**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 heavens declare the righteousness of God. The earth declares God’s beauty.

**People: From the rising of the sun to its setting God’s word shines forth in glory.**

\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

O Lord, our God, you are always more ready to give your good gifts to us than we are to seek them, and you are willing to give more than we desire or deserve. Help us to seek that we may truly find, ask that we may joyfully receive, knock that the door of your mercy may be opened to us through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

\*HYMN “Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty” Hymnal **35**

**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.)*

**Holy God, you call us to do good, seek justice, and care for those in need, yet how often we place our own comforts above compassion for others. Forgive us, we pray, and cleanse us from these and all our offenses through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: God is merciful and kind; though our sins are like scarlet, they become like snow. Be at peace, for your sins are washed clean by the goodness of God.

**People: Through the mercy of Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

**HEARING THE WORD**

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 80:1-7 Pew Bible **p.419**

SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 23:23-29 Pew Bible **p.554**

Luke 12:49-56 Pew Bible **p.738**

Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Pew Bible **p.852**

\*HYMN “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” Hymnal **465**

MESSAGE *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

\* “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” Hymnal **606**

**GOING INTO THE WORLD**

\*HYMN “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” Hymnal **475**

\*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: 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.

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS with a black cover, are on the small bookcase in the rear of the sanctuary. 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.

Thank you to Suellyn Novak for sponsoring the flowers on the communion table this month.



***Eagle River Presbyterian Church***

***August 14, 2022***



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

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2) Donate online with a credit card by clicking the link from our website: www.erpresbyterian.org.

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