



Eastminster Messenger

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Our Interim Pastor



Eastminster Family,

By the time most of you receive this, Holy week will be nearly over and Easter will be a couple of days away. For the second time since the pandemic changed the way we do things we will be celebrating the Resurrection.

I frequently return to the realization that humans are creatures of habit, we like our patterns and tend to resist change. Often subconsciously. Even though we celebrate God's power of life over death in Spring, when longed for change and beauty emerges from the slumber of Winter. Change is part of life.

Many people have received part or all of a COVID vaccination, some have had enough time pass, and are considered immunized. More church folks are more comfortable attending worship in person, attendance has increased. Now Sunday School is scheduled to resume as a result of some of these changes.

Interesting that this opening up is taking place at such a time as this. While our policies designed to keep one another safe (masking, distancing, reduced contact, cleaning, etc.) remain, there does seem to be a momentum toward changing some of this behavior. When the session does change protocols, we will be sure to notify the congregation clearly. For now, let us enjoy the Grace of God, the Joy of Resurrection, and the Peace of Christ.

Blessings be with each of you,
J.T.

WITH DEEPEST
Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to Carrie Mogavero and family in the death of Carrie's mother, Carolyn Daus, who passed away on March 23, 2021.



Please pray for the following:

Rose Kuhn; Julie Summit; Jen Lanham; Mike Barnett; Pat Manis; Tid Turner; Jane Williams Gene Tying.; Mike Crecelius.

If you have a prayer request or wish to be removed from the list, please contact Leslie Webb at epcprayers@gmail.com or call the church office.

Eastminster, Assemble!

The tradition of Assembly Night has returned! Wednesday April 14 we will begin with a virtual Prayer/Communion Service at 6:00 pm. Then ministry groups and committees will break out to meet, and make plans. Come for the worship, come for the fellowship, come for the ministry! Here is the Zoom information:

Meeting ID: 252 758 9546

Passcode: 775750

The expanded invitation will be available next week on Facebook and emailed to you. If you want information on how to phone in, contact the office and we will help you do that.

Join Us For Easter Service



He is Risen live stream

8:00 a.m. in the Court Yard

10:30 a.m. in person and

live stream





At our last regularly scheduled Session meeting, Christian Education asked and received permission to open up Sunday School classes for ALL ages beginning Sunday, April 11, at 9:00 a.m.. If you feel comfortable, please consider joining one of our classes being led by:

Adult = Jim & Diane VanCleave

Adult - JT Silence

Young Adult - Mark Nicholson

Middle/High School - Trey Fulkerson

4th & 5th Grade - TBA

1-3 Grade— Gordon Wiley

2 Years — Kindergarten - Annie Engelbrecht

OFFICE HOURS

Good Friday—8:00-3:00 P.M
Closed on Monday, April 5, 2021



Men's Breakfast

We will have the next Men's Breakfast Saturday, April 3, at 8am in Fellowship Hall.



Since many of us have had our vaccinations, we will not limit the number that can attend. You may attend whether you have been vaccinated or not. We will, however, continue our covid protocols.

Please rsvp by calling the church office at 812-476-3355.

To: Church Congregation
From: Diane VanCleave
Re: Visitation Groups



Greetings,

Let's do this together! As the Outreach Elder, I have been working with a prototype for connecting with new visitors. I have made a small amount of a new contact card that is COVID friendly. The visitation strategy for this pathway is: Visitor's Parking > Greeter > Contact/Connection Card with a pen > turning in the completed card that is collected at the end of service. In order to best utilize the connect card, I am seeing a great need for visitation teams to welcome our guests.

If you would like to be a part of visitation teams, please contact me at dianesvanleave@gmail.com I will also be in the gallery before services, or greeters can assist you as we are building our teams in the coming weeks. There will be instructional materials that will be emailed to you. Your participation would be needed from 10:10 A.M. to worship time, to pass out the connect card and informally make the visitor feel welcomed. At the end of the service, I would need a visitor team member, to be sure the card is collected and the visitor greeting is completed.

Diane S. VanCleave



Thank you!

Dear Eastminster Angels,

Pat and I want to thank you for all the loving thoughts and beautiful cards to help us celebrate our 70th anniversary.

We are so fortunate to be a part of such a compassionate and giving congregation. We will keep these memories in our hearts forever.

*Christian love,
Jayne and Pat Manis*