



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
February 7, 2021



ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

February 7, 2021

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Threshold Moment

Call to Worship

We gather this day as God's beloved children -

to know the warmth of love,

to have the assurance that someone cares,

to be confident of our worth,

to be bold to love in return,

to be washed over with grace,

to be accepted as we are.

This is to know a bit of God.

Then let us worship our God.

Hymn #301 *All Are Welcome*

C7 F C F B^b C Dm

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can
 2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter,
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and

(D) (A) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)
 F C F Dm7 Gm C

safe - ly live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell
 strong and true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek
 wine, and wheat; a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground
 wood and stone to heal and strength-en, serve and teach,
 vi - sions heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed

(Em) (A7) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm)
 Gm C7 B^b F Am Dm

how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 to dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
 where peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 and live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
 as words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

(Em) (A) (D) (G)
 Gm C F B^b

vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the
 wit - ness, and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we
 strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us
 laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this

Refrain
 (D) (G) (F#7) (Bm) (Em) (Bm)
 F B^b A7 Dm Gm Dm

love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
 share in Christ the feast that frees us: all are wel - come;
 bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
 house pro-claim from floor to raf - ter:

(F#m) (Em) (D) (Em) (A7) (D) (G) (D)
 Am Gm F Gm C7 F B^b F

all are wel - come; all are wel - come in this place.

Call to Confession

God of all,
Search and hear our hearts as we confess
the sins of prejudice and building walls
that distort your divine plan for our human lives:

Prayer of Confession *(adapted from Prayer of Confession for Racial Justice Sunday, by the Rev. Susan A. Blain)*

You created us in divine likeness, diverse and beautiful:

In every person
 every race
 and gender
 and sexuality
 and age
 and socio-economic bracket
 and so on and so on

is your image.

***But too often we fail to recognize your image in all:
Forgive us.***

You created us in divine freedom, to be free:

In every decision, every choice is your possibility of justice.

***But too often we fail to choose to advocate for your justice for all:
Forgive us.***

You created us for divine abundance, to tend and share:

In every garden, every social structure is your seed of community.

***But too often we fail to create that community which includes all,
and gives to all equal access to your abundant life:
Forgive us.***

Forgive us:

Open our eyes to distinguish good from evil.

Open our hearts to desire good over evil.

Strengthen our wills to choose good over evil.

So that we may create among us your beloved community.

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 John 7:53-8:11

Sermon Half Truth: *Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Special Music "Jesus Loves the Little Children & He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

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.

Communion *(Please have your own elements ready, so you can partake of communion during the video.)*

The Lord be with you. ***And also with you.***

Lift up your hearts. ***We lift them up to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. ***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

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

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Hymn #649 *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*

THANKSGIVING

649 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved. How pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come. 'Tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures. He will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found, was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

CHOCTAW

*Shilombish holitopa ma!
 Ishmminti pulla cha
 hatak ilbusha pia ha
 is pi yukpalashke.*

CREEK

*Po ya fek cha he thlat ah tet
 ah non ah cha pa kas
 cha fee kee o funnan la kus
 um e ha ta la yus.*

NAVAHO

*Nizhónítgo joo bá diits' a'
 yisdáshítinigíí,
 lah yóóiyá, k'ad
 shénáhoosdzin,
 doo eesh'íí da nt'éé.*

As was his custom, the author wrote this hymn to accompany his sermon on 1 Chronicles 17:16–17, preached on January 1, 1773; he called it “Faith’s Review and Expectation.” Much of its current popularity comes from this now-familiar tune, an association that began in 1835.

TEXT: Stanzas 1–4, John Newton, 1772; stanza 5, *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790; Navaho, Albert Tsosie
 MUSIC: *Columbian Harmony*, 1829; arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1910, alt.

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AMAZING GRACE
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Charge & Benediction *Blessed with Discomfort from The Work of the People*

Postlude

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Acolyte: Laura Myer

Communion: Rev. Shirley Paxton and Rev. Kristin Stroble

Liturgist: Debi Cox

Director of Christian Education: Neil Myer

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