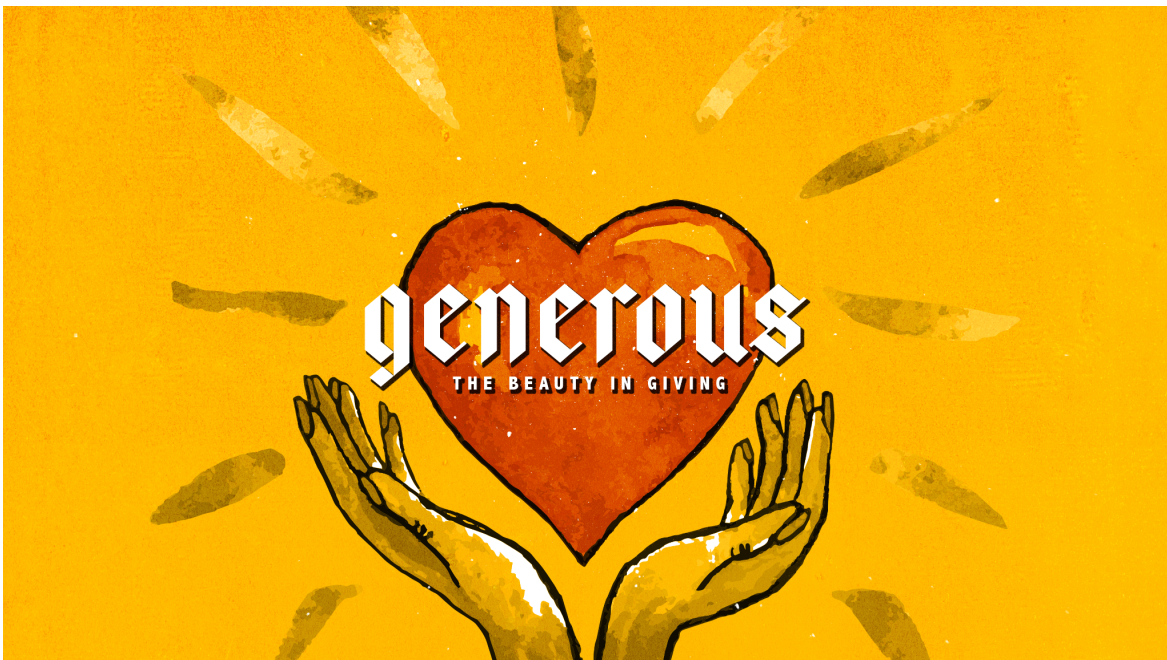




Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day
October 15, 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

October 15, 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. The word has come for us from God:

P. who promises to provide for us.

L. The word has come to us from Jesus:

P. who encourages us to remember the good news we have received.

L. The word flows to us from the Spirit:

P. who reminds us to place our hope and trust in God.

***Hymn #14 For the Beauty of the Earth**

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

We need to confess, God, how often we are not content with the simple gifts and lives you offer. Tempted by everything, we can become insensitive to those who have nothing. Encouraged by the world to accumulate more, we may miss the chance to gather your goodness and godliness. Chasing after all which has no value, we don't have the energy to pursue the faith, the love, the gentleness you have for us. Forgive us, God. Lead us to be good stewards of our resources, as we remember all that you have provided.

***Silent Confession**

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Sung Response #36**

*For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God.*

*For the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God.*

*For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all that love has found us,
thanks be to God.*

***Passing of the Peace** (*Share the peace of Christ with the person next to you*)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Stewardship Moment

Children's Sermon

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading 1 Timothy 6:6-19

Sermon Finding Contentment

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 #450** Be Thou My Vision

***Charge & Benediction**

Postlude

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Tom Hardenbergh

Director of Christian Education: Neil Myer

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

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Ushers

Head Usher: Sue Kalvonjian; Ruth Hartwig

Greeter

Heather Heitman

Livestream

Heather Myer, Susan Smalley

Flowers

Today's flowers are given by the Myer family in celebration of Heather and Laura's birthday.

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:

Oct. 15 through Oct. 22, 2023

SUNDAY, 10/15

Worship	10:00 a.m.
Fellowship	11:00 a.m.
Children's Education	11:15 a.m.
Community Bell Rehearsal	4:00 p.m.

MONDAY, 10/16

Staff Meeting	10:30 a.m.
CCR Bell Rehearsal	6:00 p.m.
AA District Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Trivia at Royal Scot	7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, 10/17

Chorale Ensemble Rehearsal	10:00 a.m.
UKirk Board Meeting	6:15 p.m.
Faith Formation Meeting	7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 10/18

Men's Bible Study	8:00 a.m.
Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
Community Connections Meeting	7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, 10/19

UKirk Dinner & Gathering	6:30 p.m.
Young Adult Gathering	7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, 10/21

Session Retreat	9:00 a.m.
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SUNDAY, 10/22 *Pledges due*

Worship	10:00 a.m.
Fellowship	11:00 a.m.
Session Retreat	12:00 p.m.
Community Bell Rehearsal	4:00 p.m.

UKirk at MSU News

It's that time of year when we turn to thoughts of holidays, football, and trivia. Yes, trivia. [UKirk at MSU](#) is hosting their annual Trivia Night Friday Nov 3rd. The event will take place at Okemos Presbyterian Church.



Yes, there will be a silent auction!

Yes, you can bid on items on-line!

Yes you can sponsor a table for \$120!

Yes, you can sponsor a round for \$100!

Spoiler alert: The featured item on the auction will be two tickets to this year's Robert Burns Dinner at the Kellogg Center.

So get a team together and watch this space for a link to where you'll be able to bid online.

For more details see Neil Myer or Norm Mackay.

All Saints Sunday, October 29, 2023

We are going to be celebrating All Saints Day in worship on Sunday, October 29th. On this day we will remember the saints from our congregation who died since our last celebration of All Saints. If you have a friend or family member you'd like included in the remembrances, please let Kristin know by Monday, October 23rd.

Cents-Ability Offering

We are going to return to collecting the cents-ability offering once a month in worship. The cents-ability offering is a collection of coins and the money goes to organizations who provide food for the hungry. We will collect change during the service today.

Help Needed!

Are you willing to feed hungry UKirk students? We need people to bring meals every Thursday night. Please let Neil know if you can help out.



Children in Worship

Children and middle school youth along with their parents are invited to the lower level Sunday after worship as we begin to learn and plan for worship leading later this fall. We will meet on two upcoming

Sundays: October 15, October 29.

Kids and middle school youth will lead the worship service on Sunday, November 5.

Thanksgiving Baskets

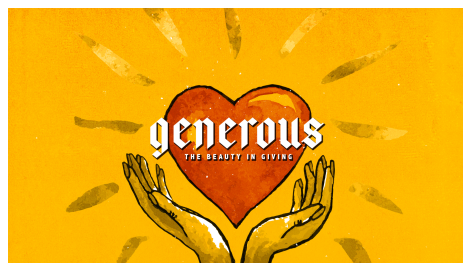
We have committed to filling and delivering 10 Thanksgiving Baskets for Christian Services. Christian Services connects churches with families that need a holiday meal. To sign-up to fill a basket and/or deliver a basket you can fill out this [form](#) or sign up in the church narthex. Thank you for your help!

Welcome Kits

We have put out the cards for items needed for October's welcome kits. If you pick up a card, please return the items by the end of the month.

Stewardship

We have mailed out 2024 pledge cards to all our regular attendees. Our budgeting process is greatly helped by receiving your pledge cards. You can pledge by returning that card or by going to our website. We also have extra pledge cards in the Narthex. Thank you for your generosity.





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