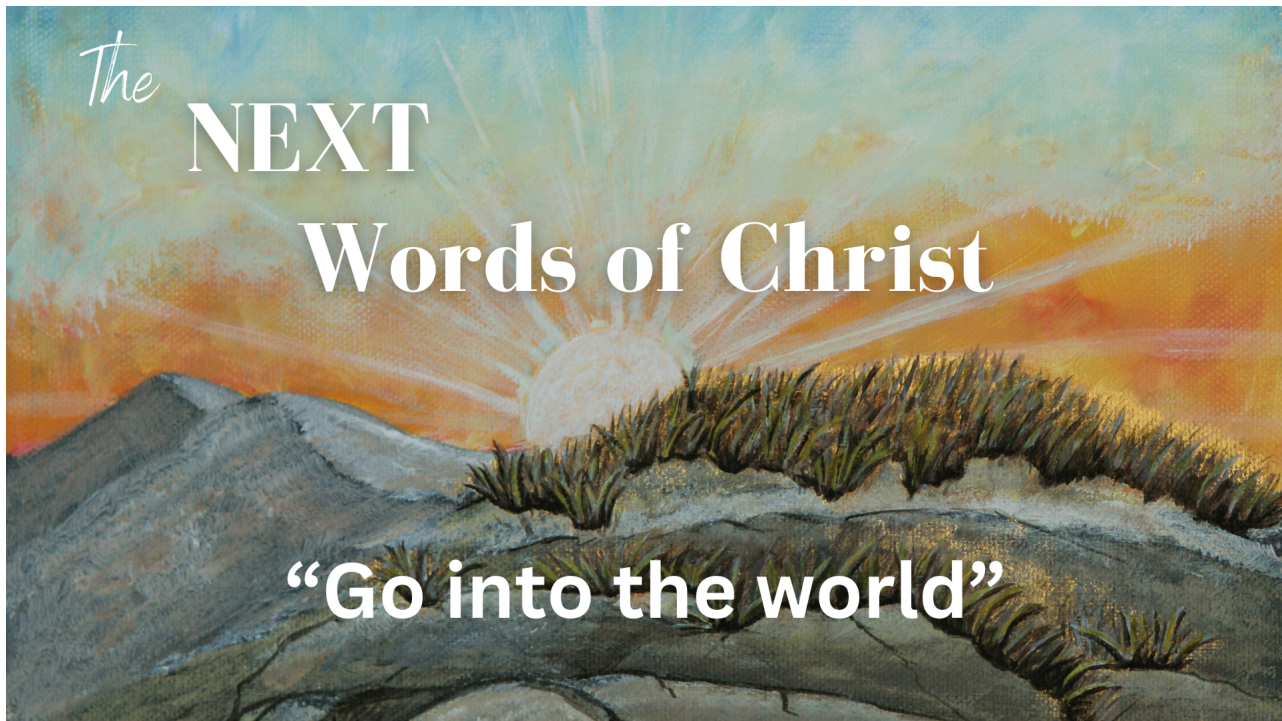




Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day
May 5, 2024**



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Words of Christ

“Go into the world”

WELCOME!

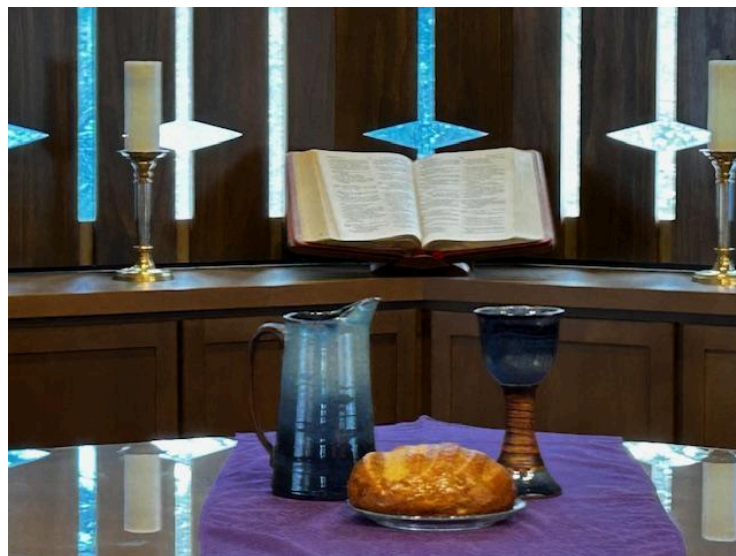
Whether you are a member or a visitor, worshiping with us in-person or online, you are welcome here.

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 5, 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 are called by God to worship as God's beloved children.

ALL: We are gifted by God to be a sign of faith in the world.

One: We are called by God to be the body of Christ.

ALL: We are gifted by God to be a sign of hope in the world.

One: We are called by God to be the church of Jesus Christ.

ALL: We are gifted by God to be a sign of love in the world.

One: Let us worship the living God!

***Hymn #267** Come, Christians, Join to Sing

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

Faithful God, we confess that we have been reluctant to speak out clearly. We hesitate to claim our faith, name injustices, and declare God's vision. We are reluctant to receive our calling as God's people, made by God and chosen as witnesses to God's dream of justice and joy. Remind us, God, that you have made us for your service and that you recharge us with your word. Renew us, God. Grant us courage to live out your way of peace and grace. We ask it in Jesus' name.

***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 Matthew 28:16-20

New Testament, p. 32

Sermon Go into the world

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

***Affirmation of Faith** *from A Brief Statement of Faith, PC(USA)*

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,

everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,

sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,

and binds us together with all believers

in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit

who inspired the prophets and apostles

rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,

engages us through the Word proclaimed,

claims us in the waters of baptism,

feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,

and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

In a broken and fearful world

the Spirit gives us courage

*to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"*

Communion & Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Table

Great Thanksgiving and 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.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Please come forward down the center aisle to receive by intinction. Take a piece of bread and then dip it in the cup and partake. You may return down the side aisles. Those unable to come forward may be served at their seats. One of the servers has gluten-free wafers.

Prayer after Communion

***Hymn #295** Go to the World!

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude**

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Dan Dickinson

Children's Message: Sam O'Neill

Communion Servers: Barb Dalzell, Estelle McGroarty, Mike Jones, Susan Smalley

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

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Ushers

Head Usher: Jeff Lapinski; Beverly Bonning

Greeter

Mary Lou Clifton

Flowers

Today's flowers are given by Mary Harvey in appreciation for the Christian educators of Eastminster

Video Producer

Mike Brown

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 5 through May 12

SUNDAY, 5/5

Worship

10:00 a.m.

Fellowship

11:00 a.m.

Book Study

11:15 p.m.

New Member Lunch

11:30 a.m.

Community Bell Rehearsal

4:00 p.m.

MONDAY, 5/6

Trivia at Royal Scot

7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, 5/7 Special Election

Choral Ensemble Rehearsal	10:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY, 5/8	
Men's Bible Study	8:00 a.m.
Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
THURSDAY, 5/9	
E.L. City Meeting	11:30 a.m.
Young Adult Gathering	7:00 p.m.
FRIDAY, 5/10	
Brass Quintet rehearsal	1:00 p.m.
String Ensemble rehearsal	4:00 p.m.
SATURDAY, 5/11	
Advent House	8:30 a.m.
PageTurners	10:00 a.m.
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.

Neil will be out of the office May 5 through 9.

Bridgette will be out of the office on May 6.

New Member Lunch, after worship today

A lunch for those who want to know more about Eastminster or who are interested in becoming a member will be held today. We look forward to welcoming new members in worship on Sunday, May 19.

Advent House Meals

Our next Advent House meal is Saturday, May 11. We are looking for people to make Chicken Rice Casserole. Please sign up in the narthex or call the church office.

PageTurners

This month's book is "The Last Slave Ship" by Ben Raines. The group will meet in person and over Zoom.