

SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP

4th Sunday after Epiphany
February 4, 2024
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

9:00 "Joyful Sound" arr. Clark
Marianne Norris, Organ

11:00 "Joyful, Joyful" arr. Clark
Youth Instrumental Ensemble

* Call to Worship Psalm 96:1-2
(9:00 - Mason Elgin, 11:00 - Wyatt Anthony)

L: O sing to the Lord a new song;
P: Sing to the Lord, all the Earth!
L: Sing and give praise to God's name;
P: Tell the glad news of salvation from day to day.

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

* Prayer of Confession (Unison)
(9:00 - Mason Elgin, 11:00 - Wyatt Anthony)

**Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.
Amen.**

* Assurance of Pardon
(9:00 - Mason Elgin, 11:00 - Wyatt Anthony)

* 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)
(9:00 - Aidan Moore, 11:00 - Kathrin Patterson)

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

God Gives to Us Through His Word

Scripture Lesson Psalm 84:1-5, 10-12
(9:00 - Aidan Moore, 11:00 - Kathrin Patterson)

L: How lovely is your dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts!

**P: My soul longs, yes, faints
for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and flesh sing for joy
to the living God.**

L: Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.

**P: Blessed are those who dwell in your house,
ever singing your praise!**

L: Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

**P: For a day in your courts is better
than a thousand elsewhere.**

L: I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

**P: For the Lord God is a sun and shield;
the Lord bestows favor and honor.**

L: No good thing does he withhold
from those who walk uprightly.

**P: O Lord of hosts,
blessed is the one who trusts in you!**

Solo "Restless" arr. Asaad
Soloist, Abigail Norris

Scripture Lesson Ephesians 1:3-23
(9:00 - Wyatt Burnett, 11:00 - Kathrin Patterson)

Meditations

Kristin Kwasniewski
Mia Prins
Addie Sanders
Jacob Taaffe

We Respond to God's Word

* Hymn "I Danced in the Morning" No. 157

* Apostles' Creed
(9:00 - Margaret Bishop, 11:00 - Lucy Sanders)

**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 and the Lord's Prayer
(9:00 - Margaret Bishop, 11:00 - Lucy Sanders)

**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
(9:00 - Kirsten Miller, 11:00 - Sally Goodwin)

Offertory "In My Life, Lord/As the Deer" arr. Burnett
Pianist, Wyatt Burnett

* 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 "God of Grace and God of Glory" No. 307

* Charge and Benediction

* Benediction Response "Sanctuary"

*Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary; pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

* Postlude "To God Be the Glory" arr. Kerrick

* 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 Flower Calendar to place flowers in the Sanctuary during 2024 is on the wall outside of the Church Office. This is a great way to honor or remember someone on a special date.

NEW INFORMATION?

If you or your family have moved, dropped your land phone line and just use your cell number, or have changed your e-mail address (at home or work), please let the Church Office know.

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

Wonderful Wednesday Meal Reservation
February 7, 5:30 pm

Menu:

Beef Stew with Vegetables over Rice,
Salad, Roll, & 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

Valerie Brock, Katie Guthrie, & Sophie Wilson

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

9:00 a.m. Ellen & Will Young
11:00 a.m. Ally Morrow

SAFE PLACE MONITOR

David Owen

FEBRUARY USHERS

9:00 a.m. Eric Dillon, Head
Melissa Wilbanks, Asst.
11:00 a.m. Eric Goodwin, Head
Russell Patterson, Asst.

SOUND & LIGHT

Larry Keese

VIDEO

Ryan Moore

MEMBER NEWS

We welcome our new members:

- Ben & Amanda Long and their 3-year-old son, Jaxx
- Pat Bryan

We express Christian love and sympathy to Ann Cooper and family in the death of her father, Travis Stevenson of Greenwood, who died on January 29, 2024.

We express Christian love and sympathy to Don King and family in the death of his sister, Shirley Buchanan, who died on January 30, 2024.

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. William P. Seel, Pastor
Ext. 2014, bill@easleypresbyterian.org
Rev. Dr. Christie S. Gravely, Associate Pastor for Congregational Life & Care
Ext. 2027, christie@easleypresbyterian.org
Rev. John DuBose, Associate Pastor for Youth & Missions
Ext. 2036, john@easleypresbyterian.org
Ginna Lister, Director of Christian Education
Ext. 2030, ginna@easleypresbyterian.org
Robert Norris, Director of Music
Ext. 2023, robert@easleypresbyterian.org
Marianne Norris, Organist
mariannenorris2012@yahoo.com
Phyllis Sams, Preschool Director
Ext. 2016, phyllis@easleypresbyterian.org
Jonene Garrett, Church Secretary
Ext. 2010, jonene@easleypresbyterian.org
Cynde Whitmire, Christian Education Secretary
Ext. 2022, cynde@easleypresbyterian.org
Dicie Thompson, Financial Secretary
Ext. 2012, dicie@easleypresbyterian.org
Tony Brock, Building Superintendent
Ext. 2035

CHURCH OFFICERS

Session

Class of 2024 Gregg Branham Karen Cooper Phil Darity Dennis Latham Wilma Shealy Scott Wilbanks	Class of 2025 Carolyn Brice Barry Brock Meg Jewell Kelvin Kearse Dan Nunnery Monty Oxendine	Class of 2026 Nick Caldwell Tammy Darity Phil Lyles Chris Robinson David Weaver Jennifer Willis
---	--	--

Diaconate

Class of 2024 Melanie Branham John Dockery Eric Goodwin Mary Ann Merritt David Owen Stephen Roach	Class of 2025 Michael Baker Lori Brock Eric Dillon Candice Ledbetter Annie Rossley Brad Wilson	Class of 2026 Garrett Charles Marian Dawkins Lucas Durham Russell Patterson Elizabeth Weaver Melissa Wilbanks
--	---	--

Trustees

David Whittemore	Jack Brock	Dexter Rogers
------------------	------------	---------------

Easley Presbyterian Church



February 4, 2024

200 South 1st Street—Easley, SC 29640-2934
864/ 859-4220 (Office)
www.easleypresbyterian.org