



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
August 23, 2020



ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 23, 2020

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

Prelude *"O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"*

Welcome & Announcements

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Call to Worship

Come in from the night.

It is a new day, and this is where love lives.

Take off your coat, let the weight fall off your shoulders;

For here, you are known. Here, you are loved.

Come in from the rain.

We can do anything together. We can survive together.

When the world unravels from under your feet - come in.

Come in.

Come in.

God is here. You will never be alone.

Let us worship the God who weaves us together. Amen.

Hymn #22 *God of the Sparrow*

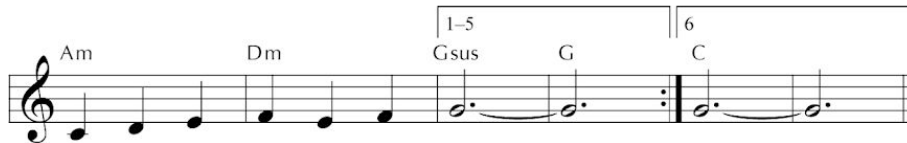
22 God of the Sparrow



1 God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the
 2 God of the earth - quake God of the storm God of the
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the
 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe God of the
 6 God of the a - ges God near at hand God of the



swirl - ing stars How does the crea - ture say Awe
 trum - pet blast How does the crea - ture cry Woe
 emp - ty grave How does the crea - ture say Grace
 prod - i - gal How does the crea - ture say Care
 prun - ing hook How does the crea - ture say Love
 lov - ing heart How do your chil - dren say Joy



How does the crea - ture say Praise
 How does the crea - ture cry Save
 How does the crea - ture say Thanks
 How does the crea - ture say Life
 How does the crea - ture say Peace
 How do your chil - dren say Home

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy God,

We have been angry because we see suffering and we don't understand.

We have been skeptical because we know heartbreak that doesn't seem fair.

We have withheld love because sacrifice only feels real when it's our own.

Forgive us for forgetting that you created the heavens and the earth.

Forgive us for withholding our pain from you.

Forgive us for thinking that we know everything.

When the world falls apart around us -

When love unravels and life slowly fails -

Draw us in.

Show us grace; for you gave the wind its weight and you gave our bodies life.

Forgive us for forgetting that. Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of God's Grace

Passing of the Peace

Take out your phone and text to a church member, friend or family member - "The Peace of Christ be with you."

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Job 28:12-28

Sermon Seeking Understanding When Everything Has Fallen Apart

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Hymn #834 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand; lead me on, help me
 2 When my way grows drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger

stand; I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
 near; when my life is al - most gone,

Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the
 hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I

light; take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.
 fall; take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

Affirmation of Faith (by A Sanctified Art)

I believe in God, the Great Sewer -

Who weaves us together in community,

Collecting our loose ends and turning them into belonging.

I believe in the Holy Spirit -

Who hems us in before and behind,

Catching us when we fall and writing us into God's holy narrative.

*And I believe in Jesus Christ -
Who loved and claimed the people society had thrown out, refusing to
disregard anyone as scrap.*

*I believe God has woven part of God's self into the fiber of our being,
Making us inherently worthy of love and belonging.*

*I believe the fabric of my life is weak,
That I am prone to error and need God's handiwork to remind me of love.*

*I believe in the Church, and that like a quilt of different fabrics,
She is designed to be as diverse and beautiful as God's creation.*

*And I believe that when life unravels,
God is there to stitch my wounds together,
To hold me in the palm of God's hand, to tell me of love,
And to invite me into a new journey.
Amen.*

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation/ Pastoral Prayer

Comment on Facebook if you have a joy or concern to be shared. You can also email or call the church with prayer concerns. Tomorrow we will send a list of prayer concerns over email to our community.

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.

Offering

Your offerings support the mission and ministry of Eastminster Presbyterian Church. You can give online by going to <http://www.eastminsterchurch.org/give/online-giving/>

Hymn #807 *When We Must Bear Persistent Pain*

1 When we must bear per - sis - tent pain and suf - fer
 2 Sup - port us as we learn new ways to care for
 3 We thank you for the bet - ter days when we may
 4 In ease or pain, in life and death, to you our

with no cure in sight, come, Ho - ly Pres - ence,
 bod - ies new - ly frail. Help us en - dure, and
 smile to greet the sun, to do your work with
 frag - ile lives be - long, and so we trust you

breathe your peace with gifts of warmth and heal - ing light.
 live and love. Hear our com - plaint when pa - tience fails.
 clear - ing mind, and bless your name when day is done.
 in all things. You are our hope, our health, our song.

Charge & Benediction

Postlude "God Will Take Care of You"

Participants in today's service:

Preacher: Katie North, M.Div
 Director of Christian Education: Neil Myer
 Call to Worship: Maddy Trimby and Bob Walter
 Affirmation of Faith: Suzi Moss
 Organist: Tamar Mikeladze
 Choir Director: Jadrian Tarver
 Tech Guru: Heather Myer

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