

**WELCOME TO
EBENSBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
October 20, 2024**



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Mission Statement
“Ebensburg Presbyterians
are Christians giving help
and hope to all by sharing God’s love.”

GATHERING

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER: (Unison)

Gracious and loving God, we come before You with hearts open to Your presence. We give thanks for the gift of this day, for the breath in our lungs, and for the chance to gather as Your people. As we enter into this time of worship, quiet our minds and calm our spirits, that we may hear Your voice and be transformed by Your Word. May our praise bring You glory, and may Your Spirit lead us. In Jesus' name, Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsively)

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord, our Creator, who breathed life into all things.

People: We come to worship God, our Maker and Sustainer.

Leader: Let us open our hearts to Jesus Christ, who offers us grace and salvation.

People: We come to follow Christ, our Savior and Redeemer.

Leader: Let us be guided by the Holy Spirit, who moves among us.

People: We come to be led by the Spirit, our Comforter and Advocate.

All: Let us worship God! Amen.

*HYMN #469 Morning Has Broken (Blue Hymnal)

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (Unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved You with our whole heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have been quick to judge, slow to forgive, and reluctant to follow Your ways. In our busyness, we have neglected time with You, and in our self-interest, we have ignored the needs of others. Forgive us, O Lord. Renew our hearts and lead us to walk in Your light, that we may serve You faithfully, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON:** (Responsively)
Now stand firm in your faith, covered by the saving grace of God and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God.**¹

***GLORIA PATRI #579** (Blue Hymnal)

***PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST** (Responsively)
The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**
(Please share the peace of Christ with those around you.)

TIME WITH CHILDREN

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION: (Unison)
Holy God, as we prepare to hear Your Word, we ask for the guidance of Your Holy Spirit. Open our hearts and minds to receive Your truth with clarity and understanding. Illuminate the scriptures before us, that they may speak to our lives today, inspiring us to live in faith, hope, and love. May Your Word challenge us where we need growth and comfort us where we need peace. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Living Word, we pray. Amen.

SERMON

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

***HYMN #356** Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (Blue Hymnal)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** (Unison) The Apostles Creed p. 14

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER: (Unison) p.16

INVITATION TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY #592 (Blue Hymnal)

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION: (Unison)

Gracious God, we bring before You these tithes and offerings, a portion of the many blessings You have entrusted to us. We offer them in gratitude, acknowledging Your abundance in our lives. Use these gifts, O Lord, to further Your work in the world—bringing hope to the hopeless, light to the darkness, and justice to the oppressed. Bless the hands that give and the hearts that desire to serve. May these offerings be used wisely for the building of Your kingdom and the sharing of Your love. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

SENDING

*HYMN#538 Lord, Dismiss us with Thy Blessing (Blue Hymnal)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* Please stand as you are able

While much of the liturgy is written by Reverend Danielle, often times other resources may be adapted or used. Noted selections of this week's worship liturgical resources come from:

1. Call to Worship: Lectionary Companion, Vol. 57:1, 2023-2024, Year B

ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 20, 2024

WORSHIP SERVICE 11 a.m. and on Facebook Live

OFFICE HOURS: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9:30-3:00
Wednesday 9:30-1:30

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

October 12	Addyson Bracken
October 14	Averi Bracken
October 14	Ephriam Vietmeier
October 20	Laura McGill
October 20	Alex Jeffers
October 24	Shannon McGill
October 27	Apay Okello Ojulu

PRAYER LIST

If you have any names to add to the Prayer List, please call the church office at 814 472-6920, email ebgpresby@gmail.com, or place the names in the offering plate. Thank you.

Ellyse Betlar (Pine Springs Camp counselor)		
Eva Tomb	Phil Brulia	Maisie Irvin
Jim Estep	Walter Feath	
Tom R	the O'Brien and Jeffers Families	
Ar & Bill McKim	Claudette Segear	
T. S.	Family of Carol Vaughn	
Gloria Palko	Sienna	
Mary Lou Carlisle	Melissa Douglas	
Rick Blair	Zane Christian Watson	
Eric Colangelo	Clair Gill	
(and the YAWM team)	Sharon Westrick	

Attention all Veterans- We will be honoring all veterans on Sunday, November 10th. Please call or email the church office if you are a veteran or have a veteran you would like to be recognized

All Saints Sunday Service- On Sunday, November 3rd, we will be taking time to remember those of our congregation and also our family or friends who have joined the church triumphant over the past year. Please call or email the church office if you have a name you would like to have recognized during this service. **We are also looking for volunteers to participate in the service in various ways such as ringing a bell when each name is called. Please call the church office if you are willing to participate.**

We have received an invitation to the Westmont Presbyterian Church's annual Veteran's Dinner. This year the dinner will be held on November 9th with fellowship and appetizers at 5pm, and a turkey dinner to be served at 6 pm. The dinner is open to all those that have or are serving and their families. To include Veterans, Reservists, and Active Duty. We look forward to honoring their service and sacrifices. If you would like to attend, please call the WPC church office at [\(814\) 536-0796](tel:8145360796) by Monday November 3rd to reserve.

From October 20 to November 17, we will be taking up a **collection for the local Saint Vincent de Paul food pantry** in order to help with holiday outreach for both Thanksgiving and Christmas.