

**SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP**

23rd Sunday after Pentecost  
October 27, 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 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" arr. Hustad

\* Call to Worship

L: I will bless the Lord at all times;  
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**P: My soul makes its boast in the Lord;  
let the humble hear and be glad.**

L: Oh, magnify the Lord with me,  
and let us exalt his name together!

**P: I sought the Lord, and he answered me  
and delivered me from all my fears.**

(Psalm 34:1-4)

\* Hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" No. 275

\* 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 Givesto Us Through HisWord**

Scripture Lesson Psalm 34:1-10

L: I will bless the Lord at all times;  
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**P: My soul makes its boast in the Lord;  
let the humble hear and be glad.**

L: Oh, magnify the Lord with me,  
and let us exalt his name together!

**P: I sought the Lord, and he answered me  
and delivered me from all my fears.**

L: Those who look to him are radiant,  
and their faces shall never be ashamed.

**P: This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him  
and saved him out of all his troubles.**

L: The angel of the Lord encamps  
around those who fear him, and delivers them.

**P: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!  
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!**

L: Oh, fear the Lord, you his saints,  
for those who fear him have no lack!

**P: The young lions suffer want and hunger;  
but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.**

Scripture Lesson 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28

Sermon First Thessalonians Dr. Seel  
VII. May God Sanctify You Completely

**We Respond to God's Word**

\* Hymn "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" No. 829

\* 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 "Meditation" arr. Martin

\* 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 "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me" No. 703

\* 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 "All Creatures of Our God and King" arr. Hobson

\* 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 in worship today are given to the glory of God, in memory of Murray & Josephine Cutchin, and in celebration of Kevin Ross' birthday. Given by Mary Jo and Andrew Phail.

**Guest Organist**

We welcome Hank Hinnant as our organist in worship today.

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

**Wonderful Wednesday Meal Reservation**

**October 30, 5:30 pm**

**Menu:**

Chicken & Rice Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Dessert

Prepared by: Chuck Dawkins

**Family Name**

Ages 5 & up: # of meals \_\_\_\_\_  
Vegetarian: # of meals \_\_\_\_\_

\$5 for ages 5 years & up  
\$25 Family Cap

You may also sign up on our website: [easleypresbyterian.org](http://easleypresbyterian.org)

**Deadline is Noon, Monday each week.**

**NURSERY STAFF**

Valerie Brock and Katie Guthrie

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

**9:00 a.m.**

Samantha & Grant Hollis

**11:00 a.m.**

Ginna Lister

**SAFE PLACE MONITOR**

Eric Dillon

**OCTOBER USHERS**

**9:00 a.m.**

Lucas Durham, Head  
Annie Rossley, Asst.

**11:00 a.m.**

Michael Baker, Head  
Marian Dawkins, Asst.

**SOUND & LIGHT**

Phil Darity

**VIDEO**

John Franks

**MEMBER NEWS**

We express Christian love and sympathy to Scott Graham and family in the death of his father, Alton Graham, who died on October 23, 2024.

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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**  
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Russell Patterson  
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Melissa Wilbanks

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David Whitemore

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Dexter Rogers

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