



# Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day  
September 29, 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](http://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 29, 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: We come to the river of your presence, God.

*ALL: We sink deep in the water of your love.*

One: In the silence, your grace holds us.

*ALL: In the mystery, your love washes us.*

One: In the water of your womb we are birthed anew.

*ALL: Give us life, O God. Remind us of our baptism.*

\*Hymn #475 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

### \*Call to Confession

### \*Prayer of Confession

*Merciful God,*

*in Jesus, we have seen your glory.*

*Yet our sinfulness often blocks out the light of Christ.*

*We are quick to accuse and slow to confess.*

*We find faults easily in others while ignoring our own shortcomings.*

*We have squandered your gifts.*

*We have turned from your ways.*

*We have ignored your Word.*

*Have mercy on us, compassionate God.*

*Pour out your Holy Spirit on our sinful lives.*

*Wash us with your love and cleanse us with your grace*

*that day by day we might move closer to the people you would have us be.  
Amen.*

**\*Silent Confession**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

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

Take, O take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall

The first system of musical notation is for the song 'Take, O Take Me as I Am'. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has four flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, D-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics 'Take, O take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall' are written below the treble staff.

be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.

The second system of musical notation continues the song. It also consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature and time signature remain the same as in the first system. The melody continues in the treble clef, and the accompaniment continues in the bass clef. The lyrics 'be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.' are written below the treble staff.

**\*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** Ephesians 4:1-16

New Testament, p. 182

**Sermon** Wash Your Hands

**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 #547** Go, My Children, with my Blessing

### **\*Charge & Benediction**

### **\*Postlude**

### **Participants in today's service:**

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Josh Vermaas

Children's Message: Neil Myer

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze, D.M.A.

Worship Credits: The call to worship is adapted from a collection by Steve Garnaas-Holmes, The Prayer of Confession is from the Presbyterian Outlook; hymns are printed and streamed with permission from One License #A-725831.

### **Ushers**

Head Usher: Brenda Ramsby

### **Greeter**

Mary Harvey

### **Flowers**

Today's flowers are given by Mary Ann Merchant in honor of Dave Merchant's 94th birthday.

### **Video Producer**

Susan Smalley

## **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:** *September 27 to October 6*

### **SUNDAY, 9/29**

Worship	10:00 a.m.
Fellowship	11:00 a.m.
Frank Lloyd Wright Conservancy Tours	1:00 p.m.
Community Bells	4:30 p.m.

### **MONDAY, 9/30**

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

### **TUESDAY, 10/1**

Chorale Ensemble	10:00 a.m.
Infrastructure	10:30 a.m.

### **WEDNESDAY 10/2**

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

### **THURSDAY, 10/3**

30s and 40s Gathering	7:00 p.m.
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### **FRIDAY, 10/4**

String Ensemble Rehearsal	4:00 p.m.
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### **SUNDAY, 9/29**

Worship	10:00 a.m.
Pot Luck Lunch	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.

## **Peace and Global Witness Offering**

We are currently collecting the Peace & Global Witness Offering, one of the special offerings of the PC(USA). This offering enables the church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of conflict and injustice across the world. We retain 25% of this offering and will be giving to Refugee Services at St. Vincent Catholic Charities. You can give using an envelope in the pew or online.

## **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.

## **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](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040B4EA5A729A0FF2-46946613-ukirk)

## **Frank Lloyd Wright Conservancy**

The Frank Lloyd Wright Conservancy will be bussing in two tour groups today as part of their post-conference activities. Norm Mackay and Sam O'Neill have been sorting through our documents and putting together a presentation for them. While this tour is not open to church members, we are planning a similar tour for the church in the future.

