



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

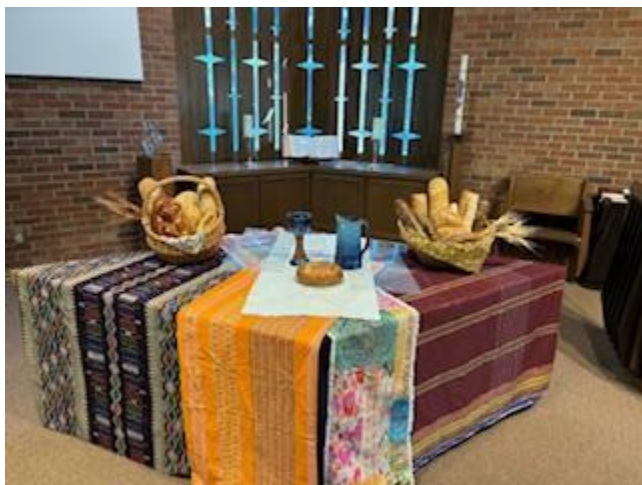
**Service for the Lord's Day
November 17, 2024**



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
November 17, 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: We come to worship with confidence

*ALL: not because we've been perfect this week
or because we're the best singers
or because all our prayers get answered,*

One: but because we are God's people

*ALL: grateful for love we can't imagine
striving to live in Christ's image
knowing that we belong in the house of God.*

***Hymn #450 Be Thou My Vision**

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

*God of grace and mercy, we confess that we are tired.
Some days, everything is hard, faith included.
Some days, your good words of peace and hope seem very far away.
Some days, we would like to turn our backs
on everything that asks for our time and energy.
Help us.
Help us root ourselves so deeply in your love
that serving is a joy and not a burden.
Help us find the energy and the courage and the grit
to keep pressing on in faith,*

*trusting that every mile of this journey
will matter in the end. Amen.*

***Silent Confession**

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Sung Response #414 Be Still and Know That I Am God**

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notes are G4, A4, B4, C#5, G4, A4, B4, C#5. Above the staff are four chords: E (with an asterisk), C#m (with an asterisk), E7, and C#m. Below the staff are the lyrics: "Be still and know that I am God." The second staff also has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. The notes are G4, A4, B4, C#5, G4, A4, B4, C#5. Above the staff are two rows of chords: the first row has (F), (C), (Dm), (Em), (Fmaj7), (G7); the second row has A, E, F#m, G#m, Amaj7, B7. Below the staff are the lyrics: "Be still and know that I am God." The lyrics are aligned with the notes of the first 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 Philippians 3:1-16 New Testament, pp. 186-187

Sermon

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

***Affirmation of Faith** *from a Brief Statement of Faith, PC(USA)*

In life and in death we belong to God.

*Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.*

*We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.*

*The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.*

The same Spirit

*who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.*

In a broken and fearful world

the Spirit gives us courage

to pray without ceasing,

to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,

to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,

to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,

and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,

we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks

and to live holy and joyful lives,

even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,

praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

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 #691** Lord, When I Came into This Life

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude**

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Worship Leader: Mike Brown

Children's Message: Neil Myer

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze, D.M.A.

Worship Credits: The liturgy is by Carol Holbrook Prickett; Hymns are printed and streamed with permission from One License #A-725831.

Ushers

Head Usher: Sue Kalvonjian; Tom Hardenbergh

Greeter

Jesse Turner

Flowers

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

Video Producers

Robin Bell, Linda Hardenbergh

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Neil Myer

Director of Christian Education

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Office Administrator

Tamar Mikeladze

Pianist

This Week at Eastminster: *November 17 to November 24*

SUNDAY, 11/17

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

MONDAY, 11/18

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

TUESDAY, 11/19

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

WEDNESDAY 11/20

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, 11/21

30s and 40s Gathering	7:00 p.m.
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FRIDAY, 11/22

String Ensemble Rehearsal	4:00 p.m.
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SUNDAY, 11/24

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

Stewardship 2025 - Church in Progress

As a church and as people we are always growing and progressing as disciples and as a community of faith. In worship we are looking at Paul's letter to the Philippians and seeing that the challenges of being church are nothing new, and despite it all God is still at work in us. To help us in putting together a faithful budget please fill out a pledge card by Sunday, November 24th. You can use the paper pledge cards that you received in the mail (there are extra in the church building) or pledge online at our [website](#). Thank you for your generosity!

