

Eagle River Presbyterian Church
April 25, 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: We gather to worship the Good Shepherd,

People: who lays down his life for his sheep.

Leader: We gather to worship Jesus Christ,

People: who calls us to lay down our lives for others.

Leader: Easter people, Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Almighty God, you sent Jesus, our good shepherd, to gather us together. May we not wander from his flock, but follow wherever he leads us, listening for his voice and staying near him, until we are safely in your fold, to live with you forever; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

*HYMN "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" Hymnal 187

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.)*

O God, you have called us to love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. You have laid down your life for us and commanded us to lay down our lives for one another. Still, O

Lord, we offer empty thoughts and prayers when the world needs our hands and our feet. Still, O Lord, we fail to share our lives with the world, hiding behind a myth of independence. Forgive us, we pray, and by your forgiveness, raise us to new life in you.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: We seek God's grace with boldness because we trust in Jesus Christ, the One who loves us and laid down his life for us. This is the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HEARING THE WORD

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 23 Pew Bible p.392

SCRIPTURES Acts 4:5-12 Pew Bible p.773
 John 10:11-18 Pew Bible p.760
 1 John 3:16-24 Pew Bible p.863

MESSAGE All We Like Sheep Rev. Randy Hoffbeck

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 "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" Hymnal 803

*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: Wear your mask; maintain 6 ft physical distance between households; cleanse hands frequently; no singing is allowed, but congregants are encouraged to hum; place tithes/offerings in the offering plates at the back of the sanctuary. To keep us all safer, please remember not to gather in the Narthex after worship – continue your fellowship in the parking lot instead. Thank you!



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.



LIVING IN A RESURRECTION WORLD

April 25, 2021

Welcome to Eagle River Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY April 25, 2021

Weekly Walk

Sunday	10:00 am	Worship
Sunday	10:15 am	Children's Sunday school
Sunday	12:30 pm	Combined Youth Group @ First Presbyterian Anchorage
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Deacons meeting at church

Last week's in-person attendance ----- 34

Month-to-date Undesignated Income ----- \$18,255.80

Month-to-date Regular Expenses ----- \$15,228.57



We are happy to welcome Randy Hoffbeck to our pulpit today. Randy is a long-time friend of ERPC and currently the interim pastor of Trinity Presbyterian Church. He and Rev. Cartland swapped pulpits today!

Volunteers needed: We are planning to remove and replace the shingle roof at the building entrance in May. We'd like 2 unskilled laborers (hauling shingles, etc) and 2-4 skilled laborers (demo the existing roofing and install new roofing). We'll be using wheelbarrows, climbing ladders, using hand tools and nail guns, etc. for 2-3 days. Good work and good fellowship! If you're interested please contact the church office.



Teen job opportunity: Birchwood camp in Chugiak is hiring kitchen help for the summer season. Please visit www.birchwoodcamp.org for more information.



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.
- 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



Bruce Davis	3-Apr
Gail Duft	7-Apr
Nathan Walters	8-Apr
Bill Walters	10-Apr
Dean Davidson	10-Apr
Weston Braunwarth	10-Apr
Peyton Lewis	15-Apr
Jeff Toth	16-Apr
Scott Dietrich	21-Apr
Ethan Petroccia	22-Apr
Kelli Toth	25-Apr
Sonya Kmak	27-Apr

Kay and Lucy Witt.....April 1
Dean and Donna Davidson.....April 26
Andrew and Jennifer Cottle.....April 30

