



# Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day  
June 4, 2023



# 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 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

June 4, 2023

10:00 a.m.

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## **GATHERING**

### **Prelude**

### **Welcome & Announcements**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

*And also with you.*

### **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.

### **Opening Video**

**\*Hymn #401** Here in This Place

**\*Call to Confession**

**\*Prayer of Confession**

*Loving God, you created all things to work together in your kingdom, and you call us to live as one body. We confess we often prefer to go our own way, and our unwillingness to love when we don't understand puts us at odds with your creation. We pursue our own individual success and we miss the chance to celebrate your gift of community. Forgive us. Open our ears to hear you speaking, and our hearts to embrace your purpose. Amen.*

**\*Silent Confession**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Sung Response #19**    God of Great and God of Small  
*God of land and sky and sea, God of life and destiny,  
God of never-ending power, yet beside me every hour,  
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**       Mark 2:1-12

**Sermon**       Community

### **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**Time of Reflection**

**Communion & Lord's Prayer**

Invitation to the Table

Great Thanksgiving and 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.*

## 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. Please ask if you need gluten-free bread.*

## Prayer after Communion

**\*Hymn #761**      Called as Partners in Christ's Service

## **\*Charge & Benediction**

## Postlude

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

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Terry Graham

Pianist: Alyssa Snelson

Video Producer: Mike Brown

Communion Servers: Barb Dalzell, Sulin Campbell, Dave Duryea, Robin Bell

**Worship Credits:** The call to worship is by Beth Merrill Neel; The prayer of confession is by Rev. Teri Peterson; Hymns are printed and streamed with permission from One License #A-725831.

## **Ushers**

Head Usher: Barb Stowitts

## **Greeter**

Barb Dalzell

## **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:**

*June 4 through June 11, 2023*

### **SUNDAY, 6/4**

Worship with communion

10:00 a.m.

Fellowship

11:00 a.m.

### **MONDAY, 6/5**

Quintet Practice

1:00 p.m.

Trivia at Royal Scot

7:00 p.m.

### **THURSDAY, 6/8**

Infrastructure Meeting

2:30 p.m.

Young Adult Gathering

7:00 p.m.

### **FRIDAY, 6/9**

Quintet Practice

1:00 p.m.

### **SATURDAY, 6/10**

Advent House

8:30 a.m.

PageTurners

10:00 a.m.

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Worship

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Fellowship

11:00 a.m.

*Neil is on sabbatical. Bridgette will be out of the office for most of the day on June 6 and 7 for a joint financial review with the Holt and Okemos churches.*

## Eastminster Spring Clean-up

Pick an area and do at your convenience:

- Along the north border there are two (2) stakes indicating tree branches to be cut and removed
- On and around the garden patio, blow off weeds and debris and weed the area.
- Pick up stray branches around trees.
- Weed around church building and take weeds to woods. Ron will spray thistles.

If you need anything or have questions, contact Ron Davis, 517-677-6996.

## Advent House

Saturday, June 10 is our next Advent House meal. This month we are asking folks to sign-up to make a Taco Casserole recipe (available in the Narthex). If you sign-up to bring a casserole please also bring 1 dozen cookies and fruit salad (enough to serve 8). You can sign-up in the narthex or by contacting the church office. Thank you for your help!

**“IRRESISTIBLE,  
SATISFYING AND  
FULL OF FUEL.  
IT REMINDS YOU  
THAT CHANGE TAKES  
TIME AND ALWAYS  
REQUIRES HEAT.”**

—THE NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW

## PageTurners: June 10

Join Eastminster's book club over Zoom this month as they read "Lessons in Chemistry" by Bonnie Garmus, a novel about a female chemist in the 1950s trying to defy the patriarchy and make a living in a male-dominated field.



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