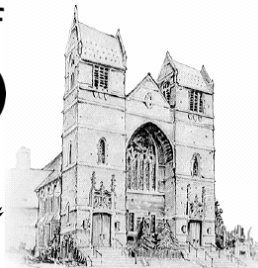




First Presbyterian Church of
EDGEWOOD
The Community Church



10:00 AM
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SUNDAYS

First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Summer Worship Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost – August 28, 2022

*All who are able, please stand.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Creator God, you call us to hospitality;
to give as generously to others as you have given to us.

For there are angels among us.

Loving God, you call us to give you glory in the compassion we show to one another.

To love without judgment, of ourselves or of others.

We gather as one Body, seeking to walk in the way you have set for us.

We gather as one Body, to worship the one who is Love.

*OPENING PRAYER (unison)

Holy God, we praise you as the one who is the same yesterday, today and forever.

Your yearning to shower blessings on your people has not changed.

As you delivered the people of old from slavery in Egypt, so you deliver us from whatever enslaves us through the sacrificial love of Jesus Christ.

He endured death so that he could nourish us with the sweetest gift of all—his life.

Accept our praise and adoration, we pray, for we offer them in Jesus' name

and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen

*HYMN #401

"Gather Us In"

1 Here in this place the new light is streaming;
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken;
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken;
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

2 We are the young; our lives are a mystery.
We are the old who yearn for your face.
We have been sung throughout all of history,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty;
gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly;
give us the courage to enter the song.

3 Here we will take the wine and the water;
here we will take the bread of new birth.
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion;
give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

4 Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away:
here in this place the new light is shining;
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever;
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Dear God, we have known you since the time you led our ancestors from bondage to freedom. We have found no fault in your promise. Yet we wander from the path that you have set and put our faith in other "gods" which lead us away from justice, compassion, and hospitality. We forsake your blessing. Forgive our faithlessness and our arrogance. Restore us to right relationship with you and all those in our midst. (Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***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 Jeremiah 2:4-13

⁴ Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. ⁵ Thus says the Lord:
What wrong did your ancestors find in me
that they went far from me
and went after worthless things and became worthless themselves?
⁶ They did not say, "Where is the Lord,
who brought us up from the land of Egypt,
who led us in the wilderness,

in a land of deserts and pits,
in a land of drought and deep darkness,
in a land that no one passes through,
where no one lives?"

⁷ I brought you into a plentiful land
to eat its fruits and its good things.
But when you entered you defiled my land
and made my heritage an abomination.

⁸ The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?"
Those who handle the law did not know me;
the rulers transgressed against me;
the prophets prophesied by Baal
and went after things that do not profit.

⁹ Therefore once more I accuse you,
says the Lord,
and I accuse your children's children.

¹⁰ Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look;
send to Kedar and examine with care;
see if there has ever been such a thing.

¹¹ Has a nation changed its gods,
even though they are no gods?
But my people have changed their glory
for something that does not profit.

¹² Be appalled, O heavens, at this;
be shocked; be utterly desolate,
says the Lord,

¹³ for my people have committed two evils:
they have forsaken me,
the fountain of living water,
and dug out cisterns for themselves,
cracked cisterns
that can hold no water.

HYMN #479

"Ho, All Who Thirst"

Refrain:

Ho, all who thirst,
come now to the water,
and all whose souls are parched
and weary, come and drink!
Ho, all who thirst,
come now to the water,
and from your heart will flow
a never-failing spring!

1 Why forsake the Lord,
the fount of living water,

choosing broken cups
that cannot be filled? (Refrain)

2 For the Lamb will be
our shepherd and will guide us
to the wellsprings of
the water of life. (Refrain)

3 All who come may take
this gift of living water.
They will thirst no more,
for they shall be filled. (Refrain)

SCRIPTURE

Luke 14:1,7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸"When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

¹²He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

SERMON

"What Is Your End Goal?"

Heather Henkel

*HYMN #301

"All are Welcome"

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

Refrain:

all are welcome; all are welcome;
all are welcome in this place.

2 Let us build a house where prophets
speak, and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
(Refrain)

3 Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine, and wheat;
a banquet hall on holy ground
where peace and justice meet.

Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast
that frees us:
(Refrain)

4 Let us build a house where hands will
reach beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
(Refrain)

5 Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured,
taught and claimed as words
within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace;
let this house proclaim from
floor to rafter:
(Refrain)

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.

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #770

"I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table"

- 1 I'm gonna eat at the welcome table;
I'm gonna eat at the welcome table, Alleluia.
I'm gonna eat at the welcome table;
I'm gonna eat at the welcome table, Alleluia.
- 2 I'm gonna eat and drink with my Jesus; . . .
- 3 I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers; . . .
- 4 Here all the world will find a welcome; . . .
- 5 We're gonna feast on milk and honey; . . .

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.

Participants in this worship service:

Heather Henkel, guest pastor | **Elder Tyler McGuigan**, 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 the Heather Henkel 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.

THE NEXT COMMUNITY DINNER will take place on Wednesday, September 7 on the Side Lawn. Go to the website to find the SignUp Genius link for helping to set up, serve, tear down, or bring dishes.

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

JOIN US FOR UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES:

September 4 – Rev. Chris Taylor, communion

September 11 – return to 11AM worship, choir resumes, Congregational Meeting follows service

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 29

7:00PM Vocal Confluence (S)

Tuesday, August 30

10:00AM Book Club (AH)

Thursday, September 1

3:15PM Flute Lessons (O)

7:00PM Milepost6 (B)

7:00PM SAA (L)

Friday, September 2

8:30PM AA (SR)

Saturday, September 3

8:30PM AA (SR)

Next Sunday, September 4

10:00AM Communion Worship (S)
Youth Sunday School (GP)

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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The Entire Congregation



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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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