**SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP**
2nd Sunday after Epiphany
January 19, 2025
9:00 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 "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" arr. Carter

* Call to Worship

L: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.
P: **They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

* Hymn "Sing Glory to the Name of God" No. 10

* Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**God our Creator,**
**we confess that we are broken, sinful creatures.**
**You speak to us with tender mercy,**
**yet we fail to recognize your voice.**
**You know everything about us,**
**yet we pretend we do not know you.**
**Forgive us, God of grace.**
**Help us to heed your voice of truth,**
**to follow your way of faithfulness,**
**and to glorify you with 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 K3-1st Grade may leave for Children's Church)

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

Ordination and Installation of Officers - Class of 2027 (11:00 a.m.)

- Words of Scripture
- Introductory Words
- Constitutional Questions to the Officers-elect
- Constitutional Questions to the Congregation
- Prayer of Ordination/ Installation
- Declaration of Ordination/ Installation

Officers to be ordained and installed:

Deacons:

Anna Goodwin
Joanna Griese
Grant Hollis
Erica Van Wagner

Elders:

Eric Goodwin

Officers to be installed:

Deacons:

Mary Crittendon
Larry Keese

Elders:

Julie Bishop
Phil Darity
Kathy Lyles
Al Robinson
Scott Wilbanks

Anthem (11:00 a.m.) "Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You"
Adult Choir arr. Althouse

## God Gives to Us Through His Word

Scripture Lesson John 1:43-51

Sermon The Gospel of John Dr. Seel
VI. Jesus the Ladder

## We Respond to God's Word

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

* 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.) "Christus Paradox" arr. Anonymous
Adult Choir

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 "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder" arr. Kerrick

* 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 "Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak" No. 722

* 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 "Hornpipe" 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.

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Name and date: (optional)

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(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.

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Name

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Address

_____
Phone Number

_____
Email Address

☐ 1st Time Visit

## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in worship today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Margaret Ann Bishop's 18th birthday on January 22. Given in love by her family.

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## 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.

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

**Wonderful Wednesday**
**Meal Reservation**

**January 22, 5:30 pm**

**Menu:**
BBQ Glazed Meatloaf,
Mashed Potatoes,
Mixed Vegetables, & Roll

Prepared by: Deke Van Wagner

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**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 & Ella Grace Respass

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

| 9:00 a.m. | 11:00 a.m. |
|---|---|
| Ginna Lister | Kellie King |
| Meg Messerich | Avery King |

## SAFE PLACE MONITORS

Dustin Coats and Michael Baker

## JANUARY USHERS

| 9:00 a.m. | 11:00 a.m. |
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| Melanie Branham, Head | Lori Brock, Head |
| John Dockery, Asst. | Elizabeth Weaver, Asst. |

| SOUND & LIGHT | VIDEO |
|---|---|
| Phil Darity | John Franks |

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| Annie Rossley | Elizabeth Weaver | Larry Keese |
| Brad Wilson | Melissa Wilbanks | Erica Van Wagner |

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