

The Fourth Sunday of the Month
ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD
2nd Sunday after Pentecost
June 26, 2011

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS & CONCERNS

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

PRELUDE

* CALL TO WORSHIP

MELINDA FINNEY

Leader: Rejoice, people of God! Celebrate the life within you, and Christ's presence in your midst.

PEOPLE: Our eyes shall be opened! The present will have new meaning, and the future will be bright with hope.

Leader: Rejoice, people of God! Bow your heads before the One who is our wisdom and our strength.

PEOPLE: We place ourselves before this God, that we may be touched and cleansed by the power of God's Spirit. Amen.

* HYMN #488

"The God of Abraham Praise"

LEONI

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Infinite Word of truth, breathe upon us the refreshing breath of your Holy Spirit and forgive our transgression. Cleanse our hearts of false doctrine by the winds of righteousness and truth. Purge us by the fires of your eternal judgment and we shall be pure. Shake the foundations of our jealousy and selfishness and cast us anew in the image of Christ Jesus... *(silent and personal confession)*

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

LAUDA ANIMA

**Praise my soul, the God of heaven,
Glad of heart your carols raise;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who, like me, should sing God's praise?
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the Maker all your days!**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 11:1-36 *abridged*

SERMON

"And I've Grown Up Just Like Him"

The Rev. Stephen R. Vance

* DECLARATION OF FAITH

from Colossians 1

We affirm that Jesus Christ is the visible likeness of the invisible God. He is the first born of creation, for through him God created everything in heaven and on earth; through him and for him God created the whole universe. He is the head of the body, the Church; he is the source of our life as community. Through him God has reconciled all things, both in heaven and on earth, making peace, through his sacrifice on the cross. Thanks be to God! Amen!!

THE OFFERING OF THE PEOPLE

Call for the Offering & Prayer of Dedication

Musical Offering

by soloist Luke Browder

"It is Well With my Soul"

JOSEPH M MARTIN

*Response

TOULON

**Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to you;
Use them your holy purpose to fulfill;
Tokens of love and pledges brought anew,
That our whole life is offered to your will.**

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN #339

"Be Thou My Vision"

SLANE

* BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

TALLIS' CANON

**Go with us Lord, and guide the way,
Through this and every coming day,
That in your Spirit strong and true,
Our lives may be our gift to you.**

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

TODAY:
Sunday: June 26

Lay Leader: Melinda Finney
Head Usher: Rick Owens
Greeters: Scott Forster
Audra Pierce
Roxana Talwar

NEXT SUNDAY:
Sunday, July 3

Lay Leader: Russ Taylor
Head Usher: Betty Taylor
Greeters: Ann Broom
Anne Vickers
Peg Lawhorn

FOR THE RECORD:

Last Sunday's Attendance	97
Received for Program & Mission	\$ 4,874
Receipts Necessary for Budget	\$ 6,080
Given Year to Date:	\$130,063
Program & Mission Needs (year to date)	\$121,604

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.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE!

Due to Safety and Fire code reasons, parking on Sunday mornings shall be in the designated spaces in the parking lot only. No longer are we allowed to park around the circle or directly in front of the door. Thank you for your understanding of the safety of our Eastminster family.

EASTMINSTER

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

God Sends Us to Exercise Compassion.

In God's concern for justice in the social order the Almighty has never forgotten the needs of individuals.

In the end the Lord will judge all persons by the simple, unremembered acts of kindness they did or failed to do for the least of their sisters and brothers.

We acknowledge God is at work here and now when people show Personal concern for each other and work to make helping agencies, including the church itself, more compassionate.

We believe God sends us to risk our own peace and comfort in compassion for our neighbors.

We are to give to them and receive from them, accepting everyone we meet as a person; to be sensitive to those who suffer in body or mind; to help and accept help in ways that affirm dignity and responsibility.

We must not limit our compassion to those we judge deserving, for we ourselves do not deserve the compassion of God.

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Office Hours:

Tuesday – Friday 9:00am – 3:00pm
Office Closed on Mondays
June & July: 9:00am - Noon

Ministry Teams & Elder Leaders

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

ACTIVITIES & PROGRAMS AT EASTMINISTER

TODAY

9:15AM	Church School – Children/Youth/Adults
9:15AM	Inquirer's class #4
10:30AM	WORSHIP
6:00PM	50+ Group BBQ

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, June 28

6:30PM	Youth Team Meeting
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Wednesday, June 29

6:00PM	Church Family Potluck
6:30PM	Faith at the Movies / Mid High Room
6:30PM	Choir Rehearsal

NEXT SUNDAY: July 3

9:15AM	Church School – Children/Youth/Adults
10:30AM	WORSHIP-COMMUNION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION of Eastminster Presbyterian Church has been called by the Session and will be held this morning immediately following worship for the following purposes: (1) to act on the need, under the new Form of Government to set a quorum for future meetings of the congregation of EPC, (2) to hear a mid-year report from the Stewardship Team and (3) to hear an update from the Pastor Nominating Committee [PNC]. *All members of Eastminster are encouraged to be present and remain for the meeting.* [Bonnie McCourtie, Clerk of Session]

EPC FAMILY DIRECTORY if you and your family would like to be included in the EPC Family Directory (online and paper), please see Carol Stewart after church this morning. She has her camera and will be glad to take your photo. It's important that all families, both members and friends of EPC, are included in our directory.

KEEPING OUR HOUSE IN ORDER! Please help the church control costs and maintain cleanliness by notifying Sherry Hirt when you or your group, plan to use any church facilities. Sherry maintains a calendar of events and building usage and we want to keep this calendar current and accurate. Increasingly we are finding lights left on, toys on the floor, and trash cans full of boxes and food. A call to Sherry prior to your event and attention to housekeeping after the event would be greatly appreciated! [Mike Armor, Building and Grounds]

HELLO SUMMER ! 50 Plus Group will welcome summer this evening with a BBQ at 6:00 P.M. at the Forest Lake Clubhouse, Simpsonville (near Highway 14 and Woodruff Road. For further details contact Sharon Daugherty, cell 275-0661.

CHOIR REHEARSALS for the summer, Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Contact Luke Browder with questions, luke.browder@gmail.com

GROWING IN FAITH OPPORTUNITIES

From the Director of Christian Education:

Faith at the Movies group will continue discussion of “**Amazing Grace**” this Sunday morning. On Wednesday, June 29th we will watch “**Dead Man Walking**” Join us at 6:00 p.m. for a potluck dinner in Clarke’s Kitchen at the church and then we will watch the movie upstairs in the mid-high room at 6:30 pm. Childcare is provided. If you are not able to join us on Wednesday to view the movie, you can always watch it on your own and come for the discussion on Sunday mornings. Contact Stephanie Norton (421-4721 or sfnorton@charter.net) with questions. See you at the movies!

Serious Answers to Hard Questions: This Sunday the class will view and discuss the session on **Evangelism & Tolerance**. In this thought-provoking and inspiring course, ten leading theologians address ten issues that are obstacles to faith for many both in and outside of the church. The class will meet in the Adult Classroom at the back of the Sanctuary.

YOUTH EDUCATION MINISTRY: Sunday School 9:15 a.m. The Youth Group is joining the Faith at the Movies discussion class this Sunday to discuss the movie “**Amazing Grace**”.

CHILDREN’S EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY

Both groups will use “Sharable Parables” and “God’s Family” curriculum for the summer.

Preschool – 1st Grade: Sunday, school at 9:15 a.m. This class meets downstairs first classroom on right in the education wing.

2nd - 5th Grade Sunday school 9:15 a.m. This class meets upstairs in the Creation Station classroom.

Children’s Church is offered at 10:40 a.m. for two groups: Preschool – 1st grade & 2nd – 5th grade after “The Time with Children.” Children will be taken to their own worship experience. This offering is optional for the 2nd – 5th grade group. Children may remain in the Sanctuary for the Worship Service. The Preschool – 1st grade meets downstairs first classroom on right in the education wing. The 2nd – 5th grade group meets upstairs in the last classroom on the left.