



# Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day  
January 5, 2020

**What were you like when you were twelve?**

**In what ways are you the same today?**



**How have you changed?**

**-Brian McLaren**

# ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 5, 2019

10:00 a.m.

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*\* Congregation is invited to rise in body or in spirit.  
Bold text is read or sung by the congregation.*

## 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.*

### **Call to Worship**

When Jesus is born to Mary and Joseph

*God is there.*

When Jesus travels with his parents for the festival of Passover.

*God is there.*

When Mary and Joseph are frantically searching for Jesus.

*God is there.*

This very morning,

*God is here.*

In the future we cannot see,

*God is there.*

Let us worship God!

**\*Hymn #110** *Love Has Come*

### **\*Call to Confession**

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

*Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. Our lips have said one thing and our lives have said another. We honor you one day and not the next. We live our love for you some of the time and become selfish at other times. Sometimes we love the light and*

*sometimes we live in darkness. Have mercy on us and forgive us.*

*(silent confession)*

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

**\*Congregational Response** [#673 Jesus, Light of Joy]

*With the saints we lift our voices, God of power, God of might.  
All creation shines with glory, singing praises day and night:  
Alleluia, alleluia, holy, holy, holy light.*

**\*Sharing the Peace of Christ**

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

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**Children's Message**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Reading from Scripture**

*Luke 2:39-52 (Pew Bible, pages 55-56 - NT)*

**Sermon**

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

**Hymn #148**

*Mary and Joseph Came to the Temple*

**Offering of Resources and Prayer**

*Financial offerings support the life and mission of Eastminster Presbyterian. If you have prayers to be shared during our prayers of the people, please place them in the offering plates.*

**Offertory**

**Doxology**[#605 Praise to God the Father]



Praise to God the Fa - ther; praise to God the Son;  
Da n'a - se! Da n'a - se! Da On-ya-me a - se!



praise to God the Spir - it: praise to the Three - in - One.  
Da n'a - se! Da n'a - se! Da On-ya-me a - se!



Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high.  
Ef - ia - se o - ye n'a n'a - do - e do - e so.



Praise to God Al - might - y; praise to the Ho - ly One.  
Da n'a - se! Da n'a - se! Da On-ya-me a - se!

## \*Prayer of Dedication

### Celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them up to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

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 and the Offering

*(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. Return to your seats down the side aisles. Those unable to come forward will be served at their seats. There is an allergy-free bread station in the front, on the pulpit side.)*

## Prayer

\* **Hymn #159** *O Sing a Song of Bethlehem*

\***Charge & Benediction**

\***Postlude**

## Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Elder Sam O'Neill

Children's Message: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Organist: Tamar Mikeladze

Communion Servers: Mary Lou Clifton, Gary Blanchard, Sherri Blanchard, Linda Hardenbergh

**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 to the west of the sanctuary. After fellowship, we have a variety of classes for all ages what 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) before the Pastoral Prayer.

**Children and Worship:** Children are always welcome in worship at Eastminster. Children's worship packets can be found in the basket 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

### Ushers

Head Usher: Beverly Bonning; Jeff Lapinski, Sue Kalvonjian

### Greeters

Darlene Bullerdick and Ron Davis

### Flowers

The flowers today are given to the glory of God.

### Church Leadership and Staff

Rev. Kristin Stroble Pastor  
Dr. Fred Graham Parish Advisor  
Rev. Shirley Paxton Parish Advisor  
Neil Myer Director of Christian Education  
Bridgette Redman Office Administrator  
Jadrian Tarver Choir Director  
Tamar Mikeladze Organist  
Heather Myer Bell Choir Director  
Laurin Schulz Nursery Attendant  
Audri Kocan Nursery Attendant

### This Week at Eastminster

*January 5 to January 12*

#### **TODAY, 1/5**

Worship 10:00 a.m.  
Fellowship 11:00 a.m.  
MORE 11:15 a.m.

#### **MONDAY, 1/6**

Staff Meeting 10:00 a.m.  
UKirk Student Dinner 6:00 p.m.

#### **TUESDAY, 1/7**

Burcham Small Group 3:00 p.m.

#### **WEDNESDAY, 1/8**

Men's Breakfast 8:00 a.m.  
UKirk 7:30 p.m.  
Trivia at Reno's East 8:00 p.m.

#### **THURSDAY, 1/9**

Cultured Purls 9:00 a.m.  
We Make the Road Group 10:00 a.m.  
Bells 6:00 p.m.

#### **SATURDAY, 1/11**

Advent House 9:45 a.m.  
PageTurners 10:00 a.m.

#### **SUNDAY, 1/12 Cents-ability**

Worship 10:00 a.m.  
Fellowship 11:00 a.m.  
MORE 11:15 a.m.  
Deacons 12:15 a.m.



**Join a Small Group:** We have a variety of small groups that will read the book, "We Make the Road by Walking" and study the scriptures together:

- **Sunday after Church:** At 11:15am, after worship, you can join a small group to discuss the book as well as the Sunday sermon.
- **Burcham Small Group:** Tuesdays at 3 pm at Burcham Hills Retirement Community. Anyone is welcome to go over to Burcham to join in with this group.
- **Men's Breakfast** meets each Wednesday at 8 am. They gather for food, fellowship, and study.
- **Thursday Small Group** meets at the church in a downstairs classroom at 10 a.m.

#### **Help us with our worship**

**visual:** To mark and visualize our journey, we are creating a path throughout the sanctuary. During the second quarter of the year our theme is "Alive in the Adventure of Jesus." I'd invite you to bring in or email to the office pictures, drawings, stories, or poetry of

people or places that have formed you in your journey of faith.

**Blog:** We have created a "We Make the Road by Walking" blog. Each week we will be asking someone from Eastminster to respond to the question: "What one thought or idea from today's lesson especially intrigued, provoked, disturbed, challenged, encouraged, warmed, warned, helped, or surprised you?" Are you willing to write something? Let the office know or sign up in the Narthex. Check out the entries here: <https://eastminsterpresbyteriana.home.blog/>

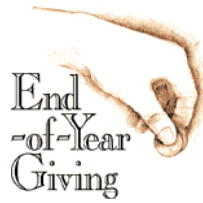
### You are Invited!

Amanda Lanier and Eric Foulkrod, along with Lawson and Lehman invite you, the Eastminster congregation, to join them in a celebration of marriage on Saturday, January 18th at 5:00pm. A dessert reception will follow in the Green Room.



### ESL Classes

ESL classes will be moving back to Tuesdays and Thursdays for spring semester. If you are willing to volunteer, please contact the Refugee Development Center or Kristin.



### 2019 Donations

All 2019 donations need to be in by Jan. 8. Please mark any donations

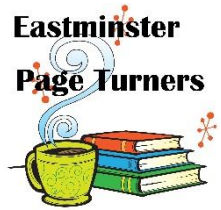
for 2019 that you do not want credited to 2020.

### Advent House

Don't forget that we will need volunteer cooks and servers for Advent House on Jan. 11. Please sign up in the Green Room.

### PageTurners

The Eastminster PageTurners will have their first meeting of the year at 10 a.m., Jan. 11. The first book is Julie Timmer's "Mrs. Saint and the Defectives."



## Eastminster Prayer Concerns

Please remember the following persons in your prayers:

Jeffrey O'Neill  
Lynn Banninga  
Dave Merchant II  
Kim Dickens  
Irene King  
Joe Walsh  
Blakely Lindemuler

## Eastminster Church Officers

### Elders

#### Class of 2020

Robin Bell  
Dave Duryea  
Mike Foster  
Neil Myer

#### Class of 2021

Gary Blanchard  
Mary Lou Clifton  
Mary Harvey  
Sam O'Neill

#### Class of 2022

Steve Dickinson  
Mike Jones  
Estelle McGroarty  
Susan Smalley

#### Pastor

Rev. Kristin Stroble

#### Clerk of Session

Susan Smalley

#### Treasurer

Robert Kleine

### Deacons

#### Class of 2020

Barbara Dalzell  
Heather Heitman  
Cindy Mackay

#### Class of 2021

Sherri Blanchard  
Linda Hardenbergh  
Suzanne Hunt

#### Class of 2022

Beverly Bonning  
Sulin Campbell  
Judy Dickinson

## 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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