



First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Worship
including the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost – July 4, 2021

*All who are able, please stand.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

READING OF GOD'S WORD

Psalm 48

PRAYER

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive)

Oh, give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name;
Make known His deeds among the peoples.

Sing to Him, sing praises to Him;

Speak of all His wonders.

Glory in His holy name;

Let the heart of those who seek the Lord be glad.

For He is our Rock, Fortress, and Deliverer.

He is worthy to be praised.

***HYMN #482**

"Baptized in Water"

1 Baptized in water,
sealed by the Spirit,
cleansed by the blood of Christ our King;
heirs of salvation,
trusting the promise,
faithfully now God's praises we sing.

2 Baptized in water,
sealed by the Spirit,
dead in the tomb with Christ our King;

one with his rising,
freed and forgiven,
thankfully now God's praises we sing.

3 Baptized in water,
sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ our King;
born of the Spirit,
we are God's children;
joyfully now God's praises we sing.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love Him and keep His commandments, we have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from Your commandments and rules. For Your Name's sake, forgive us and restore us anew. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*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. (*sing 3 times*)
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH

The Westminster Confession Shorter Catechism

Q. 24. How does Christ execute the office of a prophet?

A. Christ executes the office of a prophet, in revealing to us, by his Word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.

(John 1:18; 1 Pet. 1:10-12; John 15:15; John 20:31)

RESPONSE #95

"Prepare the Way of the Lord"

(sing twice)

Prepare the way of the Lord. Prepare the way of the Lord,
and all people will see the salvation of our God.

SCRIPTURE

John 1.19-28

¹⁹ This is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent to him priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" ²⁰ And he confessed and did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ." ²¹ They asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" And he *said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" And he answered, "No." ²² Then they said to him, "Who are you, so that we may give an answer to those who sent us? What do you say about yourself?" ²³ He said, "I am a voice of one crying in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' as Isaiah the prophet said."

²⁴ Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. ²⁵ They asked him, and said to him, "Why then are you baptizing, if you are not the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?" ²⁶ John answered them saying, "I baptize in water, but among you stands One whom you do not know. ²⁷ It is He who comes after me, the thong of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie." ²⁸ These things took place in Bethany beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

"The Testimony of John"

Rev. Tony Rivera

***HYMN #96**

“On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry”

1 On Jordan’s bank the Baptist’s cry
announces that the Lord is nigh;
awake and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings of the King of kings!

3 We hail you as our Savior, Lord,
our refuge and our great reward;
without your grace we waste away
like flowers that wither and decay.

2 Then cleansed be every life from sin;
make straight the way for God within,
and let us all our hearts prepare
for Christ to come and enter there.

4 Stretch forth your hand; our health restore,
and make us rise to fall no more.
O let your face upon us shine
and fill the world with love divine.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

HYMN #522

“I Am the Bread of Life”

1 “I am the bread of life.
You who come to me shall not hunger,
and who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me
unless the Father beckons.”

Refrain:
“And I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.”

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

Jesus said: Come to me all you that are weary and carrying heavy burdens
and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me;

For I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

I am the bread of life.

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry,

Whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

INVITATION TO RECEIVE OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***HYMN #546**

“Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing”

1 Lord, dismiss us with your blessing;
fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, your love possessing,
triumph in redeeming grace.

O refresh us,
O refresh us,
traveling through this wilderness.

2 Thanks we give and adoration
for your gospel's joyful sound;
may the fruits of your salvation
in our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful,
ever faithful
to your truth may we be found.

3 Savior, when your love shall call us,
from our struggling pilgrim way,
let no fear of death appall us,
glad your summons to obey.
May we ever,
may we ever
reign with you in endless day.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Participants in this worship service:

The Rev. Anthony Rivera, pastor
Tyler McGuigan, vocalist | Sunny Sakai, pianist
John Foster & Tim Hoffman, videographers

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IN-PERSON WORSHIP GUIDELINES: REVISED JUNE 8, 2021

- those who are not vaccinated must wear a mask properly; vaccinated individuals may choose not to wear a mask
- please continue to observe social distancing in the marked pews
- As of June 20, congregational singing has resumed. 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.

OFFICE CLOSED TOMORROW, JULY 5

The church office will be closed tomorrow, July 5, in observance of today's Independence Day holiday.

HAPPY

4th of July

INDEPENDENCE DAY



*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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