



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
April 30, 2023

DEATH	BEING ALONE	DYING	SUFFERING	FUTURE	FAILURE
	UNKNOWN	PAIN	ABANDONMENT	AGING	
	CHANGE	CANCER	MISSING OUT	REJECTION	
<i>Un</i> AFRAID living with hope and courage					
VIOLENCE	FAILURE	BEING ALONE	DISAPPOINTING OTHERS	PAIN	LOSS
	UNCERTAINTY	EVIL	THE OTHER	LONELINESS	
	GETTING HURT	SICKNESS	CLIMATE CHANGE	SCARCITY	

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 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.



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

April 30, 2023

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

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

Threshold Moment *Do Not Fear* by The Many

*Call to Worship

L. Children of God: welcome!

P. Welcome to this place of love and grace,

L. Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.

P. God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,

L. God invites all of us to share in the good news:

P. We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.

L. In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

***Hymn #692** Spirit, Open My Heart

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we can be so full of fear at times – afraid of the unknown; afraid of what is beyond our control; afraid of failing. And we know that fear stops us in our tracks, hinders our action, and gives excuses for not doing what you call us to do and what you empower us to do. So we pray that you will give us courage, O God. Give us strong hearts and open hands, that we might set aside our fear, and walk confidently into this world you have made. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

***Silent Confession**

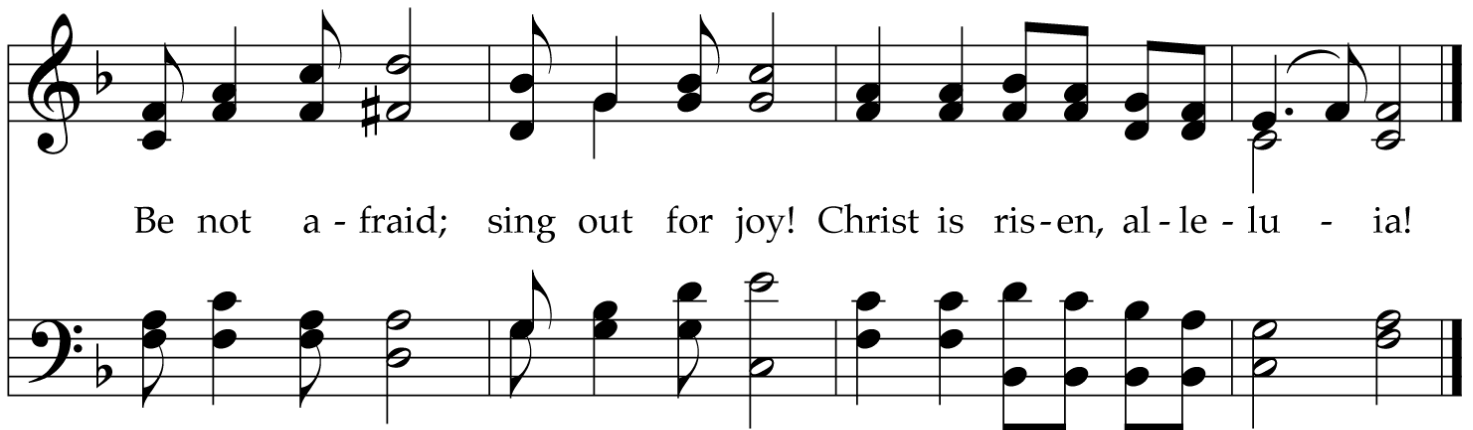
***Assurance of Pardon**

***Sung Response #243** Be Not Afraid



Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al - le - lu - ia!

The first system of musical notation for 'Be Not Afraid' is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: 'Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al - le - lu - ia!'.



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The second system of musical notation for 'Be Not Afraid' continues the melody and bass line from the first system. The lyrics are: 'Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al - le - lu - ia!'.

***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 Exodus 4:1-17

Sermon But what if I fail?

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

Sabbatical Leave-Taking

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 #726** Will You Come and Follow Me

***Charge & Benediction**

Postlude

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Amanda Lanier

Director of Christian Education: Neil Myer

Organist/Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

Video Producer: Heather Myer

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Ushers

Head Usher: Brenda Ramsby

Greeter

Bruce Augenstein

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

This Week at Eastminster:

April 30 through May 7, 2023

SUNDAY, 4/30

Worship

10:00 a.m.

Fellowship

11:00 a.m.

UKirk Study Hours

MONDAY, 5/1

Quintet Practice

1:00 p.m.

Trivia at Royal Scot

7:00 p.m.

UKirk Study Hours

TUESDAY, 5/2

Session

7:00 p.m.

UKirk Study Hours

WEDNESDAY, 5/3

Men's Bible Study

8:00 a.m.

Morning Bible Study

10:30 a.m. (Zoom only)

UKirk Study Hours

THURSDAY, 5/4

Infrastructure

2:30 p.m.

Young Adult Gathering

7:00 p.m.

UKirk Study Hours

FRIDAY, 5/5

Quintet Practice

1:00 p.m.

Neil's Sabbatical begins

SUNDAY, 5/7

Worship

10:00 a.m.

Fellowship

11:00 a.m.

Neil Myer, Director of Christian Education & UKirk Campus Minister Sabbatical

Neil is taking a sabbatical beginning May 14th. The week before he will be at a conference using continuing education time. So please note that after May 4th, Neil will no longer be available. Neil returns from sabbatical August 1st. We pray that Neil's sabbatical time is refreshing and renewing!

Advent House

Starting this month, we will be providing casserole dishes to Advent House similar to how we did pre-pandemic. We need ten people to each provide one lasagna, fruit salad for 8 to 10 people and one dozen cookies. Our next meal is May 13th. Casserole pans are in the narthex with the lasagna recipe in them.

All Call for Graduates

Do you have a loved one graduating from high school or college this year? Let us know so we can honor them in an upcoming service.