

Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Jubilee Contemporary Worship

Sunday, August 9, 2026 11:15 am

Gathering Music

Video Announcements

The People Are Called to Worship

Rev. Emily Mooneyhan

*Opening Song

Holy Forever

TomIn/Wickham/B. Johnson/J. Johnson/Ingram

*Song of Praise

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Myrin/Redman

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

*Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Unison Reading: Mark 1:1-6

Scripture Focus: John 1:18

Sermon

Dr. Brad Smith

The Uniqueness of Jesus #1 of 5: "The Ultimate Adoption Agent"

*We Affirm Our Faith

*Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering & Time of Reflection with Song

The Lord Is Gracious and Compassionate

Offering Prayer

Graham Ord

Becky Airheart

*Sending Song—All are invited to sing

Trust in You

Daigle/Farren/Mabury

*Charge and Benediction

*Response to the Benediction

*Let us rise together in body, or in Spirit, as you are able

UNISON READING: Mark 1:1-6

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ.

² As it is written in the prophet Isaiah,

"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way,

³ the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:
'Prepare the way of the Lord;
make his paths straight,' "

⁴ so John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵ And the whole Judean region and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him and were baptized by him in the River Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶ Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey.

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.

Deacons serving in Worship today:
Josh Livingston and Kirstin DiMarco

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WELCOME TO EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN

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

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for today immediately following the 9 am service, for the purpose of filling a vacancy on the Session. The Officer Nominating Committee recommends elder Kevin O'Connell, who recently rotated off Session, fill the vacancy through this calendar year, with elder George Kennedy extending his current term until the end of 2027.

EPC's Fall Worship Schedule begins today with three worship services- Traditional Worship at 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. in the sanctuary, and Jubilee Contemporary Worship also beginning at 11:15 a.m. in Thompson Hall. Sunday School for children and youth is at 10 a.m. in classrooms. 3K-5K will be in the Gym today only.

***The Bible Makes Sense Combined Adult Sunday School starts today:** Dr. Douglass Key's three-week study, "The Bible Makes Sense," is for all adults at 10 a.m. in Thompson Hall. This study will prepare us for Fall faith formation related to our new theme, "Come and See: Journey with Jesus."

***Seniors' Smart Driver Course is this Thursday, August 13th**, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., in Room E-351. (\$20 AARP Members, \$25 non-members).

***Scotland Travelers Meeting is August 16th, at 3 p.m.** in the Gray Music Room. Recordings of past meetings can be found under Upcoming Events, along with links to recently added handouts.

***Blessing of the Backpacks Peace Service next Sunday, August 16th, at 4 p.m.** (Thompson Hall) EPC Students and families are invited for a short celebratory worship service with blessings for the school year. School supplies will be collected as our offering. Don't forget to bring your backpacks!

The EAA (Eastminster Arts Academy) Fall

Lessons begin August 17th: Visit the EAA page on our website to see offerings, sign-up and make payments. We are excited to begin our second year of arts excellence. Voice, piano, guitar, and various strings will be offered.

***Eastminster Missions Night is Wednesday, August 19th (Thompson Hall).** "Come and See: The Mission Table." Hear from Eastminster's Missions leaders/volunteers and community partners. Learn ways to serve all year. Dinner is free (5:30 - 6:45 p.m.). Childcare is available for nursery-3rd grade. Please RSVP.

***Transitions Third Thursday is August 20th at Transitions:** We have two opportunities to serve a meal (AM&PM). Donations of pasta salad, pound cakes, bananas, and water are appreciated and due to EPC's Staff Kitchen by 3 p.m. on August 20th.

Kingdom Kids and Club 345 Kickoff August 23rd from 5-6:30 p.m. See emails from Mrs. Stefanie for details and sign-up forms.

***Sundays@5 Adult Bible Study on the Gospel of John** starts on September 13th in the Gray Music Room. Our study, led by Dr. Douglass Key, will cover the first 11 chapters of John, starting with an invitation to "Come and See." You will be able to register soon.

***WE@EPC Church-wide Book Study-Jesus Changes Everything by Stanley Hauerwas** begins September 16th (6 p.m.) in the Adult Reception Hall. Dr. Douglass Key will lead our study as we discern what God wants and hopes for us, as well as what is required of us on the journey.

***WE@EPC Adult Study, The Gift of Empathy, by Bretscher & Haugk** conversation begins September 16th (6 p.m.). Led by Rev. Emily Mooneyhan and EPC Stephen Ministers- together, we'll explore empathy, a familiar yet underutilized skill. We'll share and learn through informal discussions.



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