

SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP
16th Sunday after Pentecost
September 25, 2022
9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

*Time for quiet prayer and meditation . . .
"Be still and know that I am God."*

We Come Before God in Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Fantasy on Holy Manna" arr. Carter

* Call to Worship

L: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praises to your name, O Most High.
P: **To declare your steadfast love in the morning,
and your faithfulness by night.**
(Psalm 92:1-2)

* Hymn "Our God, Our help in Ages Past" No. 687

* Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Almighty God,
who is rich in mercy to all those who call upon
you:
hear us as we come to you
humbly confessing our sins.
We have broken your holy laws
by our deeds and by our word,
and by the sinful affections of our hearts.
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
grant that we may hereafter serve and please you
in newness of life;
through the merit of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

* Assurance of Pardon

* Gloria Patri No. 581

**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.**

Prayer for Children
(Ages K3-1st Grade may leave for Children's Church)

**Little ones to Him belong:
Lord Jesus, bless our children. Amen.**

God Gives to Us Through His Word

Scripture Lesson Psalm 90

L: Lord, you have been our dwelling place
in all generations.
Before the mountains were brought forth,
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
P: **You return man to dust
and say, "Return, O children of man!"
For a thousand years in your sight
are but as yesterday when it is past,
or as a watch in the night.**
L: You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream,
like grass that is renewed in the morning;
in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;
in the evening it fades and withers.
P: **For we are brought to an end by your anger;
by your wrath we are dismayed.
You have set our iniquities before you,
our secret sins in the light of your presence.**
L: For all our days pass away under your wrath;
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.
The years of our life are seventy,
or even by reason of strength eighty;
yet their span is but toil and trouble;
they are soon gone, and we fly away.
P: **Who considers the power of your anger,
and your wrath according to the fear of you?
So teach us to number our days
that we may get a heart of wisdom.**
L: Return, O LORD! How long?
Have pity on your servants!
Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us,
and for as many years as we have seen evil.
P: **Let your work be shown to your servants,
and your glorious power to their children.
Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,
and establish the work of our hands upon us;
yes, establish the work of our hands!**

Anthem (11:00 a.m.) "Awake, My Soul" arr. Hagenberg

Scripture Lesson Luke 11:29-36

Sermon The Gospel of Luke Dr. Seel
XXXIX. The Sign of Jonah and the Queen of the South

We Respond to God's Word

* Hymn "Arise, Your Light Is Come!" No. 744

* Apostles' Creed (Unison)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of
heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son
our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He
descended into hell; the third day He rose again
from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth
on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from
thence He shall come to judge the quick and the
dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic
church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of
sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life
everlasting. Amen.**

Call to Prayer (11:00 a.m.) "Be Still and Know" Bell
Adult Choir

Prayers of the People and the 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.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" arr. Harmon

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication No. 606

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

* Hymn "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" No. 547

* Charge and Benediction

* Benediction Response "Make Us Holy, Make Us Whole"

*In your love, make us whole. May we rest in your compassion.
Calm the lost, weary soul in the warmth of your love.
May your peace fill our hearts. May we know the love of Jesus
By your grace, you console. Make us holy, make us whole.*

* Postlude "Truro" arr. McDonald

* Congregation Stands

**Please write your
request, tear off this
form, fold, and place in
the offering plate.**

PRAYER REQUESTS

The Tuesday Morning Prayer
Group meets each week at
10:00 a.m. to pray for the
EPC family and any other
special needs.

Name and date: (optional)

(These are kept confidential!)

**WELCOME TO
VISITORS**

If you are visiting today,
we would like you to know
that it is a privilege to have
you with us. It is our hope
that you will find a warm
welcome and an atmosphere
to worship God.

We would love a record of
your visit. Please fill out the
following and place in the
offering plate when passed.

Name

Address

Phone Number

Email Address

1st Time Visit

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Will and Ellen Young's 12th wedding anniversary.

Staying Connected

Church information can be found on our website and in our weekly Connect emails. Please contact the church office if you are not receiving these very important emails.

Fill out the form below, tear off and put in the offering plate.

Wonderful Wednesday Meal Reservation

September 28, 5:30 pm

Menu:

Baked Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, & Dessert

Prepared by: Deke Van Wagner

Family Name

\$5 for ages 5 years & up
\$25 Family Cap

Ages 5 & up: # of meals _____
Vegetarian: # of meals _____

You may also sign up on our website:
easleypresbyterian.org

Deadline is Noon, Monday each week.

NURSERY STAFF

Victoria Rose Brock and Gracie Wilson

CHILDREN'S CHURCH VOLUNTEERS TODAY

9:00 a.m.

Samantha Hollis
Grant Hollis

11:00 a.m.

April DuBose
Ginna Lister

SAFE PLACE MONITOR

David Owen

SEPTEMBER USHERS

9:00 a.m.

Melanie Branham, Head
Michael Baker, Asst.

11:00 a.m.

Michael Baker, Head
John Dockery, Asst.

SOUND & LIGHT

John LaBrash

VIDEO

John Franks

Member News

The red rose in the sanctuary today is in honor of the birth of Charlotte Decasa Schonhar, born on September 16, 2022. Charlie is the daughter of Katherine & Drew Schonhar, the granddaughter of Teresa & Mark Schonhar, and great-granddaughter of Kathy & Charlie Schonhar.

We give thanks to God for the life of His servant, Chris Christopherson, who died on September 21, 2022, and we express Christian love and sympathy to his family.

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