

Service for the Lord's Day August 25, 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.



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.

There are offering plates outside, for those who wish to give. You can also give online on our website or using the QR code at the end of the bulletin.

Masks are available at the welcome table for those who would like to wear them.

* 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

August 25, 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: A love that never ceases,

ALL: A creativity that designed the universe,

One: A hope that cannot be quenched,

ALL: A pursuit of reconciliation no matter the cost:

One: These are the things that are of God,

ALL: Then let us worship God.

*Hymn #53 O God, Who Gives Us Life

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

God you have asked us to be like Moses —

Standing up for your people, standing up to justice.

But too often we are like Pharaoh —

Holding onto power, or holding onto privilege.

God, you ask us to be like Aaron —

Who stood by his brother to unravel systems of oppression.

But too often we align with Pharaoh —

Saying "no" to change and unraveling your vision for justice and peace.

Forgive us for all the ways we stand on the wrong side of history. Forgive us for the harm we do to your planet,

and for the harm we do to your children.

Help us be like Moses. Forgive us when we're like Pharaoh. Amen.

*Silent Confession

*Assurance of Pardon



*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 Exodus 7:1-25

Old Testament pp. 51-52

Sermon A RED River

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 #772 Live Into Hope

*Charge & Benediction

*Postlude

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble Worship Leader: Frank Boster Children's Message: Neil Myer Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze, D.M.A. <u>Worship Credits:</u> The call to worship is written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, 'Hold Fast to What is Good'; The prayer of confession is by Sarah Speed, A Sanctified Art; Hymns are printed and streamed with permission from One License #A-725831.

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This Week at Eastminster:

August 25 to September 1

SUNDAY, 8/25

Worship 10:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:00 a.m. Open Tables 1:00 p.m.

MONDAY, 8/26

Capital City Ringers rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Trivia at Royal Scot 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 8/28

UKirk Gathering 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 8/29

30s and 40s Gathering 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, 9/1

Worship 10:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:00 a.m.

