

Service for the Lord's Day May 12, 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 May 12, 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: Christ calls: There is more to life than what we know.
- ALL: We will follow with love.
- One: Christ calls: Drop your nets.
- ALL: We will follow with hope.
- One: Christ calls: Fish for people
- ALL: We will follow with faith. Let us worship God!

*Hymn #726 Will You Come and Follow Me

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

We want to follow you, Jesus. But we, like your disciples, struggle with doubt and fear. Our doubt and fear take over, often clouding our understanding of your miraculous love. We confess our fear of the unknown. We confess our need to be in control. We confess our inability to trust you completely. Forgive us. Encourage us. Teach us to follow, even when we don't think we can anymore. Even though faith often is not easy, replace our doubts with faithfulness, our fears with courage, and our apathy with love.

*Silent Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

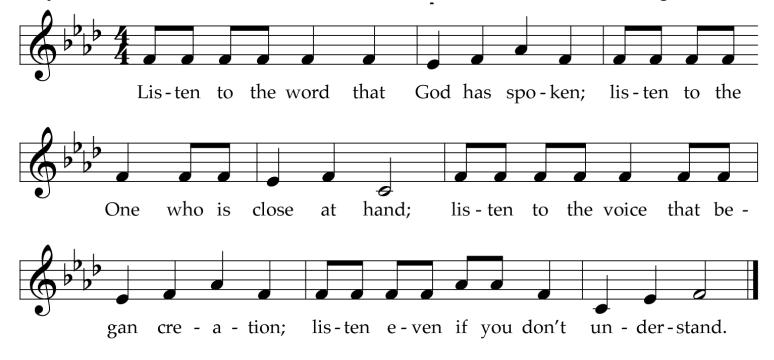
*Sung Response #743 Step by Step O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you. O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you. I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways. And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Children's Sermon

Prayer for Illumination #455 Listen to the Word That God Has Spoken



Scripture Reading Mark 1:16-20

New Testament, p. 33

Sermon Following the Leader

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

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 #761 Called as Partners in Christ's Service

*Charge & Benediction

*Postlude

Participants in today's service:

Guest Preacher: Neil Myer Worship Leader: Mary Harvey Children's Message: Neil Myer Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

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Ushers

Head Usher: Cindy Nixon; Matt Nixon

<u>Greeter</u>

Barbara Lowes

Flowers

Today's flowers are given by Ted Hagan in memory of James Scott, MD.

Video Producer

Heather Myer

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:

May 12 through May 19		
SUNDAY, 5/12		
Worship	10:00 a.m.	
Fellowship	11:00 a.m.	
Book Study	11:15 a.m.	
Deacons	12:00 p.m.	
Community Bell Rehearsal	4:00 p.m.	
MONDAY, 5/13		
Trivia at Royal Scot	7:00 p.m.	
WEDNESDAY, 5/15		
Men's Bible Study	8:00 a.m.	
Bible Study	10:30 a.m.	
THURSDAY, 5/16		
Young Adult Gathering	7:00 p.m.	
FRIDAY, 5/17		
Brass Quintet rehearsal	1:00 p.m.	
String Ensemble rehearsal	4:00 p.m.	
SUNDAY, 5/19 Pentecost		
Worship	10:00 a.m.	
Fellowship	11:00 a.m.	
Intergenerational Event	11:15 a.m.	
Community Bell Rehearsal	4:00 p.m.	
Kristin and Bridgette will be out of the office from May 12 to May 16.		