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FROM THE



PASTOR

Hey friends, Scottish poet Douglas Dunn has a wonderful phrase: “the transfigured commonplace.” Do you have one? Or a favorite place to take in the wonder of God? If you took a few moments, can you picture the setting? What do you notice with all your senses?

Hopefully, we all cherish more than one sacred place where the wonder of God is truly taken in and enjoyed. Maybe, there is holy ground to be found all around. I give thanks to God with you for the shared place of worship, the beautiful light-filled sanctuary here at 5501 Washington Avenue, and for all, all the people who share in the life of Eastminster Church, following Jesus to be salt and light in the world.

This week as we continue in the sermon series, “Following Jesus”, we find ourselves taking in the wild, mountain moments with Jesus, Moses, Elijah, and three of the disciples. It’s a glorious, beautiful experience of God in Matthew 17:1-9.

In times of immense change, how do we hold on to the wonder, the holy, and the beauty of what God shares in this scripture and to who Jesus is? I look forward to reflecting together with you this Sunday on finding true spirituality amidst all kind of change happening today. There are many blessings to share together in worship.

I give thanks for Alanna Keenan, Ryan Luttrull, and the choir’s musical praise to God each week. Their prayerful, heartfelt work together with the Spirit has a wonderful way of bringing home to our hearts the Word and the living presence of God. Hope to hear more of your stories of transfigured commonplaces in your life too, and I am looking forward to further centering our lives on Jesus amidst a rapidly changing world.

May his compassion, wonder, and God’s delight show up in the most ordinary places for you this week.

Joy and courage, Ryan



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Community Group

Please join us for Community Group **THIS Friday, February 17th at 6:00 PM** (note the time change) We will meet at the Rooster’s Den located at 3988 Haley Drive in Newburgh. Please call the office if you are planning on attending but did not sign up!



Cole Irmscher enjoyed valentine treats in Mr. Gordon’s class this past Sunday!



This Sunday everyone is invited to come to the Fellowship Hall to find small treasures. Free will donations to EPW.



At the next book club get-together we will discuss The Oysterville Sewing Circle by Susan Wiggs. Please join us on Tuesday, February 28 at noon at the Sports Den located on Weinbach Avenue.

PRAYER CONCERNS

The Lord is near to *All* who call on Him.
Psalms 145:18
Please pray for the following:
Tid Turner, Jane Williams, Walt Lowe, Ann Meyers, David Holder, Shirley Vanlandingham, Ashly Steckel, Jesse Garcia, Lee & Karen Miller, Rilee Jane Colbert, Steve Aud, Sabrina Holden, Jerry, Dawn, Ginny Schroeder, and the people of Ukraine & Turkey.

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.

The next Men's Breakfast will be held on Saturday, March 5th at 8 AM.

All men of the church are invited to attend this wonderful time of fellowship, food and fun along with a Bible lesson.



MEN'S BREAKFAST



SESSION WILL MEET ON
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22 AT 6 PM



Eastminster is blessed to offer Pre-k thru fifth grade, Middle School & High School Sunday School classes as well as two adult Sunday School classes. If you and your family are not in a class, please consider joining us every Sunday at 9:00 AM. We would love to have you!



Are you mission oriented? Do you like to go on mission trips? Do you like to see good things happen in your community? If so, consider joining the mission committee. The mission committee welcomes your presence, your ideas and your passion! See Donna Cooke for more information.



A shout out to all of our youth for sending valentine cards to our Friends-at-Home. The youth regularly send cards and make visits to our Friends-At-home. What a great youth group EPC is blessed with!



MEMORY CONTEST

New incentives have been implemented for the Memory Contest. Now when children/youth complete half of the memory work assigned to them they will receive a candy bar. All pre-k thru 5th graders will still be awarded a trophy, but will get a \$10 gift card to Five-Below. Those in 6-12th grades will receive \$25.



Love is **PATIENT**,
Love is **KIND**.
It does not **ENVY**,
it does not **BOAST**,
It is not **PROUD**.

1 Corinthians 13:4-6