

The
CONGREGATIONAL



CHURCH of EASTON

The church on the hill

Reign of Christ-24th Sunday after Pentecost

November 23, 2025

Reverend Dan Dzikowicz

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

****CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: The Good Shepherd invites us to green pastures.
We are refreshed beside still waters.

All: **We have been given everything we have.**
God offers us everything we need.

One: When we walk through shadowed valleys, God is with us.
We are comforted and reassured.

All: **God leads us in the right paths.**
Our cups are filled to overflowing.

****UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Good Shepherd, we meet in your name, confident that we are known and loved by you. Here we draw close to one another and to you, expecting to be empowered by fresh insights to live as your people. We want to care for one another in life-giving ways. We seek to reach out to those who deny you. Help us grow in love that is genuine in its caring and self-sacrifice. We embrace the wholeness you offer and dare to risk acceptance of a healing role for ourselves and this faith community. Equip us for service beyond this hour of worship. Amen.

****Those who are able may stand.**

PH-Red Pilgrim Hymnal NCH-Black New Century Hymnal BH-Little Blue Hymnal

****HYMN #199 PH** *“Crown Him With Many Crowns”*

all 4 verses

****UNISON CALL TO CONFESSION**

All of us have taken vows of loyalty to Jesus Christ. We have made promises in words that have not been lived out in truth. We have too easily pushed aside God’s commands in favor of our own desires. We are more interested in pleasing others than in pleasing God. Let us return to the one who is our Origin to re-attune ourselves to God’s intent for us.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

****Response of Praise #513 PH** *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.*

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY

PRAYERS

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer (In Unison)

Choral Response: #769 NCH *Hear our prayer, O God, hear our prayer, O God.
Incline your ear to us and grant us your peace.
Amen.*

****HYMN #43 NCH** *“Love Devine, All Loves Excelling”*

all 4 verses

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

God asks us for an accounting of what we have done with the wealth entrusted to us. All that we have and all that we are belongs to God. May we give with thankfulness.

OFFERTORY

Gathering of the gifts with Offertory

****Doxology #515 PH** *Praise God from whom all blessing flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Presentation of the gifts with praise

****UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Holy One, we thank you for the ways in which you have enfolded us in your love and called us by name to follow your son, Jesus. May these gifts and our lives be used to enfold others in your love. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

2 Timothy 11-16

SERMON

“Christianity 101”

****HYMN #10 BH**

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

all 3 verses

****BENEDICTION**

****PASSING OF THE PEACE**

POSTLUDE

After the service, please join us for coffee and fellowship across the street.

Today’s flowers were provided by the Church Family
Confirming Deacon - Elizabeth Boyce and June Logie
Offering - Church Family
Collectors - Debbie Szegedi
Coffee Hour - The Harvest Dinner Crew

“Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.” (Romans 1:7, NIV) Welcome to the Lord’s house for worship! If you are visiting, we invite you to sign our guest book, and we hope you will join us across the street for fellowship after the Service.

Prayer List - Please keep our members and friends in your prayers, *and especially at this time:*
Prayers for healing for June's brother, Claude; healing for 13 year old, Mikey, in intensive care from a bad car accident; Rosemary Cassatt in honor of her late husband, Allen J. Cassatt, who passed away on 12/5/2024 and was a 3x Combat Vet SFC/Ret. Prayers for Debbie Olson and her family with the loss of her mother, Annabelle Lee; the family and friends of Nathalie Taranto with her sudden passing; Daisy and her family with the loss of her Granddaughter; for Marc and Arlene to give strength in the face of health challenges; Elizabeth Boyce and her family; healing for Jim Waterbury and strength for his family.

Please pray for all who mourn or need special prayers of intention, for our congregation, and for friends of our community. You may fill out a Prayer Request card, or call or email the church office to add or remove a name from the list. Thank you for your prayers.

Christmas Poinsettias and Virtual Poinsettias

Live plant orders are due by **December 7th** and virtual orders by **December 14th**.

Holiday Cookie Sale - Order forms are in the Hall, website or cookiesale2015@gmail.com.

Cookie order forms due on **December 3rd** and pick-up will be **December 6th**. 10am-Noon.

Next Food Kitchen is Tuesday, December 16th. Share your favorite dishes or treats! Drop off no later than Tuesday, December 16th at 9:30am.

Merton House - Food Pantry non-perishable items and sample size toiletry items are collected year round in the basket in the entranceway of the Church Hall.

Reminder:

Members of the church council will be meeting after coffee hour on Sunday, January 11th, 2026

Calendar for The Congregational Church of Easton

Sunday, November 23, 2025

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

Tuesday, November 25, 2025

7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Wednesday, November 26, 2025

7:00pm Yoga at the Old Academy Hall

Saturday, November 29, 2025

10:00 a.m. Yoga at the Old Academy Hall

Sunday, November 30, 2025 "Hanging of the Greens"

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

Organist, Suzanne Lovejoy
Council Chair, Phillip Doremus Deacon Chair, Elizabeth Boyce
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