

SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP

8th Sunday after Pentecost
July 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 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" arr. Warner

* Call to Worship

L: Oh sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvelous things!
**P: His right hand and his holy arm
have worked salvation for him.**

* Hymn "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" No. 620

* Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Holy and merciful God,
in your presence we confess our failure
to be what you created us to be.
You alone know how often we have sinned
in wandering from your ways,
in wasting your gifts,
in forgetting your love.
By your loving mercy,
help us to live in your light
and abide in your ways,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. 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 121

L: I lift up my eyes to the hills.
From where does my help come?
**P: My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.**
L: He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.
**P: Behold, he who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.**
L: The Lord is your keeper;
the Lord is your shade on your right hand.
**P: The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.**
L: The Lord will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.
**P: The Lord will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore.**

Anthem "Sometimes I Fell Like a Motherless Child" arr. Helvey
Robert Norris, Soloist

Scripture Lesson Acts 20:7-12

Sermon The Acts of the Apostles Dr. Seel
XXIV. Awake, O Sleeper

Text: "Awake, O sleeper,
and arise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you."
Ephesians 5:14b

We Respond to God's Word

* Hymn "Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun" No. 663

* 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.**

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 "Prelude in E Minor" Bach

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication No. 606

* Hymn "This Is My Father's World" No. 370

* 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 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Hustad

* Congregation Stands

Hymn Notes- Hymn # 663

Can you guess the name of the most widely
sung hymn writer? Is it Watts, or Wesley, or
Newton? No. It's Thomas Ken. Who is Thomas
Ken? Ken was an Anglican priest and eventually
Bishop to the royal family. But he spent many
years as the chaplain at Winchester College. He
encouraged the use of music as part of the daily
prayers and devotions for the students. He wrote
a morning hymn ("Awake, My Soul" #663) and
an evening hymn ("All Praise to Thee" #675) to
be used to open and close each day.

This morning in worship, we will sing 3
stanzas of the 15 stanzas of the original hymn
"Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun." The final
stanza in each of these hymns is the trinitarian
text of the Doxology which is sung in countless
churches throughout the world every Sunday
morning. Hence, Thomas Ken is the most sung
hymn writer. His devotion to inspiring and
educating students has not stopped over these
past 300 years.

**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 in worship today are given to the glory of God and in memory of my husband, Ken, by Pat Bryan.

Guest Organist

We welcome Hank Hinnant as our organist in worship today.

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, Katie Guthrie, & SophieWilson

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

9:00 a.m.

Samantha & Grant Hollis

11:00 a.m.

Kristi Dockery

SAFE PLACE MONITOR

Mario DiPietro

JULY USHERS

9:00 a.m.

Stephen Roach, Head
Eric Dillon, Asst.

11:00 a.m.

Annie Rossley, Head
Brad Wilson, Asst.

SOUND & LIGHT

Roger Kilpatrick

VIDEO

Dennis Latham

MEMBER NEWS

We give thanks to God for the life of His servant, Theresa Schonhar, who died on July 9, 2024, and we express Christian love and sympathy to her husband, Mark; her in-laws, Charley and Kathy, and her family.

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