



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
June 2, 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

June 2, 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 “If I could write for you a rainbow” by Ann Weems

If I could, I'd write for you a rainbow
And splash it with all the colors of God
And hang it in the window of your being.

So that each new God's morning
Your eyes would open first to Hope and Promise.

If I could, I'd wipe away your tears.
And hold you close forever in shalom.
But God never promised I could write a rainbow,
Never promised I could suffer for you,
Only promised I could love you.

That I do.

Opening Prayer

***Hymn #20** All Things Bright and Beautiful

***Call to Confession**

*Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we know you understand us more deeply than we understand ourselves. You know how much the cares of this life weigh us down. Our thoughts and actions are often shortsighted. We take so much for granted, failing to value the wonder of life all around us, the gift of family and friends, the amazing reality of your Spirit dwelling in us. Open all the hidden places of our lives to the light of your forgiving love, that we might be set free from our sin and nurtured in our trust in your love and our joy in your service. Amen.

*Silent Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

*Sung Response #582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me



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 \sharp) (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 Joshua 2:1-24

Old Testament, pp. 184-185

Sermon Rahab and the RED cord

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

Hymn #507 Come to the Table of Grace

1 Come to the ta - ble of grace. Come to the

(A) (D) (A) (D) (Em)
C F C F Gm
ta - ble of grace. This is God's ta - ble; it's

(D/A) (G) (D/A) (A7) (D) (G) (D)
F/A B^b F/C C7 F B^b F
not yours or mine. Come to the ta - ble of grace.

- 2 Come to the table of peace...
- 3 Come to the table of love...
- 4 Come to the table of hope...
- 5 Come to the table of joy...

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 #769** For Everyone Born

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude**

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Robin Bell

Children's Message: Neil Myer

Communion Servers: Sulin Campbell, Jeff Lapinski, Sam O'Neill, Susan Smalley

Pianist: Alyssa Snelson

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Ushers

Head Usher: Jeff Lapinski; Beverly Bonning

Greeter

Sue Kalvonjian

Flowers

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God.

Video Producer

Linda Hardenbergh

Church Leadership and Staff

Rev. Kristin Stroble

Pastor

Rev. Shirley Paxton

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Neil Myer

Director of Christian Education

Bridgette Redman

Office Administrator

Tamar Mikeladze

Pianist

This Week at Eastminster:

June 2 through June 9

SUNDAY, 6/2

Worship with Communion

10:00 a.m.

Fellowship

11:00 a.m.

MONDAY, 6/3

Trivia at Royal Scot

7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, 6/4

Preschool Graduation

5:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 6/6

Infrastructure Meeting

2:30 p.m.

Young Adult Gathering

7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, 6/7

String Ensemble rehearsal

4:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, 6/8

Advent House

8:30 a.m.

PageTurners

10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, 6/9

Worship

10:00 a.m.

Fellowship

11:00 a.m.

Deacons

12:00 p.m.

Carillon Bell Concert

3:00 p.m.

Neil will be out of the office From June 3 to June 17. Bridgette will be out of the office on June 5 for a church financial review.



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 three 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 on the sheet in the narthex. 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 now and June 30. A big thank you to everyone who has volunteered in the past!



Scan the QR code with your phone to donate online to Eastminster Presbyterian Church and its ongoing ministries.