Eagle River Presbyterian Church August 22, 2021

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Please take a moment during the Prelude to silence your cell phones and quietly prepare yourself for worship.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The living God has sent the living bread from heaven to fill our hearts with strength! In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God our strength, you have brought us into your holy place through Christ, who has the words of eternal life. As you made us alive by his flesh and blood, cause us to boldly witness to the gospel, welcome the stranger, and pursue peace, standing through the struggles of our times. **Amen.**

*HYMN

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Hymnal 275

RECEIVING FORGIVENESS FROM GOD AND EACH OTHER

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*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.)

Watchful God, you know our plight. Offended, we have not believed your words. Complaining, we have betrayed your love. We are weak, estranged, wandering, and lost. Seeking to stand in our own strength, we fall. Strangers to your holiness, we wander. Defenseless against evil within and without, we are lost. Shine your light in our darkness and guide us back to our place in you. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: The Living God hears our cry and forgives our sin!

People: The Lord God is a sun and shield, bestowing favor and honor on us through Christ, the bread from heaven, who brings us back to God and feeds us with his strength. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HEARING THE WORD

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 84 Pew Bible **p.420**

SCRIPTURE 1 Kings 8:1-43 Pew Bible **p.243**

John 6:56-69 Pew Bible **p.756**Ephesians 6:10-20 Pew Bible **p.830**

MESSAGE God Provides: Strength Beyond Measure

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

GOING INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN "Standing on the Promises" Hymnal 838

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

^{*}Those who are able please stand.

WELCOME! It is a joy to worship together in person. So that we may do so safely, here are the basic tenets for our COVID-19 Mitigation Plan: masks and social distancing are not required (but are recommended for those who are unvaccinated, immunocompromised, or for anyone who feels more comfortable doing so for any reason); please place tithes/offerings in the offering plates at the back of the sanctuary; fellowship will be shared outside, as weather permits.



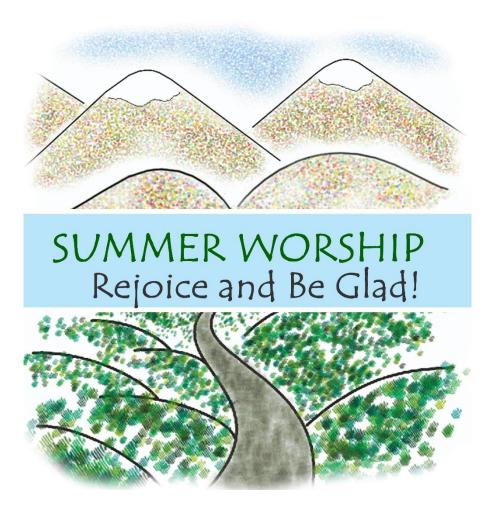
LARGE PRINT HYMNALS are on the last row of pews, with a black cover. If you use one, please put it back after worship.



ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES available on request. Please request one from the Sound Tech at the sound desk.

There are cards in the pews for visitors to fill out and for anyone who needs to update their information. Please place the cards in the offering plates as needed. If you are visiting today, the worship service is our gift to you. Please contribute to the offering or not, as God leads. We delight in welcoming you, and we are glad that you're here!

Children up to kindergarten age are welcome in the nursery. There are clipboards with coloring pages in the narthex if your children wish to stay in the sanctuary.



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Joint Session/Deacons/Trustees

meeting

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For security, the front door combination has been changed. If you need the new combination, please call the office.

If you would like to donate money to help the victims of the earthquake in Haiti, the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance has an easy way to give. Visit pda.pcusa.org/situation/Haiti to help.

Ways you can keep up with your financial stewardship:

- 1) If you're worshipping with us in person, you may leave your gift in one of the offering plates as you leave the sanctuary this morning. The plates are on the table to the right of the main door.
- 2) Donate online with a credit card by clicking the link from our website: www.erpresbyterian.org.
- 3) 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.
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