Ernest Thompson.

Flowers in the sanctuary are honoring Elizabeth Craig and Reid Turner, who were married last night at Eastminster. **Flowers in the Narthex** are given in celebration of the baptism of Henry Gresham by Mitch and Lori Elliott and William and Toni Gresham.

UNISON READING: Micah 6:6-8

6With what shall I come before the LORD,
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings,
with calves a year old?

7Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousand of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

8He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the LORD require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

SERMON NOTES

DEACONS: DARREN KNIGHT AND MARY FRANCES JOWERS
HEAD USHER: MIKE GORMAN

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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
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Emily Higgins, Director of Middle School Youth
Katie Herndon, Day School Director
Christy Rippy, Treasurer
Caroline Bennett, Small Groups Dir./Librarian



EASTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN



THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 14, 2026

10:15 AM

3200 TRENHOLM ROAD
COLUMBIA, SC 29204

803-256-1654

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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 worshipping 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

Rev. W. Croskeys Royall

Leader: “How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked?”

People: **Give justice to the weak and the orphan; maintain the right of the lowly and the destitute.**

Leader: Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.”

People: **Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue.**

ALL: **Let us worship God, our Righteous Judge.**

(Psalm 82, Deuteronomy 16)

†*HYMN OF ADORATION #33

Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show

LLANFAIR

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

*AFFIRMATION OF FATIH (Unison)

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Philippians 4:8-9

****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.**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Henry Douglass Gresham

BAPTISMAL HYMN #188

Jesus Loves Me!

JESUS LOVES ME

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith

Faithful God, we confess that we have not always been faithful to you. Your requirements of us have been to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Yet, we forget the demands of your call to us. We ignore the humanity of our lowly and vulnerable, conforming instead to the standards of our world. We expect others to be kind to us but too often neglect those who may be different than us, those who don't quite fit in to our scheme of things. You ask us to be humble and yet we are such a proud people. Humble us this day, O God, and remind us again of your steadfast love and faithfulness as we draw near to your presence in this time of silent prayer...

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 #469

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

CHILDREN PRAYING

Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place. Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Emily Mooneyhan

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

God of Beauty, Truth, and Goodness

Arr. Mary McDonald

God of beauty, truth, and goodness, Lord wisdom yet unknown, grant us strength to match the vision as we come before Your throne. Stand for truth and cry for justice, share with those who don't belong, and remember as you serve them, sing for those who have no song. Sing a joyful alleluia, praising God in all you do, and remember as your witness, God is singing over you. Run with faith and live with honor bearing witness in His call. As disciples, build the future until Christ is Lord of all. Make a joyful celebration, God in Christ has conquered death! If you really are a witness, sing until you have no breath. Sing a joyful alleluia, praising God in all you do, and remember as your witness, God is singing over you.

W. L. Forbes

*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.

*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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*OFFICER'S PRAYER

John Hart

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

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Pastor: The Word of the LORD!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Douglass D. Key

“Just Do It”

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #838

Standing on the Promises

PROMISES

*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?

Contact the Katie Barthel at kbarthel@eastminsterpres.org or 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.

DURING THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP:

Henry Douglas Gresham, son of Becca and Cooper Gresham, will receive the sacrament of baptism. Kelley Liggitt will offer the baptismal prayer.

June 21, 2026

Rev. Dr. Bradley D. Smith