



# Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day  
October 30, 2022**



**TOGETHER  
FOR JOY**

# 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](http://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. We do have masks available at the welcome table for those who would like to wear them.

Children are always welcome in worship at Eastminster. Your child can sit with you in the pew or sit in the space created for children at the front of the sanctuary. Our nursery is on the lower level for children 3 and under. It is staffed by two background-checked volunteers.

Hymn books and Bibles can be found under the pews.

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. 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

October 30, 2022

10:00 a.m.

## GATHERING

### Prelude

### Welcome & Announcements

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

### Opening Song #392

### Jesus, We Are Here

1 Je - sus, we are here; Je - sus, we are here; Je - sus,  
1 Je - su, ta - wa pa - no; Je - su, ta - wa pa - no; Je - su,

*Leader:* Wel - come, Je - sus.  
Mam - bo Je - su.

we are here; we are here for you.  
ta - wa pa - no; ta - wa pa - no, mu zi - ta re - nyu.

2 Savior,... 3 Teacher,... 4 Spirit,...

## **\*Call to Worship**

L. We gather today to remember  
the saints who have gone before us  
and the saints who still surround us.

***P. We come to bear witness to the God of life and love.***

L. We gather today as bereaved and grieving people,  
as hopeful and healing people.

***P. We come to bear witness to the God of life and love.***

L. We gather today to proclaim  
the mysteries of our faith  
and our faith in the God of mystery.

***P. We come to bear witness to the God of life and love.***

L. Come, let us gather for worship  
surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses.

***P. Come, let us worship the God of life and love.***

**\*Hymn #35** Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

## **\*Call to Confession**

### **\*Prayer of Confession**

***Beloved God,***

***who was known to our mothers and fathers,***

***to our spiritual forebears,***

***have mercy on us.***

***We do not always love as you would have us love.***

***We do not always do as you would have us do.***

***In our stubbornness,***

***we turn from you when we should turn toward you.***

***Hold us, dear One –***

***comfort us when we mourn the passing of friends and family,  
and help us to know that they are rejoicing in your presence.***

***Give us courage to follow in your way,  
that joined with those from ages past,***

*who have served you with faith, hope, and love,  
we may inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ.  
Hear now the silent fears and worries of our hearts.*

**\*Silent Confession**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

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

B $\flat$  F B $\flat$  F B $\flat$  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 $\flat$  E $\flat$  B $\flat$  Gm7 C7

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,  
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F $\sharp$ ) (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** (*Share the peace of Christ with the person next to you*)

## **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

**Children's Sermon**

**Special Music**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture Reading**      Luke 6:20-31

**Sermon**

## **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**Time of Reflection**

**Remembrance of the Saints**

*Hymn #731 Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm will be sung throughout the litany.*

Eternal God,  
our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
**we praise you for the saints of all times and places  
who have walked the road of faith before us and beside us.**  
For their witness to your love and their commitment to your justice,  
for their trust in your mercy regardless of the circumstance,  
we give you thanks and praise.

Hymn #731, Verse 1

***Give thanks for those whose faith is firm  
when all around seems bleak:  
on God's good promise they rely,  
so while they live and when they die  
how forcefully they speak:  
the strong, who once were weak!***

God of all creation,  
**we praise you for all your servants  
who have witnessed to your truth,  
who have shown us your love,  
who have inspired us to have hope.**  
By their example of faith, hope, and love,  
remind us of your calling to join in making  
your new creation real in this world and the next.

Hymn #731, Verse 2

***Give thanks for those whose hope is clear,  
beyond mere mortal sight:  
who seek the city God has planned,  
the true, eternal promised land,  
and steer on toward that light,  
a beacon ever bright.***

God of grace and peace,  
we praise you for all those  
who reflect your love into our world.  
Guide us to continue their faithful work  
as we too walk in the light of your love.

Hymn #731, Verse 3

***Give thanks for those whose love is pure,  
a sparkling precious stone:  
they show by what they say and do  
an inward beauty, warm and true,  
for God's concerns they own:  
God's love through them is known.***

God of all saints,  
today we especially remember the saints  
from among this church community  
who have departed our company over the past year.

*In remembrance of the saints of Eastminster Presbyterian who joined the church triumphant since our last celebration of All Saints Day.*

Marcia Engelkes	April 9, 1943 — January 31, 2022
Dennis McGroarty	June 24, 1942 — February 4, 2022
David Hoyt	February 15, 1944 — February 18, 2022
Allen Cable	June 20, 1936 — March 22, 2022
Lou Mitchell	May 7, 1927 — May 31, 2022
Valeria McMullen	June 15, 1926 — October 15, 2022

We thank you for their faithful witness  
for their courage amidst strife  
and their hope in the face of death.

We remember so many other saints who have walked this road with us,  
and we name those who were loved by members of this community:

*Clark Grant, Linda Hardenbergh's father*  
*Dale Nixon, Matt Nixon's father*  
*Luther Icenhour, Bob Walter's brother-in-law*  
*Jay Myers, Friend of George and Sue Miller*  
*Robert Prather, Former co-worker of George Miller*

Eternal God,  
**as we walk this pilgrim way,**  
**make our faith firm,**  
**our hope clear,**  
**and our love pure,**  
that we might join the saints of all the ages in praise eternal,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Hymn #731, Verse 4

*Give thanks for saints of ages past  
and saints alive today:  
though often by this world despised,  
their hearts by God are richly prized.  
Give thanks that we may say  
we share their pilgrim way.*

### **Pastoral Prayer & 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.*

**\*Hymn #326**      For All The Saints

**\*Charge & Benediction**

### **Postlude**

#### **Participants in today's service:**

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Barbara Lowes

Director of Christian Education: Neil Myer

Pianist/Organist: Tamar Mikeladze

Special Music: Sandro Sidamonidze, Cello

Video Producer: Mike Brown

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## **Ushers**

Brenda Ramsby

## **Greeter**

Sue Kalvonjian

## **Counters**

Jeff Lapinski, Sue Rosser

## **Flowers**

Today's flowers are given by Ted and Pat Hagan in memory of Robert Samuelson, Pat's brother.

## **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:**

*Oct. 30 through Nov. 6*

### **SUNDAY, 10/30**

Worship	10:00 a.m.
Fellowship	11:00 a.m.
Faith Formation for Children	11:15 a.m.

### **TUESDAY, 11/1**

Bell Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.
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Presbytery Meeting

### **WEDNESDAY, 11/2**

Men's Bible Study	8:00 a.m.
Late-Morning Bible Study	10:30 a.m.

### **THURSDAY, 11/3**

Young Adult Gathering	7:00 p.m.
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### **FRIDAY, 11/4**

UKirk Trivia at Okemos	7:00 p.m.
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### **SUNDAY, 11/6**

Children-led Worship	10:00 a.m.
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All-Church Lunch

11:00 a.m.

UKirk Dinner

6:00 p.m.

*Bridgette will be out of the office from Nov. 2 through Nov. 14.*

## **Team Trivia Night!**

UKirk at MSU is holding its second team trivia night at 7 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 4 at the Presbyterian Church of Okemos.

UKirk plans to hold one trivia night each semester, a casual event and fundraiser to support the ongoing ministry and mission of UKirk at MSU. You are invited to form a team of six people to play team trivia. If you don't have a complete team, we'll pair you with people.

Cost is \$120 per table or \$20 per person. There will be a silent auction and a dessert auction.

**Nursery volunteers:** Going forward, our nursery/toddler room will be staffed by volunteers. We need two adults (age 18 or older) each week. The service will be live-streamed on a television directly into the space. All volunteers will be background checked. To volunteer, please call the church office, contact Neil Myer at [neil@eastminsterchurch.org](mailto:neil@eastminsterchurch.org) or sign up in the Narthex.

## **Stewardship: Together for Joy**

You should have received a stewardship letter and pledge card in the mail. If you didn't please let us know. These pledges help us faithfully budget for the next year. You can pledge online or there are pledge cards in the Narthex. Please turn in your pledge by today. Pledge cards went out in the mail a few weeks ago. If you did not receive one and would like one mailed to you, please contact us.

## **Thanksgiving Baskets**

For 2022, Eastminster has committed to providing Thanksgiving food baskets for 10 families. The program, coordinated by Christian Services, will provide groceries to prepare a complete Thanksgiving meal.

We are asking congregation members to volunteer for one of two activities for this initiative. First, we are asking that members volunteer to purchase the items for a food basket. The filled baskets should be returned to the church on Thursday, November 17th between 10am and 4pm or Friday, November 18th between 5pm and 7pm.

We are also asking for volunteers to deliver the food baskets sometime between November 19-22nd. Baskets can be picked up for delivery at the church between November 19-22nd. Each basket will have the name and phone number of the family to receive the basket. We ask the volunteers who agree to deliver the baskets to call the recipients and arrange a time the baskets can be dropped off.

Sign up sheets are in the Narthex and online at our website.

### **All-Church Lunch**

On November 6th, after a children's led worship service, we will be coming together for an all-church lunch. We're looking for people to provide soup, salad or dessert. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex or call us at the church office.

### **Advent House**

Our next Advent House meal is November 12th. Each month we pack 60 lunches. This month we are providing 60 sandwiches and 60 servings of soup. We still need people to make 8 servings of soup. This month's recipe is Minestrone and can be found in the Narthex. Please call the church or sign up on the sheet if you can provide soup.

### **Brian Major and the Metropolitan Opera**

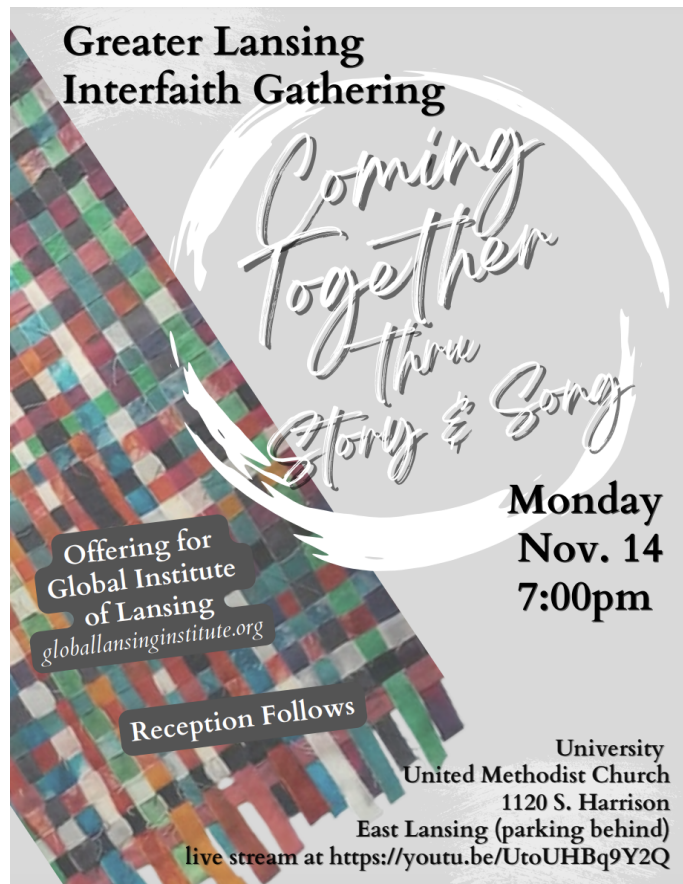


Our friend Brian K. Major made his debut at [The Metropolitan Opera](#) as Barone Duphoul in Verdi's La Traviata this week. This New York run will go (at least) through November 19. Through a Met program that broadcasts performances live in local theaters, you have a chance to see Brian's performance on Saturday, November 5 at 12:55 pm at Studio C in Okemos or on Saturday,

Nov. 5 at 12:55, Wednesday, Nov. 9 at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. at Regal at the Lansing Mall.

## **Brass Quintet: Eastminster Concert Series**

We will be kicking off the Eastminster Concert Series on Sunday Nov. 13 at 2 p.m. The first concert in the series is a brass quintet that will play music from Duke Ellington, Richard Wagner, J.S. Bach, Rodgers & Hammerstein and more. The concert is free (donations welcome) and there will be a light reception afterward.



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Reception Follows

**Monday  
Nov. 14  
7:00pm**

University  
United Methodist Church  
1120 S. Harrison  
East Lansing (parking behind)  
live stream at <https://youtu.be/UtoUHBq9Y2Q>

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