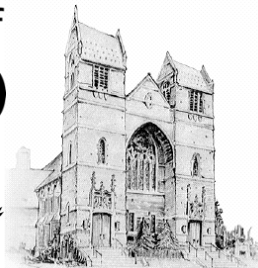




First Presbyterian Church of  
**EDGEWOOD**  
The Community Church



**11:00** AM  
**SUNDAY @**   
**MORNINGS**

**First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Morning Worship**  
**16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – September 25, 2022**

\*All who are able, please stand.

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE**

**TOLLING OF THE HOUR**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive)

*Psalm 146*

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

**I will praise the Lord as long as I live;**

**I will sing praises to my God all my life long ...**

**who made heaven and earth, the sea,**

**and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;**

who executes justice for the oppressed;

who gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets the prisoners free;

**the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.**

**The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;**

**the Lord loves the righteous.**

The Lord watches over the strangers;

God upholds the orphan and the widow,

but the way of the wicked God brings to ruin.

**The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion,**

**for all generations. Praise the Lord!**

**\*HYMN #839**

“Blessed Assurance”

1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!

O what a foretaste of glory divine!

Heir of salvation, purchase of God,

born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain

This is my story; this is my song,

Praising my Savior all the day long;

this is my story; this is my song,

praising my Savior all the day long.

2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
angels descending, bring from above  
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Refrain

This is my story; this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
this is my story; this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long.

3 Perfect submission, all is at rest;  
I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
watching and waiting, looking above,  
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.  
(Refrain)

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

*Nehemiah 9:17*

God is ready to forgive, gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (responsive)

*from The Iona Book of Worship*

O God, gladly we live and move and have our being in you.

**Yet always in the midst of this creation-glory,  
we see sin's shadow and feel death's darkness:**

around us in the earth, sea, and sky, the abuse of matter;  
beside us in the broken, the hungry, and the poor, the betrayal of one another;  
and often deep within us, a striving against your Spirit.

**O Trinity of life, forgive us that we may forgive one another,  
heal us that we may be people of healing,  
and renew us that we may be makers of peace.**

*(Silent Confession)*

**Amen.**

### **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS** (responsive)

*from Enfleshed*

Beloveds, God does not abandon us to the systems that destroy.

**God does not bind us to our regrets**

or forever hold us to what we once believed.

**God says, come and follow!**

Know forgiveness and sin no more.

**Love abounds. And Justice shall be manifest!**

Wherever new life is desired,  
may the peace of Christ be welcomed among us.

**Thanks be to God who leads us on paths of resurrection.**

**Amen.**

**\*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.**

**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.

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

*from Enfleshed*

Holy Wisdom, we ask that your Spirit would guide us in meditation, that we might be led more deeply into knowledge of you and love for all your creatures and creations, and that we may know the hope to which Christ has called us. In Jesus' name we pray, **Amen.**

**HEBREW BIBLE READING** Amos 6:1a, 4-7

NRSVUE

- 1 Doom to those resting comfortably in Zion  
and those trusting in Mount Samaria...
- 4 who lie on beds of ivory,  
stretch out on their couches,  
eat lambs from the flock,  
and bull calves from the stall;
- 5 who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,  
and, like David, compose tunes on musical instruments;
- 6 who drink bowls of wine,  
put the best of oils on themselves,  
but who aren't grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
- 7 Therefore, they will now be the first to be taken away,  
and the feast of those who lounged at the table will pass away.

**ANTHEM** "Poor Man Lazrus"

Jester Hairston

**SCRIPTURE** Luke 16:19-31

NRSVUE

<sup>19</sup> "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted [luxuriously] every day. <sup>20</sup> And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup> who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. <sup>22</sup> The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. <sup>23</sup> In Hades,

where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side.

<sup>24</sup> He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.'

<sup>25</sup> But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. <sup>26</sup> Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.'

<sup>27</sup> He said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house— <sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.'

<sup>29</sup> Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.'

<sup>30</sup> He said, 'No, Father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.'

<sup>31</sup> [Abraham] said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.' "

## **SERMON**

**Pastor Jason Dauer**

### **\*HYMN #773**

"Heaven Shall Not Wait"

1 Heaven shall not wait for the poor to lose their patience,  
the scorned to smile, the despised to find a friend:  
Jesus is Lord; he has championed the unwanted;  
in him injustice confronts its timely end.

2 Heaven shall not wait for the rich to share their fortunes,  
the proud to fall, the elite to tend the least:  
Jesus is Lord; he has shown the master's privilege:  
to kneel and wash servants' feet before they feast.

3 Heaven shall not wait for the dawn of great ideas,  
thoughts of compassion divorced from cries of pain:  
Jesus is Lord; he has married word and action;  
his cross and company make his purpose plain.

4 Heaven shall not wait for triumphant Hallelujahs,  
when earth has passed and we reach another shore:  
Jesus is Lord in our present imperfection;  
his power and love are for now and then for evermore.

## **SHARING OF THIS WEEK'S PRAYER REQUESTS**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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 PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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### \*HYMN #542

"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

- 1 God be with you till we meet again;  
loving counsels guide, uphold you,  
with a shepherd's care enfold you:  
God be with you till we meet again.
- 2 God be with you till we meet again;  
unseen wings protecting hide you,  
daily manna still provide you:  
God be with you till we meet again.
- 3 God be with you till we meet again;  
when life's perils thick confound you,  
put unfailing arms around you:  
God be with you till we meet again.
- 4 God be with you till we meet again;  
keep love's banner floating o'er you;  
smite death's threatening wave before you:  
God be with you till we meet again.

## 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.*

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### ***Participants in this worship service:***

Jason Dauer, pastor | Elder Jim Segedy, liturgist  
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!**

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!

BOOK CLUB MEETS WEEKLY, 10:00AM, Tuesdays at the home of Rhonda Apossos, 361 Maple Avenue, Edgewood, reading "The Fifth Gospel" by Ian Caldwell.

ONLINE BIBLE STUDY led by Elder Tim Hoffman has resumed: Wednesdays at 7:30PM via Zoom.

THIS AFTERNOON, YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED to the Ordination and Installation Service for Jason Dauer at 4:00PM in the sanctuary. Join us for a worship service celebrating the call of Jason as our pastor with special guests from the Presbytery as well as Jason's life and ministry as he officially becomes a Teaching Elder and Minister of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church (USA). A reception will follow to celebrate Reverend Dauer!

NEXT SUNDAY, we will join with Christian brothers and sisters around the globe in celebration of World Communion Sunday.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS will take place on Tuesday, October 4 from 6-7PM on the Side Lawn.

CROP WALK: ON OCTOBER 9, the Pittsburgh East community will celebrate its 45th year of walking to end hunger one step at a time. The oldest walk in the country is sponsored by Church World Service. 25% of what we raise is returned as grants to East End Common Ministries and Wilksburg Community Ministry. FPCE will participate in this event with walkers Judy and Mariah Mysels and Rhonda Apossos and family, who aim to raise \$800. If anyone else would like to join our small group of walkers, let Rhonda or Judy know. We gather at the South Avenue United Methodist Church at 1:00 to prepare for the 10K loop through Squirrel Hill and back. The walk distance is 6.2 miles. Walking time is approximately 2.5 hours. The route is a little different this year since the Fern Hollow Bridge is out and a detour is in place. You can participate by either walking or sponsoring FPCE walkers at: <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/team/first-presbyterian-church-of-edgerwood>

**LOVE GOD  
EACH OTHER  
OUR NEIGHBORS**

## 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, September 25

12:00PM Fellowship (GP)  
4:00PM Ordination & Installation Service (S)  
5:00PM Welcome Reception (GP)

### Monday, September 26

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

### Tuesday, September 27

10:00AM Book Club (AH)  
7:00PM ESO Rehearsal (S)

### Wednesday, September 28

7:30PM Bible Study (Zoom)

### Thursday, September 29

3:45PM Flute Lessons (O)  
7:00PM Milepost6 (B)  
7:00PM SAA (L)

### Friday, September 30

4:15PM Flute Lessons (O)  
8:30PM AA (SR)

### Saturday, October 1

8:30PM AA (SR)

### World Communion Sunday, October 2

9:30AM Choir Rehearsal (S)  
11:00AM Communion Worship (S)  
Youth Sunday School (GP)  
12:00PM Fellowship (GP)

## How can you become involved?

As we 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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*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.*

