

EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
5501 Washington Avenue
Evansville, IN 47715

RETURNED SERVICE REQUESTED



Sunday, January 16,

8:00 A.M. SERVICE

USHERS

Jim & Pam Stevens

10:30 A.M. SERVICE

USHERS

Gene & Carolyn Tying

Max & Dusty Fiester

GREETERS

Ron & Cheryl Ison

Allen & Nancy Sanderson

Barbara Turpin

LITURGIST

Mike Dahl

NEW MEMBER ELDERS

Dan Engelbrecht & Mike Dahl

ACOLYTE

Noah Viner

FLOWER DEACONS

Mical Michel & Jim Moore

NURSERY WORKER

Glenn & Lori Tang

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP LEADER

Linda Moore

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Seeds, Hearts & Hands



"First Words" Christmas. Epiphany. Baptism.

That's what we've celebrated in our last three weeks in worship. Each of the past three Sundays has been the observance of a special day on the church calendar. Each one carries with it a significance all its own.

Our gospel lectionary readings for this year will primarily focus on Matthew but this week we have a slight diversion into the gospel of John. With last week's emphasis on the baptism of Jesus, we looked at Matthew's account of that event. This week we'll see how John handles it. The passage we'll focus on, though, goes beyond merely the baptism of Jesus and carries us into the beginning of his ministry.

As is so often the case with John, there are elements of the story that go far beyond what we read on the surface. John had a marvelous way of saying things without really saying them. Read John 1:29-42 where we find a few very remarkable "First Words."

Blessings,
Dennis

On behalf of the entire Lentz family I would like to extend my gratitude to all of you for your many prayers, sympathy, food & love that was given to us during Lewis' illness & passing. A deep appreciation is especially extended to the Deacons for the wonderful meal that they provided to all of our family & friends.

*Sincerely,
Marian Lentz*

Eastminster Staff

Donna Cooke - Parish Nurse

Dennis R. Davenport - Pastor

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Marian LaChance - Housekeeper

Dennis Malfatti - Director of Music

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Office Hours

8:30 -4:00 P.M.

Armchair Travelers
Wednesday, January 19th
6:30 PM



Please join us on Wednesday, January 19th at 6:30 for another intriguing hour of travel. This month Fred Folz will present:

The Baltic States - Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia.

Pray, and let God worry.—
Martin Luther



Do you ever feel like the weight of the world is on your shoulders and you just don't know where to turn? Or are you content and

thankful for the blessings in your life and want to thank God for his love and be a blessing to others? Is one of your New Year's resolutions a closer relationship with God? Do you feel like your spiritual life is missing something?

Please consider joining the Ladies' Prayer Group on Monday nights at 7:00 p.m. We will be meeting in room 201. It's a time for fellowship and sharing of blessings and concerns. It's a time for inviting God into our presence for his healing grace and love. It's a time just for YOU and other ladies of the church who enjoy each other's company and support.

Is prayer your steering wheel or your spare tire?--
Corrie Ten Boom



scrip program

It's never too early or too late to order your scrip cards for birthdays, anniversaries or any occasion. Please see Becky Nichols in the Narthex to order yours. A percentage of every card ordered is given to the church. What a wonderful way of giving that benefits all of us!



Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

The church office will be closed on Monday, January 17th in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day!

News from... *The* Piece

**Sunday, January 16
Youth Group @ 6:30**



Topic: Becoming Less and Less
Passage: John 3:30 "He must become greater and greater, I must become less and less".

Too much of our lives is focused on how we can become successful, how we can use God to help us accomplish our own dreams. Too often, we focus on what God can do for us as Christians, but the real question is what we can do for God. When we start to realize that power of God and his glory, often more of our sin is revealed and the cross becomes even more powerful. Christ must become greater, and we must become less so that he will be greater revealed in and through us.



**Friday, January 28: First Lock-In of the Year!
Time: Friday 7:00 p.m.- Saturday 7 a.m.**

Come and have a blast with us, and bring a friend!

Felicia :)



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The following dates are open for nursery volunteers:

February 6
March 13
March 20
April 24 (Easter Sunday two volunteers needed)
May 29

Please consider giving your time. What a wonderful way to help and get to know our children at the same time!

If you would like to sign up, please contact Heather Greenwell at 473-5174, the church office at 476-3355 or stop by the nursery and sign up.

PRAYER WALL

Please pray for the following individuals:

Jack Vasel Jim Mansfield Adele Colleen
 Scott Greg Dianne Connor
 Tony Evitts Martene McGinnis

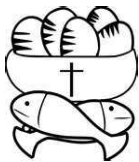
For more specific information, please stop by the prayer wall located in Fellowship Hall.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT AFTER 5 WEEKS NAMES ARE REMOVED FROM THE WALL UNLESS THE OFFICE IS NOTIFIED.



Chancel Flowers

Please be sure to sign up for chancel flowers for 2011. The Chancel Flower Calendar is located in the hallway just outside the Sanctuary (piano side). The cost is \$32.50.



Loaves & Fishes For The Spring

Now that our Fall session of Loaves and Fishes is drawing to an end, it's time to choose groups for the Feb-May session. We've heard such good feedback from current participants, that we will assume that each will want to repeat in a new Spring Group. We have also heard from some folks who wish to join the fun.

We will have a short organizational meeting after church on January 23. If you wish to be included in the Spring Groups, please fill out the form below and drop in the offering plate this Sunday, or next. Also, if you are currently participating but don't want to continue this Spring, check that box. If you are just going to continue, don't do anything.

Loaves & Fishes



Name(s):

Phone:

Email:

I wish to join I don't wish to continue



Door Prizes, Food & Fun!!!
Game Night
Saturday, January 22nd at 6:00 PM
in Fellowship Hall

Join your fellow game enthusiasts for a non-electronic night of good fellowship and fun. Bring a snack, soda, or a dessert. If you have never come to Game Night, please join us. We look forward to seeing you.



EPC Book Club

The EPC Book Club will meet on Tuesday, January 18th at Noon at the Grand Traverse Pie Company. January's book selection is Loving Frank by Nancy Horan. Join us for an hour of fun, fellowship and wonderful discussion.

Keeping Up With Eastminster News Is So Easy!



We have our newsletters - both paper and electronic. If you do not currently receive the emailed newsletter and would like to, just call the office to sign up.

We have our website -

www.eastminsterchurch.com



And now we have Facebook - Eastminster Presbyterian Evansville. Just navigate to that page and click the "like" button to become a "fan" and receive info and updates.

To reach any of our staff via email please go to:

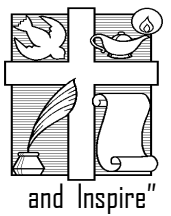
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The office is in the process of updating family information for the 2011 church directory. Please contact us if you would like to make changes to your family profile. Thank you!



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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



Sunday Morning Adult Study

Adult Sunday School

"Christian Doctrine"

The above title sounds like a real yawner, but for two of our adult Sunday School classes, they would argue that it is anything but that.

The classes taught by Max Fiester and Dennis Davenport have been using a classic of Reformed theology written by Shirley Guthrie and entitled Christian Doctrine. For more than 40 years this book has been used by Sunday School classes, college classes and even seminary classes as a way to introduce the Christian faith.



Over the past several weeks, our classes have been wrestling with the doctrine of Predestination. It's probably safe to say that we have nearly as many understandings of this vital doctrine as we have class members! It's been a lively, challenging and thought-provoking few weeks!

Over the next several weeks, we'll be examining things like Creation, the Problem of Evil, the Incarnation, the Holy Spirit, Resurrection and many more. You're welcome to join either class meeting in rooms 201 and 204 from 9-10 every Sunday morning.

A big THANK YOU to everyone who accepted the challenge to be on time to Sunday School this year. Your teachers appreciate your co-operation!

Thank You



Children's Worship Leaders for January

January 16	Linda Moore
January 23	Kim Weil
January 30	Lizzie Kuhs