



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day
May 24, 2026**



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.

In the pew racks there 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

May 24, 2026

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**

***Hymn #280** Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

*Almighty God,
you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples
creating bold tongues, open ears,
and a new community of faith.*

*We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us.
We do not listen for your word of grace,
speak the good news of your love,
or live as a people made one in Christ.*

*Have mercy on us, O God.
Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit,
and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people,
doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

***Silent Confession**

***Words of Forgiveness**

***Sung Response #582** Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me



1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
 2 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
 F B^b E^b B^b Gm7 C7



and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
 C7 F A Dm



and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
 Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F



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

The Holy Spirit as Wind and Breath

Scripture Readings Genesis 1:1-2 and John 3:8 Old Testament, p. 1 and
 New Testament, p. 88

Reflection

Hymn #286 Breathe on me, Breath of God

The Holy Spirit as Fire

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

GROUP PARTICIPATION WORDS!

DISCIPLES/APOSTLES = Let's Go!

GOD = *THE ALL MIGHTY*

CHILDREN, SONS, DAUGHTERS,... = THAT'S ME!

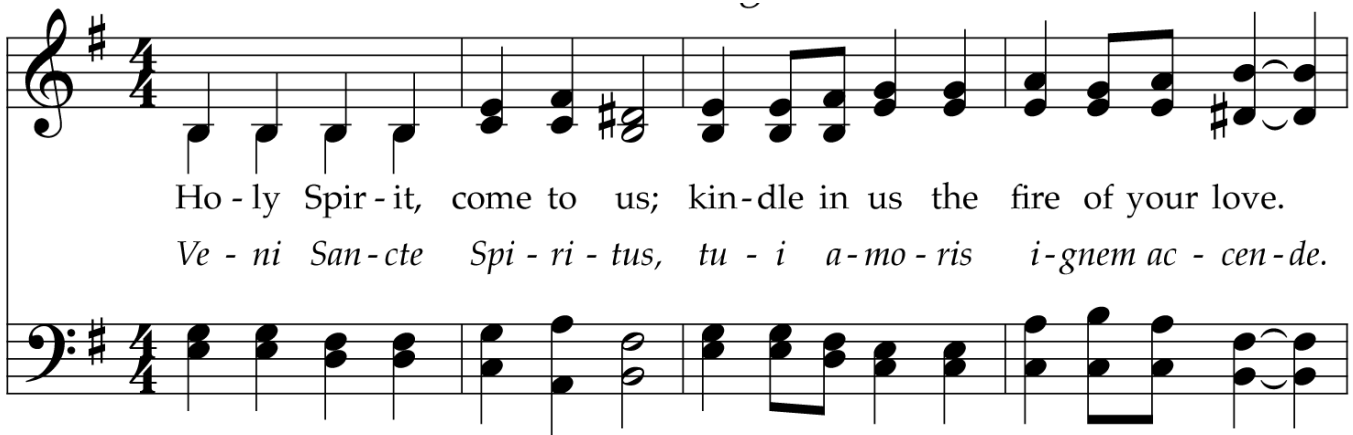
SURPRISED & AMAZED/BEWILDERED – WHOA!

SPIRIT = WHOOSH!

THEREFORE = SO BE IT! (whole congregation!)

Reflection

Hymn #284 Holy Spirit, Come to Us



Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us; kin - dle in us the fire of your love.
Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus, tu - i a - mo - ris i - gnem ac - cen - de.



Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us. Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us.
Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus. Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus.

The Holy Spirit as Dove

Scripture Readings Genesis 8:8-12

Old Testament, p. 6

Reflection

Hymn #285 Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

The Holy Spirit as Water

Scripture Readings John 4:4-15

New Testament, p. 89

Reflection

Hymn #291 Spirit, Spirit, of Gentleness, vs 1

*Spirit, spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness, calling and free.
Spirit, spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness,
wind, wind on the sea.*

*You moved on the waters;
you called to the deep;
then you coaxed up the mountains
from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons
you called to each thing,
"Awake from your slumbers
and rise on your wings."*

*Spirit, spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness, calling and free.
Spirit, spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness,
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RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Offering of Resources and Prayer

Financial offerings support the ministry and mission of Eastminster Presbyterian. You can place prayer requests (cards are in the pew racks) 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 #291 Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness (vs 2-4)**

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude**

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader:

Children's Message: Neil Myer

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze, DMA

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Usher

Head Usher: Estelle McGroarty

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Mary Lou Clifton

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Susan Smalley

Fellowship

Emmanuel Yewah

Flowers

The flowers are given to the glory of God.

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: *May 24-May 31*

SUNDAY, 5/24

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Fellowship 11:00 a.m.

MONDAY, 5/25 Office Closed for Memorial Day

Girl Scout Troop Meeting 4:30 p.m.

Trivia at Royal Scot 7:00 p.m.

Queer Heart Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, 5/26

Penny Draper Recital 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, 5/28

Middle Ground Gathering 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, 5/30

Debra Hobart Recital

SUNDAY, 5/31

Hymn Sing 10:00 a.m.

Fellowship 11:00 a.m.

Kristin will be out of the office from May 27 to May 31. Neil will be out of the office May 28.

Advent House

Our next Advent House meal is Saturday, June 13th. You can sign up to make casseroles on the list in the narthex. Thank you for your help.

Hymn Sing

We will gather on May 31 for a Hymn Sing. If you have a favorite hymn you would like included, please let the church office know by Tuesday, May 26.

Youth Summer Camps

We invite you to support our middle and high school young people by donating to the CE Fund to support summer youth conference opportunities that provide them with incredible ways to grow in faith. These young people get a glimpse of how deep and wide the body of Christ is. Please give generously if you have not had the chance to do so. Checks can be made to Eastminster Church with a memo of “summer youth” or you can give online at the church website. Please leave a comment saying it is for the CE Fund.

Per Capita

Per capita connects Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) congregations and mid councils with the work of the wider church. Per capita is how Presbyterians mutually and equitably share the costs of moving the church forward in the 21st century.

This year’s per capita is \$42.42. Eastminster pays the full per capita each year, relying on its members to pay their share throughout the year. If you have already paid your per capita for 2026—thank you. If you have not and are able to do so, you can put a check in the offering plate with a note it is for per capita, or go to the online giving page of the church website and look for the “Per Capita” option.



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

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