



# Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day  
November 4, 2018



# ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

November 4, 2018

10:00 a.m.

*\* 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.*

### **Call to Worship**

Lord, today we gather to meet you here.

*You bring glory to the earth, from the deepest valley to the highest mountain.*

Lord, today we gather to listen to you.

*You call us to go and bring good news to your people.*

Lord, today we gather to praise you.

*You invite us to your table and draw us into your presence.*

Lord, today we gather to worship you.

**\*Hymn #409**      *God is Here*

## SERVICE OF CONTRITION

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

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

*God of compassion, you created the world through your communion of love, but we prefer to be lonely gods, living for ourselves. Our sin has misshapen the life you intend for us. We damage creation. We hurt one another. We ignore the ache of others. We beg you: free us from sin's grip with your prevailing love, that we might be your*

*witnesses, testifying to your eternal love in all we do. God of justice and mercy forgive us. Amen.*

**\*Silent Prayer**

**\*Declaration of God’s Grace**

**\*Congregational Response [#582]**

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)  
 B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F Gm F



1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,  
 2 World with - out end, ♪ with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)  
 F B<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> Gm7 C7



and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,  
 World with - out end, ♪ with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)  
 C7 F A Dm



and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.  
 World with - out end, ♪ with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)  
 Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F



As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

**\*Sharing the Peace of Christ**

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

**SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**Children’s Sermon**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Reading from Scripture**

Psalm 130:1-6

*(Pew Bible, page 542 - OT)*

**Choir Anthem**

*Jesus Calls Us*

## Reading from Scripture

Luke 5:17-26

(Pew Bible, page 59 - NT)

## Reflections

### Prayers of the People and The 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.*

## SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING AND PRAYER

**\*Hymn #182**

*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

### Offering of Resources and Prayer

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 & Words of Institution

Music During Communion:

Hymn #527 Eat This Bread

*Eat this bread; drink this cup;  
come to Christ and never be hungry.  
East this bread; drink this cup;  
trust in Christ and you will not thirst.*

Hymn #227 Jesus, Remember Me  
*Jesus, remember me  
when you come into your kingdom  
Jesus, remember me  
when you come into your kingdom*

### 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 #366** Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

### Participants in today's service:

Neil Myer, Director of Christian Education & UKirk Campus Minister  
Dr. Fred Graham, Parish Advisor  
UKirk at MSU Presbyterian Campus Ministry participants  
Children's Sermon: UKirk  
Organist: Tamar Mikeladze  
Communion Servers: UKirk

We welcome UKirk at MSU as our worship leaders today. UKirk, our Presbyterian Campus Ministry meets regularly at Eastminster and is one of our missions.

Kristin is away at a conference and will return on November 13<sup>th</sup>.

**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 Prayers of the People.

**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**

**Ushers**

Head Usher: Estelle McGroarty;  
Darlene Bullerdick and Ron Davis

**Greeters**

Suzi Moss, Phyllis Irwin

**Flowers**

The flowers today are given by Phyllis Irwin in memory of her husband, Don.

**Church Leadership and Staff**

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

**This Week at Eastminster**

*November 4 – November 11*

**TODAY, 11/4, Communion, UKirk**

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

**TUESDAY, 11/6 Election Day**

Weekly Bible Study	1:00 p.m.
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**WEDNESDAY, 11/7**

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

**THURSDAY, 11/8**

Cultured Purls	9:00 a.m.
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Bell Rehearsal	6:00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.
<b>SATURDAY, 11/10</b>	
Advent House	9:45 a.m.
Book Club	10:00 a.m.
<b>SUNDAY, 11/4, Communion, UKirk</b>	
Worship	10:00 a.m.
Fellowship	11:00 a.m.
MORE	11:15 a.m.

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

**November/December Mission Projects**

Once again, Eastminster will participate in the Haven House Adopt-a-Family, and provide Christmas food baskets through Christian Services. More details will follow in next week's e-Voice.



**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.



## Join us for MORE!

There are four classes immediately following fellowship time:

*An Illustrated Invitation:* (preschoolers through 5<sup>th</sup> grade) The Greatest Commandment is that we love God and others as ourselves. We'll explore ways we can love God every day by loving people in practical ways.

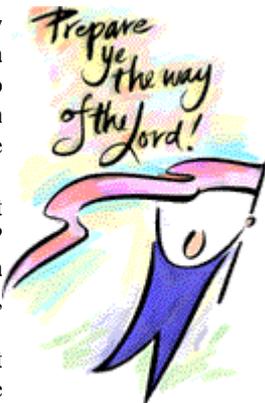
*Faith 101:* (middle and high schoolers, college students, parents and confirmation mentors) Communion is one of two sacraments we celebrate as Presbyterians. This week we'll discuss what we believe about this sacrament and how we practice it.

*Dialogues on the Refugee Crisis:* This week will focus on ways to create welcoming communities that support integration and social cohesion.

*Sermon Discussion:* This week we will discuss the healing and forgiving of the paralyzed man who was brought before Jesus on a bed.

## Advent Banners--Creative People Needed

Would you enjoy making a Christmas gift to the congregation that would be displayed throughout Advent for years to come? We are offering a creative, fun, community building project that doesn't require



special skill, BUT does need many hands! If you can cut with scissors, trace a pattern and/or facilitate a work session, PLEASE sign up in the Green Room or contact Brenda Ramsby (517-281-2718).

**We Choose Welcome** is an awareness campaign of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) which is an expression of personal and corporate commitment to welcome refugees and immigrants into our communities. The phrase stems from a [statement](#) made by former Stated Clerk of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Gradye Parsons, in which he



urged us to “Choose Welcome, Not Fear.” To welcome others is a central value of the Christian faith, shared by most of the world’s religions. The call to welcome the stranger is so common in the Bible that one must wonder if it is so oft repeated because of its importance, or because we are so quick to disregard it. In this time of great global and domestic conflict, perhaps both are true.

We are pleased to make We Choose Welcome signs available for use in your church yard, your home, and around your community. May they serve as an outward expression of the welcome you already practice and as a daily reminder to live up to our common mission to welcome the stranger. Sign up for your sign in the Green Room.

We know there is much work to be done to create a welcoming political and social climate for refugees in the U.S., and that the scale of the problem can be daunting. By building relationships across cultures and lifting our voices in the public square, we can make good on the promise that our welcome signs proclaim.

## Eastminster Prayer Concerns

Please remember the following persons in your prayers:

Family of Ross Lowes  
Joe Walsh  
Blakely Lindemuler  
Jeri Augenstein

*Names to be included on the prayer list can be suggested to Rev. Stroble.*

## Eastminster Church Officers

### Elders

#### Class of 2019

Brian Heitman  
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Brenda Ramsby  
Barbara Stowitts

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Dave Duryea  
Mike Foster

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Mary Lou Clifton  
Mary Harvey  
Sam O'Neill

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Rev. Kristin Stroble

#### Clerk of Session

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#### Treasurer

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Heather Myer

#### Class of 2020

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Heather Heitman  
Cindy Mackay

#### Class of 2021

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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.

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

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