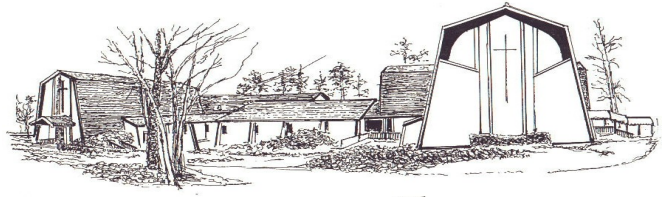


THE WITNESS



The purpose of Eastminster Presbyterian Church is to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all.
EPC Mission Statement ~ Adopted by Session 2011

March 12, 2014

It is Time!

We all want to know we are doing the right thing. Whether it is raising our children, operating our business or managing our money, we really want to do the right thing. But, when it comes to money we are not always so sure. So, now is the time to 'get it right'.

Beginning on April 23rd we will be starting a Wednesday evening class called *Financial Peace University (FPC)*. More than 2 million families and individuals have successfully completed this course and they agree that it has changed their lives. My own children have taken the course and they have told me it has literally given them a plan and a *PEACE* regarding their finances.

No matter if you are just starting out in life or in retirement, this course is for you. Based on Biblical principals FPC gives you the knowledge and the confidence that you are applying God's wisdom to your financial life. The 9 classes are an hour and a half long and they consist of video teaching by Dave Ramsey, class discussion, and small group activities. You will learn how to walk out of debt, build significant savings and leave a lasting legacy for family, church and community.

All you need to do is to speak to someone who has completed the course and you will find out what a valuable opportunity this is. If you have questions, please ask me or Danice Eaton and we can give you all the details. If you would like to check it out go to: www.daveramsey.com and learn all about the course. If you are prepared to take the course, simply log on the website, go to 'Classes', then 'find a class' and click on Eastminster Presbyterian Church listed on the left of your screen. You can then register for the class. We will be adding this opportunity to the EPC website in the next few days.

The cost for an individual or couple is \$93 and worth every penny. If for some reason you cannot afford that at this time, please see me as some scholarships are available. Mary and I will be taking this course and I hope we will have a lot of company. So, if you would like some financial peace in your life or know some family or friends who need that kind of Biblical guidance in their finances, plan to join us on Wednesday night April 23rd.

Dinner will be served beginning at 5:45 and you can grab a bite to eat before the class begins. But, please be sure and make reservations. What better way to complete our spiritual journey through the Lenten Season than a journey toward financial peace.

Blessings,

Caleb

Facebook

Please connect with Eastminster on our Facebook page. Simply search on Facebook for “Eastminster Presbyterian Church Stone Mountain” and “like” the page. We update the EPC Facebook page regularly. And please “share” our upcoming activities and events in your own news feed so a wider audience will see what’s going on at Eastminster. It’s a great way to invite friends to come experience Eastminster!



Easter Egg Hunt!

You’re invited to an Easter Egg Hunt at the home of Charlene and Aaron Smith on Sunday, April 13. The hunt will start at 4:00 followed by a hot dog dinner. Please bring a dish to share (no dessert). Rain date is April 19 at noon. Call 770-978-6503 with any questions.

Diaper Drive

Eastminster Preschool is collecting diapers for the Atlanta Children's Shelter to assist homeless families in our community. Any size and brand will be appreciated. Please place the diapers in the lobby at the Preschool entrance. Your donations are appreciated.



April Birthdays

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| 1 Dan Dansberry | 8 Tara Dillard | 15 Jeanne Simpson | 25 Andrew Hutchinson |
| Norman Delong | 11 Karsyn Frank | 16 Mary Ann Howard | Andrew Swift |
| Suzanne Norman | Marty Hillman | 17 Ann Clements | 29 Suzanne Smethers |
| Audra Swinkola | 12 Zandie Burger | Henrietta Kisseih | 30 Martha Gaskill |
| 4 Beth Mitchell | Sally McMillan | 18 Marion Hannah | Stone King |
| 6 Gary Bennett | 13 Don Crawford | 21 Rodger Chapman | Abigail Smith |
| Richard Whittier | Amanarh Kisseih | 22 Scott Uthlaut | |
| 7 Mary Bentley | Hodges Willis | 23 Carol Carmichael | |
| James Gaskill | Elizabeth Willis | 25 Jennifer Edwards | |



Work Day April 5

We need you to help make the annual Building and Grounds Spring Workday a success. Mark your calendar now for Saturday, April 5 from 8 a.m. - noon as we get EPC looking its best. The plan is to spread a lot of pine straw, and donations would be very much appreciated. Bales can be brought to the church April 5. If you would prefer to write a check towards the purchase of pine straw, be sure and mark it for B&G workday or for pine straw. Call Pat Carmichael 770-827-4369 or Ed Jones 770-923-6981 with any questions. See you on April 5!



Notice:

The annual congregational meeting will be held Sunday, March 23 following the 11:00 service. The purpose of the meeting is to review the 2013 annual reports from the various committees of Session and the Diaconate. In addition, the budget will be presented and change in the terms of call of Reverend Clarke.

Mug?

Have you misplaced your favorite mug? The church kitchen has acquired quite a collection of mismatched mugs, so stop by and claim any that are yours.



"Meet Your Deacon" Cookie Social Sunday, March 23

Please plan to join us for a time of fellowship and fun hosted by the EPC Diaconate. The cookie social will be held in the gym immediately following the congregational meeting.



Hope for the Hungry

"A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor."

The following items have been suggested by the Lilburn and Stone Mountain Co-ops as needed. Each pound of food contributed will be matched by the national Feinstein Foundation. The list is divided into food and nonfood items. Please feel free to include any practical item that is not included on this list. All items should be non-perishable. Our food drive ends on Sunday, April 27. Please place all items in containers in narthex, adjacent to church office, and designated receptacles located in hallway outside Founders Hall on 3rd floor and next to elevator at preschool entrance on 2nd floor. Questions? Call the church office. THANK YOU, YOU HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE!

Food:

flour	milk (dry) (Parmalat)	dried beans	pesto sauce
sugar	tuna	fruit (canned)	dry spaghetti, macaroni,
coffee (small jars)	rice	meat (canned)	fettucini
soup	jello	macaroni and cheese (boxed)	juice (bottled and boxed)
low sugar cereal (dry and hot)	vegetables (canned)	pasta (canned)	
jelly	grits (instant)	spaghetti sauce	
peanut butter	oatmeal (instant)	alfredo sauce	

Personal Care or Household Items:

toothpaste	razor (disposable)	wipes (baby)	toilet paper
soap (liquid and bar)	diapers	Wet Ones	Kleenex
toothbrush	Depends	detergent (laundry)	
shaving cream	shampoo	detergent (dish)	

Thanks PW!

- ◆ I just want to let you know that I got ya'lls care package. I love it! It put a smile on my face the whole day!

Libby Fleck

- ◆ Thanks so much for all the effort you put into the Valentine's Day care packages! It's always nice to receive mail in Athens. I'm finishing up my last semester here at UGA - can't believe how time flies. Taking a year off to work before medical school (if it's in the Lord's plan)! Excited for a break from school. Thank you for the love and prayers!

XO, Rebecca Streich

- ◆ Thank you so much for the Valentine's box, it came right before this latest storm and relied upon heavily throughout it. I'm not sure how much longer it will last, but it has definitely been enjoyed thoroughly!

Thank you, Brett W.

- ◆ Thank you so much for the box of candy (and equipment to undo the damage). I appreciate your thoughts and prayers and wish you all the best.

Yours in Christ, Andrew W.

- ◆ Thank you for the Valentine box! I look forward to it every year. I am in my second semester at Georgia State majoring in marketing. I had to take a step back when I transferred from Gwinnett Tech after earning my Associates Degree in Marketing Management, so I will be in school for the next 2 years. Hopefully I will be able to work out an internship soon. Thanks again for all the cards and the box of goodies!

Sam Meers

- ◆ Many thanks to the EPC family, and particularly the Presbyterian Women for putting together and sending the Valentine's boxes. I really enjoyed opening my box and seeing how much care and thoughtfulness was put into it. I will be enjoying it for the weeks to come. School is going great for me, and I am reveling in the beauty that God has created in this world. There is so much to see and learn about in this world, and I thank God for that every day. I hope everyone is doing well back at home.

Many thanks, Katherine Gordon

- ◆ Thank you for the Valentine's Day treats. I was starting to run a little low, so the popcorn and other snacks have come in handy. Sharpies have a way of running out of ink, and pens do go dry. Thank you for these gifts. My studies in Chemistry and Geology are going well. I am enjoying my classes and have good friends to study with. I do look forward to services at EPC though.

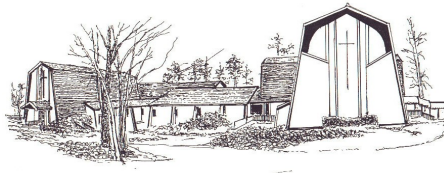
Sincerely, Morrison Nolan



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DEADLINES

Newsletter ~ 5 p.m. Monday, March 31
Sunday Bulletin ~ Wednesdays at 8:00 a.m.

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