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### **Eastwood Officers**

#### **The Session (Elders)**

Bart Lester (Moderator)  
Tim Cantey, Milton Hodges, Tommy James, Billy Joseph,  
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#### **The Diaconate**

Jon Chancey, Frank Dagostin, Allen Gamble, Andrew Godwin,  
Steven Hall, Don Henle, Andrew Jones, Tim Owen,  
Scott Pritchett (Chairman), Johnny Stallings, Bob Wieland



# Eastwood

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

December 4, 2022

## The Lord's Day

Sunday Morning Worship ~ 10:30 A.M.

Thoughts on the Birth of Jesus Christ from Matt. 1:23 *"And they shall call His name Immanuel, which translated means, 'God with us,'"*: *"According to this verse Immanuel and Jesus mean the same thing. 'God with us' is our Savior. He is with us as God on purpose to save us. The incarnation of Jesus is our salvation."*

Charles H. Spurgeon, Commentary on Matthew

### The Announcements and Welcome

**The Prelude** "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" Burton Bumgarner

### The Call to Worship

**\* The Hymn 195** *"Joy to the World! The Lord is Come"* (vv. 1-4) ANTIOCH

### \*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 Sacrament of Baptism

**The Public Reading of Scripture** Matthew 1:1-17

\*Congregation standing (if able)  
Please silence all electronic devices.

Please refrain from all applause.  
Please leave any food or drink outside of the Sanctuary

## Eastwood This Week

**Dec 5-11** Jon Chancey

### Tuesday:

9:00 A.M. Staff 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:

7:00 P.M. Reformation Book Club Meets

### Saturday:

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

Today: Lydia Yu, Luci Hodges, Margaret Eagerton

Dec. 11 Youlanda Slocumb, Carrie Godwin, Suzy VanDyke

Dec. 18 Hannah Mills, Stephanie Pritchett, Kaitlyn Hunter

Dec. 25 Sarah Jones, Joanna Stewart, Lain Hodges

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

Today: 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

Dec. 25 Jonathan Sumner, Lee Sumner, Stewart Tankersley, John Paul Tankersley

### Upcoming Church Events

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 Sunday School; no nursery in the PM

01/01/2023 NO Sunday School; no nursery in the PM

Faith Promise	
2022 Commitment (April 1st 2022-March 31st 2023)	Received YTD
\$148,910	\$

### **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 (jbious@eastwoodschool.org).

### **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*.

### **Save the Date**

On Friday evening, January 20 and Saturday morning, January 21, we will be hosting a parenting conference with our own Dr. Den Trumbull, pediatrician and author of *Loving By Leading*. More details to come!

### **Life of the Church**

#### **Winter Adult Sunday School Quarter: December 4-February 26**

Ephesians, taught by Bart Lester, in FHA

Genesis, taught by Ross Hodges in FHB

Romans 8, led by Lee Bloodworth & Billy Joseph in the Covenant Chapel

#### **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: Bob Wieland

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. 1

Psalm 2 (vv. 1-12)

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### **The Giving of Tithes and Offerings**

**The Choral Offertory:** “*Surely the Time Is Near*”

Lloyd Larson

Lost in the darkness of grief and despair, wond’ring how we can cope; we need a Savior to show us the light. Come, Lord, and give us hope. Lonely and longing to know we belong, looking for help from above; we need a Savior to shepherd us home. Come, Lord, and show us love. O Lord, we are tangled in anger and war; fighting and strife never cease. We need a Savior to show us the way. Come, Lord, and grant us peace. Prophecy tells of a Savior! Surely the time is drawing near.

How joyful the great celebration will be when our Savior is finally here!

Surely the time is near.

**The Sermon**

“*Christ, The Son of David*”

Rev. Bart Lester

Matthew 1:1-17

Christmas Sermon

**\*The Hymn 214**

“*Angels We Have Heard on High*” (vv. 1-3)

GLORIA

### **The Invitation to the Lord’s Table**

### **The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper**

### **\*The Benediction**

**The Postlude**

*Paeon on “Sleepers Awake”*

Philipp Nicolai

### **Evening Worship**

**5:30 P.M.**

### **The Announcements and Welcome**

### **The Call to Worship**

**\*The Psalter** p. 84

Psalm 100 (vv. 1-5)

OLD 100TH

### **The Invocation**

**The Public Reading of Scripture** Isaiah 40:1-11

### **Missions Moment**

### **Congregational Prayer**

**\*The Hymn 196**

“*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*” (vv. 1-4)

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**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**

*“Christ, The Son of David”*  
Matthew 1:1-17  
December 4, 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**

**We will not have Sunday school December 25<sup>th</sup> or January 1<sup>st</sup>. We WILL have evening worship on Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup> and Sunday January 1<sup>st</sup> but no nursery.**

**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.

**Christmas Eve Service**

Join us Saturday, December 24th at 5:00pm, for our Candlelight Christmas Eve service. Be sure to bring your family and friends.

**Old McDaniel/James Undershepherd Fellowship**

The Old McDaniel/James Under-shepherd group are having their annual Dirty Santa Christmas Party at the home of Tommy and Elaine James on December 16th @ 6:00 pm. Bring a covered dish and a gift for each person attending. Please let Tommy or Elaine know if you will be attending.

**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.

**Christmas Poinsettias** may be purchased for the sanctuary in honor or in memory of a friend or loved one. Please fill out the slip below and place in the offering plate or turn in to the church office by December 11th. Cost is \$16.00 per plant.

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Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Plants\_\_\_\_\_

Given in Honor/Memory of (Please circle one):

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