



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
September 13, 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

September 13, 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**

One: Come to this place to worship together.

ALL: Jesus invites us all.

One: Come to this place, every kind of person.

ALL: Jesus invites us all.

One: Come to this place, whether you are ready or not so sure.

ALL: Jesus invites us all.

One: Come to this place to find rest and grace.

ALL: Jesus invites us all.

***Hymn #170 You Walk along our Shoreline**

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

Gracious God, you know us and you love us.

Forgive us when we do not love like Jesus.

Forgive us when we give our energy in the wrong places.

*Help us to learn what it means to come and see, to follow,
that your love might grow in us—small at first, like a seed,
but full of your abundant grace.*

In Jesus' name, Amen.

***Silent Confession**

*Words of Forgiveness

*Sung Response #59 The Steadfast Love of the Lord

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in G-flat major (three flats) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words hyphenated across measures. Chord symbols are placed above the notes, and some are placed below the notes. The lyrics are: "The steadfast love of the Lord nev-er ceas-es; God's mer-cies nev-er come to an end. They are new ev-ery morn-ing, new ev-ery morn-ing; great is your faith-ful-ness, O Lord, great is your faith-ful-ness."

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*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 Deuteronomy 6:4-9 Old Testament, p. 157

Scripture Reading John 1:43-51 New Testament, p. 87

Sermon The Proclamation of the Gospel for the Salvation of Humankind

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 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 #462 I Love to Tell the Story**

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude**

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Jim Engelkes

Children's Message: Neil Myer

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze, DMA

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Usher

Sacha Roennecke

Greeter

Sara Weeden

Flowers

Flowers today are given to the glory of God.

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Tamar Mikeladze, DMA

Pianist

This Week at Eastminster: *September 13-September 20***SUNDAY, 9/13**

Worship	10:00 a.m.
All-Church Lunch	11:00 a.m.
Youth Gathering	11:00 a.m.
Deacons	11:30 a.m.
Community Bells	3:30 p.m.

MONDAY, 9/14

Faith Formation Meeting	9:00 a.m.
Girl Scout Troop Meeting	4:30 p.m.
CCR Rehearsal	6:00 p.m.
Trivia at Royal Scot	7:00 p.m.
Queer Heart Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, 9/15

Chorale Ensemble	11:00 a.m.
UKirk Board Meeting	6:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 9/16

Men's Bible Study	8:00 a.m.
Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
UKirk Gathering	6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 9/17

Middle Ground Gathering

7:00 p.m.

Queer Heart Dance Rehearsal

7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, 9/18

String Ensemble Rehearsal

4:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, 9/19

PageTurners

10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, 9/20

Worship

10:00 a.m.

Fellowship

11:00 a.m.

Adult Education

11:15 a.m.

Confirmation Class

11:15 a.m.

Community Bells

3:30 p.m.

Kristin will be out of the office for continuing education Sept. 20-25.

Kick-Off Sunday

We will begin the church program year today. After worship there will be an all-church lunch and intergenerational education. We hope you join us!

Youth Gathering

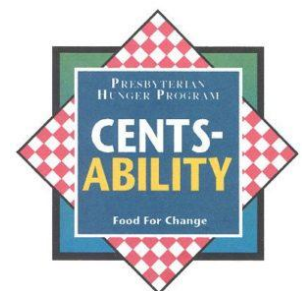
Youth in grades 6-12 will meet downstairs this Sunday, September 13, after eating at the all-church lunch. It will be a time of playing, planning and praying together in youth friendly ways! These youth gatherings will take place once a month in addition to other special opportunities that will happen throughout the year. Check out our website for the full schedule.

Bible Studies

We have two Bible Studies that resumed on September 9th. The Men's Bible study meets at 8:00am on Wednesdays and the other Bible study meets at 10:30am on Wednesday. Both studies meet in-person with a Zoom option.

Centsability

This Sunday we will collect loose change for Centsability. All money collected is distributed to local organizations that are helping alleviate hunger. Banks are available in the narthex if you wish to take one to collect change throughout the month.



Welcome Ivana and Rosalie!

Eastminster has hired two Michigan State University interns for the fall semester. They will be starting this Thursday. They are:

- **Ivana Chacon:** Ivana will be working on Eastminster's social media outreach. She is a music performance major who performed social media management for a marketing agency in Spain and is a founding member of Escuela de Musica Camino Real in Puerto Rico.
- **Rosalie Truback:** Rosalie will be engaging with Eastminster's audiovisual program, starting soon. She is an audio engineer who is pursuing a master's in Bassoon Performance at MSU who worked for NPR in Illinois and will spend this fall working as an audio engineer for Impact FM radio.

If you see them, please welcome them.



Crop Walk

Join Eastminster on Sunday, October 11th at 2pm for the 50th Greater Lansing CROP Hunger Walk. We will sign up and collect donations as a team. All are welcome to join in the walk.

PageTurners

PageTurners is meeting **Saturday, Sept. 19 at 10 a.m.** Come participate in a planning meeting for the future of Eastminster's book club. Bring suggestions for books and ideas for how the club can move forward.



Climate + Faith Training with Blessed Tomorrow

Register now for the live [Blessed Tomorrow](#) Climate Ambassador Training on September 26th with breakouts by faith tradition. Explore practical, hope-filled ways to put your faith into action. This free, interactive training will equip you with trusted resources, effective communication strategies, and practical steps you can take in your congregation and community.

Date: Saturday, September 26, 2026

Time: 11:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m. ET | 8:30–11:30 a.m. PT

Faith Partners: 12 different denominations leading breakout rooms

Register today: <https://hubs.ly/Q04vpQ0T0>



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