



# Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day  
October 7, 2018



## World Communion Sunday

# ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost  
World Communion Sunday

October 7, 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.*

### **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**

**\*Congregational Response [Love the Lord Your God #62]**

Capo 4: (C) (G) (F) (C)  
E B A E

Love the Lord your God with all your heart.

(C) (G) (F) (C)  
E B A E

Love the Lord your God with all your soul.

A F#m7 G#m7 C#m7 F#m7 B E

Love the Lord your God with all your mind.

(F) (Dm7) (Em7) (Am7) (F) (G) (C)  
A F#m7 G#m7 C#m7 A B E

Love the Lord your God with all that you are.

**\*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

### Ushers

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

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

*October 7 – October 14*

### **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 4:30 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.

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.

The graphic features a central white box with a black border, set against a background of diagonal hatching. The text 'Unpacking the Realms of RACISM' is prominently displayed. 'Unpacking' is written vertically on the left side, while 'the Realms of' is in a smaller font above 'RACISM', which is in large, bold, black capital letters. Below this box is a dark blue horizontal bar with white text: 'Wednesdays October 3, 10, 17, 24' and 'Eastminster Presbyterian Church'. At the bottom, another white box with a black border contains the text: 'Dinner is at 5:30pm and Program at 6:15pm' and 'Please register by calling the church office at 517-337-0893 or by emailing office@eastminsterchurch.org'.

## 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 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  
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Brenda Ramsby  
Barbara Stowitts

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Beverly Bonning  
Dave Duryea  
Mike Foster

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Mary Harvey  
Sam O'Neill

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#### 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.

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

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