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Upcoming Highlights

OCTOBER 6

10:00 am World Communion Sunday

11:30 am Stewardship Lunch

Email admin@eastminster.com

to order your lunch!

OCTOBER 13

noon GAIHN training

5:00 pm Blessing of the Animals

OCTOBER 27-NOVEMBER 3

Eastminster hosts GAIHN families

(see page 6)

NOVEMBER 3

5:00 pm Evening Vespers

in the Outdoor Worship Center followed
by a churchwide potluck supper

Narrative Lectionary Fall 2019

The narrative lectionary respects the traditional seasons of the Christian church year- Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, and Pentecost. It also respects the rhythms of the school year. During the fall, the Old Testament texts will be the primary scripture for proclaiming the Biblical story during Sunday morning worship. These same texts will be used in Preschool, Elementary, and Middle School Sunday School classes.

October 6

"Love the Lord your God"

Deuteronomy 5:1-21; 6:4-9

God speaks through Moses to show the Israelites how to live with each other and remain faithful to the Lord.

October 13

"Ruth Follows Naomi"

Ruth 1:1-17

An Israelite family moves to Moab after a famine hits their homeland. The sons marry Moabite women. When these sons die, one wife pledges to remain faithful to her mother-in-law Naomi and to the God of Israel.

October 20

"David Becomes King"

2 Samuel 5:1-5; 6:1-5; Psalm 150

David is anointed king over all of Israel. In one of his first acts, he brings the Ark of the Covenant to Jerusalem, making Jerusalem the political and religious capital of Israel.

October 27

Worship led by Furman UKirk Students

November 3

"Fire from Heaven"

1 Kings 18:17-39

A contest was set up between the prophets of the god Baal and Elijah to prove whether the Lord or Baal was the true God.

November 10

"God's Beloved Children"

Hosea 11:1-9

The Lord speaks to the people of Israel through the prophet Hosea and reminds them of past healing and love.

November 17

"God's Vineyard"

Isaiah 5:1-7; 11:1-5

Isaiah uses the image of a vineyard to describe God's love for Israel and Judah as well as God's anger at their betrayal.

November 24

"Josiah Finds the Scroll"

2 Kings 22:1-20, 23:1-3

King Josiah is given a book of the law that was recently found by the high priest Hilkiah. After consulting the prophetess Huldah, Josiah leads the people of Judah in renewing the nation's covenant with God.



"We are one family in Christ, living in community, celebrating our faith, called, comforted and challenged by the Word of God, reaching out to all persons."

Our Vision: To grow in God, make Christ known and serve with love.

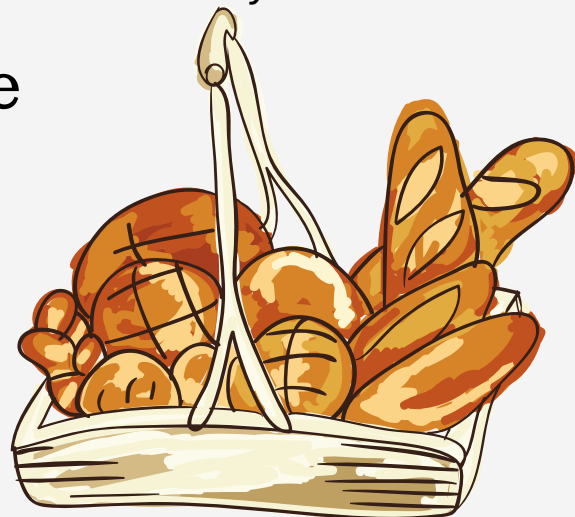
Our Mission: Worship, Grow, Go and Serve

World Communion Sunday

Eastminster will observe World Communion Sunday on October 6th. This global celebration of the Lord's Supper reminds us that the unity of the Body of Christ extends across every boundary, and we are joined in Christ as sisters and brothers with all of humanity.

Bread from Across the Globe

During our 10am worship of Sunday Oct. 6, we will experience the tastes of other cultures during Communion. Eastminster members are preparing a variety of breads representing different cultures, from which to sample as we share communion.



Calling All Bread Makers

Any member is welcome to prepare a bread from around the world to share at Eastminster on World Communion Sunday. Include your children and/or grandkids in this fun activity!

Here's how:

- Find a bread recipe you'd like to make.
- Scroll below for some ideas. (Pressley has recipes for each of these!)
- If you would like to make one from this list or have a favorite bread to share, email pressley@eastminster.com with your bread of choice.
- Prepare your bread, cut it into cubes, and place on a platter to be used in worship.
- Bring your bread to Eastminster on Sunday Oct. 6 **by 9:30 AM**. (You may bring it earlier and leave it on the island in the kitchen.)

Some bread ideas...

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| • Milk and Honey Bread | • Chapati Flat Bread - East Africa | • Pandebono Bread - Columbia |
| • Tortillas | • Damper Bread - Australia | • Paratha Flatbread - Nepal |
| • Banana Bread | • Gorditas - Mexico | • Psomi Bread - Greece |
| • Corn Bread | • Irish Soda Bread - Ireland | • Rustic Spanish Bread - Spain |
| • Challah | • Japanese Milk Bread - Japan | • Russian Black Bread - Russia |
| • Pretzels | • Lavash Flat Bread - Middle East | • Sabaayad Flatbread - Somalia |
| • Croissants | • Lefse - Norway | • Sephardic Challah - Northern Mediterranean |
| • Baguette - France | • Marraquata - Chile | • Tandir Bread - Azerbaijan |
| • Bauernbrot - Germany | • Naan Garlic-Cilantro Flatbread - India | • Zopf Bread - Switzerland |

New Member



Rebekah deMarrais moved to Simpsonville 5 years ago from upstate New York, near Albany. She was born in Providence, RI and raised in Saratoga Springs, New York. Rebekah lives with her husband, Seth, and 15 year old daughter, Maeve. They have a sweet, loving, big dog named Bear. Rebekah is a special education teacher, currently working for Laurens County Public School System. She spends time researching information on learning disabilities and counseling. She also loves to be outside and has started mountain biking. Programs she is interested in at Eastminster include Stephen Ministry, bringing food to our grieving or sick members, and general church activities. Rebekah is thrilled to become part of such a welcoming church community where she sees many opportunities for spiritual growth, community/fellowship, and service!

Youth



6TH-12TH GRADE YOUTH!!!

Mark your calendar for Fall Youth Fellowship dates!

October 6- Youth Fellowship

October 19-20- Middle School to Bonclarken

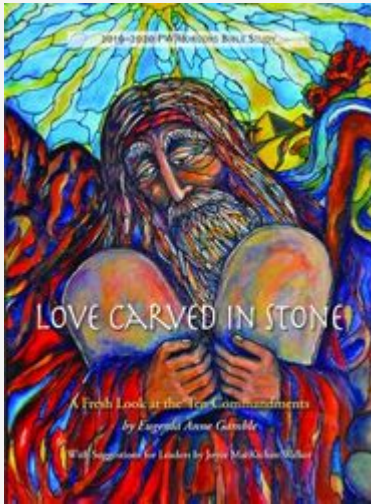
November 3- Evening Vespers and Church Potluck

November 24- Mindfulness Workshop

December 1- "Won't You be My Neighbor" Movie and Popcorn

December 8 -Youth Christmas Party

Women's Groups



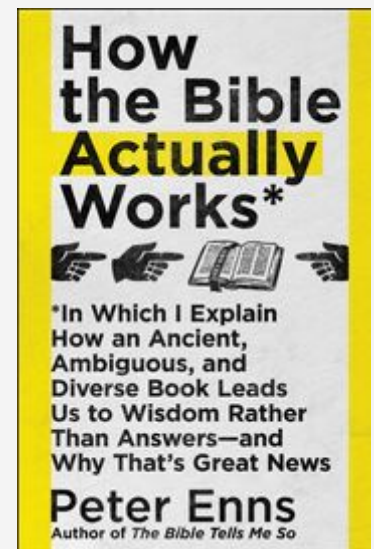
EPC Women's Circles meet monthly. This year's Horizon Bible Study is entitled Love Carved in Stone... A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments. Women of all ages are invited to join us as we seek to nurture our faith through worship, study, friendship, and outreach.

Morning Circle meets the second Thursday of each month at 10:00 AM. For more information, contact carolirick@charter.net
Evening Circle meets the second Monday of each month at 7:00 PM. For more information, contact pressley@eastminster.com

Connect Group

The Connect Group is a study group that meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at noon. The group is currently studying "How the Bible Actually Works: In Which I Explain How An Ancient, Ambiguous, and Diverse Book Leads Us to Wisdom Rather Than Answers—and Why That's Great News".

Contact Susan Carlson susantcarlson@gmail.com or Jennifer Ellis jennifer@ellisdigital.com for more information.



The Art of Fellowship



Join us on Thursday, **October 3 & November 7 at 7 pm** for an evening of Christian fellowship and creative expression at the home art studio of Jaime Winton at 23 Chestnut Springs Court, Greer. All women are invited to come create artwork and get to know our church family better. Zero artistic skill is required, and child care is available upon request! All supplies provided. Please email jaimewinton@gmail.com with any questions.

Men's Groups

Men's Breakfast

Wednesday Mornings at 6:45am

Panera Bread

1125 Woodruff Rd, Greenville

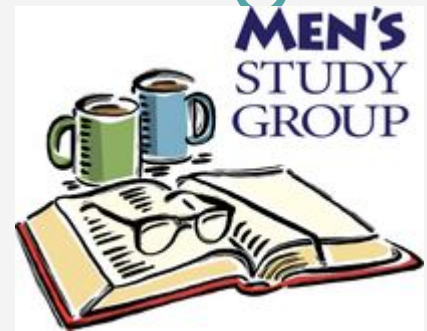
Join in fellowship with other EPC men at Panera Bread.

For more information please contact Mark Osteen.



Men's Devotional Study

Men's bible study meets in Clarke's Kitchen at EPC on Thursday mornings at 7am. Please join us in fellowship on Thursday mornings. Please contact Ed Irick at 864-420-1052 with any questions.



OUTREACH

GAIHN

We will be hosting GAIHN during the week of October 27th. There will be a special training session by United Ministries on Sunday, October 13. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the Greenville Area Interfaith Hospitality Network! We are thankful for all that contribute to this community related ministry. any time given is fully appreciated. Please remember that we are in need of twin size bedding. We will be happy to receive any gently used sheets, blankets and comforters. EPC is grateful for your generous donations. If you have any questions, please contact Valeen at valeengoodreau@gmail.com.

Café Justo is a collective of families that grow their coffee and sell it directly to the consumer. Café Justo coffee is Fair Trade and organic; in addition Café Justo keeps the farmers involved in the entire process of making coffee, particularly the roasting of the beans, where the majority of the profit is. Café Justo provides sustainable wages to the coffee growers and therefore prevents those families from poverty and migration from Mexico to the United States. Café Justo coffee will be available to purchase on the third Sunday of the month.



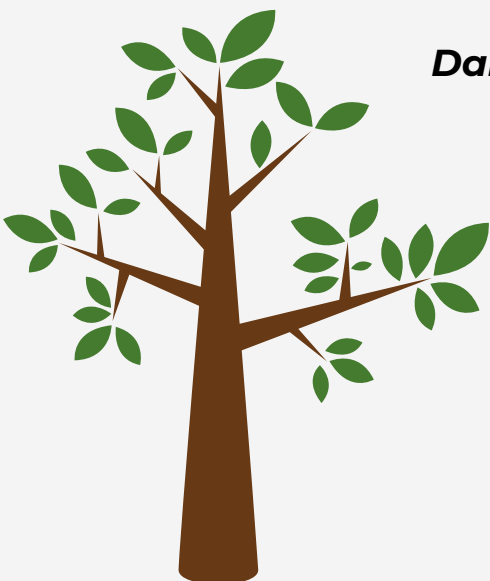
20th Anniversary Giving Tree

Thank you for the amazing response to the 20th Anniversary Giving Tree! We have been able to purchase new toys, high chairs, and supplies for the children's ministry. Scholarships for Montreat and youth mission trips have been funded. Your donations have helped fund curriculum, youth materials, property and grounds updates, office supplies, and so much more!

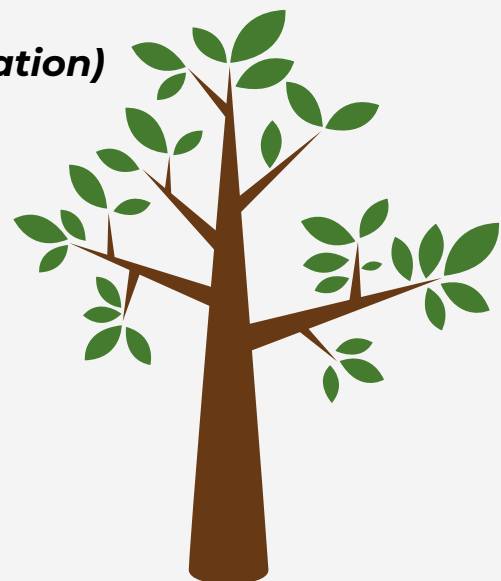
If you haven't had a chance to donate or would like to give even more, please check out the tree or visit the Amazon wish list by visiting the link <http://a.co/3jyooqf>.

In addition to the wish list, we have designated funds that support the various ministries of the church. If you would like to contribute to one, please make a note of the fund on your donation. For more information of designated funds, please contact Mark Sucher or a member of the Finance team.

DESIGNATED FUNDS



Children's Ministry
Dan Hughs Fund (Adult Education)
Debt Reduction Fund
Hunger offering
Liturgical Arts
Montreat Scholarships
Music Ministry
Property and Grounds
Stephen Ministry
Youth Ministry



Announcements



Anyone fifty or older and not on the FUN GROUP email list and would like to be added, contact Jane Couch at randjcouch@gmail.com. We meet several times a year for day and evening activities.

Resource Center

Did you know Eastminster has a resource center? It's located in the office conference and full of great books for you to borrow. We've received a lot of new books, but need someone to help organize all the great resources! If you love books, enjoy organizing and have a few hours to spare, we are looking for a couple of people to help go through our resources and get the room organized.

If you are interested, please contact pressley@eastminster.com.



On Sunday, October 27, Rev. Erin Farry and UKirk Furman will lead us in worship. UKirk (meaning "University Church") Furman is associated with the Presbyterian Church (USA) and is a family of faith encouraged by and committed to:

- Wrestling with Scripture, acknowledging its authority, and trusting the Holy Spirit to speak through it
- Experiencing God's grace and witnessing Christ's love as we seek to serve others whether at Furman, in Greenville, or throughout the world
- Worshipping and studying the living, Triune God through food, fun, and fellowship

UKirk Furman seeks to foster an enriching experience with and for students during their time at Furman. Students are invited to join in fellowship and partake in the many activities we have to offer, including our Tuesday night LiFT programming, At the Table lunches on Thursdays, Worship, service projects, tailgates, retreats, and Montreat College Conference. UKirk Furman is a welcoming place for all students no matter where they are in their faith journey and development.



The Worship team is searching for a new 12 foot Christmas tree to use during Advent for the Chrismon tree. If you are getting rid of one this size or would like to contribute to the purchase of a new tree, please contact pressley@eastminster.com.

The Eastminster Communications and Evangelism Team is seeking a tech-savvy volunteer to help manage our website. This would include troubleshooting and updating it. If you would be willing to help with this, please contact Maureen Cobb (maureencobb@gmail.com or 803-984-1180). Thank you!



Announcements

From the Winebarger Family

Dear congregation members of Eastminster Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for all the love and care you so generously offered us while Craig was ill and shortly afterward. The flowers you sent in Craig's memory were beautiful! The reception following Craig's funeral mass was delightful for all to refresh themselves and every detail from ushering to queing the lines was handled efficiently and gracefully.

Craig so enjoyed his church family and we are each keenly aware of your collective love and support.

Thank you.

In love and appreciation,

Martha, David, Katie and Alex



Stephen Ministry

It's official!

Thanks to a generous donation, Eastminster is a Stephen Ministry congregation!

What happens now?

We are privileged to have two Stephen Leaders, Maggie Taylor and Deb Vanderveer, as members of Eastminster. They have been trained to implement the Stephen Series in order to train Stephen Ministers.

We are still seeking around \$4000 to support this ministry and send 2 more people to come alongside Maggie and Deb as Stephen Leaders.

Stephen Leaders will train those interested in serving as Stephen Ministers. This training includes 50 hours of training in Christian caregiving. Topics include listening, feelings, assertiveness, confidentiality, and ministering to people in specific situations such as divorce, terminal illness, grief, and childbirth. Stephen Ministers also are trained to recognize when a care receiver's needs go beyond the care a Stephen Minister can provide and how to refer the care receiver for additional care.

We hope to start a class in early 2020. Those interested in serving as Stephen Ministers may reach out to Maggie, Deb or Pressley for more information.

The logo Stephen Ministry congregations use consists of a cross and circle, together with a broken person and a whole person. The broken person stands behind the cross, symbolizing the brokenness in our lives as a result of our sin. The whole person stands in front of the cross because it is through the cross of Jesus that we again are made whole. The circle symbolizes both the wholeness we receive through Christ and God's unending love for us.



OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

10/2	Cameron Shetler	10/19	Katie Winebarger	11/4	Jan Barto
10/3	Ann Coleman	10/23	Hans Meyer		Ed Uprichard
10/5	Dana Landers	10/24	Leanna Shetler	11/8	Jaime Winton
10/12	Ann Broom	10/25	Elizabeth Owens	11/11	Dan Harris
	Scott Carlson	10/29	Cyndi Lichoulas	11/18	Kate Brandenburg
	Mike Ferney	10/30	Peggy Lawhorn	11/19	George Calloway
10/14	Bud Torris	11/3	Bryant Shetler	11/20	Megan Keller
10/15	Sharon Daugherty		John Winton		
	Lindy Landers				



Prayer Requests

Home-bound/Nursing Homes: Sylvia Meyer; Emily Phillips.

Eastminster Members: Norton and Suzanne Cater; Ann Coleman; Marilyn James; Richard Owens; Maryanne Torris.

Eastminster Extended Family: Allison Hnatsyhyn (Kim Gassner's sister); Julia James (aunt of Karen Reese); Ron Kainec (The Kurta's brother-in-law); Robin and Chris King (Linda Sucher's brother and sister-in-law); Eric Kumm (Kimberly Lane's cousin); Katie Landry (Kim Gassner's mother); Jean Lasher (Cyndi Lichoulas' mother); Jerry Magyar (Barbara Kurta's brother); Lane Miller (cousin of Karen Reese); Haven Moore (The Cortright's niece); Petr Svaton (Lucie Svatonova-Hughes' brother).

Eastminster Friends: Eileen Baker (friend of Bill and Maggie Taylor); Marcella Baker (friend of Elizabeth Owens); Barbara and George Carmody (friends of Maggie Taylor); Ruth Gardner (friend of the Lanes); Leighla Horgan (friend of Elizabeth Owens); Mariel Hunkeler (friend of Lucie Hughes); Morgan Jackson (daughter of Kimberly Lane's friend); Clyde Strait (friend of Bill and Maggie Taylor); Roxanne Waling (friend of Eileen Osteen); Earle and Donna Woodson (friends of Elizabeth Owens)

Upcoming Dates

October 6	World Communion Sunday
October 13	Blessing of the Animals
November 3	Thanksgiving Vespers and Dinner
November 17	Mindfulness Parent Workshop
November 24	Mindfulness Youth Workshop

