



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day
July 14, 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

July 14, 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: God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth

ALL: and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food.

One: And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the air

*ALL: and to everything that creeps on the earth,
everything that has the breath of life,*

One: I have given every green plant for food." And it was so.

All: God saw everything that was made, and indeed, it was very good.

*Hymn #20 All Things Bright and Beautiful

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

God, you called us to love our neighbors, and to care for the wonder of your creation, but time and time again we act in ways that defile the Earth and bring misery to its inhabitants. You gave us plenty of fresh, clean water, but we have allowed such overwhelming contamination that millions have nothing to drink. You instructed us to till and to keep, but in our ravenous hunger for resources, too often we have interpreted this as a license for exploitation. Help us recognize our complicity in ecological violence. Remind us that we were created as part of the ecosystem that is your creation, not parasites draining its life. Remind us that we are

creatures made by a loving Creator, made to love and to care for each other and all of creation.

***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^b E^b B^b 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 people around you.*)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Children's Sermon

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Genesis 1

Old Testament, pp. 1-2

Sermon GREEN Plants for Food

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 #23** God, You Spin the Whirling Planets

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude**

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Cindy Mackay

Children's Message: Kristin Stroble

Pianist: John Khaidarov

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Ushers

Head Usher: Cindy Nixon; Mark Nixon

Greeter

Elaine Cable

Video Producer

Heather Myer

Flowers

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

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:

July 14 through July 21

SUNDAY, 7/14 Centsability

Worship

10:00 a.m.

Fellowship

11:00 a.m.

Water4Life Presentation

11:15 a.m.

MONDAY, 7/15

Trivia at Royal Scot

7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, 7/18

30s and 40s Gathering

7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, 7/19

String Ensemble rehearsal

4:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, 7/21

Outdoor Worship

10:00 a.m.

Grill Out

11:00 a.m.

Neil will be off until July 21.

Lugnuts Game

Join us for Lugnuts Faith Night on Saturday, Aug. 17. We have 20 premium box seats for the game. Tickets are \$13. Contact Charlotte Smith or the church office to reserve your ticket.

Open Tables

This summer we are planning at least three dinners for Eastminster members and friends to gather in small groups to share a meal at someone's home. The host provides the main dish and the guests provide the sides.

The August open table meal will be hosted by **Brian and Heather Heitman on August 25 at 1pm**. There is room for at least 15 people to sign up.

We are still looking for someone to host July. If you'd be willing to host, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

Summer Outdoor Worship Services

Our next outdoor worship services are July 21st 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.

Centsability

We are collecting for Centsability today. It is one way that families, congregations, and presbyteries can support the battle against hunger and poverty. Funds are used to support local hunger ministries, as well as national and international projects through the Presbyterian Hunger Program.

Hope in One Golf Outing

The 10th annual HOPE IN ONE GOLF OUTING to support Advent House Ministries will be on Wednesday, August 7. The event raises funds that help support the only weekend day shelter for people experiencing homelessness in the area. Groesbeck Golf Course in Lansing is the site. The deadline to register is July 25. Please contact the church office if you would like to play on an Eastminster team.

From the organizers: "This is a special year, and we will be recognizing churches. We will highlight you in the program and in announcements and hope you will have representatives there to be recognized for your support over the years. Thanks again."