



# Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day  
November 5, 2017

EXALT

*All who exalt themselves will be  
humbled, and all who humble  
themselves will be exalted.*

HUMBLE

MATTHEW 23:12, NRSV



# ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

All Saint's Day Observance

November 5, 2017

10:30 a.m.

*\* Congregation is invited to stand.*

## GATHERING

### **Welcome and Announcements**

*Please sign the friendship pads and pass them along the row and back again.*

### **Prelude** *The entry of the light.*

*The Church's One Foundation*

Labenske

### Silent Meditation

*"If you do not hope, you will not find what is beyond your hopes."*

St. Clement

### **Introit**

*Lord Jesus, Think on Me*

### **Call to Worship**

Grace to you, and peace, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

We praise the Lord, the source of life and power, who has  
planted within us immortal yearning, undying hopes.

*A world released from sorrow to joy!*

The bowed head shall be raised, the bent back made straight,  
those who have dragged chains of grief, guilt, resentment, and  
disappointment shall dance and sing!

*We pray for courage to trust God's goodness; we yearn  
for grace to fill the world with gladness; we seek strength  
to help redeem it.*

Praise God, the father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who gives the  
gift of faith, who strengthens us with hope.

*Praise the Lord who gives us life; praise the Lord in  
whose loving call we find the reason we live!*

\* Hymn #299

*You Servants of God*

## SERVICE OF CONTRITION

### **\*Prayer of Confession**

#### **\*Silent Prayer**

#### **\* Common Prayer**

*Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.*

### **\*Declaration of God's Grace**

#### **\*Response**

[366, *Hyfrydol*]

*Finish then thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee; changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.*

### **\*Sharing the Peace of Christ**

*(Turn to your neighbors and say, "The Peace of Christ be with you.")*

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

**Anthem**

*Psalm 23*

Basler

Joe Vroom, French horn

### **Reading from Scripture**

Matthew 23:1-12

*(Pew Bible, page 24 – NT)*

### **Children's Message**

**Sermon**

"The Near Enemy"

**\*Hymn #326**

*For All the Saints*

# SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING AND PRAYER

**Minute for Ministry**      Stewardship      Charlotte Smith

## **Presenting Our Gifts**

Offertory

*How Great Thou Art-How Great Is Our God*      Labenske

## **In Memoriam**

*Confitemini Domino: "Give Thanks to God"*

Matthew 5:1-9

Necrology

Betty Gillison

Velma Austin

Harold "Abe" Leinbach

Prayer

## **Joys and Concerns of the Congregation and Prayer**

**\*Hymn #546**      *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*  
*The light leads us into the world.*

## **\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*Postlude**      *The King of Glory*      Wells

### **Participants in today's service:**

Minister: Rev. Dr. Jeffrey S. O'Neill

Worship Leader: Elder Brenda Ramsby

Children's Message: Neil Myer

Choir Director: Chelsea Berner

Hand Bell Director: Heather Myer

Organist: Tamar Mikeladze

### **Welcome!**

*We're glad you're here to worship God with us and to share in the fellowship of this church community. If you are looking for a church home, we would be honored to have you join us. Please speak to the Pastor or one of the Ushers following the service.*

**Nursery care** is available for infants through age three from **9:15-11:45** each Sunday morning in our Nursery located in the **Christian Education Wing** on the **Lower Level**.

## Church Hours

Monday through Thursday:  
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Closed Fridays.



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## Today at Eastminster

### Greeters

**Today:** Irv Nichols & Emmanuel Yewah  
**Nov. 5:** Linda & Tom Hardenbergh

### Ushers

Head Usher: Heather Myer; Devan Stahl & Chris Wright

### Flowers

The flowers today are given by Ted and Pat Hagan in memory of their parents.

### Church Leadership

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey O'Neill	Interim Pastor
Dr. Fred Graham	Parish Advisor
Rev. Shirley Paxton	Parish Advisor
Neil Myer	Director of Discipleship
Sam O'Neill	Office Administrator
Tamar Mikeladze	Organist
Chelsea Berner	Adult Choir Director
Heather Myer	Bell Choir Director
Nursery Attendant	Audri Bello
Nursery Attendant	Nino Napetvaridze

## This Week at Eastminster

*November 5 - 12*

### **TODAY, 11/5**

Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Worship	10:30 a.m.
<b>Children's Worship</b>	
Fellowship	11:30 a.m.

### **MONDAY, 11/6**

Staff Meeting 9:00 a.m.

### **TUESDAY, 11/7**

Weekday Bible Study	1:00 p.m.
Bells	7:00 p.m.

### **WEDNESDAY, 11/8**

Men's Bible Study 7:00 a.m.

Session	7:00 p.m.
UKirk@MSU	7:00 p.m.

### **THURSDAY, 11/9**

Cultured Purls	9:00 a.m.
Christian Ed	3:45 p.m.
Choir	7:00 p.m.

### **SATURDAY, 11/11**

Advent House 9:45 a.m.

### **SUNDAY, 11/12**

Deacons	9:30 a.m.
Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Worship	10:30 a.m.
<b>Children's Worship</b>	
Stewardship Luncheon	11:30 a.m.

*AA: Wed. & Thurs. 7 p.m.; Fri. 9:30 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.; Al-Anon: Thurs. 8:15 p.m.*



**Reminder:** Advent Devotionals are due on or before November 15, 2017. Please email to Sam in the church office: [office@eastminsterchurch.org](mailto:office@eastminsterchurch.org).

### **Sunday School**

**9:30 – 10:20**



### **Ages 4-Grade 2**

**Holy Moly** is designed to ignite a biblical imagination that lasts a lifetime for young children. Each week participants see a video and use their gifts of observation to become theologians in their own right. It is amazing to get their insight.

**Nov 5** Noah  
**Nov 12** Samuel  
**Nov 19** Esther



**Sundays @ 9:30 a.m.**  
**THE OPEN DOOR**  
**for all ages**

Upper elementary, middle school, high

school and adults of all ages are invited to join us for this interactive time of faith formation Sunday mornings.

- Nov 5** Cloud of Witnesses: Who were/are your faith mentors? (in Green Room with Adult Ed)
- Nov 12** Thanks (having an attitude of gratitude toward God and others)
- Nov 19** Giving



### Ages 4—2nd Grade (during worship)

Children's Worship was created to make a special place where children can come to encounter God, to be still with God and to listen to God. It is a place where they come to nurture their spiritual life.

- Nov 5** Noah
- Nov 12** The Promised Land
- Nov 19** Jesus blesses the children



### Sundays, 9:30 a.m. Green Room

- Nov 5** Cloud of Witnesses: Who were/are your faith mentors?
- Nov 12** The Reformation was then: What now?
- Nov 19** The Reformation was then: What now?



We need cooks and servers for **November 11** for our monthly Advent House meal. Recipes and **NEW** pans are in the Green Room. Please sign up!



### Sunday, November 12

Please remember to bring your pledge cards to be dedicated during worship. Everyone is invited to attend a celebratory lunch following.



### Flicks with Friends Wed., November 15 10:00 a.m.

Join us on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month. **All persons** are invited. The movie is picked the weekend before and by what is playing the afternoon of that day. An email list has been formed to notify persons who are interested. Let Barb Stowitts (barbstow@yahoo.com) know if you would like to be included on the movie email list. Lunch is decided by the people attending.



### **NOVEMBER**

Christian Services will host a Christmas Party for families participating in the Sparrow's Nest/Quality Living programs. Each child will receive a small gift at the party and parents will receive a **\$25 VISA gift card** for each of the children they have. Let's join in by providing as many \$25 VISA gift cards as we can so these parents can do some Christmas shopping in December for their children. Please drop off your gift cards at the Church Office for safe-keeping—there is also a lock box outside the Office.

## Eastminster Prayer Concerns

Please remember the following persons in your prayers:

Mandy Augenstein  
Heather Sturr

*Names to be included on the prayer list can be suggested to Rev. O'Neill  
or the Church Office.*

### Eastminster Church Officers

#### Elders

#### Class of 2018

Ruth Foster  
Terry Graham  
Sam O'Neill  
Susan Smalley

#### Class of 2019

Brian Heitman  
Norm Mackay  
Brenda Ramsby  
Barbara Stowitts

#### Class of 2020

Robin Bell  
Beverly Bonning  
Dave Duryea  
Mike Foster

#### Interim Pastor

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey O'Neill

#### Clerk of Session

George H. Miller

#### Treasurer

Robert Kleine

#### Deacons

#### Class of 2018

Judy Dunn  
Sue Miller  
Barbara Moss  
Tom Moss

#### Class of 2019

Sherri Blanchard  
Sue Kalvonjian  
Heather Myer  
John Temples

#### Class of 2020

Heather Heitman

### Eastminster Mission Statement

We, the members of Eastminster Presbyterian Church,  
celebrate the grace of God and the redeeming love of Jesus Christ.

We believe we are called as God's children to:

Praise and worship God;

Nurture and support spiritual growth as a family of faith;

Promote an open and welcoming community;

Reach out to the world with compassion;

and seek God's justice.

We strive to develop and use our Spirit-given gifts

to share our faith in word and deed

as disciples who serve the Lord Jesus Christ

according to the will of God.

*Adopted by the Session in 1999. Revised in 2011.*

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