

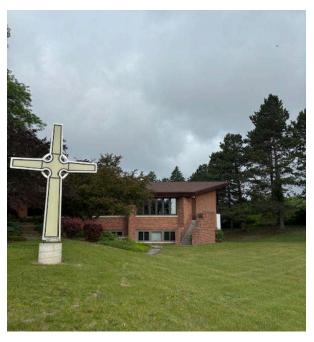
Service for the Lord's Day November 23, 2025



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 plate during the offering. If you only want the pastor to see it, please mark it

confidential.

There is an offering time during the worship service. You can also give online on our website or by 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

November 23, 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

One: Come, let us worship and bow down

in awe of God's steadfast love for us.

ALL: For God gives ear to our words;

God listens to the sound of our cries.

One: Come, let us take refuge in the God of our salvation.

ALL: For God is our shield,

our protection in times of trouble.

One: Come, let us rejoice and sing for joy!

ALL: For God is surely in this place!

Let us worship God!

*Hymn #336 We Gather Together

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

O Lord our God,

you call us to proclaim the gospel,

but we remain silent in the presence of evil.

You call us to be reconciled to you and one another,

but we are content to live in separation.

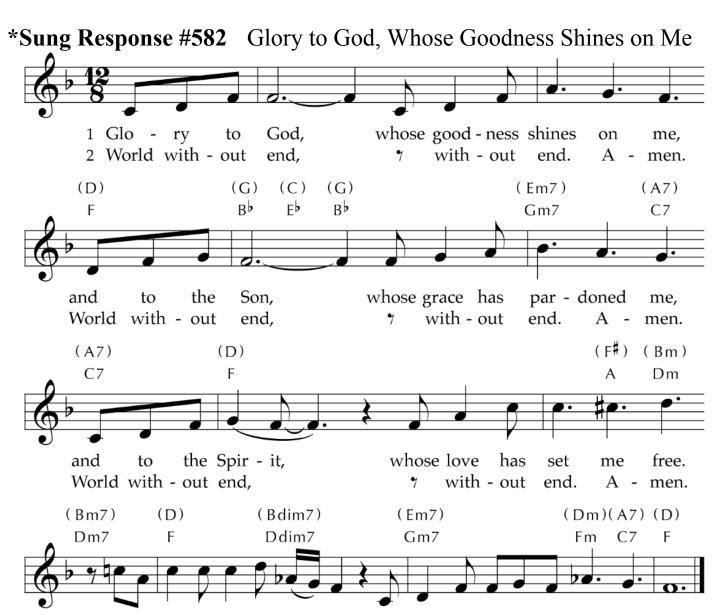
You call us to seek the good of all,

but we fail to resist the powers of oppression.

You call us to fight pretensions and injustice, but we sit idly by.
Forgive us, O Lord.
Reconcile us to you by the power of your Spirit, and give us the courage and strength to be reconciled to others through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

*Silent Confession

*Words of Forgiveness



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 people around you.)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Psalm 5 Old Testament, p. 464

Scripture Reading John 18:33-38 New Testament, pp. 106-107

Sermon "And Nothing but the Truth"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

Offering of Resources and Prayer

Financial offerings support the ministry and mission of Eastminster Presbyterian. You can also place prayer requests (cards are in the pew pads) in the offering plate.

*Doxology #606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

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 #357 The Days Are Surely Coming

*Charge & Benediction

*Postlude

Participants in today's service:

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Jeffrey O'Neill

Worship Leader: David Duryea

Children's Message: Mary Lou Clifton

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

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Usher

Head Usher: Brenda Ramsby

Flowers

Today's flowers are given in memory of Barb Dalzell.

Greeter

Elizabeth Evangelista

Video Producer

Susan Smalley

Fellowship

Jason Giddings

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, DMA Pianist

This Week at Eastminster: Nov. 23-Nov. 30

SUNDAY, 11/23

Worship 10:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:00 a.m. Visitation for Barb Dalzell 2:00 p.m. Memorial Service for Barb Dalzell 3:00 p.m.

MONDAY, 11/24

Trivia at Royal Scot 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, 11/25

Chorale Ensemble 11:00 a.m.

THURSDAY, 11/27 Thanksgiving

Office Closed

SUNDAY, 11/30 First Sunday of Advent

Worship 10:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:00 a.m. Hanging of the Greens 11:15 a.m.

Pastor Kristin and Neil Myer will be out of the office on vacation this week. Kristin will return Nov. 30, Neil will return Dec. 1st.

Barb Dalzell Memorial Service

Visitation for Barb Dalzell will be from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. today with the service at 3 p.m. A meal will follow.

Donations for Greater Lansing Food Bank

We will collect monetary donations for the Greater Lansing Food Bank. You can mark your envelope "food bank" or give online. On Eastminster's give page, scroll down to the "Greater Lansing Food Bank" option.



Tickets Available for MSU Concert

The MSU College of Music presents *Alegría Navideña (Christmas Joy)*, a festive holiday concert that brings the spirit of the season to life through music sung in Spanish. Enjoy an inspiring evening with the MSU Symphony Orchestra and more than 200 voices from the *Choral Union*, *State Singers*, and *University Chorale*, performing seasonal works including *El Mesías* (*Handel's Messiah, Part I*), *Navidad Nuestra* by Ariel Ramírez, *Festival of Lights* by Lee R. Kesselman, and other uplifting pieces—plus a joyful audience sing-along.

Saturday, December 6 | 7:30 p.m. | Wharton Center Tickets & Details:

whartoncenter.com/events/detail/symphony-orchestra-and-choirs-12-6 Join us for an evening of music, hope, and celebration of the season.

A limited number of free tickets are available in the church office on a first-come/first-served basis.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS AT EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN Christmas Eve December 24th at 5pm Sunday worship at 10am - Nov. 30, Dec. 7, Dec. 14, Dec. 21 Hanging of the Greens - Nov. 30 after worship All Church Lunch - Dec. 7 after worship Capital City Ringers Concert- December 7 at 7pm Advent Craft - Dec. 14 after worship Children's Christmas Activities - Dec. 20 from 5-8pm Youth Lock-in - Dec. 20-21st All Church Breakfast - Dec. 21st at 9am

All-Church Lunch

Join us on Dec. 7 for an all-church potluck lunch. Please sign up in the Narthex if you can bring food.



Retro Holiday Spectacular

December 7 7:00pm

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Church Directories

New directories are available in the Narthex. If you would like a copy emailed to you, email Bridgette in the office and she will send you one.

Advent Devotionals

You can pick up an Advent Devotional and an Advent calendar in the narthex.



Scan the QR code with your phone to donate online to Eastminster Presbyterian Church and its ongoing ministries.

You can also give via Venmo @EastminsterEL-Church