

First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Summer Worship including the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Second Sunday after Pentecost – June 19, 2022

For communion this morning, please take a serving of bread and cup from the trays at the entrance to partake of the elements from your seat when directed during the sacrament.

*All who are able, please stand.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

I am the vine, Jesus said.

We are the branches.

Those who abide in Christ and who Christ abides in are here

We desire to bear much fruit.

Apart from me you can do nothing, Jesus said.

We want to do our part and do something

Let us worship God.

*HYMN #370

"This is My Father's World"

 This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres. This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas, his hand the wonders wrought.

2 This is my Father's world. O, let me ne'er forget that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet. This is my Father's world. The battle is not done: Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heaven be one.

CALL TO CONFESSION

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith, let us confess our sin to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (responsive)

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future where we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image. Help us hear you in the silence. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen. (silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the teaching of Christ: "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love another." In Jesus Christ, we are all forgiven. Amen.

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

 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. (3x) 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

Psalm 22:19-28

But you, LORD, do not be far from me. You are my strength; come quickly to help me. ²⁰ Deliver me from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dogs. ²¹ Rescue me from the mouth of the lions; save me from the horns of the wild oxen. ²² I will declare your name to my people; in the assembly I will praise you. ²³ You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you descendants of Jacob, honor him! Revere him, all you descendants of Israel! ²⁴ For he has not despised or scorned the suffering of the afflicted one; he has not hidden his face from him but has listened to his cry for help. ²⁵ From you comes the theme of my praise in the great assembly; before those who fear you I will fulfill my vows.

²⁶ The poor will eat and be satisfied; those who seek the LORD will praise him— may your hearts live forever! ²⁷ All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations will bow down before him, ²⁸ for dominion belongs to the LORD and he rules over the nations.

ANTHEM

"Lord Most High"

SCRIPTURE

1 Kings 19:1-15a

Now Ahab told Jezebel everything Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword.² So Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah to say, "May the gods deal with me, be it ever so severely, if by this time tomorrow I do not make your life like that of one of them." ³ Elijah was afraid and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there, ⁴ while he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness. He came to a broom bush, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. "I have had enough, LORD," he said. "Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors." ⁵ Then he lay down under the bush and fell asleep. All at once an angel touched him and said, "Get up and eat." ⁶ He looked around, and there by his head was some bread baked over hot coals, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. ⁷ The angel of the LORD came back a second time and touched him and said, "Get up and eat, for the journey is too much for you." ⁸ So he got up and ate and drank. Strengthened by that food, he traveled forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.⁹ There he went into a cave and spent the night. And the word of the LORD came to him: "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁰ He replied, "I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too." ¹¹ The LORD said, "Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. ¹² After the earthquake came a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. ¹³ When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave. Then a voice said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁴ He replied, "I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too." ¹⁵ The LORD said to him, "Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael king over Aram.

SERMON

"God in the Silence"

Rev. Chris Taylor

*HYMN #824

"Near to the Heart of God"

 There is a place of quiet rest, near to the heart of God, a place where sin cannot molest, near to the heart of God.

Refrain:

O Jesus, blest Redeemer, sent from the heart of God, hold us, who wait before thee, near to the heart of God.

SHARING OF THIS WEEK'S PRAYER REQUESTS

- 2 There is a place of comfort sweet, near to the heart of God, a place where we our Savior meet, near to the heart of God. (Refrain)
- 3 There is a place of full release, near to the heart of God, a place where all is joy and peace, near to the heart of God. (Refrain)

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.

RESPONSE #533

"In the Singing"

In the singing, in the silence, in the hands expectant, open, in the blessing, in the breaking, in the Presence at this table Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the wine of grace:

Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the bread of peace.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

If you have not already done so, please get a serving of bread and cup from the trays at the entrance to partake of the elements from your seat when directed.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise,

O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe.

You made a way through the sea, a path through the waters.

Even now you are doing a new thing—making rivers flow in the desert, forming a people for yourself, that we might declare your praise.

Therefore; we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels

with prophets, apostles, and martyrs,

and with all the faithful of every time and place

who forever sing to the glory of your name:



You are holy, O God of majesty,

and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Jesus healed the sick, fed the hungry, and cast out demons,

seeking to gather your children as a hen shelters her brood beneath her wings.

He wept over Jerusalem when we rejected his saving love.

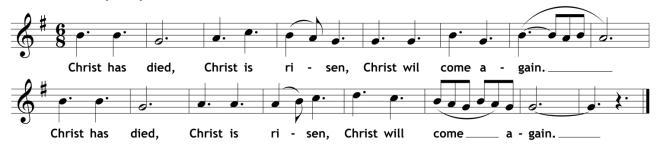
Remembering your gracious acts in Jesus Christ,

we take from your creation this bread and this cup

and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising,

as we await the day of his coming.

Great is the mystery of faith:



Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us

and upon these your gifts of bread and wine,

that the bread we break and the cup we bless

may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ.

By your Spirit, unite us with Christ and with your church in all the world.

Help us to stand firm in the faith, as citizens of heaven,

awaiting the coming of our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

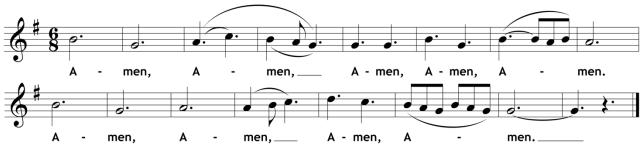
BREAKING OF THE BREAD & COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper is shared from your seats.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

Holy Spirit, you have filled us with your life. Christ our Savior, you have embraced us in your love. God our creator, you have fed us with your grace. Now send us out into your beloved world to share your life, your love, your grace with all. Blessing and honor and glory to you, holy, holy, holy Lord. Amen.

RESPONSE



INVITATION TO RECEIVE OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

Blessed are you, God of all creation. Through your goodness, we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. Blessed be God forever.

*HYMN #291

"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

Refrain: Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free. Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

- 1 You moved on the waters; you called to the deep; then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep; and over the eons you called to each thing, "Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings." (Refrain)
- 2 You swept through the desert; you stung with the sand; and you goaded your people with a law and a land. When they were confounded

with idols and lies, then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. (Refrain)

- 3 You sang in a stable; you cried from a hill; then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still. And down in the city, you called once again when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. (Refrain)
- 4 You call from tomorrow; you break ancient schemes; from the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams. Our women see visions; our men clear their eyes. With bold new decisions your people arise. (Refrain)

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:

The Rev. Chris Taylor, guest pastor | Elder Tyler McGuigan, liturgist Shaun Cloonan, minister of music | Sunny Sakai, pianist John Foster, videographer

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This service may be found posted on our website at **www.fpcedgewood.org**, on our **YouTube channel**, or audio only on our SoundCloud channel at **www.soundcloud.com/fpcedgewood**



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

IN-PERSON WORSHIP GUIDELINES:

- **Masks are now 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.
- Please continue to social distance in the marked pews.
- Out of respect for those who choose or need to continue wearing masks, our practice of passing the peace and sharing communion from our seats, as well as collecting the offering at the entrance to the sanctuary will not change.

We will continue to monitor cases and transmission levels and will relax or strengthen this guidance as health and safety protocols dictate. Thanks to all for their cooperation in keeping our church family healthy and safe. 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!

THIS MORNING, WE WELCOME to our pulpit the Rev. Chris Taylor as guest pastor. Rev. Chris serves as an Admissions Counselor at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, where he works with prospective students discerning a call to ministry. A graduate of PTS in '19, Chris calls both Pittsburgh and North Carolina home. In his free time, Chris enjoys reading, board games with his wife Rose, and long walks with their dog Huey.

JOIN US FOR DONUTS FOR DADS following morning worship in the Gathering Place sponsored by the Board of Deacons.

BOOK CLUB MEETS WEEKLY, discussing "Pilgrims Progress in Today's English" by John Bunyan 10:00AM, Tuesdays at the home of Rhonda Apessos, 361 Maple Avenue, Edgewood.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ZOOM BIBLE STUDY is on a summer break until September.

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

JOIN US FOR UPCOMING SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES:

June 26 – Rev. Bob Ruefle preaching

July 3 – Rev. Jane Duffield preaching, Communion

July 10 - "The Good Word in Music" (jazz vespers-style worship with lots of music by Sunny!)

July 17 – Heather Henkel preaching

July 24 – Heather Henkel preaching, Christmas in July (tentatively)



OUR NEXT COMMUNITY DINNER is on Wednesday, July 6 from 6:00-8:00PM on the Side Lawn, and will be a Sausage & Pierogi Fest. We're asking for folks interested in volunteering as set-up, servers, or clean-up crew, or those donating side dishes or desserts to sign up

using the SignUp Genius link on the website and in the weekly email sent out so that we can better plan each month.

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

Today, Sunday, June 19 11:00AM Donuts for Dads (GP)

Monday, June 20

- 6:30PMScouts (Sc/SR)7:00PMVocal Confluence (S)7:00PMPNC Meeting (Zoom)
- Tuesday, June 21 10:00AM Book Club (AH)
- <u>Thursday, June 23</u>
- 5:00PM Flute Lesson (L) 7:00PM Milepost6 (B)

Friday, June 24

- 9:15AMFlute Lesson (L)8:30PMAlcoholics Anonymous (SR)
- Saturday, June 25 8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

Next Sunday, June 26

10:00AM 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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Ministers
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.

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