

Eagle River Presbyterian Church  
September 26, 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: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**People: the maker of heaven and earth.**

Leader: Our hope is in the name of the Lord,

**People: the healer of all that is wounded.**

Leader: Our trust is in the name of the Lord,

**People: the one we gather to worship and praise.**

\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Eternal God, you have called us to be members of one body. Join us with those who in all times and places have praised your name, that, with one heart and mind, we may show the unity of your church, and bring honor to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

\*HYMN "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" Hymnal 385

## 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.)*

**Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great**

**compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Do not cast us away from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Hear the good news! If we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. Therefore, consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## HEARING THE WORD

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 124 Pew Bible p.441

SCRIPTURE Esther 4:10-17; 7:1-10; 9:20-22 Pew Bible p.356  
Mark 9:38-50 Pew Bible p.715  
James 5:13-20 Pew Bible p.856

MESSAGE **A Good Life: A Good Cause** 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 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" Hymnal 465

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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\*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: If the level of community transmission is substantial or high, the session recommends mask wear and social distancing by all congregants. If the level is low or moderate, mask wear and social distancing will be optional for vaccinated and recommended for unvaccinated and immunocompromised. The level of community transmission is posted by the entrance. Tithes/offerings may be placed 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.

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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!

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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.



*This is the Day  
the LORD  
Has Made!*

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Weekly Walk		
Sunday	10:00 am	Worship
Sunday	11:00 am	Congregational Meeting
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Deacons Meeting

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Last week's In-Person Attendance ----- 39  
 Month to Date Income ----- \$15,431.10  
 Month to Date Expenses ----- \$16,935.27

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Please stay for the **Congregational Meeting** immediately following worship today. The purpose of the meeting is to vote on Rev. Cartland's 2022 terms of call, and to transact other business as appropriate. We need a quorum, so please attend if possible. A link has been emailed to the congregation for anyone who is worshipping virtually and would like to attend the meeting via Zoom.

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The early onset of winter combined with the current high level of Covid transmission means that the session has decided to suspend after-worship patio fellowship. We will resume when it's either warm enough again to share fellowship outside or when the transmission rate drops to a safer level and we can eat inside.

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**Here are some 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](http://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.
- 4) Checks can also be mailed to PO Box 771337 Eagle River, AK 99577



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 Brent Koenen  
 John Malecha  
 Andrew Cottle  
 Kelly Blalock  
 Becky Musick  
 Cora Rasic  
 Jerry McNearney  
 Joe Braunwarth  
 Janet Blalock  
 Christa Steuben  
 Connor Spencer



Jim and Lorinda Mitchell  
 Bill and Ethel Dougherty  
 Suellyn Novak and Larry Baumgartner

If you don't see your name, and it belongs here, please let the office know!

