

SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP

3rd Sunday of Advent
December 14, 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 “See Amid the Winter’s Snow” arr. Lohr
Adult Handbells

* Call to Worship

L: It shall come to pass in the latter days
that the mountain of the house of the Lord
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be lifted up above the hills;
and all the nations shall flow to it,
and many peoples shall come, and say:

P: “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob,
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.”
(Isaiah 2:2-3)

* Hymn “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” No. 88
Stanzas 1, 6, & 7

* Prayer of Confession

God our Maker,
we confess that we are not ready to meet you.
We study the trends of our times
and ignore the signs of your reign.
We trust in things that pass away
and forget your eternal promise.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Strengthen us, by your hand,
so that we may be ready for that day
when you come to reign in glory;
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.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Candle

9:00 am DeDee and Kevin Clarey

11:00 am Teresa and Kelvin Kearse

Prayer with Children

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

God Gives to Us Through His Word

Anthem (11:00 a.m.) “Winter Rose” arr. Martin
Adult Choir

Scripture Lesson I Peter 2:9-12

Sermon What Angels Longed to See Dr. Seel
III. Salvation Lived

We Respond to God’s Word

* Hymn “In the Bleak Midwinter” No. 144

* 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.) “Be Still (Silent Night)” arr. Althouse
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 “Manger Lullaby” arr. Morris
Adult Handbells and Arden Van Wagner, Flute

* Doxology 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.

* Prayer of Dedication

* Hymn “Angels We Have Heard on High” No. 113

* 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 “Joy to the World” arr. McDonald

* Congregation Stands

WELCOME TO 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 February 8, 2026.

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.

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**

December 17, 5:30 pm

Menu:
Pizza, Salad, & Dessert

Family Name
Number of meals: _____

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

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

<u>NURSERY STAFF</u>	
Ella Grace Respass & Avery Beaty	
<u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</u>	
<u>9:00 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
Meg Messerich	Ginna Lister
<u>SAFE PLACE MONITORS</u>	
Mike McAlister and Brad Wilson	
<u>DECEMBER USHERS</u>	
<u>9:00 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
Garrett Charles, Head Candice Ledbetter, Asst.	Elizabeth Weaver, Head Candice Ledbetter, Asst.
<u>SOUND & LIGHT</u>	<u>VIDEO</u>
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