

**SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP**  
**9th Sunday after Pentecost**  
July 30, 2023  
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 “O Worship the King” arr. Ray

\* Call to Worship

L: Oh, magnify the LORD with me,  
and let us exalt his name together!  
**P: I sought the LORD, and he answered me  
and delivered me from all my fears.**  
(Psalm 34:3-4)

\* Hymn “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” No. 12

\* Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Our Father, forgive us for thinking small thoughts of  
you,  
and for ignoring your immensity and greatness.  
Lord Jesus, forgive us when we forget  
that you rule the nations and our small lives.  
Holy Spirit, we offend you in minimizing your power  
and squandering your gifts.  
We confess that our blindness to your glory, Triune  
God,  
has resulted in shallow confession,  
tepid conviction, and only mild repentance.  
Have mercy upon us, in Jesus’ name. 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.**

Sacrament of Baptism (11:00 a.m.)

Prayer for Children  
(Ages K3-K5 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 25:1-10

L: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.  
O my God, in you I trust;  
let me not be put to shame;  
let not my enemies exult over me.

**P: Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to  
shame;  
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly  
treacherous.**

L: Make me to know your ways, O Lord;  
teach me your paths.

**P: Lead me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
for you I wait all the day long.**

L: Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love,  
for they have been from of old.

**P: Remember not the sins of my youth or my  
transgressions;  
according to your steadfast love remember me,  
for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!**

L: Good and upright is the Lord;  
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

**P: He leads the humble in what is right,  
and teaches the humble his way.  
All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and  
faithfulness,  
for those who keep his covenant and his  
testimonies.**

Anthem “Like a River In My Soul” arr. Osiek  
Men’s Ensemble

Scripture Lesson Luke 23:1-25

Sermon The Gospel of Luke Dr. Seel  
LXVII. Pilate, Herod, and Barrabas

**We Respond to God’s Word**

\* Hymn “Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me” No. 703

\* 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.**

Prayers of the People & 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 “I Need Thee Every Hour” arr. Lowry

\* 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 “Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!” No. 839

\* 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 “Festive Postlude” 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.

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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.

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Name

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Address

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Phone Number

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Email Address

1st Time Visit

**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.

**NEW INFORMATION???**

**Do you have a new phone number? New email address? Any changes in your family's information?**

To help keep the church's records current, please fill out the form below and return it in the offering plate, call us at 859-4220, or E-mail the office: [dicie@easleypresbyterian.org](mailto:dicie@easleypresbyterian.org).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

New Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank You!

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

**Rally Day  
Meal Reservation  
August 6, 12:00 pm**

**Menu:**  
BBQ with all the fixins'  
Prepared by: Deke Van Wagner

**Family Name**  
# of meals \_\_\_\_\_  
\$5 pp/ \$25 Family Cap

**NURSERY STAFF**

Victoria Rose Brock & Valerie Brock

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH VOLUNTEERS TODAY**

**9:00 a.m.**      **11:00 a.m.**  
Melody Lutz      Ginna Lister

**SAFE PLACE MONITOR**

Russell Patterson

**JULY USHERS**

**9:00 a.m.**      **11:00 a.m.**  
Eric Dillon, Head      Lori Brock, Head  
Melissa Wilbanks, Asst.      Annie Rossley, Asst.

**SOUND & LIGHT**

Carolyn Brice

**VIDEO**

Phil Lyles

**MEMBER NEWS**

The Sacrament of Baptism is being administered today at the 11:00 am service to Avery Grace Arflin and Mason Garlin Arflin, the daughter and son of Kaitlyn Kearse, and the granddaughter and grandson of Kelvin Kearse.

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**CHURCH OFFICERS**

**Session**

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| <b>Class of 2023</b><br>Floride Caldwell<br>Paul Cook<br>John Cutchin<br>Jel Ledbetter<br>Kathy Lyles<br>Robert Sams | <b>Class of 2024</b><br>Gregg Branham<br>Karen Cooper<br>Phil Darity<br>Dennis Latham<br>Wilma Shealy<br>Scott Wilbanks | <b>Class of 2025</b><br>Carolyn Brice<br>Barry Brock<br>Meg Jewell<br>Kelvin Kearse<br>Dan Nunnery<br>Monty Oxendine |
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**Diaconate**

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| <b>Class of 2023</b><br>Britt Burnett<br>Dustin Coats<br>Lucas Durham<br>Chad Lister<br>Greg Lucas<br>Melissa Wilbanks | <b>Class of 2024</b><br>Melanie Branham<br>John Dockery<br>Eric Goodwin<br>Mary Ann Merritt<br>David Owen<br>Stephen Roach | <b>Class of 2025</b><br>Michael Baker<br>Lori Brock<br>Eric Dillon<br>Candice Ledbetter<br>Annie Rossley<br>Brad Wilson |
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**Trustees**

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