



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day
May 21, 2023**

DEATH

BEING ALONE DYING SUFFERING FUTURE
UNKNOWN PAIN ABANDONMENT AGING
CHANGE CANCER MISSING OUT REJECTION

FAILURE

Un AFRAID

living with hope and courage

VIOLENCE

FAILURE BEING ALONE DISAPPOINTING OTHERS PAIN
UNCERTAINTY EVIL THE OTHER LONELINESS
GETTING HURT SICKNESS CLIMATE CHANGE SCARCITY

LOSS

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

May 21, 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. We come to you, O God, to thank you for what is good.

P. We come to you, O God, to cry out for what is wrong.

L. We come to you, O God, to ask for help and restoration.

P. We come to you, O God, with aching hearts and glad souls.

L. Let us worship God.

***Hymn #39** Great Is Thy Faithfulness

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

Holy God, we ask for your help, your power, your Spirit, so that we can amend our lives and grow more each day into the image of Christ. We confess that we fear what is different. We confess that it's easier to lock the doors of our community than to receive those who don't look like we look, love like we love, or vote the way we vote. We confess that we have not lived out your call to share in abundant life and unconditional love. We believe that you have the power to turn us around to a more inclusive way of living, so we ask you to do that. We ask you to give us the courage to change. We ask that you give us the energy, intelligence, imagination, and love to be your people in all we say and do. 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!



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 Genesis 4:1-16

Sermon Fear of the Other

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

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 #317** In Christ There Is No East or West

***Charge & Benediction**

Postlude

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Susan Smalley

Children's Message: Mike Brown

Organist/Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

Video Producer: Heather Myer

Worship Credits: "Do Not Fear" by the Many with lyrics by Lenora Rand, Music by Hannah Rand, 2020 Plural Guild Music, Used with Permission; Hymns are printed and streamed with permission from One License #A-725831.

Ushers

Head Usher: Sue Kalvonjian

Greeter

Mary Lou Clifton

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:

May 21 through May 28, 2023

SUNDAY, 5/21

Worship	10:00 a.m.
Fellowship	11:00 a.m.
Deacons	11:30 a.m.

MONDAY, 5/22

Quintet Practice	1:00 p.m.
Trivia at Royal Scot	7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 5/24

Financial Review at Holt	10:00 a.m.
Morning Bible Study	10:30 a.m. (Zoom only)

THURSDAY, 5/25

Young Adult Gathering	7:00 p.m.
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FRIDAY, 5/26

Quintet Practice	1:00 p.m.
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SUNDAY, 5/28 PENTECOST

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

Neil is on sabbatical.

Eastminster's Community Garden

The plots in our Community Garden are prepped and ready to go! Would you like to have a plot to plant in this summer? Please contact Jeff Lapinski or the church office if you are interested.

Pentecost Offering

We will collect the Pentecost Offering next week. This offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people and inspire them to share their faith, ideas and unique gifts with the church and the world.



NOAH WESTFALL

Through our gifts, we help inspire young people to share their faith, ideas and unique gifts with the church and the world, and in so doing, bring hope to others.



PENTECOST
SPECIAL OFFERINGS

CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS

APRIL 18 – JUNE 5, 2022