

Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Jubilee Contemporary Worship

Sunday, September 27, 2026 11:15 am

Gathering Music

Video Announcements

The People Are Called to Worship

Mary Robinson

*Opening Song

Give Us Clean Hands

Charlie Hall

*Song of Praise

You Say

Daigle/Ingram/Mabury

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

*Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Unison Reading: Luke 18:9-14

Scripture Focus: Luke 19:1-20

Sermon

"More Than a Pair of Ducks"

Rev. Dr. Brad Smith

*We Affirm Our Faith

Rev. Rob Schoonover

*Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering & Time of Reflection with Song

Shepherd Walk Beside Me

Offering Prayer

Caroline Cobb Smith

Susanne Hicklin

*Sending Song—All are invited to sing
How Great Is Our God

Tomlin/Reeves/Cash

*Charge and Benediction

*Response to the Benediction

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

UNISON READING: Luke 18:9-14

⁹ He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰ "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' ¹³ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other, for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

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:
David Ellison 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/>.

A Baby Room (\$-97) for crying or hungry babies is available in the sanctuary basement. The space has been set apart for parents who may need to change or feed their baby during worship. A changing table and rocking chairs are available; the worship service is online.

October 4th is World Communion Sunday.

Please join us as we celebrate Holy Communion with believers around the world, at all three worship services.

Today is Peanut Butter Sunday: Please bring a jar to church and drop it off in the Harvest Hope Bins around campus. Thank you for your donations to help fight hunger.

***First Step Class begins today:** Looking for a church home? Join us in the Adult Reception Hall during the Sunday School hour (10 a.m.). First Step meets through October 25th, when those wishing to join our church family will do so at the 11:15 a.m. Traditional Worship Service. Questions? Contact Katie Barthel (kbarthel@eastminsterpres.org).

***Sundays@5 Adult Bible Study on the Gospel of John:** meets in the Gray Music Room. Our study, led by Dr. Douglass Key, will cover the first eleven chapters of John, starting with an invitation to "Come and See."

Kingdom Kids and Club 345 meet tonight from 5 - 6:30 p.m.: Kingdom Kids drop off is in Thompson Hall (TH). Club 345 drop off in Room 256 of the Education Building. Contact Mrs. Stefanie to help and don't forget to order a t-shirt- deadline to order is September 26th!

***Join us for WE@EPC Meals in Thompson Hall this Fall:** Visit Upcoming Events to view the menu and RSVP by noon on Wednesdays. Pay online or at the door (cash or check). Pricing: ages 0-8: \$4, ages 9 and older: \$8- There is no household cap.

WE@EPC Church-wide Book Study-*Jesus

Changes Everything by Stanley Hauerwas: on Wednesdays at 6 p.m., led by Dr. Douglass Key. We will discern what God wants for us, as well as what is required of us. Contact Janice Blair to pick up a copy (jblair@eastminsterpres.org).

***WE@EPC Adult Study, *The Gift of Empathy*,** by Joel Bretscher and Kenneth Haugk: on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. with Rev. Emily Mooneyhan and EPC Stephen Ministers. We'll share and learn through informal discussions. Books available at sign-up but not required.

***Youth Basketball Registration** is open through October 7th for Second - Twelfth Graders. Scan the QR code on our flat screens around campus, or visit our website to register.

Cancer Support Meeting is Wednesday, September 30 at 6 pm. in E-351. If you or a loved one is struggling with cancer, consider joining us. Pastor Brad will lead this month's meeting.

September is "Socks in a Box Month"- ACCESS and MSB are teaming up again this Fall to collect new black or white socks (crew or footies) for men and women. Donations will go to Footcare Ministry, Oliver Gospel Mission, and Transitions. Find a Socks in a Box bin in our reception areas.

***Give the Gift of Life at Eastminster's Blood Drive on Thursday, October 15,** from 1-5 p.m. in the CLC parking lot. The Blood Connection Bloodmobile will be on site. To make an appointment, visit Upcoming Events or scan the QR code on the flat screens around campus. Sponsor Code: 13080.

***Return to Serve- Western North Carolina Oct. 29-Nov. 1, and Bahamas Jan. 16-23** Adult Trips: repairing homes and buildings after Hurricane damage. Sign-Ups are live on the website.

Room in the Inn: Yes, there's still room for you in the Assembly Inn in Montreat, home of our annual Advent Retreat, Dec 4-6! Fun, affordable, and deeply meaningful, the Advent Retreat offers the best way to kick off this special season. Registration closes November 1. To register, email cbennett@eastminsterpres.org.



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