

SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP

3rd Sunday of Easter
April 14, 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 "The Lord, My Shepherd, Guards Me Well" arr. Carter

* Call to Worship

L: I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

**P: O Lord my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.**

L: O Lord, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;
you restored me to life from among those who go
down to the pit.

**P: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints,
and give thanks to his holy name.**

Psalm 30:1-4

* Hymn "Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show" No. 33

* Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**God of love,
in the wrong we have done
and in the good we have not done,
we have sinned in ignorance;
we have sinned in weakness;
we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry.
We repent and turn to you.
Forgive us, and renew our lives;
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-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 30

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to the pit.

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and give thanks to his holy name.**

L: For his anger is but for a moment,
and his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may tarry for the night,
but joy comes with the morning.

**P: As for me, I said in my prosperity,
"I shall never be moved."**

**By your favor, O Lord,
you made my mountain stand strong;
you hid your face;
I was dismayed.**

L: To you, O Lord, I cry,
and to the Lord I plead for mercy:
"What profit is there in my death,
if I go down to the pit?"

**P: Will the dust praise you?
Will it tell of your faithfulness?**

L: Hear, O Lord, and be merciful to me!
O Lord, be my helper!"

**P: You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;
you have loosed my sackcloth
and clothed me with gladness,
that my glory may sing your praise and not be
silent.**

O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

Anthem (11:00 a.m.) "Be Still" arr. McDonald
Adult Choir

Scripture Lesson Acts 9:1-19a

Sermon The Acts of the Apostles Dr. Seel
XI. On the Road to Damascus

We Respond to God's Word

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

* 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.) "Christ Be Our Light" Farrell
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 "There Is a Name I Love to Hear" arr. Broughton

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

* 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 "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 flowers today are given to the glory of God by Grant, Samantha, Grant V, and Franklin Hollis to show their thanks for this church family.

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
April 17, 5:30 pm

Menu:

Grilled Ham & Cheese Panini, Chicken Pesto Panini, Broccoli Salad, & Chips

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.

Samantha & Grant Hollis

11:00 a.m.

Joel Morrow & Ginna Lister

SAFE PLACE MONITOR

David Owen

APRIL USHERS

9:00 a.m.

Melanie Branham, Head
Melissa Wilbanks, Asst.

11:00 a.m.

Eric Goodwin, Head
Russell Patterson, Asst.

SOUND & LIGHT

Phil Darity

VIDEO

Phil Lyles

MEMBER NEWS

Congratulations to LeAnn & Bob Heil on the birth of their granddaughter, Sarah Katherine Turner, who was born to Alex and Chase Turner on April 9, 2024.

The known hospitalization this week was Dionne Merritt.

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