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# Eastminster Messenger

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## Update from the Transitional Pastor Search Committee:

The Ministry Information Form (MIF), which is basically a profile for Eastminster, was completed and posted in the Presbyterian Church (USA) website system in March. Your Committee spent several weeks summarizing our church's ministry, descriptions of our congregation, and what characteristics we are seeking in a Transitional Pastor candidate.

The Presbytery matches candidates to our needs and, in addition, candidates can refer themselves after reading our MIF on the website. In total, we have received over 30 Personal Information Forms (PIFs) from these candidates. (The PIF is the candidate's profile.)

Your Committee has read, reviewed, and discussed these candidates in detail, and our objective is to identify the top candidates with the best qualities and competencies for serving as our Transitional Pastor.

Many factors have been considered for each potential candidate, such as:

- Their education and training
- Experience serving congregations of similar size as Eastminster
- Experience serving as Transitional Pastors
- How they plan worship services
- How they work with church staff members
- Review sample sermon tapes and videos, when available
- Timing of their availability, when their current assignment ends
- And many others

During May, your Committee began the process of teleconference interviews with the top candidates to explore the above factors in detail.

During June, we will conduct additional interviews and be contacting candidates' references.

We are making steady progress in our search journey, and we are committed, with God's guidance, to finding the right person for Eastminster. We want to identify a transitional pastor for Eastminster who will not just keep us in a "holding pattern", but instead will lead and support our church in growing, changing, and moving forward in the direction God is calling for us. The candidates that we are focusing on are well experienced as Transitional Pastors.

Please continue to pray for God's guidance and blessing upon our search process and for the members of your Committee (Barb Ferguson, Tim Fiedler, Patti Garcia, Karla Horrell, Shannon Irscher, Melissa Mattingly, and John Niehaus).

## Prayer Concerns

**Please pray for the following:** Jane Williams; Melba Hutchinson; Bryan Figg; Pat Harrawood; Trish Toelle; Dave & Bobbi Moran; David & Fay Kishline; Chris & John Matzen; Mary Lou Matzen; Dave Moran's brother-in-law, Gary; Jenny Murphy's father - Jerry Nagle; Pattii Rusche; Virginia Rahn; Lillian Tierney; Jenny Murphy's brother - John; Charles M.; Bob Lewis; John Chaddock; JoAnn Meth; Barb Ferguson; J.B. & T.W.; Barbara; Carol Palmer; Pastor Guty.

**If you have a prayer request or wish to be removed from the list, please contact Leslie Webb at [epcprayers@gmail.com](mailto:epcprayers@gmail.com) or Dave Matzen at [davidallyn39@gmail.com](mailto:davidallyn39@gmail.com)**



We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Tom Goodloe who passed away on May 21, 2019.

## Sunday, June 9, 2019

8:00 A.M. Service

**Guest Preacher**  
Alan Finnan

**Liturgist**  
Dick Yeager

**Usher**  
Tony McClees

10:30 A.M. Service

**Liturgist**  
Dick Yeager

**Head Usher**  
Mel Ellsperman

**Greeters**  
Marilyn Ellsperman,  
Jayne & Pat Manis

**Ushers**  
Bart & Marlene Huffaker

**Acolyte**  
Chloe Webb

## Eastminster Staff

Mike Cantrell - Handyman  
Mary Fulkerson - Office Manager  
Trey Fulkerson - Youth/Pastoral Assist.  
Alanna Keenan - Director of Music  
Marian LaChance - Housekeeper  
Rachel Luttrull - Organist  
Erin Tipton - Christian Ed Director

## Church Office Hours

M - Th: 8:30 - 3:00 P.M.  
Friday: 8:30 - Noon

## Church Communication Lines

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## Strawberry Festival

A sincere thank you to each and every person who helped in any way with the Strawberry Festival. The bakers, cleaners, slicers, those who sugared, who set up, who tore down, who took orders, delivered orders, filled orders, did dishes, bought products, thought and prayed for those who did. It is estimated we had approximately 275 -300 attending and I was told, more than once, what a wonderful church we have, the people are so nice, this was such a wonderful fellowship for our members, what a wonderful event!

I have asked the chairpersons to give me a summary of your area, what you ordered/purchased, how many volunteers you needed, and any suggestions for a future Strawberry Festival, if planned.

All purchase receipts for reimbursement need to be turned in to me or Mary,

Finally, we have lots of leftovers. We have frozen the strawberries, we have ice cream, whipped cream, hot dogs, and sugar. Pricing is in the kitchen near the phone. Please give payment to me, Mary, or place in the offering plate with a note signifying the amount for Strawberry Festival product. Once, again, a very, very sincere thank you.

Karla Horrell

## EPW RUMMAGE UPDATE

As you're sorting and clearing your clean, gently used items this spring and planning to donate them to this year's EPW rummage, remember we will accept items August 4th through the 8<sup>th</sup> in Fellowship Hall. Please remember too, we do *not* accept adult shoes or clothing, handbags, electronics or broken items. When you bring your items to Fellowship Hall, please plan to give an hour (or more, if you like) to help place items in their "departments." We'll have daytime and evening hours for set-up. Volunteers have first opportunity to buy donated items, including collectibles, items for upcycling and children's clothes and toys. Bakers, your brownies, cookies, breads, etc., can be delivered on the 9th. If you have any questions, please contact chairpersons Marlene Huffaker at 765-749-1682, [marlene.huffaker@gmail.com](mailto:marlene.huffaker@gmail.com), or Barb Kuykendall at 480-522-7569, [barbarakuy2@gmail.com](mailto:barbarakuy2@gmail.com). And again, thanks for your support!



*"Thank you to all who came and celebrated Amelia's amazing first year with us. We truly believe that she is here because of all of your prayers and God's Grace for us. She is our miracle." The Webb Family - Jason, Leslie, Jacob, Chloe, Sydney, & Amelia.*

## THERMOSTATS



The thermostats located throughout the church facilities have been programmed to "set back" during significant portions of every day to conserve on energy costs. While these programs have tried to anticipate normal usage patterns for specific areas; for example, the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings and Tuesday evenings, the choir room on Thursday evenings, etc., we recognize there will be other times of usage that have not been anticipated. Or you may just feel it is too cool or too warm for your needs.

We want you to be comfortable, but is important the PROGRAMING not be changed. If you are there at a non-programmed time and need to adjust the temperature, simply go to the thermostat controlling the area you are occupying. Tap the screen to lighten, and at the lower right side is the temperature at which that system is set, accompanied by an up arrow and a down arrow. Tap the up or down arrow to raise or lower the temperature to the setting you would like, and then simply walk away. Do not press any other buttons; no "Holds", no "programs", nothing else. We have large volumes of air at the church, so allow the system several minutes to reach the temperature you would like, just like at home.

Why is this important? On Tuesday May21st we were meeting with contractors in the Sanctuary utility room examining possible upgrades, and the large air handler for the Sanctuary was running the entire time. Following the meeting, we went up to the Sanctuary, and found the system on a permanent hold set at 70 degrees. Who knows how many days or weeks the unoccupied Sanctuary had been maintaining 70 degrees, 24 hours a day!

If you remember, please return the temperature to the setting you first found, but if you forget, the program will reset the temperature automatically at the next interval. Be comfortable, enjoy our facilities, but please only touch the up and down arrow at the lower right side temperature reading.

Thank You!

## THANK YOU!

*Thank you to all who visited the Evansville Wartime Museum on Tuesday, May 28, 2019. It was an honor to have congressman Larry Buschon, Mayor Lloyd Winneke and his wife Carol McClintock present. I hope the quick introduction to our museum will encourage you and your friends to return for a full scale tour of the museum. I felt honored and grateful by your presence.*

*Sincerely,  
Allen Sanderson*

# Christian Education

### June Summer Sunday School Schedule Leader Schedule and Children's Worship Leader Schedule

Date	Children	Youth	Adults	Children's Worship
6/2	Gordon Wiley	Trey Fulkerson	Jim VanCleave	Erin Tipton
6/9	Gordon Wiley	Trey Fulkerson	Jim VanCleave	Patti Garcia
6/16	Gordon Wiley	Trey Fulkerson	Jim VanCleave	Sabrina Holden
6/23	Gordon Wiley	Trey Fulkerson	Jim VanCleave	
6/30	Gordon Wiley	Trey Fulkerson	Jim VanCleave	Mary Fulkerson

### New Technology!



The new TVs that were purchased for church are Amazon Fire TVs. They connect to the internet and run on Apps, much like a Roku. I am NOT an I/T person by any means, but it is my job to set up these TVs for our church use. Your questions or comments can be directed to

me, Erin. I will do my best to get these TVs up and running and ready for your use as soon as possible. We also have new DVD players for each Sunday School room and are getting those connected and ready for your use as well. It is exciting to envision the possibilities that we have ahead of us. I hope that these will be a source of education and add another dimension to our fantastic Sunday School programs.

Direct your questions or comments to Erin.  
[erin@epcevv.com](mailto:erin@epcevv.com)

Or call the church office to speak with me on Tuesdays or Thursdays  
Thanks so much!!

### NOTES OF THANKS

Huge thanks to Jim and Diane VanCleave for getting the adult summer Sunday school started!! Meet Jim and Diane in Room 101 for Timothy Keller's, "The Gospel in Life" study. It will run for about 8 weeks.

Gary and Peggy Pennington finished installing our new TVs! Thanks so much for all of your hard work!!! We are so grateful to you.

Baccalaureate was a wonderful time for the Harrison students and their families! Thanks to all those who served to welcome everyone and assist with the reception. We appreciate you!!

Thanks to Gordon Wiley for continuing to teach in our children's programs and help with our bulletin boards and other items. We are very thankful for all of your help!



### REGISTER NOW!

Howdy Y'all! We hope to see you July 12th and 13th for our weekend VBS. Music CDs are available in the office. Please take one and start listening to and learning these fun songs. We will need a registration form filled out for each child attending. If you didn't get one in the mail, pick one up in the office or at the Welcome Center in the Narthex. Get your forms in soon so we can plan for some fun and exciting times this year at VBS!! This VBS is for ages preschool through 5th grade. Come join the fun!

