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“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.” (John 1:14)

The mission of Eastminster Presbyterian Church is to “make disciples of Jesus Christ by Engaging Community, Equipping Believers, Empowering Servants, and Extending Our Reach to the world.” Founded in the busy suburbs of Atlanta, we have known from the beginning that God has placed us here to serve as His beacon to our community, our city, and our world. Throughout our years of ministry, God has continued to build within us a foundation of vibrant and growing worship, youth ministry, Christian education, missions, and fellowship programs. Today, we are a Christ-filled community of believers **seeking the individual whom God has called to lead us as our Associate Pastor for Christian Education, Mission, and Outreach.**

Our Next Associate Pastor

Our next Associate Pastor will have primary responsibility to the Senior Pastor for the Christian Education, Mission and Outreach ministries of Eastminster including:

- Developing and promoting opportunities for discipleship and spiritual growth for Covenant Partners through classes, bible studies and other activities.
- Reviving participation in our Adult Christian Education program through curriculum development, teacher training, and recruitment and promotion of classes and activities.
- Collaborating with EPC's Director of Youth Ministry to equip the next generation of believers by teaching Biblical principles and the provision of spiritual and character forming activities.
- Supporting the Director of Children and Family Ministries to provide the children of EPC with an increasing measure of biblical literacy along their faith journey including Sunday School teacher training, family engagement, Vacation Bible School, and implementation of creative curriculum.
- Connecting, educating, and equipping Covenant Partners for Mission and Outreach activities including leading national and international mission trips.
- Extending EPC's reach locally, nationally, and internationally by collaborating with our Outreach team to promote, lead and develop existing programs and evaluate new mission activities.
- Engaging our community by developing and promoting a creative evangelism ministry that equips Covenant Partners to reach out to their friends, neighbors, and co-workers.
- Passionately preach the Word of God from the pulpit 10-12 times a year or as requested by the Senior Pastor or the Session.



Who We Are

“In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it.” (John 1:4-5)

- A multi-generational church of over 650 covenant partners with an average Sunday attendance of 169 in-person and an estimated 95 on-line worshippers, in which whole families have come to know the Lord.
- A church that gathers for Christ-centered worship in contemporary and traditional styles, with a music ministry that includes contemporary praise teams, an adult choir, a bell choir, and a children’s choir.
- A church that partners with a wide variety of ministries locally and regionally to show Christ’s love to those in need, especially the poor, homeless, and at-risk women and children.
- A church that partners with churches in Kenya, Egypt, Costa Rica, and Guatemala to serve “the least of these” by spreading the gospel, planting new churches and providing aid.
- A church with an engaging youth program which is rapidly re-building post the pandemic.
- A church that offers multiple adult Christian Education classes and has over 100 Covenant Partners participating in small groups.
- A debt-free church that achieved the goals of a three-year strategic plan to pay off a substantial mortgage, establish financial reserves, and tithe 10% of our church offerings to mission/outreach, and now benefits from an operating budget of more than \$1,000,000.
- A church that helped plant a new ECO church, Dunwoody Presbyterian Church, in 2017.
- A church that operates and supports a Christian preschool currently serving 98 students from our community.



How We Work

"...they followed Jesus." (John 1:37)

- We joyfully work together: growing, serving and leading.
- We are led and served by a Session of 16 elders, 12 deacons and three trustees.
- We are blessed with a full-time staff which is committed to listening to Jesus and to furthering His mission through the work of Eastminster. The staff includes:

A Senior Pastor/ Head of Staff
 A Director of Congregational Care
 A Director of Worship Ministries
 A Director of Child and Family Ministries
 A Director of Youth Ministry

A Director of Accounting and Admin.
 A Graphics and Communications Assistant
 A Pre-school Director
 A Lay Pastor for Prayer and Renewal

- We rely on our Covenant Partners to serve as the hands and feet of Christ on our campus and in our community.
- We pray over our children, our youth, our missions, our leaders, our meetings, our staff, our services and our buildings -- that God would use and grow them to bring Him glory.
- We strive to listen to Jesus before we act, talk, debate, or move forward with our plans. We listen and wait for His Spirit to guide us.





What We Believe

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.” (John 1:1)

Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ by: “Engaging Community, Equipping Believers, Empowering Servants, and Extending our Reach to the world.”

Eastminster has been a leader within the ECO denomination since July 2013. We have consistently reaffirmed our longstanding adherence to scriptural standards, the Trinity, and the Reformed tradition.

Our next Associate Pastor will join us in affirming in full the Essential Tenets set forth by ECO as well as the Core Values that define Eastminster.

- We value the Lordship of Jesus Christ as head of our church.
- We value Praise and Worship where we experience the presence of God through Word and Sacrament.
- We value prayer and Bible-centered teaching.
- We value authenticity in our relationships with one another.
- We value missions and evangelism as ways of reaching out and drawing others into relationship with Christ.
- We value family, fellowship and the care of one another as ways of being the church together.

We desire to be a discerning church that understands it is “Not by power or by might but by the Holy Spirit” that God’s work on earth is done (Zechariah 4:6).



Where We Are Headed

“So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.” (Ephesians 4: 11-13)

We are excited to be growing and continually learning what it means to be an outpost of faith for Jesus. We have seen the power of God’s grace at work in us when we abide in Him and embrace His purposes rather than seeking our own plans. We look ahead with great expectation towards advancing our mission to “make disciples of Jesus Christ by Engaging Community, Equipping Believers, Empowering Servants, and Extending Our Reach to the world.”

We realize that these next steps may include challenges, especially in light of the pandemic. Our Associate Pastor will be ready to face these challenges with us and will continually seek Jesus as we discern His will for His church at Eastminster. These challenges include:

- Proactively working to revive and restore vibrancy to Bible studies and other Adult Christian Education programs adversely affected by the pandemic.
- Working collaboratively with our Director of Children and Family Ministries to re-engage families and their children to grow our Children’s Sunday School classes and programs.
- Developing, establishing, and promoting an evangelism program that will train and engage our Covenant Partners to enable them to reach out to their neighbors.
- Identifying, recruiting, and training leaders and participants for our Christian Education, Missions and Outreach teams.
- Promoting and recruiting participants for national and international mission trips.

We know that God is preparing the heart of an Associate Pastor to come alongside of us at Eastminster as we walk forward and continue to seek Jesus.



Applications

Applicants interested in exploring Christ's work at Eastminster should submit a faith statement and resume in confidence via email to APNC@epres.org.

A Master of Divinity is required and, ideally, considerable experience leading Christian Education, Missions and Evangelism programs and teams.

Additional information about Eastminster can be found here: www.epres.org

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