

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

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| TODAY: August 21 | NEXT SUNDAY: Sunday, August 28 |
| Lay Leader: Anne Vickers Chuck Landers | Lay Leader: Robb Ellis |
| Head Usher: Eileen Osteen Mark Sucher | Head Usher: Rick Owens Gil Kraemer |
| Greeters: Roxana Talwar Peg Lawhorn Lisa Ferney | Greeters: Scott Forster Taylor Putnam Peg Lawhorn |
| Time with Children: Libby Cheek | Time with Children: Melinda Finney |
| Children's Church: Brian & Stephanie Norton | Children's Church: Greg Keller & Taylor Putnam |
| Pre-school Children's Worship Jennifer Ellis | Pre-school Children's Worship Layne Putnam |

FOR THE RECORD:

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| Last Sunday's Attendance | 150 |
| Receipts Necessary for Budget | \$ 6,080 |
| Given Year to Date: | \$141,197 |
| Program & Mission Needs (year to date) | \$133,764 |

PASTORAL CARE NEEDS

If you should have an emergency or someone you know needs pastoral care, please contact the church office at 284-0190 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. If you need assistance after office hours please contact Pastor Steve Vance, at 864-414-0276. You can also send an email to Katie Keller, Elder in charge of Congregational Care, at network62@eastminster.com. Prayer request forms are available each Sunday morning on the welcome table in the Commons.

DURING WORSHIP

Please turn off all cell phones upon entering the sanctuary. If you find it necessary to leave the sanctuary, please try to time this to occur during hymns, offering, or before/after you have communed. In accordance with our church's **Child Protection Policy** please accompany your child at all times to and from the worship space. Thank you for helping to limit distractions during worship.

EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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“I am because we are.”

**Through our relationships our lives take on greater
and fuller meaning**

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ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

*The 10th Sunday after Pentecost
August 21, 2011*

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS & CONCERNS

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

PRELUDE "Ride On, King Jesus" *HALL HOPSON*

* CALL TO WORSHIP *LITURGIST: ANNE VICKERS
ELDER CHUCK LANDERS*

Leader: The God who answers in a day of trouble is among us,
PEOPLE: And behold, it is very good!
Leader: The God who lights a candle during the night is here,
PEOPLE: And behold, it is very good!
**All: Hearts, rejoice! For peace has triumphed over trouble,
and morning has broken eternal night!**

* HYMN #464 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" *HYMN TO JOY*

* PRAYER OF PRAISE *(in unison)*
We give you all praise, O God of salvation. We come with devotion to you, O Christ our redeemer. We honor you, O Holy Spirit, our source of encouragement; one God who sustains us with your love and your presence. Hear our words of reverence as we bow down before you. Grace us with your presence that we may learn of your way. Amen!

DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVING LOVE

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *GREATOREX*
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be;
world without end. Amen, Amen.**

TIME WITH CHILDREN *LIBBY CHEEK*

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 7:24-27

MESSAGE: "The Three "R"s of the Bible"
Steven Putnam, Director of Christian Education

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)
We believe in life renewed. Renewed through a life lived through and for God. Renewed through Jesus the Christ, who came so that all may be made new; living a life of compassion, love, forgiveness, justice, service, and where communal life is at the heart of our renewed life...living as Jesus lived. Amen!

THE OFFERING OF THE PEOPLE
Call for the Offering & Prayer of Dedication
Musical Offering: "Christians, We Have Met to Worship" *LLOYD LARSON
OLD HUNDREDTH*
* Response
**Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God all Creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen!**

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN #438 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" *DENNIS*

* BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *TREES OF THE FIELD*
**You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;
The mountains and the hills will break forth before you;
there'll be shouts of joy,
and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands,
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands, the trees of the field
will clap their hands, while you go out with joy! [X2]**

*POSTLUDE

CHURCH STAFF

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| Stephen R. Vance svance@eastminster.com | Interim Pastor |
| Steven Putnam steven@eastminster.com | Director of Christian Education |
| Luke L. Browder luke@eastminster.com | Choir Director |
| Kelly Herd kellymarieherd@gmail.com | Accompanist |
| Sherry Hirt sherry@eastminster.com | Administrative Assistant |

Office Hours:

Tuesday – Friday 9:00am – 3:00pm
Office Closed on Mondays

Ministry Teams & Elder Leaders

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| Clerk of Session Media Communications | Bonnie McCourtie |
| Internal Ministry Council Worship Team | Bonnie McCourtie |
| Fellowship Team | Sharon Daugherty |
| Membership Team | Ann Coleman |
| Congregational Care Team | Sharon Daugherty |
| Vision Council Stewardship Team | Carol Stewart |
| Strategic Planning Team | Katie Keller |
| Educational Ministry Council Children's Education Team | Rob Ellis |
| Youth Education Team | Mike Ferney |
| Adult Education Team | Robb Ellis |
| Operations Council Building & Grounds Team | Melinda Finney |
| Finance & Administration Team | Anitha Samuel |
| Personnel Team | Rick Owens |
| Outreach Council | Chuck Landers |
| | Mark Sucher |
| | Mike Armor |
| | Mark Sucher |
| | Ed Irick |
| | Craig Winebarger |

ACTIVITIES & PROGRAMS AT EASTMINISTER

TODAY

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| 9:15AM | Church School – Children/Youth |
| 10:30AM | WORSHIP- RALLY DAY RALLY DAY LUNCHEON FOLLOWING WORSHIP September Newsletter deadline |
| 5:00PM | Mid High and Sr. High class at EPC |

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, August 23

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| 6:45AM | Men's Bible Study-Clarke's Kitchen |
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Wednesday, August 24

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| 6:00PM | Fellowship Potluck |
| 6:00PM | Faith at the Movies "Spitfire Grill" |
| 6:30PM | Vespers |
| 6:30PM | Chancel Choir Rehearsal |
| 7:00PM | FUN Group-downtown |

NEXT SUNDAY: August 28

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| 9:15AM | Church School – Children/Youth |
| 10:30AM | WORSHIP |
| 11:30AM | Session stated meeting and Luncheon |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: The Session has called for a meeting of the congregation to be held following worship on Sunday, September 19 for the purpose of electing three members of the congregation to serve with Elders Melinda Finney and Ed Irick (and the interim pastor – *ex officio*) on the **2012 Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC)**. The congregation is invited to suggest the names of active members of the church to Melinda, Ed or Pastor Steve to be considered to represent the congregation on the CNC. A slate of three nominees will be brought to the congregation for their consideration on September 19. It is the CNC who will develop the slate of elder nominees for the Session. The Class of 2014 will be presented to the congregation on November 20.

Pastor Steve Vance on leave of absence until August 31. Leading worship this morning is our Educator Steven Putnam and members of the Christian Education Team. Next Sunday, August 28 our guest minister will be the Rev. Nancy Blakely. Nancy will also moderate the August Session meeting. Pastoral care will be coordinated by Elder Katie Keller and the Rev. Dan Hughs.

CHURCH INFORMATION FORM: If you wish to read the Church Information Form prepared by the PNC and endorsed by the session of EPC, and on file with the denomination, copies are available in the church office. *Brian Norton and Susan Carlson co-chairs EPC PNC.*

CHOIR REHEARSAL Wednesday's from 6:30- 7:30 PM.

Rehearsals are open to everyone who is interested in singing and leading worship. Invite your friends and family to join the choir as we continue to grow this exciting ministry at Eastminster! **NEW! Fall schedule** will begin on August 31st **Children's choir, 6:30-7:00 p.m. and Chancel choir- 7:00- 8:00 p.m.**

We are currently forming a **Hand-bell Choir** that will begin rehearsals this September! Rehearsals will be from 6:30-7:00pm every Wednesday. If you are interested in ringing in the Hand-bell Choir please email Luke Browder at luke@eastminster.com."

WEDNESDAY NITE at EPC: Please join your church family at 6:00p.m. each Wednesday evening for a casual meal (please bring side, salad or desert w/main entrée provided and cost covered by those attending). A brief Vespers Service will begin at 6:30 p.m. for those not participating in the Children's Choir or a newly forming Bell Choir.

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| Shared Meal | 6:00-6:30 p.m. |
| Vesper's | 6:30-7:00 p.m. |

Ladies Circle, Thursday, September 8 at 10:00AM home of Carol Irick. Studying "Confessing the Beatitudes", Women of all ages welcome. Information, contact carolirick@charter.net or 962-2492

EPC Women's Fall Brunch, Saturday, September 10, at 10:00 a.m., in Clarke's Kitchen. All women regardless of age or membership are invited. Discover the opportunities for women at EPC. Sign up on Kiosk. Childcare is available.

GROWING IN FAITH OPPORTUNITIES

From the Director of Christian Education:

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:15 a.m.

Pre-school – 1st Grade
2nd – 5th Grade
Mid High & Sr. High
Adults

"God's Family in Action"
"Sharable Parables"
Parables of Jesus-combined class
"Serious Answers to Hard Questions"
Faith-at-the-Movies discussion

CHILDRENS CHURCH: 10:40 a.m.

Preschool – 1st Grade
2nd – 5th Grade

After Time with Children
Education wing-1st classroom
Upstairs last classroom on left

SUNDAY EVENING: 5:00 p.m.

Mid and Sr. High Youth class at EPC.

Class descriptions can be found on the website at <http://www.eastminster.com>.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

September 3-5, 2011: CAMP BUC FAMILY RETREAT - This Retreat is offered as a ministry of the Buc Outdoor Center and Foothills Presbytery. The retreat begins Saturday with lunch at noon in the Dining Hall, followed by registration from 1:15-2:00 pm. The retreat ends Monday with morning worship and lunch. Go to <http://www.bucoutdoorcenter.org/> to learn more.