



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day
July 30, 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. 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.

** 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

July 30, 2023

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 (adapted from Psalm 104)

L. May the glory of the Lord endure forever!

P. O Lord, we rejoice in all your works.

L. You look at the Earth and it trembles;
you touch the mountains and they smoke.

**P. We will sing to the Lord as long as we live;
We will praise God while we have our being.**

Opening Video

***Hymn #25** O Lord, Our God, How Excellent

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

*Great God of all creation,
who are we that you are mindful of us?
You who set the stars in motion,
who launched waves crashing against the shore,
who knows the heights and depths of the world;
Why do you bother with us?
You count the hairs on our heads,
and call us each by name.*

*You give us your wisdom and you uphold us by your Spirit.
You tend to us and care for us,
and we do not understand why.*

*We cannot grasp your love for us, O God,
for it is unlike us to be that loving and forgiving.
We become enmeshed
by our own needs and wants and desires
and we fail to see beyond anything but our own little circles.*

*Turn us around, O God.
Help us to see as you see,
and to reach out as you reach out.
Remind us once again of the sacredness
of our ordinary, day-to-day lives.
By your Spirit,
teach us to live truly as beings little lower than angels.
In your mercy, O God,
forgive who we are and bless who we will be. 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 Psalm 8

Reflection	Great Smoky Mountains National Park	Tom Hardenbergh
Hymn #15	All Creatures of Our God and King, v.1	
Reflection	Big Bend National Park	Beverly Bonning
Hymn #15	All Creatures of Our God and King, v.2	
Reflection	Rocky Mountain National Park	Norm Mackay
Hymn #15	All Creatures of Our God and King, v. 3	
Reflection	Zion National Park	Robin Bell
Hymn #15	All Creatures of Our God and King, v. 4	

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 #37** Let All Things Now Living

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude**

Participants in today's service:

Worship Leaders: Robin Bell and Linda Hardenbergh

Reflections: Tom Hardenbergh, Beverly Bonning, Norm Mackay, Robin Bell

Children's Message: Mary Lou Clifton

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

Video Producer: Mike Brown and Susan Smalley

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Ushers

Head Usher: Brenda Ramsby

Greeter

Mary Lou Clifton

Flowers

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

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:

July 30 through Aug. 6, 2023

SUNDAY, 7/30

Worship

10:00 a.m.

Fellowship

11:00 a.m.

MONDAY, 7/31

Trivia at Royal Scot

7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 8/2

Hope-in-One Golf Tournament

All Day

THURSDAY, 8/3

Young Adult Gathering

7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, 8/6

Worship

10:00 a.m.

Fellowship

11:00 a.m.

Neil is on sabbatical and returns Aug. 1. Kristin is on vacation and will return Aug. 10.

UKirk Needs Books

UKirk is running low on books for their Book Project. We need books for preschool through elementary age children. You can help by donating new or gently-used books. How? Easy!!

1. Collect age-appropriate books and drop them at church during normal office hours or Sunday morning. You will find a well marked bin in the narthex.
2. Go to the UKirk website at <https://www.ukirkmsu.org/bookproject.html> for details on how to order the books and have them delivered directly to the church.
3. Donate money on the Eastminster or UKirk website and designate your gift in the comments section.

Once our inventory is replenished the UKirk students can sort and distribute more books. As always, we thank you for your support.

Lansing Lugnuts Game, Saturday August 19th at 7:05pm

Eastminster is going to a Lugnuts Game on Saturday, August 19th! The Lugnuts are playing the Great Lake Loons and there will be fireworks after. If you'd like a ticket please contact the church office
(office@eastminsterchurch.org).



SCAN ME

Scan the QR code with your phone to donate online to Eastminster.

