



First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Worship
Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost – October 24, 2021

*All who are able, please stand.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive)

Psalm 104:31-35

May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works—
who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.
 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.
 Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more.
Bless the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD!

***OPENING PRAYER** (unison)

O God, you show us the way of servanthood. You have given us much so that we can bless others and not seek gratification for ourselves. Help us to seek your path and keep us in humility so that we can be the light of Christ in the world. In the name of the one who came to serve, we pray. Amen.

***HYMN #32**

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

1 I sing the mighty power of God
 that made the mountains rise,
 that spread the flowing seas abroad
 and built the lofty skies.
 I sing the wisdom that ordained
 the sun to rule the day.
 The moon shines full at God's command,
 and all the stars obey.

2 I sing the goodness of the Lord
 who filled the earth with food.
 God formed the creatures through the Word,
 and then pronounced them good.

Lord, how thy wonders are displayed,
 where'er I turn my eye,
 if I survey the ground I tread,
 or gaze upon the sky!

3 There's not a plant or flower below
 but makes thy glories known.
 And clouds arise, and tempests blow,
 by order from thy throne,
 while all that borrows life from thee
 is ever in thy care,
 and everywhere that we can be,
 thou, God, art present there.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Merciful God, we confess to you and to one another, that we've sinned by our own fault in thought, word, and deed, and by what we've done and what we've left undone. We question your sovereignty and divine plan. Forgive us for our own self-righteousness, anger and frustration. Forgive us for even questioning your will and ways. We have not trusted you completely Lord. We have not loved you nor loved others as ourselves. Favorably hear us, O God, for your mercy is great. 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.

REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT FOR NEW MEMBERS

PRESENTATION

Elder Flo Raisig

SCRIPTURE

PROFESSION OF FAITH (unison)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER

WELCOME

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to share with us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.

***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.*)

***RESPONSE #306**

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

1 Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds
is like to that above.

SCRIPTURE

Job 38:1-7, 34-41

Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind and said: "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Dress for action like a man; I will question you, and you make it known to me. "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

"Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, that a flood of waters may cover you? Can you send forth lightnings, that they may go and say to you, 'Here we are'? Who has put wisdom in the inward parts or given understanding to the mind? Who can number the clouds by wisdom? Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens, when the dust runs into a mass and the clods stick fast together? "Can you hunt the prey for the lion, or satisfy the appetite of the young lions, when they crouch in their dens or lie in wait in their thicket? Who provides for the raven its prey, when its young ones cry to God for help, and wander about for lack of food?

ANTHEM

"Servant Song"

arr. Francis Patrick O'Brien

SCRIPTURE

Mark 10:35-45

And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

SERMON**"God's Eye View pt. 2"****Rev. Bob Ruefle*****HYMN #203****"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love"**

<p>Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love; show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.</p> <p>1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, Master who acts as a slave to them. (refrain)</p> <p>2 Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race;</p>	<p>neighbors are near us and far away. (refrain)</p> <p>3 These are the ones we should serve; these are the ones we should love; all these are neighbors to us and you. (refrain)</p> <p>4 Loving puts us on our knees, willing to wash others' feet; this is the way we should live like you. (Refrain)</p>
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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.

INVITATION TO RECEIVE OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

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RESPONSE #710

"We Are an Offering"

We lift our voices; we lift our hands;
we lift our lives up to you:
we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be,
we give to you, we give to you.

Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands;
Lord, use our lives; they are yours:
we are an offering.

We lift our voices; we lift our hands;
we lift our lives up to you:
we are an offering; we are an offering.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

1 He's got the whole world in his hands. He's got the

2 He's got the tiny little baby
in his hands (3x)
He's got the whole world
in his hands.

whole world in his hands. He's got the whole world

3 He's got you and me, brother,
in his hands...

4 He's got you and me, sister,
in his hands...

in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.

5 He's got the whole world
in his hands...

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Go in peace – have a blessed week!

Participants in this worship service:

Rev. Bob Ruefle, guest pastor | Elder Lisa Segedy, liturgist | Elder Flo Raisig, clerk of session
Shaun Cloonan, minister of music | Sunny Sakai, pianist | The Sanctuary Choir
John Foster, videographer

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

AUGUST 5, 2021 REVISED IN-PERSON WORSHIP GUIDELINES:

Due to the rise in cases of COVID-19 and the Delta Variant, and in response to Allegheny County moving from the moderate to substantial transmission rate, the Worship Committee has reinstated safety protocols for in-person worship following CDC recommendations as follows:

- **Properly worn masks are required for all those attending 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!

PLEASE JOIN US IN WELCOMING our brothers and sisters who have joined (or re-joined) our church family by reaffirmation of faith this morning: Johnny and Jennifer Hrebik, Sue Pollick, Roberta (Bobbie) Thompson, and D.J. Kobylanski.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE is Monday, October 25 by 1PM. Send articles to office@fpcedgewood.org

BOOK CLUB CONTINUES, "The Prayer Box" by Lisa Wyngate, 10:00AM, Tuesdays at the home of Rhonda Apossos, 361 Maple Avenue, Edgewood.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ZOOM BIBLE STUDY: Join Elder Tim Hoffman for a weekly one-hour bible study on the life of Joseph 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.

EVEN THOUGH THE CROP WALK is over, you still have time to donate on behalf of FPCE. Make checks payable to CWS/Crop Walk or visit <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/team/first-presbyterian-church-of-edgewood> to contribute online.

STEWARDSHIP LETTERS went out last week with commitment cards. Please submit your estimate of giving card to the Church Office on or before Stewardship Sunday, November 14, 2021.

ALL SAINTS' DAY is officially November 1 on the liturgical calendar, but we have traditionally observed it as part of our worship on the first Sunday in November. During the service, we remember those who have passed on from this life in the past year and gone on to the Church Triumphant, joining the Communion of Saints by lifting up their names, praying for them, and lighting candles. If you have a person that you would like to have named during the service, please contact Judy in the Church Office so that it can be included in the bulletin for November 7 and read aloud during our time of remembrance.

NOMINATIONS are being accepted for Board of Deacons and Session. At least 4 slots need to be filled for the Deacons and at least 1 for Session. If you have never served on one of these boards and have new ideas or energy or have a nominee in mind, please contact Tim Hoffman at hoffmantl@gmail.com or call the Church Office.

DEACONS are assembling harvest baskets and/or cards on Nov. 14. If anyone knows of someone who might benefit from these, contact Mary Ann Hartman at mare76@comcast.net.

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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...yes, already! Immediately following worship on November 20, the Hanging of the Greens returns. Help us prepare the sanctuary for the Advent season that begins the following week. We'll bring out the tree, garland, aisle candles, window wreaths, nativity set, and Advent wreath. Many hands make light work, so please consider giving an extra hour to join in the beginning of the upcoming holiday season!

UPCOMING WORSHIP SCHEDULE

October 31 – Reformation Sunday, Heather Henkel preaching

November 7 – All Saints' Observance/Communion, Rev. Gail Mason preaching

November 14 – Stewardship Sunday, Jason Dauer preaching

November 21 – Christ the King Sunday/Emerging Worship, Heather Henkel preaching

November 28 – First Sunday of Advent, Rev. Kellie Weekley-Mills preaching

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, October 25

6:30PM Scouts (Sc/SR)
7:00PM Vocal Confluence (S)

Tuesday, October 26

10:30AM Book Club (AH)
7:00PM Edgewood Symphony Orchestra (S)
8:00PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

Wednesday, October 27

1:00PM Writing Class (L)
7:00PM Bible Study (Zoom)
7:00PM Vocal Confluence (S)

Thursday, October 28

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

Friday, October 29

5:00PM Flute Lesson (L)
8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

Saturday, October 30

8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

Next Sunday, October 31

9:30AM Choir Rehearsal (S)
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



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The Community Church



*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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