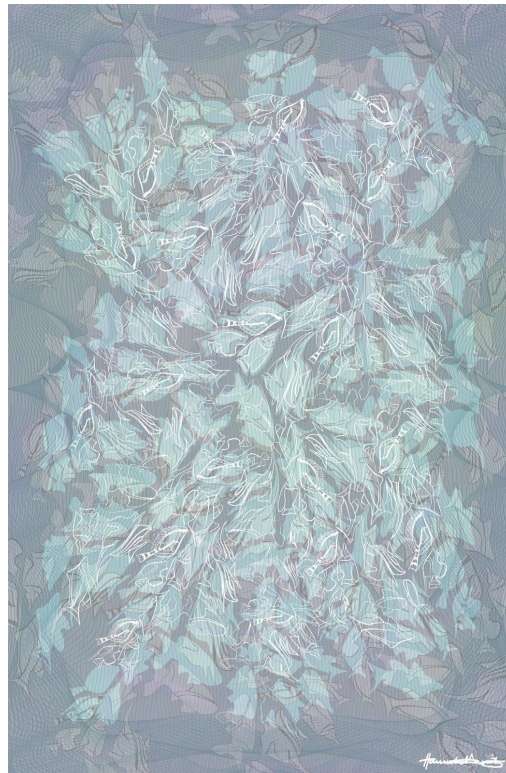




Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day
November 22, 2020**



ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 22, 2020

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

Prelude *Jesus, Name Above All Names*

Welcome & Announcements

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Threshold Moment & Lighting of Candles

Call to Worship

L. In worship we tell a story:

P. A story of an unfettered love that changed the world.

L. In worship we tell a story:

P. A story of how we live and how we long to live.

L. In worship we tell a story:

P. Because we are forgetful people.

L. So may we remember who we are.

P. May we release the narratives that trap us.

L. May we reimagine this world to see what God sees.

P. And may we work toward restoration.

L. It's all that easy, and it's all that hard.

P. Let us worship holy God.

Hymn *You Are Called to Tell the Story*

WITNESS

625 You Are Called to Tell the Story

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are arranged in four parts, with the first part having four numbered lines. Chord symbols are placed above the vocal lines.

System 1: Chords: Bb, Eb, Bb. Lyrics: 1 You are called to tell the sto - ry, pass - ing words of; 2 You are called to teach the rhy - thm of the dance that; 3 You are called to set the ta - ble, bless - ing bread as; 4 May the One whose love is broad - er than the meas - ure

System 2: Chords: F, Bb, Gm, D. Lyrics: life a - long, then to blend your voice with oth - ers; nev - er ends, then to move with - in the cir - cle,; Je - sus blessed, then to come with thirst and hun - ger,; of all space give us words to sing the sto - ry,

System 3: Chords: Gm, D, Gm, F, C7, F. Lyrics: as you sing the sa - cred song. Christ be known in; hand in hand with stran - gers, friends. Christ be known in; need - ing care like all the rest. Christ be known in; move a - mong us in this place. Christ be known in

System 4: Chords: Bb, Eb, Cm, Dm, Eb, Gm, F, Bb. Lyrics: all our sing - ing, fill - ing all with songs of love.; all our danc - ing, touch - ing all with hands of love.; all our shar - ing, feed - ing all with signs of love.; all our liv - ing, fill - ing all with gifts of love.

Words: Ruth Duck, 1947-
Music: Henry T. Smart, 1813-1879
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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy God,

To restore is to bring back;

So today we bring our hearts back to you,

our thoughts back to love,

and our prayers back to peace.

We try to stay in this place, but we confess,

it's never been that easy for us.

We flirt with reconciliation and then back away.

We come face-to-face with an opportunity for justice, but get scared.

We are offered an opportunity to re-write our story, but we lose our way.

Bring us back to this moment.

Bring us back to your story where brothers extend grace to one another

and even the one who denied it was forgiven.

Bring us back. Restore us. Forgive us.

Gratefully we pray, Amen.

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 Readings John 21:1-14

Sermon "Nothing Special"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Meditative Song *When I Look Into Your Holiness*

Affirmation of Faith

We believe in a restoring God,

Who restores our bodies through the gift of Sabbath.

We believe in a restoring God,

Who restores our souls through the gift of grace and second chances.

We believe in a restoring God,

Who restores this hurting world through the gift of mercy and God's son Jesus Christ.

And we believe in a restoring God who invites us to join in this restoration work.

***As people of faith, we seek to restore creation to God
by feeding the hungry, loving our neighbors,
forgiving seventy times seven, welcoming the children,
seeing all, loving all, and living like we belong to all.***

And so we will work until God's promised day.

This we believe. 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 #757 *Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples*

757 Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

1 To - day we all are called to be dis - ci - ples of the
 2 God made the world and at its birth or - dained our hu - man
 3 Pray jus - tice may come roll - ing down as in a might - y
 4 May we in ser - vice to our God act out the liv - ing

Lord, to help to set the cap - tive free, make
 race to live as stew - ards of the earth, re -
 stream, with righ - teous - ness in field and town to
 word, and walk the road the saints have trod till

plow - share out of sword, to feed the hun - gry, quench their
 spond - ing to God's grace. But we are vain and sad - ly
 cleanse us and re - deem. For God is long - ing to re -
 all have seen and heard. As stew - ards of the earth may

This text placing stewardship in the context of faithful witness was written by a retired Presbyterian minister to be part of the 1986 stewardship campaign titled "Called to Be Disciples." The tune name recalls the Sussex village where the arranger first heard the melody.

Charge & Benediction

Postlude *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Jeffrey O'Neill

Acolyte: Alex Mikeladze

Liturgists: Dennis & Estelle McGroarty, Jeff Lapinski & Bev Bonning

Director of Christian Education: Neil Myer

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

Choir Director: Jadrian Tarver

Vocalist: GeDeane Graham

Tech Guru: Heather Myer

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