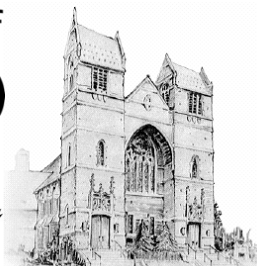




First Presbyterian Church of
EDGEWOOD
The Community Church



10:00 AM
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summer
SUNDAYS

First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Summer Worship
Third Sunday after Pentecost – June 26, 2022

*All who are able, please stand.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive)

Out of the depths I cry to you, LORD;

Lord, hear my voice. Let your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy.

If you, LORD, kept a record of sins, Lord, who could stand?

But with you there is forgiveness, so that we can, with reverence, serve you.

I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope.

I wait for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning,

more than watchmen wait for the morning. Israel, put your hope in the LORD,

for with the LORD is unfailing love and with him is full redemption.

***HYMN**

“Cry of My Heart”

Refrain

It is the cry of my heart to follow You

It is the cry of my heart to be close to You

It is the cry of my heart to follow

All of the days of my life

1 Teach me Your holy ways oh Lord

So I can walk in Your truth

Teach me Your holy ways oh Lord

And make me wholly devoted to You

Oh, oh, woh (refrain)

2 Open my eyes so I can see

The wonderful things that You do

Open my heart up more and more

And make it wholly devoted to You

Oh, oh, woh

(Interlude & Key Change)

(Refrain)

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All of the days of my life

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Eternal God, our judge & redeemer, we confess that we tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you.

We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others.

We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us from selfishness,

that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen. (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. (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 1 Samuel 3:1-18

The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. In those days the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions. ² One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. ³ The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the house of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴ Then the LORD called Samuel. Samuel answered, "Here I am." ⁵ And he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." So he went and lay down. ⁶ Again the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." "My son," Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." ⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD: The word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸ A third time the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." Then Eli realized that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹ So Eli told Samuel, "Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰ The LORD came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." ¹¹ And the LORD said to Samuel: "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make the ears of everyone who hears about it tingle. ¹² At that time I will carry out against Eli everything I spoke against his family—from beginning to end. ¹³ For I told him that I would judge his family forever because of the sin he knew about; his sons blasphemed God,^a and he failed to restrain them. ¹⁴ Therefore I swore to the house of Eli, 'The guilt of Eli's house will never be atoned for by sacrifice or offering.'" ¹⁵ Samuel lay down until morning and then opened the doors of the house of the LORD. He was afraid to tell Eli the vision, ¹⁶ but Eli called him and said, "Samuel, my son." Samuel answered, "Here I am." ¹⁷ "What was it he said to you?" Eli asked. "Do not hide it from

me. May God deal with you, be it ever so severely, if you hide from me anything he told you." ¹⁸ So Samuel told him everything, hiding nothing from him. Then Eli said, "He is the LORD; let him do what is good in his eyes."

HYMN #69

"Here I Am, Lord"

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

2 I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord.
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

3 I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

SCRIPTURE

Acts 9:1-8, 15-18

Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest ² and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. ³ As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴ He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" ⁵ "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied. ⁶ "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." ⁷ The men traveling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. ⁸ Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. ¹⁵ But the Lord said to Ananias, "Go! This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the Gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel. ¹⁶ I will show him how much he must suffer for my name." ¹⁷ Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here—has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸ Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized,

SERMON

"Blinded by the Light!"

Rev. Bob Ruefle

*HYMN #452

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord.
Open the eyes of my heart;
I want to see you;
I want to see you;

to see you high and lifted up,
shining in the light of your glory.
Pour out your power and love
as we sing "Holy, holy, holy."

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 #192

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

1 Lord, the light of your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us;
set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me; shine on me.

Refrain

Shine, Jesus, shine;
fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow;
flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your word,
Lord, and let there be light.

2 Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
from the shadows into your radiance;
by the blood I may enter your brightness.
Search me; try me;
consume all my darkness.
Shine on me; shine on me. (Refrain)

3 As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
so our faces display your likeness;
ever changing from glory to glory,
mirrored here
may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me; shine on me. (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:

Rev. Bob Ruefle guest pastor | **Rick Masten**, liturgist
Shaun Cloonan, minister of music | **Sunny Sakai**, pianist
John Foster, videographer

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or audio only on our SoundCloud channel at www.soundcloud.com/fpcedgewood



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

CDC UPDATE JUNE 16, 2022: In Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, community level is Low.

- Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines
- Get tested if you have symptoms

People may choose to mask at any time. People with symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19 should wear a mask. If you are immunocompromised, learn more about how to protect yourself. Find out more about the COVID-19 situation in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania with COVID-19 Data Tracker.

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 back to our pulpit the Rev. Bob Ruefle as guest pastor.

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

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

JOIN US FOR UPCOMING SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES:

July 3 – Rev. Jane Duffield preaching, Communion

July 10 – "The Good Word in Music," a jazz vespers-style worship service with lots of music by Sunny!

July 17 – Heather Henkel preaching

July 24 – Heather Henkel preaching (possible Xmas in July)

July 31 – Rev. Bob Ruefle preaching

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.



Community
MEALS

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, June 27

7:00PM Vocal Confluence (S)

Tuesday, June 28

10:00AM Book Club (AH)

Thursday, June 30

5:00PM Flute Lesson (O)

7:00PM Milepost6 (B)

Friday, July 1

9:15AM Flute Lesson (O)

8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

Saturday, July 2

8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

Next Sunday, July 3

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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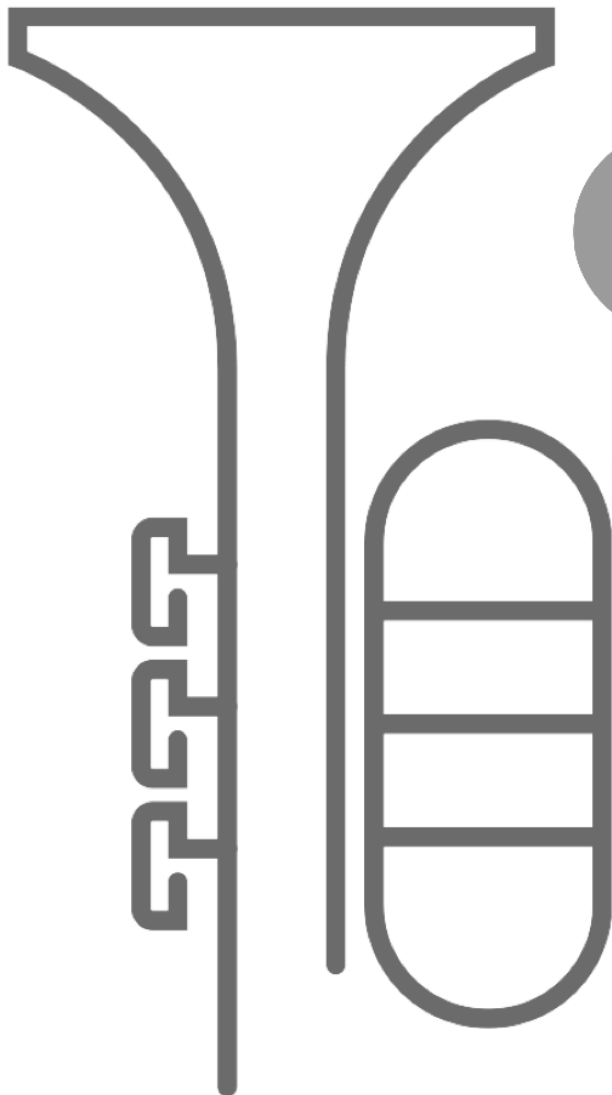


*Believing we are called together by God's love through Jesus Christ,
our mission as the First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood is to
love God, to love each other, and to love our neighbors.*

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SUMMER CONCERT

July 10, 2022

4:00 PM

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