



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
October 4, 2020



ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY
World Communion Sunday

October 4, 2020

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

Prelude *Christ is Made the Sure Foundation*

Welcome & Announcements

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Threshold Moment & Lighting of Candles

Call to Worship *(from A Wee Worship Book)*

Gather us in,
the lost and the lonely,
the broken and breaking,
the tired and aching
who long for the nourishment found at your feet.

Gather us in,
the done and the doubting,
the wishing and wondering,
the puzzled and pondering
who long for the company found at your feast.

Gather us in,
the proud and pretentious,
the sure and superior,
the never inferior,
who long for the leveling
found at your feast.

Gather us in,
the bright and the bustling,
the stirrers, the shakers,
the kind laughter makers
who long for the deeper joys
found at your feast.

Gather us in,
from fears and obsession,
from tears and depression,

from untold excesses,
from treasured successes,
to meet, to eat,
be given a seat,
be joined to the vine,
be offered new wine,
become like
the least
be found at the feast.

Gather us in.

Hymn #509 *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.
2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang - ers, seek - er, be a wel - come guest.
3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.

Come from wil - der - ness and wan - dering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.

You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
We that once were lost and scat - tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.
Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.

Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God,

our sins are too heavy to carry,

too real to hide, and too deep to undo.

Forgive what our lips tremble to name

and what our hearts can no longer bear.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change and

open to us a future in which we can be changed.

Grant us grace to grow more and more into the

image and likeness of the one who is the bread

of life that gives life to the world,

Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of God's Grace

Sung Response #582 *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
B^b F B^b F B^b 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^b E^b B^b 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.

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

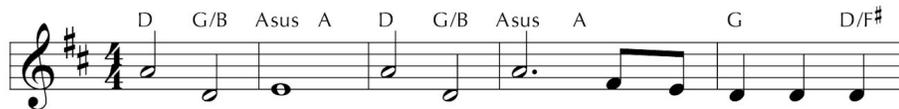
Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings John 6:22-35

Sermon Communion
Fifth in a Sermon Series on Worship

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Hymn #501 *Feed Us, Lord*



1 Feed us, Lord. Feed us, Lord. In the bro - ken bread,
2 Quench us, Lord. Quench us, Lord. On this thirst - y ground,
3 Fill us, Lord. Fill us, Lord, with the bread and wine
4 Lead us, Lord. Lead us, Lord, nour-ished here by Christ,



be re - vealed a - gain. Come and feed our hearts, O Lord.
may your love flow down. Come and quench our hearts, O Lord.
of the ris - en Christ. Come and fill our hearts, O Lord.
giv - en strength for life. Come and lead our hearts, O Lord.

Affirmation of Faith *I Celebrate the Church of Jesus Christ* by Ann Weems

I celebrate the church of Jesus Christ.

*I cannot live abundantly without this community, God's church,
where turning to one another and working and rejoicing with one
another is a way of life -*

A Way of life God chose for us,

a gift God gave us,

a mission that we share;

a mission that cuts across barriers,

racial and cultural,

national and international;

*a mission that unites local and regional,
men and women,
young and old.
I celebrate this way of life
that takes me and mine from the center of things
and focuses on ours and theirs.
I celebrate the church of Jesus Christ.*

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation/ Prayers of the People

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.

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/>

Communion Song *Ven a la mesa*

Invitation to the Table

Please join us on Zoom at 11am, to continue worship by celebrating the Lord's Supper.

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Acolyte: Laura Myer

Call to Worship: Sacha Roennecke, Maxine Cleary, Heather Myer, Barb Dalzell, Tamar Mikeladze

Affirmation of Faith: Rick Johnston, Norm Mackay, George Miller, Ron Davis, Jeff Lapinski, Sam Tucker

Director of Christian Education: Neil Myer

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

Choir Director: Jadrian Tarver

Tech Guru: Heather Myer

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SERMON SERIES: Why Worship?

“Christian worship joyfully ascribes all praise and honor, glory and power to the triune God. In worship the people of God acknowledge God present in the world and in their lives. As they respond to God’s claim and redemptive action in Jesus Christ, believers are transformed and renewed. In worship the faithful offer themselves to God and are equipped for God’s service in the world.” (PCUSA Book of Order, W-1.1001)

Have you ever wondered...

- Why do I need worship? Do I really need to come to church? Does it matter in these COVID days that I watch worship on my computer every week? Can’t I just worship God on my own?
- Why do we say a prayer of confession, it’s so depressing?
- Why does it seem like every time I show up for church, someone asks me for money?
- Why don’t we start out with communion or the sermon? Why is our service organized the way it is?

Join us for this worship series all about worship. We will explore the PCUSA’s reformed understanding of the theology of worship (it’s interesting, thoughtful, and beautiful). Even while we can’t gather in person, worship remains central to who we are as a church, so let’s explore why.