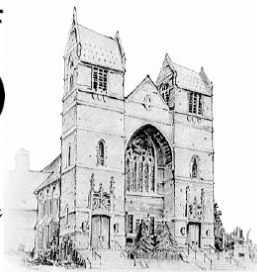




First Presbyterian Church of  
**EDGEWOOD**  
The Community Church



**10:00 AM**  
**@**  
**summer**  
**SUNDAYS**

## First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Summer Worship Tenth Sunday after Pentecost – August 14, 2022

\*All who are able, please stand.

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE

### TOLLING OF THE HOUR

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive, from Psalm 50)

The mighty one, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth

**From the rising of the sun to its setting. Our God comes and does not keep silence**

He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people:

"Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"

**The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge. Praise the Lord!**

### \*HYMN #320

"The Church of Christ in Every Age"

1 The church of Christ in every age,  
beset by change but Spirit-led,  
must claim and test its heritage  
and keep on rising from the dead.

2 Across the world, across the street,  
the victims of injustice cry  
for shelter and for bread to eat,  
and never live before they die.

3 Then let the servant church arise,  
a caring church that longs to be

a partner in Christ's sacrifice,  
and clothed in Christ's humanity.

4 For Christ alone, whose blood was shed,  
can cure the fever in our blood,  
and teach us how to share our bread  
and feed the starving multitude.

5 We have no mission but to serve  
in full obedience to our Lord:  
to care for all, without reserve,  
and spread Christ's liberating word.

### CALL TO CONFESSION

Friends, we live in a turbulent world. It is hard to find your footing when it seems like the ground is constantly shifting. Let us approach the throne of grace, confessing our shortfalls, and ground ourselves in God's reconciling love.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression.**

**Lord, have mercy on us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.** (Silent Confession)

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.  
In faith, hear the Good News and know that it's true, In Jesus Christ you are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God!**

### **\*RESPONSE #582** "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines"

1 Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

2 World without end, without end. Amen. (x3)  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

### **\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you: **and also with you.**  
*(Please share the peace as you feel safe and comfortable.)*

### **GATHERING SONG** "Spirit Song"

Oh, let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love;  
Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.  
Oh, let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit, like a dove,  
Will descend upon your life and make you whole.  
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs. Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

### **SCRIPTURE** Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz concerning Judah and Jerusalem, which he saw during the reigns of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

<sup>10</sup> Hear the word of the LORD, You rulers of Sodom; Listen to the instruction of our God, You people of Gomorrah! <sup>11</sup> "What are your many sacrifices to Me?" Says the LORD. "I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams And the fat of fattened cattle; And I take no pleasure in the blood of bulls, lambs, or goats. <sup>12</sup> When you come to appear before Me, Who requires of you this trampling of My courtyards?

<sup>13</sup> Do not go on bringing your worthless offerings, Incense is an abomination to Me. New moon and Sabbath, the proclamation of an assembly—I cannot endure wrongdoing and the festive assembly. <sup>14</sup> I hate your new moon festivals and your appointed feasts, They have become a burden to Me; I am tired of bearing them. <sup>15</sup> So when you spread out your hands in prayer, I will hide My eyes from you; Yes, even though you offer many prayers, I will not be listening. Your hands are covered with blood. <sup>16</sup> "Wash yourselves, make yourselves clean; Remove the evil of your deeds from My sight. Stop doing evil, <sup>17</sup> Learn to do good; Seek justice, Rebuke the oppressor, Obtain justice for the orphan, Plead for the widow's case.

<sup>18</sup> "Come now, and let us debate your case," says the LORD, "Though your sins are as scarlet, They shall become as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be like wool. <sup>19</sup> If you are willing and obedient, You will eat the best of the land; <sup>20</sup> But if you refuse and rebel, You will be devoured by the sword." For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

## ANTHEM

"Where Your Treasure Is"

Marty Haugen

## SCRIPTURE

Luke 12:32-40

<sup>32</sup>Do not be afraid, little flock, because your Father has chosen to give you the kingdom.

<sup>33</sup>"Sell your possessions and give to charity; make yourselves money belts that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near nor does a moth destroy. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. <sup>35</sup>"Be prepared, and keep your lamps lit. <sup>36</sup>You are also to be like people who are waiting for their master when he returns from the wedding feast, so that they may immediately open the door for him when he comes and knocks. <sup>37</sup>Blessed are those slaves whom the master will find on the alert when he comes; truly I say to you, that he will prepare himself to serve, and have them recline at the table, and he will come up and serve them. <sup>38</sup>Whether he comes in the second watch, or even in the third, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. <sup>39</sup>"But be sure of this, that if the head of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have allowed his house to be broken into. <sup>40</sup>You too, be ready; because the Son of Man is coming at an hour that you do not think He will."

## SERMON

"What is Kin-dom Life? "

Hunter Steinitz

## \*HYMN #175

"Seek Ye First"

1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you.

Allelu, alleluia!

2 Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek, and you shall find;  
knock, and the door shall be opened unto you.

Allelu, alleluia!

3 You shall not live by bread alone, but by every word  
that proceeds from the mouth of God.

Allelu, alleluia!

## SHARING OF THIS WEEK'S PRAYER REQUESTS

### PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

### INVITATION TO RECEIVE OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

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### PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

**God of abundance, everything we have is on loan from you. Help us be good stewards of all your precious resources. Bless these gifts we give in return that they might, in turn, be a blessing to others. Amen.**

**\*HYMN #321**

**"The Church's One Foundation"**

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| 1 The church's one foundation<br>is Jesus Christ her Lord.<br>She is his new creation<br>by water and the word.<br>From heaven he came and sought her<br>to be his holy bride.<br>With his own blood he bought her,<br>and for her life he died. | yet saints their watch are keeping;<br>their cry goes up: "How long?"<br>And soon the night of weeping<br>shall be the morn of song.  |
| 2 Elect from every nation,<br>yet one o'er all the earth,<br>her charter of salvation:<br>one Lord, one faith, one birth.<br>One holy name she blesses,<br>partakes one holy food,<br>and to one hope she presses,<br>with every grace endued.   | 4 Mid toil and tribulation,<br>and tumult of her war,<br>she waits the consummation<br>of peace forevermore:<br>till with the vision glorious<br>her longing eyes are blest,<br>and the great church victorious<br>shall be the church at rest. |
| 3 Though with a scornful wonder<br>this world sees her oppressed,<br>by schisms rent asunder,<br>by heresies distressed,   | 5 Yet she on earth has union<br>with God, the Three in One,<br>and mystic sweet communion<br>with those whose rest is won:<br>O happy ones and holy!<br>Lord, give us grace that we,<br>like them, the meek and lowly,<br>may live eternally.   |

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*We invite you to sit and enjoy the postlude Sunny has prepared for us. This also helps with the live-streamed recording to have clear audio for those joining us in worship online.*

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***Participants in this worship service:***

**Hunter Steinitz**, guest pastor | **Lorraine Douthett**, liturgist  
**Shaun Cloonan**, minister of music | **Sunny Sakai**, pianist  
**John Foster**, videographer

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## **Welcome! Thanks be to God for allowing us to worship with you!**

### IN-PERSON WORSHIP GUIDELINES: REVISED JULY 2022

Masks are optional for all in attendance. We will continue to have a supply of disposable masks at the entrances to the church for those who wish to wear one during services.

Out of respect for those who choose or need to continue wearing masks, our practice of sharing communion from our seats as well as collecting the offering at the entrance to the sanctuary will not change. Thanks to all for their cooperation in keeping our church family healthy and safe.

IF YOU ARE VISITING WITH US TODAY: first, welcome! Please fill out a blue visitor's card found in the pew rack. If you are interested in being on our email or newsletter mailing lists, provide that information so we can keep in touch. We hope you consider joining us more often!

THIS MORNING, WE WELCOME back to our pulpit Hunter Steinitz as guest pastor.

BOOK CLUB MEETS WEEKLY, 10:00AM, Tuesdays at the home of Rhonda Apossos, 361 Maple Avenue, Edgewood, reading "The Fifth Gospel" by Ian Caldwell.

VOCAL CONFLUENCE "Together Again" Concerts: Come see Pittsburgh's mixed barbershop chorus in their annual summer show, titled "Together Again." There are 2 chances to hear them: Saturday, August 20 at 7:30PM and Sunday, August 21 at 3:00PM, both in the FPCE Sanctuary. Please note that there is no ticketing at this event, so it will be first come first served. Donations will happily be accepted at the door. Vocal Confluence rehearses weekly at FPCE on Monday evenings.

THERE WILL BE A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING immediately following worship on Rally Day, September 11.

### JOIN US FOR UPCOMING SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES:

August 21 – Rev. Jane Duffield

August 28 – Heather Henkel

September 4 – Rev. Chris Taylor, communion

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

AH=Apessos Home, B=Basement Band Room, C=Choir Room,  
GP=Gathering Place, L=Lounge, O=Office, PS=Pastor's Study,  
S=Sanctuary, Sc=Scout Room, SL=Side Lawn, SR=Social Room

### Monday, August 15

7:00PM Vocal Confluence (S)

### Tuesday, August 16

10:00AM Book Club (AH)

7:00PM ESO Rehearsal (S)

### Thursday, August 18

6:00PM Flute Lesson (O)

7:00PM Milepost6 (B)

7:30PM Vocal Confluence (S)

### Friday, August 19

9:15AM Flute Lesson (O)

8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

### Saturday, August 20

9:00AM ESO auditions (S/GP)

7:30PM Vocal Confluence Show (S)

8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

### Next Sunday, August 21

10:00AM Worship (S)

Youth Sunday School (GP)

3:00PM Vocal Confluence Show (S)

## How can you become involved?

As we reopen, working to rebuild and reimagine the ministries at FPCE, consider if you have a heart for:

- Encouraging our younger members
- Learning more about God & faith
- Praising God through music
- Serving senior citizens
- Working in publicity/advertising

...please contact a member of our FPCE Family listed below for more details on how to become involved!

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*Believing we are called together by God's love through Jesus Christ,  
our mission as the First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood is to  
love God, to love each other, and to love our neighbors.*

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