



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day
April 21, 2024**



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.

Masks are available at the welcome table for those who would like to wear them.



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.

Hymn books and bibles can be found under the pews.

There are offering plates outside the sanctuary doors, for those who wish to give. You can also give online on our website.

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 21, 2024

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: We need your presence on the road, Christ.

All: The road between fear and hope,

One: the road between doubt and faith,

*All: the road between the place where all is lost
and the place of resurrection.*

One: Like the disciples walking the road to Emmaus,

All: we need your presence.

One: Stand among us, in your risen power,
as we worship you.

***Hymn #254** That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

Wondrous God, we confess that at times our doubts and fears override our hope and faith. Forgive us when we lose sight of the joy of your love and instead fall into despair and gloom. Lift up our spirits, Lord, and help us to remember the promise of new life here and now, not just the hope of resurrection for the future. We give thanks for Your Son, Jesus the Christ,

who continues to offer us new life, who continues to turn us around and upside down, who continues to break down the walls of death in our own life. Forgive us, restore us and renew us. In the name of our risen Savior, we pray. Amen.

***Silent Confession**

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Sung Response #232** Jesus Christ is Risen Today, vs 4

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!

Praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!

Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!

Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

***Passing of the Peace** (*Share the peace of Christ with the person next to you*)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Children's Sermon

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Luke 24:13-34

New Testament, pp. 84-85

Sermon What are you so concerned about?

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

***Affirmation of Faith** *from PCUSA A Brief Statement of Faith*

In life and in death we belong to God.

*Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,*

*and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.*

*We trust in Jesus Christ,
Fully human, fully God.*

*Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.*

Recognition of Charter and Fifty-Year Members

Pastoral Prayer & 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 #252** Day of Arising

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude**

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Mike Brown

Children's Message: Mike Brown

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

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Ushers

Head Usher: Sue Kalvonjian

Greeter

Jan Coye

Flowers

Today's flowers are given in honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of Norm and Cindy Mackay.

Video Producer

Susan Smalley

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:

April 21 through April 28

SUNDAY, 4/21

Worship	10:00 a.m.
Fellowship	11:00 a.m.
Book Study	11:15 p.m.
CPR Training	12:00 p.m.
Community Bell Rehearsal	4:00 p.m.

MONDAY, 4/22 Earth Day

CCR Rehearsal	6:00 p.m.
Trivia at Royal Scot	7:00 p.m.
Study Hours begin	

TUESDAY, 4/23

Choral Ensemble Rehearsal	10:00 a.m.
Handbell Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.
Study Hours	

WEDNESDAY, 4/24

Men's Bible Study	8:00 a.m.
Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
Study Hours	

THURSDAY, 4/25

Young Adult Gathering	7:00 p.m.
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FRIDAY, 4/26

String Ensemble rehearsal	4:00 p.m.
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SATURDAY, 4/27

Ukraine Easter Egg Workshop	10:00 a.m.
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SUNDAY, 4/28

Worship	10:00 a.m.
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Book Study	11:15 p.m.
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Next Book Study!

A new book discussion group is starting today around *The Story of More: How We Got to Climate Change and Where We Go from Here*, by Hope Jahren. Copies of the book are available at the church for \$11.

Ukrainian Egg Workshop

Join us on Saturday, April 27 at 10am and learn how to make the intricately beautiful Ukrainian Easter eggs. We're asking for a \$20 donation. Space is limited, so please register as soon as possible.

Interfaith Event: "Women in Christian and Islamic Scriptures"

Join us at Eastminster at 6:30 p.m. on May 1 for a joint event with the Islamic Center of Greater Lansing and Eastminster. We will start with dinner at 6:30pm and at 7:00pm Imam Sohail and Pastor Kristin will present on "Women in Christian and Islamic Scriptures" followed by a time of questions. Please sign-up ahead of time in the narthex.

Learn/Refresh Your Life-Saving Skills

Today, Sunday, April 21, 2024 from 12-2pm Eastminster will host a CPR class taught by an EL training officer.

Study Hours

Students will be in the building throughout the week studying for final exams!

Charter Member

The Presbytery of Lansing chartered Eastminster Presbyterian Church April 14, 1957, 67 years ago. The petition to the presbytery included the signatures of 126 persons. This current member signed our church's charter:

Phyllis Irwin

50-Year Members

In addition to our Charter Member, today we recognize and honor those persons who have been members of Eastminster Presbyterian Church for 50 years or more.

Irv Nichols	03-31-1958
Ted Hagan	09-29-1961
Virginia Allen	12-05-1965
Cynthia DiBello	06-01-1964
George Miller	02-01-1968
Sue Miller	02-01-1968
Jim Engelkes	11-01-1969
Elaine Cable	11-29-1970
Mary Jo Shankland	04-26-1970
Robert Cullum	03-12-1972
Connie Cullum	03-12-1972
Dave Merchant	01-07-1973
Mary Ann Merchant	01-07-1973
Barbara Lowes	03-04-1973
Bruce Augenstein	12-01-1974

