



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day
August 27, 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

August 27, 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**

L. Holy One, dwell within us.

P. Whisper in our ears;

L. Glimmer in our vision;

P. Write upon our hearts.

L. We wait, we worship

P. with open ears, open eyes, open hearts.

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

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

Holy One,

*We confess that we resist your call to change our hearts
and allow a deepening of our relationship with you.*

*We nurse our wounded hearts
and withhold forgiveness which may transform our relationships.*

*We fear for our own security
which leads us to close our hearts to those in need.*

God have mercy.

Christ have mercy

God have mercy.

*Silent Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

*Sung Response #582 Glory to God



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#) (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

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34

Scripture Reading John 12:24-26

Sermon The Heart's Graffiti

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 #767** Together We Serve

***Charge & Benediction**

Postlude

Participants in today's service:

Guest Minister: Rev. Dr. Jeffrey O'Neill

Worship Leader: Charlotte Smith

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

Video Producer: Mike Brown

Worship Credits: The prayer of confession is adapted from a prayer by Rev. Kathryn Matthews Huey and the Rev. Susan A. Blain. Hymns are printed and streamed with permission from One License #A-725831.

Ushers

Head Usher: Estelle McGroarty

Greeter

Irv Nichols

Flowers

Today's flowers are given by Dave and Mary Ann Merchant in honor of their 66th wedding anniversary.

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:

Aug. 27 through Sept. 3, 2023

SUNDAY, 8/27

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Fellowship 11:00 a.m.

MONDAY, 8/28

Trivia at Royal Scot 7:00 p.m.

CCR Rehearsal 5:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, 8/31

Young Adult Gathering 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, 9/3

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Fellowship 11:00 a.m.

Today we welcome Rev. Dr. Jeffrey O'Neill to the pulpit. We are grateful for his continued participation and leadership in the life of our church. Pastor Kristin is away doing continuing education. She will return next Sunday.

Women's Retreat

Eastminster is participating in a joint Women's Retreat with The Peoples Church. The retreat will be at St. Francis Retreat Center in Dewitt on Friday, September 22 and Saturday September 23rd. Join us for conversation, fellowship and worship. The presenter is Shannon Craigo-Snell, a Presbyterian minister and Professor of Theology at Louisville Seminary. The theme is Serving God with our Whole Selves. The cost is \$120 single occupancy or \$105 (per person) double occupancy. If you would like to register contact the church office (office@eastminsterchurch.org). Scholarships are available upon request.

RDC Welcome Kits

Help us welcome new immigrants to the area. Pick up a card in the Green Room that shares things needed to fill welcome kits that are distributed to refugees being placed in homes in the area.

Advent House

Our next Advent House meal is September 9th. Please sign up to bring a casserole, fruit salad, and cookies.

Church Directories

The updated church directory is in the narthex.



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