

Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day August 7, 2022



WELCOME!

Whether you are a member or a visitor, worshiping with us in-person or

online, you are welcome here.

Information about our church is found in the narthex or online: eastminsterchurch.org. At the welcome table or on our website, you can sign up for our weekly emails.

Masks are now optional in the building. If Ingham County moves to a high level again (based on the CDC community



levels) we will require masks again. We do have masks available at the welcome table.

Children are always welcome in worship at Eastminster. Your child can sit with you in the pew, sit in the space created for children at the front of the sanctuary. We have not yet resumed childcare, so if you are worried about your child getting a little wiggly or loud you can also worship in the Green Room where your child will have more space to move.

This is a livestream worship service, and the camera and microphones are on the whole time. While the camera is most often focused on the front of the sanctuary, there is a chance that you will be captured on camera. We do turn the camera off during the children's sermon and have that part audio only. If you would prefer to stay out of the camera's eye, you're encouraged to sit on the left side of the sanctuary.

* Congregation is invited to rise in body or in spirit. **Bold text** is read or sung by the congregation.

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 7, 2022

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

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

*Call to Worship

- L: It is in this place of holiness that we can come with our fears, our doubts, and all the questions of our hearts.
- P: We come to this place to hear the words of peace, of hope, and of joy that God speaks to us.
- L: It is in this place of discovery that we can come searching...
- P: We come to this place to find the One who has been looking for us.
- L: It is in this place of openness that we can come knocking...
- P: We come to this place of open doors, to be embraced by the One whose heart is never locked.

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

God, we do not find it easy to speak of how we do not live as your people, but you invite us to share our weaknesses and failures with you. We are tempted to think your salvation is for a select few, so we put up barriers to others. We cling to all you give us but are reluctant to share with those in need. We are

^{*}Hymn #39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

surrounded by evil and violence and find it easier to follow rather than seek peace and reconciliation.

Forgive us. Open our eyes to our sisters and brothers all around us. Open our ears to the word of hope you speak to us. Open our spirits to the presence of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, who flings wide the open doors of your kingdom, that all might find life with you. AMEN.

*Silent Confession

*Sung Response #19 God of Great and God of Small (vs 1) God of great and God of small, God of one and God of all, God of weak and God of strong, God to whom all things belong, alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.

*Passing of the Peace (Share the peace of Christ with the person next to you)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Children's Sermon

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Luke 11:1-13

Sermon "Magic 8 Ball"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

^{*}Assurance of Pardon

Time of Reflection

Communion

Invitation to the Table

Great Thanksgiving & 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.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Please come forward down the center aisle to receive by intinction. Take a piece of bread and then dip it in the cup and partake. You may return down the side aisles. Those unable to come forward will be served at their seats. Individual communion packets are available.

Prayer after Communion

*Hymn #536 Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen

*Charge & Benediction

Postlude

Participants in today's service:

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Bonita Zobeck

Worship Leader: Sara Weeden

Director of Christian Education: Neil Myer

Communion Servers: Ron Davis, Heather Myer, Beverly Bonning,

Sulin Campbell

Pianist/Organist: Tamar Mikeladze

Video Producer: Heather Myer

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Today we welcome Rev. Dr. Bonita Zobeck to our pulpit. Bonita is a United Church of Christ pastor. She retired after serving as Senior Pastor at Colonial Park UCC in Harrisburg, PA for ten years. Bonita and her husband moved to Michigan to be close to family. She is a member of Leslie United Church of Christ in Leslie, Michigan.

Ushers

Head usher: Barb Stowitts

<u>Greeter</u>

Mary Lou Clifton

Counters

Sam O'Neill, Linda Hardenbergh

Flowers

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God.

Church Leadership and Staff

Rev. Kristin Stroble Pastor

Rev. Shirley Paxton Parish Advisor

Neil Myer Director of Christian Education

Bridgette Redman Office Administrator

Tamar Mikeladze Organist

Heather Myer Bell Choir Director

This Week at Eastminster:

August 7 through August 14

SUNDAY, 8/7

Worship 10:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:00 a.m.

MONDAY, 8/8

Trivia at Sanctuary in Grand Ledge 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, 8/9

Session and Dinner 6:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, 8/11

Young Adult Gathering 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, 8/13

Advent House 8:00 a.m. PageTurners 10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, 8/14

Worship/Installation of Officers 10:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:00 a.m. Deacons 11:30 a.m.

Advent House

You are invited to help prepare and pack 60 sack lunches for Advent House meals. The next meals are August 13 and September 10. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex, send us an email at office@eastminsterchurch.org or call the church at 517-337-0893.

Judson Love Clothing Center Needs Volunteers

Judson is looking for volunteers for their Back-to-School season in 2022. They are open on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

They'd love to have teams of between 5 to 10 people to cover a shift. Dates needed are Aug. 20, 27. To sign up, please call 394-5413, Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.