



# Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day  
June 16, 2024**



# ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

June 16, 2024

10:00 a.m.

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## GATHERING

### Prelude

### Welcome & Announcements

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
*And also with you.*

### \*Call to Worship

One: Called to be branches in Christ's body,

*ALL: we yearn to be connected to the vine.*

One: Called to be mustard bushes offering shade to God's creatures,

*ALL: we search for places to plant the seeds of faith.*

One: Called to be growing with God in the midst  
of this world's painful questions,

*ALL: we seek God's nurturing presence.*

One: Come, let us worship God.

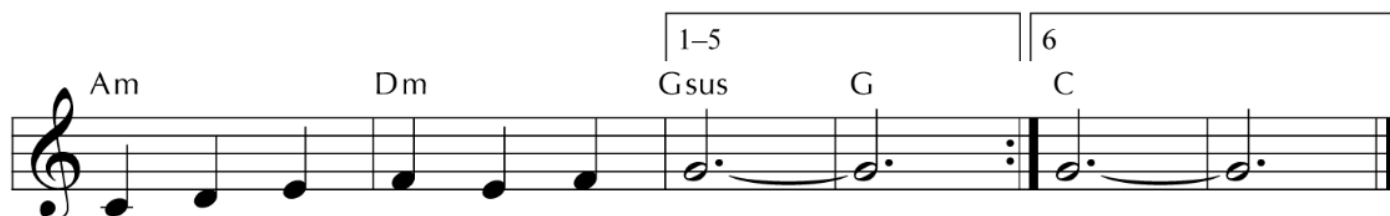
### \*Hymn #22 God of the Sparrow



1	God	of	the	spar - row	God	of	the	whale	God	of	the
2	God	of	the	earth - quake	God	of	the	storm	God	of	the
3	God	of	the	rain - bow	God	of	the	cross	God	of	the
4	God	of	the	hun - gry	God	of	the	sick	God	of	the
5	God	of	the	neigh - bor	God	of	the	foe	God	of	the
6	God	of	the	a - ges	God	near	at	hand	God	of	the



swirl - ing stars How does the crea - ture say Awe  
 trum - pet blast How does the crea - ture cry Woe  
 emp - ty grave How does the crea - ture say Grace  
 prod - i - gal How does the crea - ture say Care  
 prun - ing hook How does the crea - ture say Love  
 lov - ing heart How do your chil - dren say Joy



How does the crea - ture say Praise  
 How does the crea - ture cry Save  
 How does the crea - ture say Thanks  
 How does the crea - ture say Life  
 How does the crea - ture say Peace  
 How do your chil - dren say Home

**\*Call to Confession**

**\*Prayer of Confession**

*Gracious God, we so often miss your kingdom at work among us. Captivated by power and prestige, we overlook the mustard seeds you have planted all around. Forgive us for failing to notice where and how you are at work. Forgive us when we work against your plans and purposes — fostering divisions when you have called us to reconciliation; beset by apathy when the world has deep needs; building walls to keep people out when your branches offer generous nests. Help us to grow in faithfulness, we pray, so that we might grow in faith and hope. Amen.*

**\*Silent Confession**

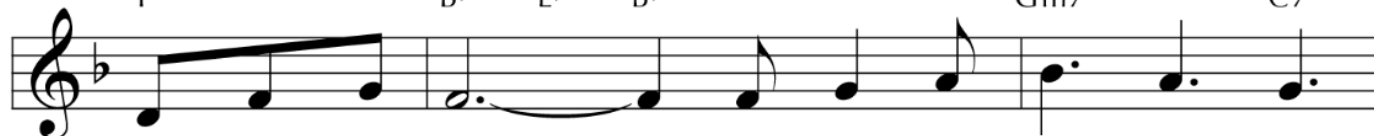
**\*Assurance of Pardon**

**\*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** Psalm 104:24-35

Old Testament, p. 525

**Scripture Reading** Mark 4:2-9, 30-34

New Testament, pp. 35-36

**Sermon** Taking God's Measure: Seeds of Thought

# 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 #771 What Is the World Like



1 What is the world like when God's will is done?  
2 What is the world like when God's will is done?  
3 What is the world like when God's will is done?  
4 What is the world like when God's will is done?  
5 These are the sto - ries that Je - sus im - parts,



Mus - tard seeds grow more than we can con - ceive:  
Wit - ness the wan - der - ing child com - ing home;  
No more is neigh - bor just al - ly or friend;  
Read - y for feast - ing, we watch through the night,  
filled with the Spir - it who joins us as one.



roots thread the soil; branch - es reach for the sun.  
watch as the par - ent breaks in - to a run.  
peace thrives in plac - es where once there was none.  
tend - ing our lamps till the new day's be - gun.  
Born through our voic - es, our hands, and our hearts,

(C) (Em7) (Am7) (D) (G)  
 D<sup>b</sup> Fm7 B<sup>b</sup>m7 E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>

This is how God moves us each to be - lieve.  
 This is how God longs for us when we roam.  
 This is how God works when ri - val - ries end.  
 This is how God read - ies us for the light.  
 this is a new world where God's will is done.

**\*Charge & Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

**Participants in today's service:**

Guest Minister: Rev. Dr. Jeffrey O'Neill  
 Children's Message: Neil Myer  
 Worship Leader: Lacy Myer  
 Pianist: Alyssa Snelson

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**Ushers**

Head Usher: Sue Kalvonjian

**Greeter**

Mary Lou Clifton

**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:**

*June 16 through June 23*

**SUNDAY, 6/16**

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Fellowship/Picnic 11:00 a.m.

**MONDAY, 6/17**

Trivia at Royal Scot 7:00 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, 6/19**

Eastminster financial review 9:00 a.m.

**THURSDAY, 6/20**

Young Adult Gathering 7:00 p.m.

**FRIDAY, 6/21**

String Ensemble rehearsal 4:00 p.m.

Al-Anon Speaker's Meeting 5:00 p.m.

**SUNDAY, 6/23**

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Fellowship 11:00 a.m.

*Neil will be out of the office on June 17-18. Kristin will be out until June 26.*

**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.

## **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!

## **Summer Outdoor Worship Services**

This summer we are having our outdoor worship services once a month on the third Sunday of the month. They will take place today, July 21, and August 18th. We will not be live-streaming the service on outdoor worship days. Please bring a chair or blanket to sit on for these services. For the June service, you can bring a picnic lunch to enjoy with others after the service!