

September 20, 2020  
GATHERING TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE  
WELCOME  
CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise the Lord who is our provider.

**People: The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.**

Leader: God brought us out of bondage and has made us free.

**People: The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.**

Leader: Glorious are the deeds of our God, and mighty are his acts.

**People: The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Gracious God, we thank you for being ever present with us. We know that we are never alone. Your mercies have been faithful and rich. Pour out your Spirit upon us, that we might do the work of your will. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

HYMN "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" Hymnal 81

RECEIVING FORGIVENESS FROM  
GOD AND EACH OTHER

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor, trusting in the promise of forgiveness.

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.)*

**Almighty God, we have been wandering in the wilderness of sin. We have complained in the face of your mercy. We have been selfish and conceited in the face of your sacrifice. We have not done your will. Teach us humility. Teach us gratitude. Infuse your spirit into our beings so that we might be reconciled to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: People of God, our sins are forgiven. The Lord is loving, and we are reconciled to God.

**People: Therefore, let us humble and surrender ourselves to the will of God for the glory of the Lord.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANTHEM "Ceaseless Praise" Larry Baumgartner

HEARING THE WORD

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 124  
SCRIPTURE Exodus 17:1-7  
Matthew 21:23-32  
Philippians 2:1-13

SERMON **No Fair! Who's in Charge?** Rev. Piper Cartland

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER, followed by The Lord's Prayer (we say *sin*)

MINUTES FOR MINISTRY

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

HYMN "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Hymnal 475

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

## Announcements

The prayer deacon this week is Nancy Davis. You can email her any prayer requests that you'd like Piper to mention during the pastoral prayer.

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The fall **congregational meeting** is today at 11:00 am immediately following the morning worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to vote on Rev. Cartland's 2021 terms of call, and to transact other business as appropriate. The meeting will be conducted via Zoom.

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Food Pantry needs: 1 or ½ dozen egg cartons. Volunteers for Tuesday afternoon/evening and Friday morning-please contact the food pantry at 694-5228.

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**Sunday School** is meeting Monday afternoons at 4:00 pm at ERPC.

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**Lay leaders** are needed to read the Call to Worship, Prayer of Invocation, and the Psalm. Please let Piper know if you can record readings for the online service.

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Here are some ways you can keep up with your financial stewardship:

- 1) Donate online with a credit card by clicking the link from our website: [www.erpresbyterian.org](http://www.erpresbyterian.org).
- 2) Visit your local bank or your bank's website and set up a recurring electronic payment. Your bank may require the church's account number. Please call the office for that information.
- 3) Checks can also be mailed to PO Box 771337 Eagle River, AK 99577-1337.



Jeff Duft	4-Sep
Taya Peterson	4-Sep
Dennis Spencer	11-Sep
Ellen Koenen	14-Sep
Brent Koenen	17-Sep
John Malecha	21-Sep
Andrew Cottle	24-Sep
Kelly Blalock	24-Sep
Becky Musick	28-Sep
Cora Rasic	28-Sep
Jerry McNearney	28-Sep
Joe Braunwarth	28-Sep
Janet Blalock	29-Sep
Christa Cartland	30-Sep
Connor Spencer	30-Sep



Jim & Lorinda Mitchell...September 3  
Bill & Ethel Dougherty...September 7  
Suellyn Novak & Larry Baumgartner...Sept 23

