



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
January 12, 2020

"And so Jesus sets the course for the great work before him - not driven by a human lust for pleasure, power, or prestige, but empowered by the Spirit. And of course, if we want to join Jesus in his great work, we must face our own inner demons and discover the same Spirit-empowerment."

-Brian McLaren

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 12, 2020

10:00 a.m.

** 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.

Cents-ability Offering *(We collect loose change to help feed the hungry in our community and around the world.)*

Prelude *The entry of the light.*

Call to Worship

We come as people filled with great expectation.

We come filled with hopes and dreams.

We come with serious questions.

We come with doubts that weigh us down.

We long for the heavens to open.

We need to hear the voice of God,

Whispering our names, and telling us again,

You are my Beloved with whom I am well pleased.

***Hymn #475** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

God in whom alone we find rest, we confess that we often turn from the gifts of identity, purpose, and meaning that you would give us.

Instead of serving others, we serve ourselves.

Instead of being motivated by love, we are motivated by fear.

Instead of seeking wisdom, we seek possessions.

Instead of working for peace, we work for security.

Instead of seeking our good in you, we look to so many other places, trading your abundant and enduring love for the shiny things of this world.

Draw us back to you, O God, and remind us that all that we have and need we find in relationship with you and with each other. This we pray in the name of Jesus, who came as one of us, tempted as we are, yet without forsaking trust in you.

(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 3:21-22; 4:1-15 (*Pew Bible, pages 56-57 - NT*)

Sermon

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn #53 *O God, Who Gives Us Life*

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**

*** Hymn #547 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing***

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude**

Participants in today's service:

- Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble
- Worship Leader: Elder Gary Blanchard
- Children's Message: Matt Phillips
- Organist: Tamar Mikeladze

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: Linda Hardenbergh; Barb Dalzell, Judy Dunn

Greeters

Matt, Heidi, Sophie and Anna Phillips, Sherri Blanchard

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

TODAY, 1/12 Cents-ability

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

MONDAY, 1/13

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

TUESDAY, 1/14

Burcham Small Group 3:00 p.m.
 Dinner 6:00 p.m.
 All Committee Night 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 1/15

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

THURSDAY, 1/16

Cultured Purls 9:00 a.m.

 Bells 6:00 p.m.
 Choir 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, 1/18

Lanier-Foulkrod Wedding 5:00 p.m.

This Week at Eastminster

January 12 to January 19

SUNDAY, 1/19

Worship	10:00 a.m.
Fellowship	11:00 a.m.
MORE	11:15 a.m.
AA: <i>Wed. & Thurs. 7 p.m.; Fri. 9:30 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.; Al-Anon: Thurs. 8:15 p.m.</i>	



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. Classes start this week.

MORE
(Meaningful Opportunities for
Reflection and Education)
Sundays at 11:15 am

Children's Class: We Make the Road by Walking

Our kids, ages 4 through 5th grade will have the opportunity to explore the Bible using a curriculum based off the book and the scripture readings heard on Sunday mornings. Each class time will begin with music led by our choir director, Jadrian Tarver.

Adult Small Group: We Make the Road by Walking

This group will gather together to explore their faith through book discussion as well as what we just heard in that Sunday's sermon.

New Adult Class!
Practices of Citizenship in the Kingdom of God

This class features a series of short videos to be followed by engaging discussion each week. The videos are to provide ways in which the Christian community can serve the world and at the same time be faithful to God's vision of the Peaceable Kingdom.

- Jan 12th: Citizenship as Resistance
- Jan 19th: Citizenship as Hospitality
- Jan 26th: Citizenship as Love for Land
- Feb 2nd: Citizenship as Justice Work
- Feb 9th: Citizenship as Cruciformity
- Feb 16th: Citizenship as Relating to the Other

- Feb 23th: Citizenship as the Image of God



Flower 2020 sign-up

Would you like to honor someone or dedicate flowers to them in 2020? The new sign-up for altar flowers is on the bulletin board outside the church office.

Flowers are \$35 and you can take the flowers home after the service. After signing up, please be sure to either make a note of what dedication you would like or contact the church office. Checks can be dropped in the offering plate in a flowers envelope or in the black lock box outside the church office door.

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
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Class of 2021

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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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