



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day
May 26, 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 26, 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: O Holy Trinity, One God in Three Persons,

*ALL: We behold in the splendor of creation
your majesty and our responsibility.*

One: O Holy Trinity, One God in Three Persons,

*ALL: we behold in the face of Jesus Christ
your divinity and our humanity.*

One: O Holy Trinity, One God in Three Persons,

*ALL: we behold in the Spirit of truth
your glory and our calling.
Bound to you forever, let us praise your name.*

*Hymn #1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

For times we embrace war when you call for peace.

Forgive us.

For times we dehumanize our neighbor instead of loving them.

Forgive us.

For times we serve powers and principalities rather than you,
our Servant Savior.

Forgive us.

For times we domesticate you to our national or tribal identities.

Forgive us.

For selectively hearing your good news of grace for us without considering the same for others.

Forgive us.

For seeing ourselves less than the full person you created in beauty with delight.

Forgive us and grant us peace.

***Silent Confession**

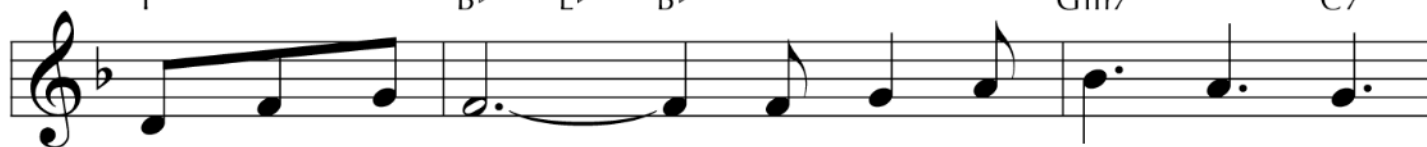
***Assurance of Pardon**

***Sung Response #582 Glory to God**



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

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
F B \flat E \flat B \flat Gm7 C7



and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, 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, 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 person next to you*)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Children's Sermon

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Romans 8:12-17 New Testament, pp 147-148

Special Music Be Thou My Vision Bell Duet

Scripture Reading John 3:1-17 New Testament, p. 88

Sermon

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection The Lord's Prayer Sue Rosser, soprano

***Affirmation of Faith** Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth,

of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God,

begotten, not made,

of one Being with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary

and became truly human.

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

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 #12** Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude**

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Laura Myer

Children's Message: Neil Myer

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

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Ushers

Head Usher: Estelle McGroarty

Greeter

Sue Miller

Flowers

Today's flowers are given by Ted Hagan in memory of his brother, Dr. Ray Hagan.

Video Producer

Linda Hardenbergh and Robin Bell

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 26 through June 2

SUNDAY, 5/26

Worship

10:00 a.m.

Fellowship

11:00 a.m.

MONDAY, 5/27 Memorial Day/Office Closed

Trivia at Royal Scot

7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, 5/28

Recital

7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, 5/30

Young Adult Gathering

7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, 5/31

String Ensemble rehearsal

4:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, 6/1

Outdoor Clean-up Day

10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, 6/2

Worship with Communion

10:00 a.m.

Fellowship

11:00 a.m.

Welcome Kits

There are still a few items to buy for May welcome kits for the Refugee Development Center. We will pack the kits next Sunday, June 1st.

Church Clean-Up Day, Saturday, June 1st at 10am

Help us clean up the church grounds for summer on Saturday morning. Tasks will include weeding, picking up sticks, and picking up trash. Many hands make light work!

Carillon Bell Concert, June 9th at 3pm

Join us at Beaumont Tower, MSU for a concert with our friends from the Presbyterian Church of Okemos. One of their members, Laurie Harkema, will be playing and will give a tour of the tower. Afterwards join us for ice cream at the MSU Dairy Store. Bring a blanket or a chair!

Open Tables

This Summer we are hoping to have 3 dinners for Eastminster members and friends to gather in small groups to share a meal in someone's home. The host provides the main dish and the guests provide the sides. If you'd be willing to host one of these meals, please sign-up below. Once you choose a month, you can pick the day and time. Please indicate how many people you can host and whether you'd like to host the meal at the church or in your home.

From the Nominating Committee:

We are working on filling the next class of Deacons and Elders to be elected at our annual program meeting on June 30th. Would you be interested in serving? What to know more? Speak with Pastor Kristin or with the chair of the committee, Susan Smalley.



Tell us your story!

Our upcoming program report will be out in June. Do you have a story to tell about life in Eastminster from July 2023 to June 2024? Email Bridgette a paragraph sharing what activities, events, and services you cherished in this past year. We also welcome any photos you have of events throughout the year.

Fellowship Baked Goods Needed

A sign-up sheet is on the Narthex table for volunteers to bring approximately 60 cookies, brownies or other baked goods for Sunday morning Fellowship after worship. The Deacons need volunteers between May 26 and June 30. A big thank you to everyone who has volunteered in the past!