

#### WELCOME

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Mighty Wind, who danced over the deep and surveyed the shapeless void,

# People: dance over us now and ready us for your creative purpose.

Leader: Divine Word, who commanded unruly chaos and called forth light and life,

# People: call to us now and open us to new expressions of grace.

Leader: Eternal Artist, who formed us in your likeness and claimed us as kin,

# People: Re-form and refine us to be bearers of your blessing.

Leader: Holy Trinity—Creator, Christ, Spirit— who gathered the primeval waters,

People: gather us in, then send us out, our voices echoing creation's song: How majestic is your name in all the earth!

#### PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Leader: Gracious Father, giver of all good things: For our home on earth and for your unfailing mercy,

# People: we give you thanks.

Leader: Christ, our redeemer: For your sacrifice on the cross and rising from death that we might live,

## People: we give you thanks and praise.

Leader: Holy Spirit, giver of life: For your abiding presence in our lives and for comforting and guiding us,

# People: we give you thanks, praise, and glory.

Leader: O triune God: To you be glory and praise now and forever. **Amen.** 

**HYMN** 

"Holy, Holy, Holy!"

Hymnal 1

## RECEIVING FORGIVENESS FROM GOD AND EACH OTHER

CALL TO CONFESSION

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish, but have eternal life. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Spoken and Silent (After the corporate Prayer of Confession, please take a few moments of silence to individually confess our sins to God.)

Lord Jesus, you send us to make disciples of all nations, but we focus our energies inward and shy away from sharing the good news in word and deed. You charge us to teach your commandments, but we struggle to obey them and neglect to model them for others. You assure us of your abiding presence, but we doubt this promise and disregard your Spirit, denying the power you give us to do your work. Forgive us, Lord, and renew us to be the church you created us to be. Wash us with your grace and commission us for service in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

## **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Leader: God did not send the Son to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## **HEARING THE WORD**

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 8

SCRIPTURES Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Matthew 28:16-20 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

MESSAGE Stories of Creation: Spoken into Being

Rev. Piper Cartland

#### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Jesus Christ is God with humankind. He is the eternal Son of the Father, who became human and lived among us to fulfill the work of reconciliation. He is present in the church by the power of the Holy Spirit to continue and complete his mission. This work of God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, is the foundation of all confessional statements about God, humanity, and the

world. Therefore, the church calls all people to be reconciled to God and to one another. Adapted from the Confession of 1967

## BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS PASTORAL PRAYER MINUTES FOR MINISTRY OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

## CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

HYMN "Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud" Hymnal **11** INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S

PRAYER (we say *sin*)
Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** 

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.** 

WORDS OF INSTITUTION COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

**PRAYER** 

## GOING INTO THE WORLD

HYMN "Go My Children, With My Blessing" Hymnal **547** CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

## **Announcements**

The prayer deacon this week is Stephanie Spencer. You can email or text her any prayer requests that you would like Piper to mention during the Pastoral Prayer. If you need her cell number, please call the church office. Stephanie will also be watching the chat on the Sunday livestream and text any requests to Piper. Please remember that those comments are part of the live broadcast and visible to whoever is watching.

Please remember to visit the "Ways to Give" tab on the church website: www.erpresbyterian.org

- 1) Donate online with a credit card by clicking the link from our website.
- 2) Visit your local bank or your bank's website and set up a recurring electronic payment.
- 3) Checks can be mailed to PO Box 771337 Eagle River, AK 99577-1337.

There will be three **work-evenings** this month! Tuesdays, June 9, 16, and 23, from 6:30 pm – 9:00pm. 3-4 people are needed each night. Tasks include moving furniture, sweeping/shop vacuuming the sanctuary floor, vacuuming the nursery carpet, vacuuming carpet in Sunday school rooms, installing temporary flooring (Food Pantry hallway), installing vinyl flooring (fellowship room), building a storage rack for wall banners, installing a heating duct, installing speakers/lights in the ceiling, touching up paint, etc. There will be a designated team leader each night to manage the work. If you can bring tools, a hand truck, furniture dollies, and/or stepladder, please do. Work gloves, sturdy footwear, kneepads, etc. too. Please contact the church secretary in advance if you can help so we can properly plan.

We are collecting egg shells for the garden again this year. There is a clear plastic bag on a pole in the corner of the garden where your egg shells can be placed. If you are willing to volunteer to mow/weed whack the front and perimeter grass, please sign up in the Narthex or let the office know.

Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, will be our first Prayer Gathering in the church parking lot. We will meet at 6:30 p.m. for sharing and prayer. Please wear a mask, be ready to observe social distancing and bring something to sit on. Bible Study will continue on June 17th: we'll work through the Buddhism module for two weeks. If you haven't joined, it's not too late – just let the church office know and we'll send you the materials.