



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day
April 20, 2025**



EASTER SUNDAY

WELCOME!

Whether you are a member or a visitor, worshipping 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.

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.

There are welcome pads on the end of each pew. We invite you to sign in! On the welcome pads are prayer cards. If you have a prayer request you can fill that out and put it in the offering plate as you leave the sanctuary. If you only want the pastor to see it, please mark it confidential.

There are offering plates just outside the sanctuary doors, for those who wish to give. You can also give online on our website or using the QR code at the end of the bulletin.

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

April 20, 2025

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

Prelude

Words from Scripture

Luke 24:1-5

New Testament, p. 84

Introit

Words of Welcome

*Call to Worship

One: Out of the darkness of grief and despair
comes a message of hope. Christ is risen.

ALL: Christ is risen, indeed.

One: We run to the tomb to see for ourselves.
And it is true. Christ is risen.

ALL: Christ is risen indeed.

One: We hear a voice call our name, and we know our risen Lord
is with us now and always. Christ is risen.

ALL: Christ is risen indeed.

*Hymn #232 Jesus Christ is Risen Today

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Once again, O Living God, it is Easter Morning. Do we dare to believe in
the Resurrection— that you offer us New Life?

***We confess on this morning that we are often timid and afraid,
unable to believe your promises, unable to offer all of our lives to
you.***

Once again, O Living Lord, it is Easter Morning. Do we dare to practice
Resurrection? Do we dare to do something bold in our lives, set loose by the

freedom you give us?

*We confess that too often we stay chained to our fears,
our worries, our desperation. We do not trust you.*

*We hide the light you have given us. We try to tame the Spirit
that you have released into the Creation.*

Today, O Living Lord, we recommit ourselves to you.

We renew our trust in you.

*Help us and give us the strength and courage
for these Resurrection Days that are before us.*

***Silent Confession**

***Words of Forgiveness**

***Sung Response #245 Christ the Lord is Risen Today!**

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!

Where, O death, is now your sting? Alleluia!

Jesus died, our souls to save, Alleluia!

Where your victory, O grave? Alleluia!

***Passing of the Peace** (*Share the peace of Christ with the people around you.*)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Children's Sermon

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Psalm 30

Old Testament, p. 478

Choir Anthem Come Ye Faithful

R.S. Thatcher

Scripture Reading John 20:1-18

New Testament, p. 108

Sermon An Easter Psalm

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Hymn #246** Christ Is Alive!

Communion

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 may be served at their seats. All of the bread is gluten free.

Prayer after Communion

***Hymn #238** Thine Is the Glory

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude**

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Sam O'Neill

Children's Message: Neil Myer

Choir Director: Sulin Campbell

Trumpet: Annie Walton

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze, D.M.A.

Communion Servers: Jeff Lapinski, Sacha Roennecke, Heather Heitman, Susan Smalley

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Pianist

This Week at Eastminster: *April 20-April 27*

SUNDAY, 4/20 Easter

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Fellowship 11:00 a.m.

MONDAY, 4/21 Office Closed

Trivia at Royal Scot 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, 4/22

Community Connections 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 4/23

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

Bible Study 10:30 a.m.

UKirk Gathering 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 4/24

20s/30s/40s Gathering 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, 4/26

Pageturners 10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, 4/27

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Fellowship 11:00 a.m.

Capital City Ringers Concert 4:00 p.m.

Capital City Ringers

The Capital City Ringers (an ensemble of which our pastor is a member) will be performing one of their spring concerts at Eastminster on Sunday, April 27 at 4 p.m. The concert is called "Music in Motion."

Sabbatical

Kristin will be on sabbatical from April 28-July 28 and will be completely out of touch during that time. As part of her sabbatical Kristin will be walking the Camino Frances, a spiritual pilgrimage. We are inviting folks to sign up in the narthex to pray for her each day while she is walking.

During her sabbatical, pastoral care will be covered by Neil Myer, our deacons as well as local pastors. If you have a pastoral care need you'll be able to call the church office and get connected with someone. Worship leadership will be varied and will include Rev. Shirley Paxton, Neil Myer, members of our congregation, and a few guest preachers.

If you have any questions you can reach out to elders on the Session who have been hard at work preparing for this time.

Next Sunday is Kristin's last day before sabbatical. There will be a special fellowship taking place after worship.

Church Anniversary

Eastminster turns 68 this year. We will be celebrating our anniversary and honoring our charter member and our 50-year members during the service on Sunday, April 27.

Advent House

Our next Advent House meal is Saturday, May 10th. You can sign up to make a casserole in the narthex. Thank you for helping!

Page-turners

Eastminster's book club moved to Saturday, April 26th this month. They meet at 10 a.m. and will discuss "*Personal Librarian*" by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray. Heather Heitman will facilitate the discussion.

One Great Hour of Sharing



Collected from March 5 to April 20, each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing supports efforts to relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promote development through the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People, and assist in areas of disaster through

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. All three programs work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.



Easter Flower Dedications 2025

Donated by:	In memory of:
Barb Dalzell	John Dalzell
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