



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
August 9, 2020



ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 9, 2020

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

Prelude *In Christ Alone*
 Alyssa Snelson, piano

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

When you dream, what do you dream of?

We dream of children who know love and churches with open doors.

We dream of rest and sunny days.

When you dream, what do you dream of?

We dream of peace without walls,

And equality for all people.

When you dream, what do you dream of?

We dream of milk and honey, food on tables, and an end to suffering.

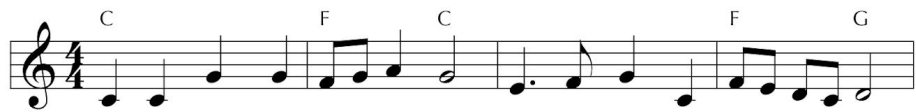
We dream of the Church of Jesus Christ serving all God's people.

Family of God,

Today, we dream together. Today, we worship together. For there is nothing on heaven or on earth strong enough to unravel God's dreams for us. Let us worship Holy God.

Hymn #19 *God of Great and God of Small*

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1 God of great and God of small, God of one and God of all,
2 God of land and sky and sea, God of life and des - ti - ny,
3 God of si - lence, God of sound, God by whom the lost are found,
4 God of heaven and God of earth, God of death and God of birth,



God of weak and God of strong, God to whom all things be - long,
God of nev - er - end - ing power, yet be - side me ev - ery hour,
God of day and dark - est night, God whose love turns wrong to right,
God of now and days be - fore, God who reigns for - ev - er - more,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, praise be to your name.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God,

We do not know the plans you have for us.

We do not know, so we place our children into "good schools."

We set aside money for days to come.

We keep our fingers crossed and try to control the world around us.

Having faith in the midst of uncertainty has never been easy for us.

Forgive us for the moments when we refuse to trust you.

Strengthen us so that when life unravels, we are strong enough to turn to you.

That is our prayer of faith.

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 Exodus 1:22; 2:1-10

Sermon *In the Reeds*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Hymn *A Fearful, Desperate Mother*

Text: Stephen M. Fearing, 2019

Tune: AURELIA

Meter: 7.6.7.6 D

Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864

Piano

1. A fear - ful desp - erate mo - ther pro - tects her pre - cious child.
2. The daught - er of the Phar - aoh is bath - ing in the Nile.
3. A child poor in - to per - il now lives in Phar - aoh's court.
4. Though Phar - aoh rules with fu - ry, his plan un - ra - vels fast.

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She puts him in a bask - et in - to the ri - ver wild.
She looks u - pon the ri - ver and sees the float - ing child.
A ty - rant's thirst for po - wer at risk with - in his fort.
He thinks he'll build his king - dom by slav - ing the out - cast.

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She watch - es from a dist - ance, his ves - sel floats a - way.
Her heart is filled with mer - cy, she pit - ies his poor plight.
A daught - er finds a new - born, a young one al - most drowned.
A mo - ther's des - per - a - tion gives birth to God's de - sign,

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And though her heart is griev - ing, God's plan is un - der - way.
She longs to be a mo - ther; this child, her true de - light.
A moth - er's plan un - ra - vels, but hope a - gain is found.
a plan to free God's peo - ple, de - stroy - ing Phar - aoh's shrine.

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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.

Ordination & Installation of Officers

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 #765

May the God of Hope Go With Us

May the God of hope go with us ev - ery day, fill - ing all our
¡Dios de la es - pe - ran - za, da - nos go - zo y paz! Al mun - do en

lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of jus - tice speed us
cri - sis, ha - bla tu ver - dad. Dios de la jus - ti - cia, mán - da -

on our way, bring - ing light and hope to ev - ery land and race.
nos tu luz, luz y es - pe - ran - za en la es - cu - ri - dad.

Pray - ing, let us work for peace; sing - ing, share our joy with all;
O - re - mos por la paz, can - te - mos de tu a - mor.

work - ing for a world that's new, faith - ful when we hear Christ's call.
Lu - che - mos por la paz, fie - les a ti, Se - ñor.

Charge & Benediction

Postlude *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Call to Worship: Rev. Kristin Stroble, Barb Stowitts, Elizabeth Evangelista, Jen Wyble

Director of Christian Education: Neil Myer

Affirmation of Faith: Ruth and Larry Hartwig

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze and Alyssa Snelson

Choir Director: Jadrian Tarver

Tech Guru: Heather Myer

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