

SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP
10th Sunday after Pentecost
 August 6, 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

Presentation of Bibles to 1st and 6th Graders

Prelude "Trumpet Piece" arr. Alcock

* Call to Worship

Leader: Blessed be the Lord!
 For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

**People: The Lord is my strength and my shield;
 in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;**

Leader: My heart exults,
 and with my song I give thanks to him.

**People: The Lord is the strength of his people;
 he is the saving refuge of his anointed.**
 (Psalm 28:6-8)

* Hymn "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" No. 611

* Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Merciful God,
 you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.
 We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.
 We have not loved you with a pure heart,
 nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.
 We have not done justice, loved kindness,
 or walked humbly with you, our God.
 Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.
 In your great compassion,
 cleanse us from our sin;
 through 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

Litany of Dedication for C.E. Teachers and Volunteers

Leader: God of mercy, love and truth:
 we thank you for the gifts you have entrusted
 to our Christian Education teachers and volunteers.
 We thank you for their commitment, creativity,
 and most of all for their faith and for their dedication to
 your Word.
 We pray that you would fill them with your Holy Spirit
 as they lead us ever deeper in our understanding of your
 Word.
 Sustain them in this holy work to which you have called
 them.

**People: God of grace, light, and hope:
 Guide each teacher as they study and present
 your Word.
 Strengthen the gifts that you have given to
 them,
 and uphold them in their labors.
 Let your light shine in their faces,
 and your love be expressed in their actions.
 We pray also, Lord,
 that you would inspire us to be eager and
 faithful students,
 hungry to feast ever more deeply upon the
 richness of your Word.**

**All: Wise and wondrous God:
 your Word is a lamp to our feet
 and a light to our path.
 Establish in our midst
 your ministry of teaching and learning.
 Nurture open minds,
 foster loving hearts,
 deepen thirsty souls,
 and build persons of strength.
 Sow the seeds of faith,
 that from the soil of this congregation
 may grow disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Anthem (11:00 a.m.) "How Can I Keep From Singing"
 Adult Choir arr. Honore

Scripture Lesson Luke 23:26-43

Sermon The Gospel of Luke Dr. Seel
 LXVIII. For They Know Not What They Do

We Respond to God's Word

* Hymn "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" No. 649

* 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.) "Jesus, Remember Me" arr. Berthier
 Adult Choir

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 Am His and He Is Mine" arr. Dean

* 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 "To God Be the Glory" No. 634

* 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 "Govotte" arr. Dupuis

* 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 flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of all EPC Volunteers and the Presbyterian Women as we begin a new church year. Given by the Easley Presbyterian Women.

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.

Name: _____

New Information: _____

Thank You!

NURSERY STAFF

Valerie Brock, Victoria Rose Brock, & Sophie Wilson

CHILDREN'S CHURCH VOLUNTEERS TODAY

9:00 a.m.

Samantha & Grant Hollis

11:00 a.m.

The Caldwell Family

SAFE PLACE MONITOR

Brad Wilson

AUGUST USHERS

9:00 a.m.

Eric Goodwin, Head
John Dockery, Asst.

11:00 a.m.

Michael Baker, Head
Dustin Coats, Asst.

SOUND & LIGHT

Marty Kwasniewski

VIDEO

John Franks

MEMBER NEWS

The red rose in the sanctuary today is in honor of the birth of Margot Emilia Robinson, born on August 1. She is the daughter of Haley and Burgess Robinson and granddaughter of Sallie and Al Robinson.

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Karen Cooper
Phil Darity
Dennis Latham
Wilma Shealy
Scott Wilbanks

Class of 2025

Carolyn Brice
Barry Brock
Meg Jewell
Kelvin Kears
Dan Nunnery
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Diaconate

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Dustin Coats
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Chad Lister
Greg Lucas
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Mary Ann Merritt
David Owen
Stephen Roach

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Michael Baker
Lori Brock
Eric Dillon
Candice Ledbetter
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