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Eastwood Officers

The Session (Elders)

Bart Lester (Moderator)
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The Diaconate

Jon Chancey, Frank Dagostin, Allen Gamble, Andrew Godwin,
Steven Hall, Don Henle, Andrew Jones, Tim Owen,
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Eastwood

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

...that in everything He might be preeminent...
Colossians 1:18

November 27, 2022

The Lord's Day

Sunday Morning Worship ~ 10:30 A.M.

Thoughts upon entering the Sanctuary: Shorter Catechism Q/A 27 Q. *Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist? A. Christ's humiliation consisted in his being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross; in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.*

The Announcements and Welcome

The Prelude "Give Thanks/Now Thank We All Our God" Arr. Joel Raney

The Call to Worship

*** The Hymn 203** "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" (vv. 1-3)
MENDELSSOHN

*The Invocation & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which 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.

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary, He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell**. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church***, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**For the explanation of "He descended into hell" see Larger Catechism Q/A 50

*** From the Latin word catholicus meaning universal

*The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Pastoral Prayer

The Public Reading of Scripture Luke 22:1-23

*Congregation standing (if able) Please refrain from all applause.
Please silence all electronic devices. Please leave any food or drink outside of the Sanctuary

Eastwood This Week

Nov 28-Dec 4 Bob Wieland

Tuesday:

9:00 A.M. Staff Meeting
12:00 P.M. Diaconate Meeting
5:00 P.M. Decking the Halls
5:30 P.M. Session Meeting

Wednesday:

12-1:00 P.M. Open Prayer Time/Session Room
5:30 P.M. Choir Practice/Sanctuary
5:30 P.M. Youth Fellowship

Thursday:

Saturday:

2-4 P.M. Gingerbread House Decorating

Nursery Rotation/Please be in the nursery no later than 9:05 A.M.

Today: Rebekah Tankersley, Danellen DeHuff, Irene Bartley
Dec. 04 Libby Perry, Luci Hodges, Suzy VanDyke
Dec. 11 Youlanda Slocumb, Carrie Godwin, Margaret Eagerton
Dec. 18 Faith Matulia, Stephanie Pritchett, Lydia Yu

Usher Rotation/Please be in the Narthex by 10:10 A.M.

Today: Matthew Hunter, Joseph Ivory, Tommy James, Ralph Jehle
Dec. 04 Rick Joki, Jerry Knotts, John Bennett Lester, Jake Matulia
Dec. 11 Dakota Mills, Matthew Parker, Mack Perkins, Charles Rhodes
Dec. 18 James Rim, Adam Rogers, Brandon Slocumb, Reggie Sorrells

Upcoming Church Events

11/29/2022 Decking the Halls
12/04/2022 The Lord's Supper AM
12/11/2022 Lessons and Carols/Fellowship Following
12/18/2022 The Lord's Supper PM
12/24/2022 Christmas Eve Service 5PM
12/25/2022 NO PM SERVICE
01/01/2023 NO PM SERVICE

Faith Promise

2022 Commitment
(April 1st 2022-March 31st 2023)

\$148,910

Received YTD

\$

ECS Annual Fund

As you consider your end of the year giving, please keep the ECS Annual Fund in mind. The ECS Annual Fund has been able to purchase 26 chrome books for teachers and students, add new security measure to all of the ECS campuses, and help develop reserve funds for the maintenance/replacement of the large air conditioning units. This is just to name a few of the areas that the ECS Annual Fund is able to provide. As a member of Eastwood, you will receive more information over the next few weeks by mail. If you have any questions, contact Dr. Joel Bius (jbuius@eastwoodschool.org).

End of Year Giving

God has richly blessed us this past year in many ways and we are so grateful for His kindness. As we close out 2022, please remember to include Eastwood in your end of year giving. All tithes and gifts should be in the church office no later than 3pm, Thursday, December 29th in order that they be included in this year's receipts.

Reformation Book Club

The Reformation-Puritan Book Club will meet on **January 12th** in the home of Doug and Gertie Hudson. The address is 8921 Green Chase Drive, Montgomery, Al 36117. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. and end around 8:15 p.m. Please read Chapter 3 of *The Blessed Death of Those Who Die in the Lord*.

Life of the Church

Winter Adult Sunday School Quarter: December 4-February 26

Ephesians, taught by Bart Lester,

Genesis, taught by Ross Hodges

Romans 8, led by Lee Bloodworth & Billy Joseph.

Sunday School for Children & Youth

4 yr. & 5 yr. old Upstairs Main Hallway Room 6

1st grade Upstairs Main Hallway Room 1

2nd-3rd Upstairs Main Hallway Room 3

4th-6th Upstairs Main Hallway Room 5

7th-12th Downstairs Youth Room

Eastwood Today

DOW: Johnny Stallings

9:00 AM - Coffee & Fellowship in Fellowship Hall

9:15 AM - Sunday School Classes

10:30 AM - Morning Worship Service

4:30 PM - Missions Prayer Time

5:30 PM - Evening Worship

***The Psalter** p.76

Psalm 89 (vv. 1-16)

ODE TO JOY

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

The Choral Offertory: *"Hymn of Devotion"*

Mary McDonald

Trombone solo by Brandon Slocumb

Where you go I will go; where you stay, there I will stay. Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God! Where you die, there I will surely die; where you lie, there I will surely lie.

The Sermon

"The Sealed Multitude"

Rev. Bart Lester

Revelation 7:1-17

Sermon XVIII

***The Hymn 219**

"All Praise to Thee, Eternal Lord" (vv. 1-5) CANONBURY

***The Benediction**

The Postlude

"From Heaven Above to Earth I Come"

Friedrich Zachau

Evening Worship

5:30 P.M.

The Announcements and Welcome

The Call to Worship

***The Hymn 164**

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" (vv. 1-6)

AZMON

The Invocation

The Public Reading of Scripture 1 Corinthians 15:1-26

Missions Moment

Congregational Prayer

***The Psalter** p.109

Psalm 121 (vv. 1-8)

DUNDEE

The Sermon

"He Has Risen"

Rev. Ross Hodges

Mark 16:1-8

***The Hymn 441**

"Jesus Shall Reign" (vv. 1-5)

DUKE STREET

***The Benediction**

“The Sealed Multitude”
Revelation 7:1-17
November 27, 2022

Welcome to Eastwood
Our church extends a cordial welcome to all who worship with us this today. Visitors are asked to please fill out the visitor’s card in the back of the pew and provide us the requested information so that we might welcome you. Cards may be placed in the offering plates. We are delighted to have you with us this Lord’s Day!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gingerbread Fun

Peppermint, frosting and gumdrops galore, join us for gingerbread fun and more! Families are welcome to come have a fun afternoon of gingerbread house decorating on Saturday, December 3rd, from 2-4pm. Please come with your gingerbread house already assembled so we can spend more time decorating! Target, Walmart, World Market and Michaels have gingerbread house kits. Eastwood will provide hot chocolate, snacks and extra decorating goodies- but please bring the basic decorating supplies from your kit.

Christmas For Covenant Kids

One week left to bless the staff of Covenant Kids by providing gift cards for them this Christmas season. These gift cards can be from any store or eatery. For easy distribution, we ask that gift cards be in the amount of \$10. Please drop gift cards off in the church office or label them and place them in the offering plate. The deadline to turn gift cards in is December 4th.

Lessons and Carols

Our Annual Lessons and Carols service will be Sunday night, December 11th, beginning at 6PM. Following this service, join us in the Fellowship Hall for our Annual Lessons and Carols Reception with light hors d’oeuvres.

2022 Angel Tree

The Angel Tree is a program of Prison Fellowship Ministries that focuses on partnering with churches to provide a way of ministering to families impacted by crime. There are two ways you can minister to these families. You can sign- up to purchase a gift for a child and/or volunteer to pray for a family through the Christmas season. If you choose to purchase a gift, the church will coordinate pick-up with the families. **Gifts are due by Sunday, December 11th.** The angels are now hanging on the Christmas tree in the church office and the sign-up clipboard is on Lynn’s desk. See Kaylee Gasper for more info.