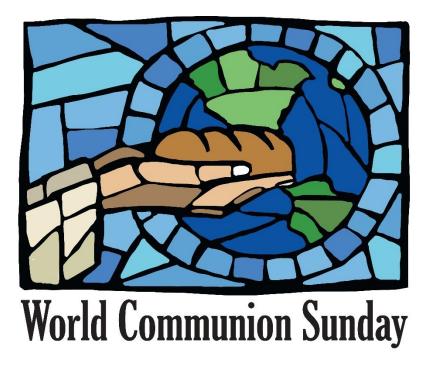


Service for the Lord's Day October 7, 2018



ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost World Communion Sunday

October 7, 2018

<u>10:00 a.m.</u>

* Congregation is invited to stand.

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements (Please sign the friendship pads) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. And also with you.

Prelude

The entry of the light.

Introit

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ Bell Choir

Call to Worship

This is the day that the Lord has made. *Let us rejoice and make peace in it.* This is the hour that the Lord has made. *Let us rejoice and make peace in it.* This is the church that the Lord has made. *Let us rejoice and make peace in it.* This is the earth that the Lord has made. *Let us rejoice and make peace in it.*

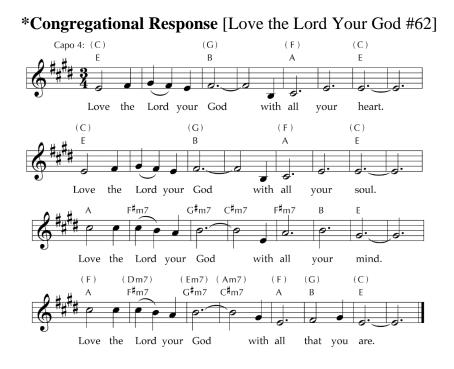
*Hymn #401 Here in This Place

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

God of compassion, We are your wounded and wounding children. We bring our wounded selves, our divided society and our broken world, seeking your healing and transforming grace. It is easy for us to point fingers at others, yet we know that we all need forgiveness; So we lift into your presence today, not only the victims of conflicts, but those we have called enemies. Break down the walls of hatred, distrust, and bitterness and open a way for us to reach one another in truth and love. Enable us to build a society where all can belong; to share our gifts in mutual respect and to seek for the new future which you offer us through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

*Silent Prayer *Declaration of God's Grace



*Sharing the Peace of Christ

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

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Children's Sermon

Moment for Stewardship

Mission

Prayer for Illumination

Reading from Scripture Mark 12:28-34

(Pew Bible, page 46 - NT)

Sermon The Greatest Commandment

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn #316 Where Charity and Love Prevail

Presenting Our Gifts

Offertory *Doxology[#694] AURELIA Great God of every blessing, of faithful loving care, you are the fount of goodness, the daily bread we share. How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start: sincerely and completely I offer you my heart. *Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Great Thanksgiving & Lord's Prayer

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.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

(We will be receiving communion by intinction. Please come forward down the center aisle, take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup and partake. You may return down the side aisles. Those unable to come forward will be served at their seats. Gluten-free bread is available.)

Prayer

*Hymn #526 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble Worship Leader: Elder Mary Harvey Children's Message: Beverly Bonning Organist: Tamar Mikeladze Handbell Director: Heather Myer

New Here? Thank you for joining us as we worship God this morning. Information about our church is available in the narthex, including our weekly email. We invite you to sign in on the Friendship pads found at the end of the pew, so we can greet you by name. Please join us for Coffee Fellowship after worship, in the space we call the Green Room, which is across from the sanctuary. After fellowship we have a variety of classes for all ages that you are welcome to join.

Prayer Cards are in the Friendship Pads, which are at the end of each pew. If you have a prayer request that you would like announced during the service, please write it on the prayer card and you can place it in the plate during the collection of the offering. The Pastor will read them (unless marked private) during the time of Joys and Concerns.

Children and Worship: Children are always welcome in worship at Eastminster. Children's bulletins can be found outside the sanctuary doors as well as activity bags, which they can use during the service. We have created a space for children at the front of the sanctuary. Your child is welcome to use that space or remain in the pews with you.

Today at Eastminster

<u>Ushers</u>

Head Usher: Sue Kalvonjian; John and Trena Thornburg

Greeters

Judy Dunn and Jean Graham

Flowers

The flowers today are given by Linda and Tom Hardenbergh in honor of World Communion Day

Church Leadership

| Pastor |
|--------------------------|
| Parish Advisor |
| on Parish Advisor |
| Director of Discipleship |
| Office Administrator |
| Choir Director |
| Organist |
| Bell Choir Director |
| Nursery Attendant |
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This Week at Eastminster

| October 7 – October 14 | | |
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| TODAY, 10/7, World Communion | | |
| Worship and Communion | 10:00 a.m. | |
| Fellowship | 11:00 a.m. | |
| Intergenerational Program | 11:15 a.m. | |
| TUESDAY, 10/9 | | |
| Staff Meeting | 10:00 a.m. | |
| Weekly Bible Study | 1:00 p.m. | |
| Session | 7:00 p.m. | |
| WEDNESDAY, 10/10 | | |
| Men's Breakfast | 8:00 a.m. | |
| Children & Worship Education | on4:30 p.m. | |
| Unpacking Racism | 5:30 p.m. | |
| UKirk | 7:30 p.m. | |
| Trivia at Reno's East | 8:00 p.m. | |
| THURSDAY, 10/11 | | |
| Cultured Purls | 9:00 a.m. | |
| Bell Rehearsal | 6:00 p.m. | |
| SUNDAY, 10/14, Cents-ability | | |
| Worship | 10:00 a.m. | |
| Fellowship | 11:00 a.m. | |
| MORE | 11:15 a.m. | |
| Deacons | 11:45 a.m. | |
| CROP Walk | 1:00 p.m. | |
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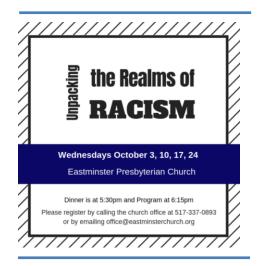
AA: Wed. & Thurs. 7 p.m.; Fri. 9:30 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.; Al-Anon: Thurs. 8:15 p.m.

World Communion Sunday

We will continue to mark World Communion Sunday during a special coffee fellowship time after worship in Fellowship Hall on the lower level today. Join us as we engage our hearts, hands, and voices in celebration of the common bonds we share with our siblings in Christ here and around the world.

CROP WALK

This year, the Greater Lansing CROP walk will be held on October 14, with registration at 1:00 p.m. For 2018, it is a 3-mile walk beginning at Grace United Methodist Church, 1900 Boston Blvd. in Lansing. Eastminster has a long tradition of participating in this event. If you would like to walk on the Eastminster Team, please contact Mary Harvey.



Children and Worship Education on Wednesday afternoons

Children age 4 through grade 5 are invited to join us for Children and Worship Education time on the first four Wednesdays in October from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Children will engage with our Children and Worship curriculum, as well as learn and practice the various parts of our worship service from the call to worship to benediction and everything in between.

This will help our kids learn and understand how to more fully participate in Sunday worship. Participants are welcome to stay for dinner at 5:30 on these nights and child care will be available starting after dinner for parents wishing to participate in the Wednesday evening "Unpacking the Realms of Racism" series.

October Mission Project

Every month at Eastminster we collect items

to support the needs of our Christian Service mission partners for their various ministry projects. Please give as you are able, no Mission 2 donation is too



small. Items are collected on the ledge in the Green Room. If you would like to give money instead of making these purchases, please leave a check marked "Monthly Mission" either in the Church Office, or place in the lockbox outside the Office. Your donations are tax deductible.

OCTOBER--We will continue to collect winter coats that are in good condition with working zippers. We also need hats, mittens, and scarves.

Blessed are the Peacemakers

God calls upon us to create peace and to help set people free. Among the many efforts to fulfill this mission is the Peace and Global Witness Offering that we will take this morning.

Your gifts to this offering will help more people experience the freedom and dignity

that Christ wants for everyone. Let us offer the peace of Christ at all times and in all ways.



50% of this Peace & Global Witness Offering will stay with our community and our region for ministries of peacemaking and reconciliation.

50% of this offering will unite Presbyterians who are working actively for peacemaking efforts around the globe.

Please give generously.

ACTION of Greater Lansing

Members of Action of Greater Lansing are joining together with the larger community to seek justice and better conditions for the poor, marginalized, and oppressed. On Oct. 7, beginning at 3 p.m., Action of Greater Lansing will host its Annual Nehemiah Hearing Meeting at Cristo Rey, 201 W. Miller Road, Lansing, MI 48911. Join them to demand All Families Deserve Dignity. This year's focus is on passing two bills that will allow undocumented immigrants to get driver's licenses. Fliers with more information are available in the Narthex.

Trivia Night at Reno's East at 8 p.m. on Wednesdays. Join church members for a night of trivia and fellowship at Reno's every Wednesday.

Eastminster Prayer Concerns

Please remember the following persons in your prayers:

Ross Lowes John & Penny Haddick Joe Walsh Blakely Lindemuler Dave Merchant II Jeri Augenstein

Eastminster Church Officers Elders

Class of 2019

Brian Heitman Norm Mackay Brenda Ramsby Barbara Stowitts

Pastor Rev. Kristin Stroble

Class of 2019

Estelle McGroarty Sue Kalvonjian Heather Myer Class of 2020 Robin Bell Beverly Bonning Dave Duryea Mike Foster

<u>Clerk of Session</u> Susan Smalley

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Class of 2020 Barbara Dalzell Heather Heitman Cindy Mackay

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Gary Blanchard Mary Lou Clifton Mary Harvey Sam O'Neill

<u>Treasurer</u> Robert Kleine

Class of 2021

Sherri Blanchard Linda Hardenbergh Suzanne Hunt

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.

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