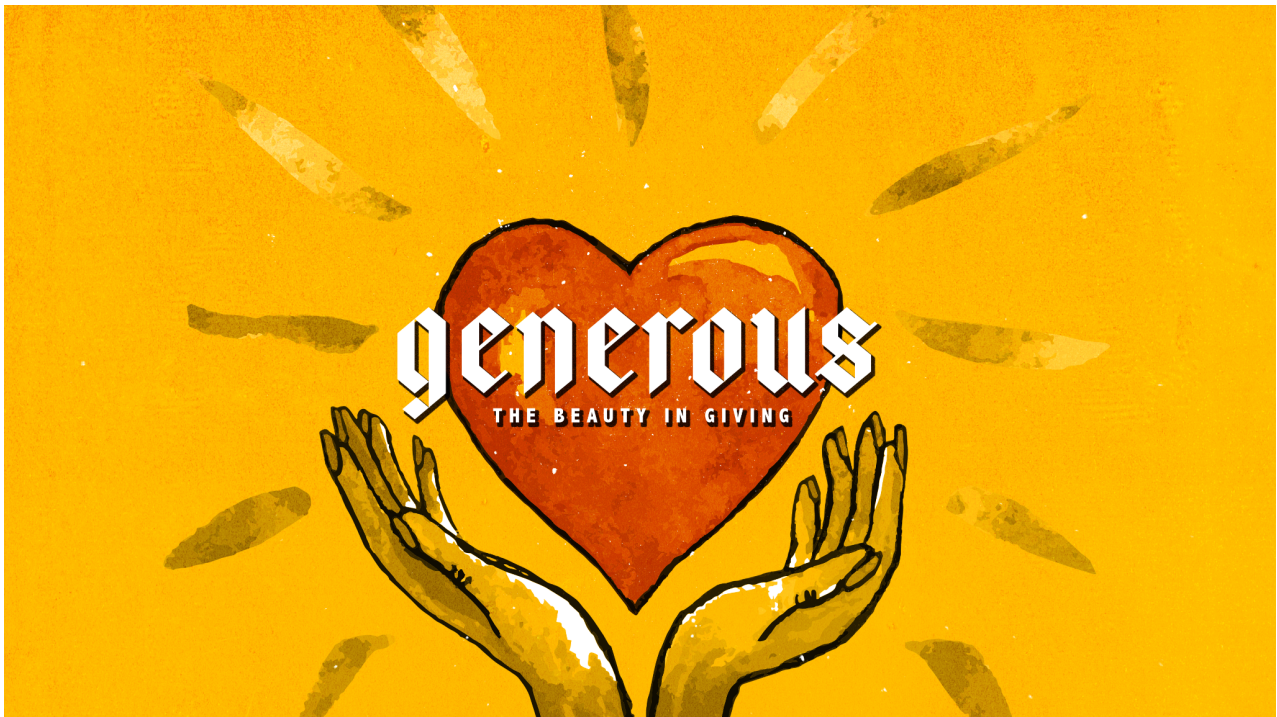




Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
October 22, 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 22, 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 today hoping to be fed by God.

P. Sometimes we worry that what we have is not enough.

L. Jesus fed thousands with just five loaves and two fish;
God will feed us today.

*P. Praise God! The little we have is enough for God
to receive, bless, and multiply.*

L. God will provide enough for us and for others.

P. Glory to God. Amen.

*Hymn #401 Here in This Place

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Generous God

whose giving knows neither measure nor end,

We confess that all too often

we have kept our own hearts, hands and minds

firmly closed.

*Forgive us for those times
when our own wants and wishes
have kept us from attending
to the needs and concerns of others.*

*Forgive us for those moments
when the fear that sharing what we have
has kept us silent and still
when those around us are in need.*

*Forgive us for those situations
when we see only a problem
rather than daring to dream a solution.*

*Forgive us and help us to live
as those who know the hope
that is rooted in the generous giving of God*

***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

Children's Sermon

Stewardship Moment

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading John 6:1-14

Sermon Abundance in Community

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 #711** Lord of All Good

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude**

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Cindy Mackay

Director of Christian Education: Neil Myer

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

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Ushers

Head Usher: Estelle McGroarty

Greeter

Sue Kalvonjian

Livestream

Heather Myer, Robin Bell

Flowers

Today's flowers are given by Tom and Linda Hardenbergh in memory of Tom's mother, Beki Hardenbergh.

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. 22 through Oct. 29, 2023

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.

MONDAY, 10/23

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

TUESDAY, 10/24

Chorale Ensemble Rehearsal	10:00 a.m.
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WEDNESDAY, 10/25

Men's Bible Study	8:00 a.m.
Bible Study	10:30 a.m.

THURSDAY, 10/26

UKirk Dinner & Gathering

6:30 p.m.

Young Adult Gathering

7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, 10/29

Worship

10:00 a.m.

Fellowship

11:00 a.m.

Children in Worship

11:00 a.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.

Pat Hagan Memorial Service

We will be holding a celebration of life for Pat Hagan on Saturday, Oct. 28. Visitation is at 10 a.m., the service is at 11 a.m. and lunch will follow at noon.



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 next Sunday, 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.

“Jesus & John Wayne, and the Evangelical Reckoning”

Sunday, Nov. 12, 1 p.m. People’s Church



The Peoples Church is hosting Kristin Kobes Du Mez for our annual Henry & Annabel Memorial Lecture. Du Mez is a New York Times bestselling author and Professor of History and Gender Studies at Calvin University. She holds a PhD from the University of Notre Dame and her research focuses on the intersection of gender,

religion, and politics. She has written for The New York Times, The Washington Post, NBC News, Religion News Service, and Christianity Today, and has been interviewed on NPR, CBS, and the BBC, among other outlets. Her most recent book is 'Jesus and John Wayne: How White Evangelicals Corrupted a Faith and Fractured a Nation.'

