SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP

15th Sunday after Pentecost September 21, 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 "I Will Sing the Wondrous Story" arr. Kerrick

* Call to Worship

L: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God!

P: Hisholy mountain, beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth,
Mount Zion, in the far north,
the city of the great King.

L: We have thought on your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple.

P: Asyour name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth. Your right hand is filled with righteousness. (Psalm 48:1-2, 9-10)

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

* Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God,
we confess that we have not lived for your glory.
You show us what is good,
but we choose the ways of evil.
You show us what is right,
but we fail to do your will.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Redeem us from our sin,
and restore us to your image,
so that our lives may honor you;
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 with Children

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

God Givesto Us Through HisWord

Scripture Lesson Psalm 67

L: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

P: That your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

L: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

P: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

L: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

P: The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, shall bless us.
God shall bless us;
let all the ends of the earth fear him!

Anthem (11:00 a.m.)

"Psalm 16" arr. Courtney Adult Choir

Scripture Lesson John 12:27-36

Sermon The Gospel of John
XXXVIII. The Strange Glory of God

Dr. Seel of God

We Respond to God's Word

* Hymn "Jesus, Light of Joy" No. 673

* Apostles' Creed (Unison)

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.) "Be Still and Know" 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, for ever. Amen.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "I Need Thee Every Hour" arr. Dean

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

No. 606

No. 826

Bell

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.

* Charge and Benediction

* Hymn

* 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.

"Lift High the Cross"

* Postlude "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" arr. Davis

* Congregation Stands

WELCOMETO WORSHIP!

Please take a moment to sign and pass the Friendship Register in the pews. If you are visiting and wish to learn more about EPC, leave your contact information. If you are interested in becoming a member, check 'wish to join' and a pastor will be in touch with you.

Visiting EPC? The Connections Class is for you!

An opportunity for those visiting or new who want to meet the pastor, staff, and others or to learn more about EPC.

The class meets from 10:00 – 10:40 am in the church library every second Sunday.

The Connections Class will meet again on October 12.

PRAYER REQUEST

If you have a prayer need, please fill out the following and place it in the offering plate.

Your Name
Prayer Need:

or you may scan this QR Code:



The EPC Staff and Prayer Team will pray for your request this week. Requests are kept confidential.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers displayed today are offered to the glory of God and in celebration of Ellen and Will Young's 15th wedding anniversary, given with love by Arlo, Paul, and Mills Young in honor of this special occasion.

NEW INFORMATION?

Have you moved or have a new phone number or new E-mail address?

To help us keep the church's records current, please call the church office at 859-4220. If you call after hours, you may leave your information on Extension 12, or you may E-mail dicie@ easleypresbyterian.org

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

Wonderful Wednesday Meal Reservation

September 24, 5:30 pm

Menu:

Chicken Tenders, Macaroni & Cheese, Vegetable, Salad, & Dessert

> Prepared by: Deke Van Wagner

Family Name

Number of meals:

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

Deadline is Noon, Monday each week.

NURSERY STAFF

Ella Grace Respass & Volunteers

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Meg Messerich Ginna Lister Mallory & Mike Bowers

SAFE PLACE MONITORS

BradWilson and Eric Dillon

SEPTEM BER USHERS

<u>9:00 a.m.</u>

11:00 a.m.

Grant Hollis, Head Lori Brock, Asst.

Elizabeth Weaver, Head Joanna Griese, Asst.

SOUND & LIGHT

VIDEO

Larry Keese

Phil Lyles

MEMBER NEWS

We give thanks to God for the life of His servant, Robert "Bo" Jeanes, who died on September 17, 2025, and we express Christian love and sympathy to his wife, Phalba, and his daughter, Jennifer McAlister and their family.

We extend Christian love and sympathy to Ryan Moore and family in the death of his mother, Barbara Moore, who died on September 13, 2025.

The known hospitalizations this week were Mary Covington and Douglas Pacheco.

Congratulations to Lauren (Stover) and Jacob Nichols who were married on September 12, 2025.

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Chris Robinson
David Weaver
Jennifer Willis

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