

First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Worship Fourth Sunday after Epiphany – January 30, 2022

*All who are able, please stand.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Adapted from Psalm 86:1-11

Incline your ear, LORD, answer me,

for I am poor and needy.

You are my God; be gracious to me, Lord,

for to you do I cry all day long.

For You, Lord, are good and forgiving,

abounding in steadfast love to all who call on You.

In the day of my trouble I call on You,

for You will answer me.

There is none like You among the gods, Lord,

and nothing like Your acts.

All the nations You made shall come and bow before You, Lord,

and shall honor Your name.

Teach me, LORD, Your way that I may walk in Your truth;

Give me an undivided heart to revere your name.

*HYMN #735

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

1 I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord; no tender voice like thine can peace afford.

Refrain:

I need thee, O I need thee, every hour I need thee! O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee!

2 I need thee every hour; stay thou near by; temptations lose their power when thou art nigh. (Refrain)

- 3 I need thee every hour; teach me thy will, and thy rich promises in me fulfill. (Refrain)
- 4 I need thee every hour, Most Holy One; O make me thine indeed, thou blessed Son. (Refrain)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (responsive)

O God, Giver of all life:

Where we have not honored you in the elements, have looked to weaponize the energy of life, and have desecrated the precious resources of this planet, we pray:

Lord have mercy.

Where we have not honored you in the waters, and have polluted, controlled, and poisoned this great flowing system of life, we pray:

Lord have mercy.

Where we have made extinct, destroyed, abused, and neglected the creatures with whom we coexist, we pray:

Lord have mercy.

For the ravages of war, power, violence, white supremacy, slavery, abuse, patriarchy, sexual violence, human trafficking, and all forms of systemic human oppression, we pray:

Lord have mercy.

For our murder of mystery; our obsession with what we can rationalize, quantify, and understand; and for all our ignorance of what lies beyond our small minds, we pray:

Lord have mercy.

For our failure to see ourselves as one small part of the great cosmic mystery, we pray: **Lord have mercy.** (Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Through the love of God, we are being transformed.

As we search our hearts and take account,

God's mercy is with us.

In the knowledge of our inherent and eternal belovedness, may the peace of God's forgiveness encourage us all.

*RESPONSE #582

"Glory to God"

- 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.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

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.**(For the safety of all, please share the peace with a smile or wave from your seat.)

GATHERING SONG

"As We Gather"

As we gather may your Spirit work within us. As we gather may we glorify your name. Knowing well that as our hearts begin to worship, we'll be blessed because we came, we'll be blessed because we came.

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 58:9b-12 NRSV

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹ The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

ANTHEM "You Raise Me Up" Graham/Lovland

When I am down and, oh my soul, so weary When troubles come and my heart burdened be Then, I am still and wait here in the silence Until You come and sit awhile with me.

You raise me up, so I can stand on mountains You raise me up, to walk on stormy seas I am strong, when I am on your shoulders You raise me up to more than I can be

SCRIPTURE Luke 5:27-32 NRSV

²⁷ After this he went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." ²⁸ And he got up, left everything, and followed him. ²⁹ Then Levi gave a great banquet for him in his house; and there was a large crowd of tax collectors and others sitting at the table with them. ³⁰ The Pharisees and their scribes were complaining to his disciples, saying, "Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" ³¹ Jesus answered, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; ³² I have come to call not the righteous but sinners to repentance."

SERMON "Listen to the Call" Jason Dauer

*HYMN #726

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

- 1 "Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
 Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
 Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
 will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"
- 2 "Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?"

- 3 "Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?"
- 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
 Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
 Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"
- 5 Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

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 #720

"Jesus Calls Us"

- 1 Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea; day by day his sweet voice soundeth saying, "Christian, follow me."
- 2 Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store, from each idol that would keep us, saying, "Christian, love me more."
- 3 In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."
- 4 Jesus calls us: by thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call, give our hearts to thy obedience, serve and love thee best of all.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Participants in this worship service:

Jason Dauer, guest pastor | Elder Marcia Haley, 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:

While Allegheny County is in the high transmission rate for COVID-19, the Worship Committee has established safety protocols for in-person worship following CDC recommendations as follows:

- Properly worn masks are required for all those attending and leading worship regardless of vaccination status
- Please continue to observe social distancing in the marked pews
- **Congregational singing may continue while masked.** You are welcome to use the hymnals in the pews, stand and join in singing of hymns and responses. Lyrics will continue to be printed in the bulletin for those following along online.

We understand that each person is different with the possible risks he or she may have. Live-streamed online worship will continue to be available on Facebook and YouTube for those who choose to stay home until they feel safe to rejoin in person.

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!

WE WELCOME BACK TO OUR PULPIT Jason Dauer as guest pastor.

MUSIC MINISTRY PAUSE. Due to the surge in COVID cases related to the Omicron variant in Allegheny County and for the safety of all, the Sanctuary Choir and Emerging Worship Ensemble will not meet for rehearsals or participate in our worship services for the next several weeks. We will revert back to having just Sunny and Shaun lead music in the weekly service. Once the transmission rate decreases and safety risks are lowered, we will resume our fuller worship participation. Please continue to practice social distancing, masking, and if you don't feel well or safe, stay at home and join us via the Livestream on Facebook.

BOOK CLUB CONTINUES, "Stranger in the Lifeboat" by Mitch Albom, 10:00AM, Tuesdays at the home of Rhonda Apessos, 361 Maple Avenue, Edgewood.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ZOOM BIBLE STUDY: Join Elder Tim Hoffman for a weekly one-hour bible study discussing the stories of Elijah and Elisha held on Zoom at 7:00pm Wednesday nights. https://pitt.zoom.us/j/6670286724 No password is needed. Just copy paste the link into your browser and load the page. You will be automatically placed into a waiting room then brought into the main room by the host and moderator, Tim Hoffman. Email HoffmanTL@gmail.com with questions.

NEED A LIFT? The Session is aware that a few of our members are unable to drive themselves to worship and want to offer some assistance. If you could benefit from a ride to worship on Sunday mornings, please contact the church office. Likewise, if you can OFFER a ride to someone, please let us know!

RECYCLE BINS are located in the last pew in sanctuary and blue bin at side vestibule entrance for bulletins, cups, (list of what is accepted is posted on bins).

UPCOMING WORSHIP SCHEDULE

February 6
Scout Sunday led by Keith Kondrich & Troop/Pack 23

February 13
Guest pastor TBD
(possible communion, if ordained pastor secured)

February 20
Heather Henkel preaching
(possible Emerging, if music ministry pause ends)

February 27
Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday
Heather Henkel preaching

March 2
Ash Wednesday Service at 7PM

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, January 31

6:30PM Scouts (Sc/SR)

7:00PM Vocal Confluence (S)

Tuesday, February 1

10:00AM Book Club (AH)

7:00PM Edgewood Symphony Orchestra (S)

Wednesday, February 2

7:00PM Bible Study (Zoom)

Thursday, February 3

5:00PM Flute Lesson (L) 7:00PM Milepost6 (B)

Friday, February 4

5:00PM Flute Lesson (L)

8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

Saturday, February 5

8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

Next Sunday, Scout Sunday, February 6

11:00AM 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



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.