

SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP

10th Sunday after Epiphany
March 17, 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

First GradeWorship Education Graduation (11:00 a.m.)

Minute for Thornwell 9:00 a.m. Meg Jewell
11:00 a.m. Marcia Humbert

Prelude “Handel’s Sonata” arr. Holstein
Flute, Renee Keese

* Call toWorship

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.**

Psalm 84:1-2

* Hymn “Be Thou My Vision” No. 450

* Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Most merciful God,
whose Son, Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way,
yet was without sin:
we confess before you our own sinfulness.
We have hungered after that which does not satisfy;
we have compromised with evil;
we have doubted your power to protect us.
Forgive our lack of faith;
have mercy on our weakness.
Restore in us such trust and love
that we may walk in your ways
and delight in doing your will;
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

Scripture Lesson Psalm 84

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: As they go through the Valley of Baca
they make it a place of springs;
the early rain also covers it with pools.**
L: They go from strength to strength;
each one appears before God in Zion.
**P: O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;
give ear, O God of Jacob!**
L: Behold our shield, O God;
look on the face of your anointed!
**P: For a day in your courts is better
than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my
God
than dwell in the tents of wickedness.**
L: For the Lord God is a sun and shield;
the Lord bestows favor and honor.
No good thing does he withhold
from those who walk uprightly.
**P: O Lord of hosts,
blessed is the one who trusts in you!**

Anthem (11:00 a.m.) “Hymn of Mercy” arr. Forrest
Adult Choir

Scripture Lesson Acts 8:26-40

Sermon The Acts of the Apostles Dr. Seel
X. Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch

We Respond to God’s Word

* Hymn “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” No. 435

* Apostles’ Creed

**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.) “Kyrie” arr. Courtney
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 “Be Thou My Vision” arr. Purifoy
Flute, Renee Keese

* 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 “Christ Be Beside Me” No. 702

* 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 “Hosanna to the King” Clarke

* 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 memory of Dr. Lynn Lewis. By Lucas, Ashley, Watson and Henry Durham.

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
March 20, 5:30 pm**

Menu:

Chicken Broccoli Casserole, Sde, & Dessert

Prepared by: Avannah Lewis

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, & SophieWilson

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Janey & Garrett Charles

Kristi Dockery

SAFE PLACE MONITOR

Dan Nunnery

MARCH USHERS

9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Mary Ann Merritt, Head
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