



# 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.

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**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<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> 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<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> 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

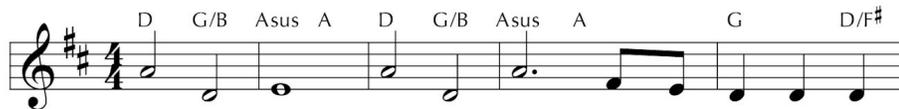
### Prayer for Illumination

### 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.