



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day
September 15, 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 welcome pads on the end of each pew. We invite you to sign in! On the welcome pads are prayer cards. If you have a prayer request you can fill that out and put it in the offering plate as you leave the sanctuary. If you only want the pastor to see it, please mark it confidential.

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.

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
September 15, 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: School is back in session,

ALL: and there are many lessons for us to learn.

One: So come to this place of hope and love,
of mistakes and redemption.

*ALL: This is where we learn from Christ,
who teaches us what it looks like to follow God.*

***Hymn #712** As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

*Merciful God, we have heard your teachings so many times before,
but we need to keep learning your lessons.*

*You teach us to love extravagantly
but we deem who is worthy and not worthy of love.*

*You teach us to forgive graciously,
but we add up rights and wrongs.*

*You teach us to share what we have,
but we cling tightly to our money and our possessions.*

*We do not want to live like this, but here we are,
made up of good intentions and misguided ambitions.*

*Keep teaching us, God. Keep transforming us.
We are listening.*

***Silent Confession**

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Sung Response #698** Take, O Take Me as I Am

The musical score is written for a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. It is in 4/4 time and the key signature has four flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, D-flat). The vocal line begins with a half note G3, followed by quarter notes A3, B3, C4, D4, E4, F4, G4, and a half note G4. The piano accompaniment consists of a steady bass line of quarter notes: G2, F2, E2, D2, C2, B1, A1, G1. The lyrics are: "Take, O take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me."

***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

John 6:5-13

New Testament, pp. 91-92

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 #697 Take My Life

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude**

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Ruth Hartwig

Children's Message: Neil Myer

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze, D.M.A.

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Ushers

Head Usher: Sue Kalvonjian

Greeter

Sam O'Neill

Flowers

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

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Heather Myer

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Rev. Kristin Stroble
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This Week at Eastminster:

September 15 to September 22

SUNDAY, 9/15

Worship	10:00 a.m.
Fellowship	11:00 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal	11:15 a.m.
Community Bells	4:30 p.m.

MONDAY, 9/16

CCR Rehearsal	6:00 p.m.
Trivia at Royal Scot	7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, 9/17

Chorale Ensemble	10:00 a.m.
UKirk Board Meeting	6:15 p.m.
Faith Formation Meeting	7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 9/18

Men's Bible Study	8:00 a.m.
Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
UKirk Gathering	6:30 p.m.
Community Connections Meeting	7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, 9/19

30s and 40s Gathering	7:00 p.m.
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FRIDAY, 9/20

String Ensemble Rehearsal	4:00 p.m.
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UKirk Lock-in

SATURDAY, 9/21

UKirk Lock-in

SUNDAY, 9/22

Worship	10:00 a.m.
Fellowship/Irv Nichol's 100th birthday	11:00 a.m.
Community Bells	4:30 p.m.

Crop Walk - Sunday, October 13, 2024

Eastminster is hoping to get a team of walkers together to participate in the 2024 Crop Walk. This annual gathering raises money to fight against hunger. All ages can participate! The walk will begin at 1:45pm. If you are interested please let Neil Myer or Kristin Stroble know.

World Communion Sunday - October 6th

After worship on World Communion Sunday we will be having a potluck in the Green Room. We invite you to bring a dish or dessert that is part of your family's tradition or background.

Bible Studies

We have two Bible studies that meet on Wednesday. The Men's Bible study meets at 8am and the other (yet to be named) Bible study meets at 10:30am. Both have the option to meet in person or on zoom.

Welcome Kits

The cards for this month's batch of welcome kits for the Refugee Development Center are in the narthex. Please take a card and return the items by September 30th.

Centsability

We collect the Centsability Offering the second Sunday of each month. This is a collection of loose change that is given to organizations that help feed people.

UKirk Dinners

Each Wednesday UKirk gathers at Eastminster and they begin with dinner. Would you be willing to provide a meal for hungry college students? Talk to Neil Myer or go to this link:

www.signupgenius.com/go/9040B4EA5A729A0FF2-46946613-ukirk