



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day
September 3, 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

September 3, 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. We gather hoping to see God,

P. here in worship, we realize that we see God in one another.

L. We can see God when we show one another honor,

P. when we pursue hospitality to strangers,

L. when we live in harmony with one another,

P. when we rejoice in hope.

L. Let us worship the visible God amongst us.

***Hymn #316 Where Charity and Love Prevail**

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

God of love,

you ask us to love one another from the center of who we are,

you tell us to bless one another,

you encourage us to do good.

But we have not listened to your words,

instead of loving we have practiced hatred,

instead of blessing, we have perfected cursing,

instead of doing good, we have sought to get even.

Forgive us for giving up.

*Give us grace to try again,
and encouragement to make your ways, our ways.
We pray, we wait, and we hope. Amen.*

***Silent Confession**

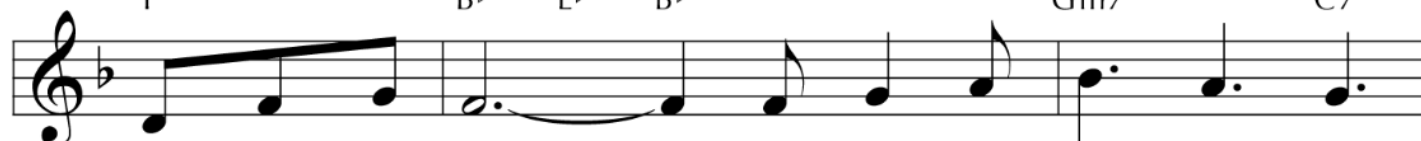
***Assurance of Pardon**

***Sung Response #582 Glory to God**



1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
2 World with - out end, 7 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, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F \sharp) (Bm)
C7 F A Dm



and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, 7 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 Romans 12:9-21

Sermon

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 #546** Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

***Charge & Benediction**

Postlude

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Mary Harvey

Children's Message: Neil Myer

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

Video Producer: Mike Brown

Communion Servers: Sam O'Neill, David Duryea, Sulin Campbell, Estelle McGroarty

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Ushers

Head Usher: Beverly Bonning; Jeff Lapinski

Greeter

Barb Lowes

Flowers

Today's flowers are given by Tom and Linda Hardenbergh in memory of Ellen Grant, Linda's mom.

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:

Sept. 3 through Sept. 10, 2023

SUNDAY, 9/3

Worship

10:00 a.m.

Fellowship

11:00 a.m.

Livestream Meeting

11:30 a.m.

MONDAY, 9/4 Office Closed

Trivia at Royal Scot

7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, 9/7

Infrastructure Meeting	2:30 p.m.
UKirk Dinner and Gathering	6:30 p.m.
Young Adult Gathering	7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, 9/9

Advent House	8:30 a.m.
PageTurners	10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, 9/10

Worship	10:00 a.m.
Fellowship	11:00 a.m.
Deacons	11:30 a.m.
Lansing Matinee Musicale Concert	3:00 p.m.

Bridgette will be on vacation from Sept. 5-7.

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. You can bring food in at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday or during office hours on Thursday (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.)



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