Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day June 8, 2025



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.



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

June 8, 2025 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

*The liturgist will read the words designated "One" and the congregation will respond, not in word, but in action, as noted in the italicized words.

ONE: On the day of Pentecost,

the church was gathered together in one place.

Could it have looked something like this?

ALL: Turn and look around you; notice the people

who sit near you today.

ONE: On the day of Pentecost,

the Spirit of God blew through the church like a howling wind.

Could it have sounded something like this?

ALL: Respond by making wind noises with your mouth

and by rubbing your hands back and forth.

ONE: On the day of Pentecost,

differences were minimized as people came together

seeing and hearing one another.

Could it have felt something like this?

CHILDREN: Children join hands in a circle

ONE: On the day of Pentecost, the Spirit of God fell down like rain on everyone gathered there that day. And sons and daughters prophesied.

ALL: Place one hand on your heart.

ONE: And young people saw visions, and old people dreamed dreams.

ALL: Place a second hand on your heart.

ONE: Thanks be to God for bringing us together in this place for worship.

May we, like those before us, worship God with our whole hearts. Amen.

*Hymn #291 Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

ONE: Mighty God, you showed up in dazzling light and in a still, small voice.

MANY: You showed up as a tiny baby lying in a manger. You showed up on a long dusty walk to Emmaus.

ONE: You keep showing up in the most mysterious ways, so we should have known you might show up like a powerful wind and dancing fire, bringing with you the reminder of warmth, and the ability for us to hear one another.

MANY: We should have known, and yet we didn't. We don't.

ONE: Like the disciples on the way to Emmaus, we can't see you.

Like the weary people of Bethlehem, we don't make room for you.

MANY: And like members of the early church community, we look for excuses to explain your presence away.

ONE: Despite our bad track record, we come to you today, asking that once more you might give us a second chance; we ask that once more you might pour your Spirit out on us.

MANY: For we are in desperate need of you and the mysterious ways you keep showing up. Amen.

*Silent Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

*Sung Response #288 Spirit of the Living God

*Passing of the Peace

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Children's Message Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Acts 2:1-21 New Testament, p. 111

Reflections on Pentecost

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

Pastoral Prayer & 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.

- *Hymn #66 Every Time I Feel the Spirit
- *Charge & Benediction
- *Postlude

Participants in today's service:

Worship Leaders: Neil Myer and Eric Foulkrod

Pianist: Alyssa Snelson

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Liturgy written by Rev. Sarah Are Speed, A Sanctified Art LLC

Our pastor, Rev. Kristin Stroble is on sabbatical until July 28, 2025. While on sabbatical, the pastor takes a full and complete break from their pastoral role. Therefore, there is to be no contact with Kristin during this time. If you have a pastoral care need, please contact the church office and Bridgette will help you get connected. The session and staff are available with any questions or concerns.

Usher

Head Usher: Jason Giddings

<u>Greeter</u>

Rick Johnston

Video Producer

Heather Myer

Flowers

Today's flowers are given by Brenda Ramsby.

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 Pianist

This Week at Eastminster: June 8 to June 15

SUNDAY, 6/8

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Church Tour/Architecture Presentation 11:00 a.m.

MONDAY, 6/9

Otto Othe Interment 4:00 p.m. Trivia at Royal Scot 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, 6/10

Session 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, 6/12

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

SATURDAY, 6/14

Advent House 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, 6/15

Outdoor Worship 10:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:00 a.m.

Mark Your Calendars-June

June 18-22: Massanetta Middle School Conference

June 21: Memorial Service for Elaine Cable

June 29: Congregational Meeting and Bocce Ball Tournament led by Jacob G.

Church Tour Today

Have you ever wanted to travel back in time? This is your opportunity. Sam O'Neill and Norm Mackay will be offering the tour of our property that was so well received by the Frank Lloyd Wright Conservancy last fall. Stick around after church today as Sam and Norm guide you back over 60 years and teach you the history of Eastminster...literally from the ground up.



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